# SOUTH CAROLINA PUBLIC SERVICE AUTHORITY (SANTEE COOPER) DISTRIBUTED GENERATION RIDER (RETAIL) <u>RIDER DG-17</u>

## Section 1. Availability:

(A) Service hereunder is available on a first-come, first-served basis to residential and nonresidential Customers receiving concurrent retail electric service from the Authority who independently install and operate a distributed generation system to supply a portion of their energy requirements. The total installed capacity of all leased and owned distributed generation facilities shall not exceed two percent of the previous five-year average of the residential and commercial customer class contribution to coincident retail peak demand, after which service under this Rider will no longer be available to new customers. Service hereunder shall be available only upon the approval of the Authority.

## Section 2. Applicability:

(A) This Rider is applicable to all residential and non-residential customers in the retail service area of the Authority and shall be limited to Customers receiving concurrent service from the Authority where a photovoltaic or other qualifying generation source of energy as determined by the Authority is installed on the Customer's side of the delivery point, hereinafter the "Customer-Generator", for the Customer's own use, interconnected with and operated in parallel with the Authority's distribution system. Upon a Customer's installation of a qualifying generation source of energy other than a photovoltaic system, the Authority reserves the right to adjust the effective Standby Charge as listed in Section 4(A)(2) as appropriate.

(B) This Rider is only applicable for installed single-phased generation systems that comply with the Authority's then current Standard for Interconnecting Customer-Owned Small Generation hereinafter the "Interconnection Standard", which may be modified by the Authority as deemed necessary. The Nameplate Rating of the Customer's installed generation system and equipment must not exceed the lesser of 20 kW if a residential customer, 1,000 kW if non-residential customer, or the estimated maximum monthly kilowatt (KW) demand. The Customer must comply with the liability insurance requirements of the Interconnection Standard and submit an application to interconnect which must be accepted by the Authority. The Customer agrees to pay an application fee in accordance with the Interconnection Standard and any costs associated with upgrades required to maintain a safe and reliable distribution system.

### Section 3. Character of Service:

(A) The Authority shall measure the energy delivered to the Customer by the Authority and the energy generated by the Customer-Generator and delivered to the Authority. In each hour, the measured energy generated by the Customer-Generator and delivered to the Authority will be subtracted from measured energy delivered to the customer by the Authority. This calculation will determine the customer's net energy usage. Charges or credits will be determined using the appropriate seasonal energy charges and other charges as set forth in Section 4 (A) herein below. If a Customer's bill for the month results in a net credit to the Customer, the Authority will issue the credit in the form of a check if it is greater than or equal to \$50.00. If the credit is less than \$50.00, then it will be applied to the next billing month.

(B) The Authority will furnish, install, own and maintain metering to measure the kilowatt demand delivered by the Authority to the Customer, and to measure the net kilowatt-hours purchased by the Customer or delivered to the Authority. The Authority shall have the right to install special metering and load research devices on the Customer's equipment and the right to use the Customer's telephone line for communication with the Authority's and the Customer's equipment.

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(C) If the Customer is not the owner of the premises receiving electric service from the Authority, the Authority shall have the right to require that the owner of the premises give satisfactory written approval of the Customer's request for service under this Rider.

(D) The Authority reserves the right to terminate the Customer's service under this Rider at any time upon written notice to the Customer in the event that the Customer violates any of the terms or conditions of this Rider or the Interconnection Standard, or operates the generation system and equipment in a manner which is detrimental to the Authority or any of its customers.

(E) While receiving service from the Authority under this Rider, the Customer-Generator may retain ownership of any Renewable Energy Credits produced by the Customer-Generator's system. The Authority reserves the right to adjust this Section 3 (E) regarding the ownership of Renewable Energy Credits at its discretion in the future.

(F) Due to the experimental nature of this Rider, the Authority may deem it necessary to reevaluate this Rider and, as with all schedules, reserves the right to revise, eliminate, or close this Rider to new customers; provided, however, that this Rider shall not be closed prior to December 31, 2020 to any existing Customer receiving service under this Rider.

Section 4. Monthly Rates & Charges:

(1)

- (A) <u>Basic Monthly Charges:</u>
  - Metering Charge:

For each month, a charge of ......\$2.00

(2) Stand-By Charge:

(a)

For each kW of installed capacity, a monthly charge of:

(b) Commercial.....\$4.70/kW

Residential .....\$4.40/kW

- (3) Energy Credits:
  - (a) All kWh during the Summer Season......\$0.0416/kWh
  - (b) All kWh during the Non-Summer Season .......\$0.0384/kWh

Summer Season – The Summer Season energy credit shall apply to all kWh delivered from the Customer-Generator to the Authority for bills rendered during the months of June, July, August and September. Energy credits for such bills shall not be prorated for periods outside of these four calendar months.

Non-Summer Season – The Non-Summer Season energy charge shall apply for all kWh delivered from the Customer-Generator to the Authority for bills rendered in months other than the Summer Season.

(4) Energy Charges:

As set forth in the applicable rate schedule.

(5) Monthly Bill:

To determine a customer's monthly energy charges, the net energy usage for all hours with net usage greater than zero will be summed and multiplied by the Energy Charge as stated in Section 4(A)(4). To determine a customer's monthly energy credits, the net energy usage for all hours with net usage less than zero will be summed and multiplied by the effective Energy Credit as stated in Section 4(A)(3).

To produce a monthly bill, all hourly credits and charges will be summed, and added to other metering, demand, standby charges, and/or applicable taxes and other charges as set forth in the applicable rate schedule or as identified herein. Such a combination of charges and credits may result in a monthly bill below the monthly Minimum Charge as set forth in Section 4 (C) herein below. The Minimum Charge will be charged in any month with net usage of zero for the monthly billing period.

#### (B) Adjustments to Energy Credits:

The Energy Credits shall be adjusted at least annually to reflect changes in the Authority's determination of its projected cost of energy.

### (C) Minimum Charge:

The monthly minimum charge shall be the "Customer Charge" as determined by the applicable rate schedule plus the "Metering Charge" plus any applicable "Stand-By or Demand Charges". Customers taking service under any demand-metered rate schedules shall be exempt from Stand-By Charges.

### (D) Taxes:

Amounts for "payments in lieu of taxes", as prescribed by the Code of Laws of South Carolina §58-31-80, §58-31-90, and §58-31-100, as amended, have been included in the establishment of the above monthly rate. The charges computed at the above monthly rate also shall be subject to all other taxes, payments in lieu of taxes, franchise fee, and surcharges imposed by any governmental authority. In addition, South Carolina Sales Tax, if any, will be added to each bill unless the Customer has furnished the Authority evidence of specific exemption secured by the Customer from the South Carolina Tax commission or its successor.

### Section 5. Payment:

Bills will be rendered monthly on a net basis. All bills are due and payable at the offices of the Authority or at such other place as the Authority may designate within 15 days after the date on which the bill is mailed or otherwise rendered. If payment is not received by said due date, the amount of the bill will be increased on the next bill rendered and on subsequent bills rendered each month thereafter until paid by the larger of fifty cents (\$.50) or two percent (2%) of the amount then outstanding including late payment charges.

# Section 6. Terms and Conditions:

Service hereunder is subject to the Authority's "Terms and Conditions of Retail Electric Service" currently in effect which is available at the Authority's retail offices.

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