Thinking about Wind or Solar?

NORTH WEST REC
Your Touchstone Energy® Cooperative

CALL US TO GET STARTED: 800-766-2099

North West REC (NWREC) is pleased to work with our members who are considering the installation of solar panels, a wind turbine or any other renewable energy system. We want to remind you that we believe the key issues are *safety*, *reliability,* and *integrity* of the power grid that serves your fellow members.

INTERCONNECTION & NET METERING:

We will interconnect with all qualifying renewable energy systems if members have signed an interconnection agreement with NWREC and meet our interconnection requirements.

Net metering is offered on qualifying renewable energy systems up to 50 kW in size. However, the renewable energy system needs to be sized according to the member's electric load which is defined as the average monthly peak kW demand. *This number must come from North West REC. Call us for this net metering number.*

IF YOU INSTALL RENEWABLE ENERGY:

- Member would NOT be able to remain on the electric heat rate.
- Member is NOT eligible to still receive energy efficiency rebates.
- Member must sign an interconnection agreement - $250 application fee.
- Member responsible for paying cost of the required second meter $500 for single-phase; $1,000 for three-phase.
- Member must provide proof that they have insurance.
- Member is responsible for all expenses to upgrade the line and service entrance.
- Member must have a visible handle disconnect installed.
- Member must have a licensed electrician sign off on the project.

TALK TO US 1st
Iowa law states that members must provide written notification to the cooperative at least 30 days before construction or installation of a renewable energy system.

SYSTEM SIZING
In order to net meter with us, the new system must be sized according to the member's average monthly KW demand load. This number must come from North West REC.

OUR POLICIES
Every co-op has different policies in place regarding renewables, learn about ours and avoid misunderstandings. Talk to us before you sign anything. We're here to help!

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