STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Petition of the Office of Regulatory Staff to Establish Dockets to Consider Implementing the Requirements of Section 1251 (Net Metering and Additional Standards) of the Energy Policy Act of 2005

BEFORE THE
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF SOUTH CAROLINA

COVER SHEET

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Cover Sheet
VIA HAND DELIVERY

The Honorable Charles Terreni
Chief Clerk/Administrator
South Carolina Public Service Commission
101 Executive Center Drive (29210)
Post Office Drawer 11649
Columbia, South Carolina 29211

RE: Petition of the Office of Regulatory Staff to Establish Dockets to Consider Implementing the Requirements of Section 1251 (Net Metering and Additional Standards) of the Energy Policy Act of 2005
Docket No. 2005-385-E

Dear Mr. Terreni:

By Order No. 2007-618 ("Order"), dated August 30, 2007, the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("Commission") directed South Carolina Electric & Gas Company ("SCE&G" or "Company") to file a tariff that would allow its customers the opportunity to engage in net metering and for those customers wishing to take advantage of net metering to have a choice between a "flat rate" or "time-of-use with demand component" tariff. In compliance with Order No. 2007-618 and enclosed for filing is a copy of SCE&G’s net metering tariffs entitled “Rider to Time-of-Use Demand Rates 7 (Experimental) and 28, Net Metering for Renewable Energy Facilities” and “Rider to Rate PR-1 (Experimental), Net Metering for Renewable Energy Facilities” (collectively referred to as the “Net Metering Tariff Sheets”).

The Net Metering Tariff Sheets provide qualifying customers with the option of utilizing either a flat-rate or time-of-use rate with demand component. In accordance with the Order, SCE&G designed the Net Metering Tariff Sheets to eliminate, as much as possible, any cross-subsidization of customers; however, the possibility exists that cross-subsidization of customers could occur. Furthermore, since net metering will be a brand new service offered by SCE&G, the Company has designated these tariffs as experimental so that if any revisions become necessary they can be made pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. § 58-27-870(F) (Supp. 2006).

To complete our files, please indicate that these new Net Metering Tariff Sheets are consistent with Order No. 2007-618 by including on the face of each new tariff sheet the customary legend of “Approved For Filing” which will constitute conclusive evidence that the Net Metering Tariff Sheets are consistent with the Order and are to be implemented as filed. After the new Net Metering Tariff Sheets have been approved for filing, please return copies of the tariff sheets to us.

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Additionally, due to administrative tasks that must be completed internally to implement the Net Metering Tariffs, SCE&G respectfully requests that the tariffs become effective for bills rendered on and after the first billing cycle of June 2008.

If you have any questions, please advise.

Very truly yours,

K. Chad Burgess

KCB/kms

cc: all parties of record
AVAILABILITY

This rider is available in conjunction with the Company's Residential Service Time-of-Use Demand Rate 7 or the Company's General Service Time-Of-Use Demand Rate 28 to customers who operate a solar photovoltaic, wind-powered, biomass-fuel, or micro-hydro generating system located and used at the customer's primary legal residence or business where a part or all of the electrical requirements of the customer can be supplied from the customer's generating system. The customer may not utilize batteries to supply energy to the Company. The rated capacity of the generating system shall not exceed the lesser of the customer's estimated maximum annual kilowatt demand or 20 kilowatts for a residential system or 100 kilowatts for a non-residential system. The customer generating system as referenced above must be manufactured, installed and operated in accordance with governmental and industry standards and must fully conform with the Company's "Standard for Interconnecting Small Generation 100 KW or Less with Electric Power Systems."

This rider is available on a first come, first serve basis, except that the total capacity of all customer generating units on this rider shall not exceed 0.2% of the Company's South Carolina electric retail peak load in kw for the prior calendar year. If the customer's proposed installation results in exceeding this limit, the customer will be notified that service under this rider will not be allowed.

CHARACTER OF SERVICE

The applicable character of service is specific to the rate schedule that the customer receives service under.

RATE PER MONTH

The applicable rate per month shall be from the appropriate time-of-use demand rate schedule as referenced in the availability section above. The monthly bill shall be determined as follows:

1. The basic facilities charge shall be from the applicable rate schedule as described in the availability section above.

2. The demand charge shall be determined as outlined in applicable rate schedule as described in the availability section above.

3. Energy charges (or credits) shall be based on the rates in the applicable rate schedules as described in the availability section above and on the net on-peak and off-peak kilowatt hours purchased from or delivered to the Company for the billing month. For any billing month during which either the on-peak or off-peak energy charges are a net credit, the respective on-peak and/or off-peak energy charges for the billing month shall be zero. Any energy credits shall carry forward on the following month's bill by first applying excess on-peak kwh against on-peak kwh charges and excess off-peak kwh against off-peak kwh charges, then applying any remaining on-peak kwh against any remaining off-peak kwh charges. Effective with the seasonal rate change on June 1st of each year, any accrued energy credit will be reset to zero. Credits shall not offset the basic facilities charge or the demand charge for the applicable rate schedule.

4. Excess energy not used in the current billing month to reduce billed kwh usage shall be accumulated and used to reduce usage in future months; however, any accumulated excess energy not used to reduce billed kwh usage shall be set to zero each June 1st. Excess energy delivered prior to June 1st will only be used to reduce usage provided by the Company prior to June 1st. There will be no compensation paid to the customer for excess energy granted to the Company.

DEFINITIONS

1. Excess energy delivered to the Company shall be defined as energy produced by the customer's generation that exceeds the energy delivered by the Company during a given time period. This excess energy shall be used to reduce energy delivered and billed by the Company during the current or a future month, as provided in the rate per month section above.

2. The on-Peak and off-Peak periods shall be defined in the applicable time-of-use rate schedules.

Effective for bills rendered on and after the first billing cycle of June, 2008
RIDERS TO TIME-OF-USE DEMAND RATES 7 AND 28 (EXPERIMENTAL)

NET METERING FOR RENEWABLE ENERGY FACILITIES

MINIMUM CHARGE

The monthly minimum charge shall be the basic facilities charge plus the demand charge as stated in the applicable rate.

GENERAL PROVISIONS

1. To qualify for this rider, the customer must first qualify for and be served on one of the rate schedules as described in the availability section above. The customer must also meet all other qualifications as outlined in the availability section above.

2. All provisions of the applicable rate schedules described above including, but not limited to Billing Demand, Determination of On-Peak Hours, Adjustment for Fuel Costs, Storm Damage Component, Sales and Franchise Tax, Payment Terms, and Special Provisions will apply to service supplied under this rider.

3. Customers served under this rider are not eligible for the Company's Small Power Production, Cogeneration Rate PR-1 and the Rider to Retail Rates for Palmetto Clean Energy, Inc.

4. The customer must execute an “Application to Interconnect Small Generation 100 kw or Less” and an “Interconnection Agreement for Small Generation Less Than 100 kw” prior to receiving service under this rider. The agreement shall include the Company’s “Standard for Interconnecting Small Generation 100 kw or less with Electric Power Systems” that describes the conditions related to interconnection of the customer generation with the Company’s electrical system.

TERM OF CONTRACT

Contracts shall be written for a period of not less than one (1) year and shall be renewed for successive one (1) year periods. After the initial period, either party may terminate service under this rider by giving a sixty (60) day notice in writing. A separate contract shall be written for each meter at each location.

GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

The Company’s General Terms and Conditions are incorporated by reference and are part of this rider.

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RIDERS TO RATE PR-1
(EXPERIMENTAL)

NET METERING FOR
RENEWABLE ENERGY FACILITIES

AVAILABILITY

This rider is available in conjunction with the Company’s Small Power Production, Cogeneration Rate PR-1, and will be limited to the first 50 customers applying for this service. It is only applicable to customers operating a generation source in parallel with the Company’s system, while also receiving concurrent electric service from the Company under an approved retail rate schedule. This customer generation source will be located on the Customer’s side of the delivery point, and shall not exceed the lesser of the estimated maximum annual kilowatt demand or 20 kilowatts for a residential customer or the lesser of the estimated maximum annual kilowatt demand or 100 kilowatts for a non-residential customer. This rider is only available for the following renewable energy sources: solar photovoltaic, wind-powered, biomass-fuel, or micro-hydro generation. The customer may not use batteries as a qualifying source of energy. The customer’s generation equipment as referenced above must be manufactured, installed, and operated in accordance with governmental and industry standards and must fully conform with the Company’s “Standard for Interconnecting Small Generation 100 KW or Less with Electric Power Systems.” Standby service, if required, shall be provided under the terms of the Company’s Rate 15 Supplementary and Standby Service.

CHARACTER OF SERVICE

The applicable character of service is specific to the rate schedule that the customer receives service under.

RATE PER MONTH

The customer’s rate shall consist of the following two components:

1. The charges under the electric rate schedule that the customer qualifies for and takes service under, which includes basic facilities charges, energy charges, and demand charges, if applicable.

2. The charges (or credits) as defined in the Company’s Rate PR-1 for energy delivered to the Company, and demand if applicable.

MINIMUM CHARGE

The monthly minimum charge shall be the basic facilities charge for the customer’s applicable rate schedule, any applicable demand charges, and the seller charge as listed on Rate PR-1.

METERING REQUIREMENTS

The Company will furnish, install, own, and maintain metering at the point of delivery for customers served under this Rider. This metering will measure the customer’s monthly demand if required, and will also record independently the flow of electricity from the Company to the customer and from the customer to the Company as required by the Rate Per Month section above.

GENERAL PROVISIONS

1. To qualify for this rider, the customer must receive electric service pursuant to one of the Company’s approved retail rate schedules as described in the availability section above. The customer must also meet all other qualifications as outlined in the availability section above.

2. All provisions of the applicable rate schedules available in conjunction with this rider including, but not limited to Billing Demand, Determination of On-Peak Hours, Adjustment for Fuel Costs, Storm Damage Component, Sales and Franchise Tax, Payment Terms, and Special Provisions will apply to service supplied under this rider.

3. The customer must execute an “Application to Interconnect Small Generation 100 KW or Less” and an “Interconnection Agreement for Small Generation Less Than 100 KW” prior to receiving service under this rider. The agreement shall include the Company’s “Standard for Interconnecting Small Generation 100 KW or Less with Electric Power Systems” that describes the conditions related to interconnection of the customer generation with the Company’s electrical system.

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SPECIAL PROVISIONS

The Company will furnish service in accordance with its standard specifications. Non-standard service will be furnished only when the customer pays the difference in costs between non-standard service and standard service or pays to the Company its normal monthly facility charge based on such difference in costs.

TERM OF CONTRACT

Contracts shall be written for a period of not less than one (1) year and shall be renewed for successive one (1) year periods. After the initial period, either party may terminate service under this rider by giving a sixty (60) day notice in writing. A separate contract shall be written for each meter at each location.

The Company reserves the right to terminate the customer’s contract under this Rider at any time upon written notice to the customer in the event that the customer violates any of the terms and conditions noted herein, or if the customer operates the generation system and equipment in a manner that is harmful to the Company or any of its customers. The customer may also be responsible for any early cancellation costs, if applicable, at the time of such termination.

GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

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CERTIFICATE
OF SERVICE

This is the certify that I have caused to be served this day one (1) copy of South
Carolina Electric & Gas Company’s Letter dated November 28, 2007 and Net
Metering Tariff Sheets were served via U.S. First Class Mail to the persons named
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