Nevada’s ‘Tier 2’ net excess energy credit reaches full subscription of 80 megawatts of rooftop solar generation

Carson City, Nev. - The applied-for and installed capacity for the rooftop solar net energy metering (“NEM”) program in Nevada has reached a combined 80 megawatts under the Tier 2 net excess energy credit rate structure established by Assembly Bill (“AB”) 405.

Tier 2 was opened in August 2018 when the applied-for and installed capacity for the NEM program exceeded a combined 80 megawatts in Tier 1. Tier 3 is now open for new applications.

The NEM rate structure outlined in AB 405 includes four tiers and is set to decrease over time – NEM customers in the Tier 1 category receive a credit of 95% of the retail rate for the net excess electricity sent back to the grid and beyond what was delivered to them by NV Energy over the monthly billing period. Tier 2 customers will receive a net-excess energy credit of 88% of the retail rate. Similar to Tiers 1 and 2, the newly-opened Tier 3 is available to 80 megawatts of rooftop solar capacity. Tier 3 customers will receive 81% of the retail rate for net excess generation. Tier 4 customers will receive 75% of the retail rate for net excess generation. There is no capacity limit for Tier 4. All NEM customers, regardless of Tier, will continue to receive credit at 100% of the retail rate for all generation up to the amount of electricity that they consume from NV Energy during a monthly billing period.

Updated applied-for and installed NEM rooftop solar capacity totals for Tiers 1-3 are posted on the PUCN’s website each business day at www.puc.nv.gov.

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