

# BLOCK ISLAND POWER COMPANY

## Net Metering Policy, revised effective January 1, 2014

Approved, BIPCo Board of Directors, December, 2013

1. The Board of Directors of the Block Island Power Company (BIPCo) hereby modifies BIPCo's voluntary Net Metering Policy as follows, effective January 1, 2014 for a period of one (1) year.
2. Eligible Installations: All installations that use renewable energy resources as defined in R.I.G.L. § 39-26.4-2(1) are eligible for net metering if they are:
  1. privately owned and located on parcels for that customer's residential use, and
  2. conforming to Block Island Ordinances, including all Planning and Zoning requirements, and Block Island's Comprehensive Plan, and
  3. certified by the Town Building Inspector that the installation is proper, and
  4. Total wattage by plate of all units does not exceed 3% of BIPCo's yearly peak.
3. The Block Island Post Office Building is an eligible grandfathered installation.
4. No installations that service commercial customers are allowed to be net metered.
5. All installations must have "smart meters" that will allow BIPCo to measure the amount of electricity delivered and received. (NOTE: The three existing windmills have dual meters because of their age and configuration but function in the same manner as the newer smart meters and will be considered to be smart meters for this purpose).
6. All accounts will be reconciled monthly.
7. The total capacity of the current, non grandfathered accounts plus future installations of all types may not exceed 3% of BIPCo's previous year's peak. Once the cap is reached, BIPCo will not allow additional net metering, unless the cap is increased by BIPCo due to an increase in BIPCo's net peak.
8. Net metering credits- "'Excess Renewable Net Metering Credit" means a credit that applies to the eligible net metering systems for that portion of the renewable self-generator's production of electricity beyond one hundred percent (100%) and no greater than one hundred twenty-five percent (125%) of the renewable self-generator's own consumption at the eligible net metering system site during the applicable billing period. Such excess renewable net metering credit shall be equal to BIPCo's avoided cost rate, which BIPCo declares to be the fuel charge for that month. The applicable billing period is monthly. Such credits may be

paid by BIPCo or accumulated to offset future bills at the discretion of the ratepayer.

9. The customer must install equipment approved by BIPCo which prevents the flow of electricity into BIPCo's system when BIPCo's supply is out of service.
10. BIPCo shall have the right to disconnect any facility if in BIPCo's opinion the facility interferes or is likely to interfere with BIPCo's service to other customers.
11. All interconnection costs associated with the facility shall be borne by the customer.