

# SOLAR 101 MEETING

Sept. 15 | 6:30 pm | PPEC office



Thanks for being an engaged member of your community cooperative



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  - George Carter. President & CEO
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    - Rate Design
  - Peter Niagu
    - Conservation Pyramid
    - Solar Power potential
    - Solar & Usage Patterns
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    - Net Billing Examples
    - Payback Examples
    - Step-By-Step
  - Steve Kahle
    - Engineering



# WELCOME

- Thank you for taking the time to be here.
- We hold these meetings as informational sessions.
- Help you make the best decision for YOU.
- Open and transparent.

# Renewable Energy Philosophy

- Paulding Putnam Electric Cooperative supports renewable energy.
- We have wind and solar demonstration units available for members.
- Remember – if you sell back to the grid – you are now a “utility”.
  - Risk
  - Insurance
- Mission Statement supports “sustainable energy solutions”.
- Coal based generation – need to maximize investment, while transition to a renewable future.

# Renewable Energy Philosophy

- Buckeye Power impacts:
  - The Ohio Cooperatives own Buckeye Power.
    - Ohio cooperatives members own Buckeye Power – control their generation.
  - Brief history...
  - Long-term, all-requirements power delivery contracts – limits ownership by coops for renewable (or other) generation.
  - As members we own and control our generation supply.

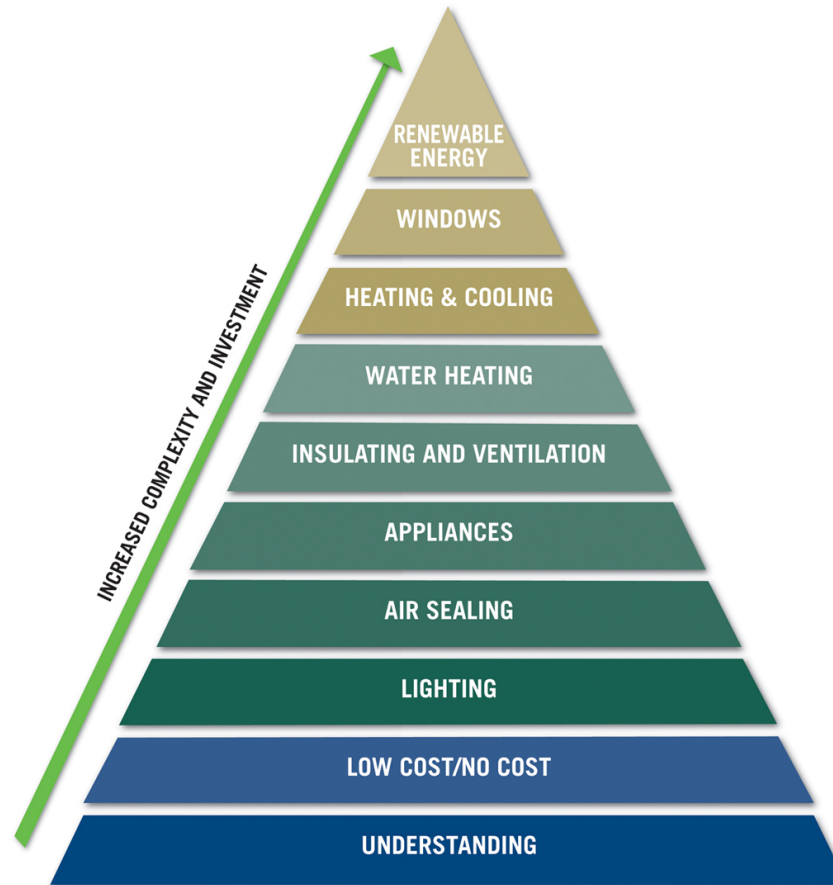


# Rate Design

- Consideration for all members.
  - On/Off/Working/Not Working ????
  - Members expect 100% reliable electricity
- Energy Credits directly from Buckeye Power.
- Fair cost recovery?
  - Power Supply as a “pass-through”
  - Members pay for grid access and Distribution Service
- Generation, Transmission and Distribution costs.
- “Net Metering” – PPEC does not support the concept of “net metering”.

# CONSERVATION PYRAMID

WHERE DO I BEGIN?



## How do solar panels work?

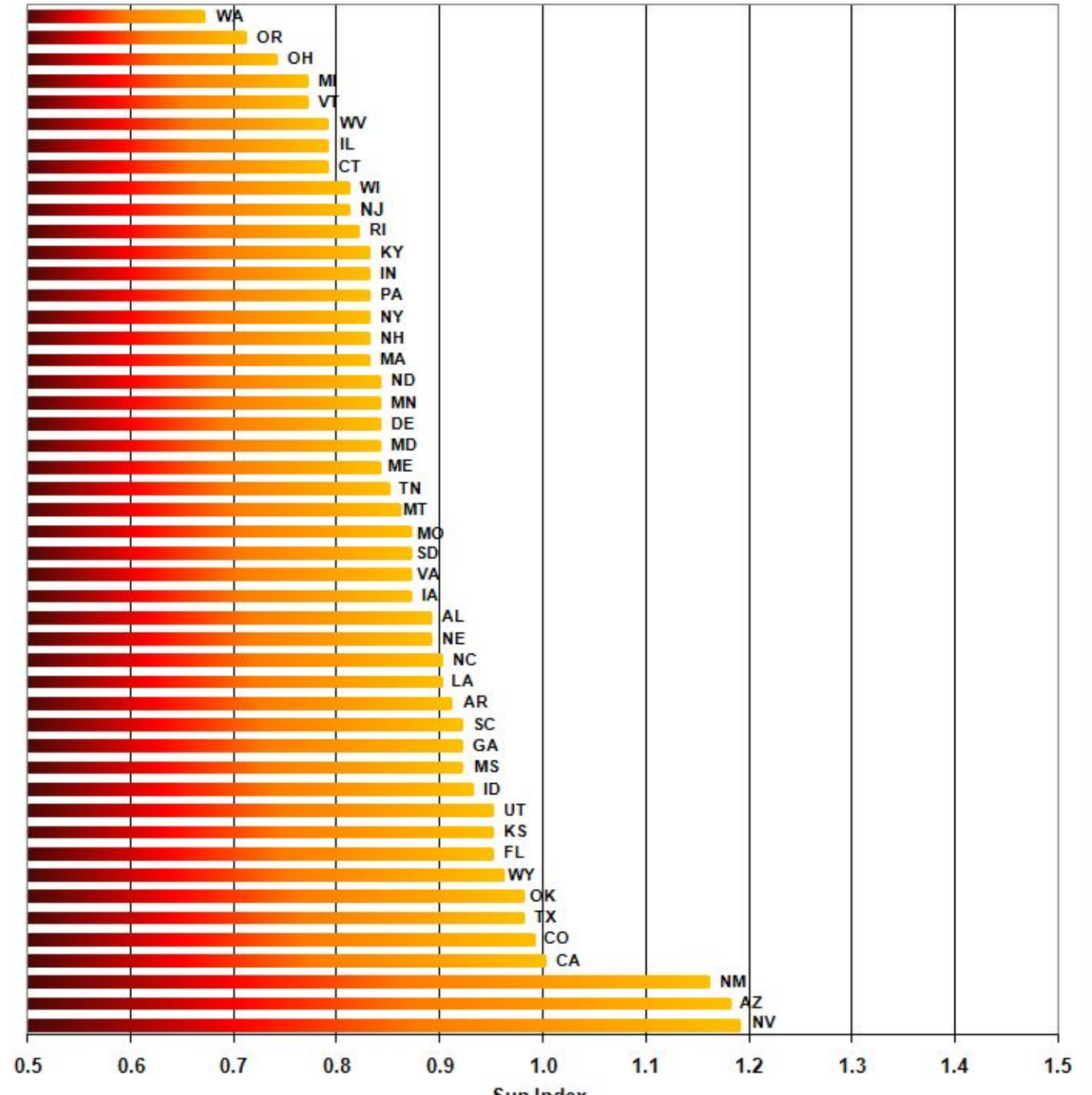
When the sun shines onto a solar panel, energy from the sunlight is absorbed by the Photovoltaic cells in the panel. This energy creates electrical charges that move in response to an internal electrical field in the cell, causing electricity to flow.



# Comparison of Solar Power Potential by State

- The sun index is defined as an index of the amount of direct sunlight received in each state and accounts for latitude and cloud cover. The amount of direct sunlight was derived from numbers provided by the National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL), Renewable Resource Data Center. The sun index was calculated as the average number of hours of peak direct sunlight hours per year from 1960 to 1990.

Solar Power Potential  
2006

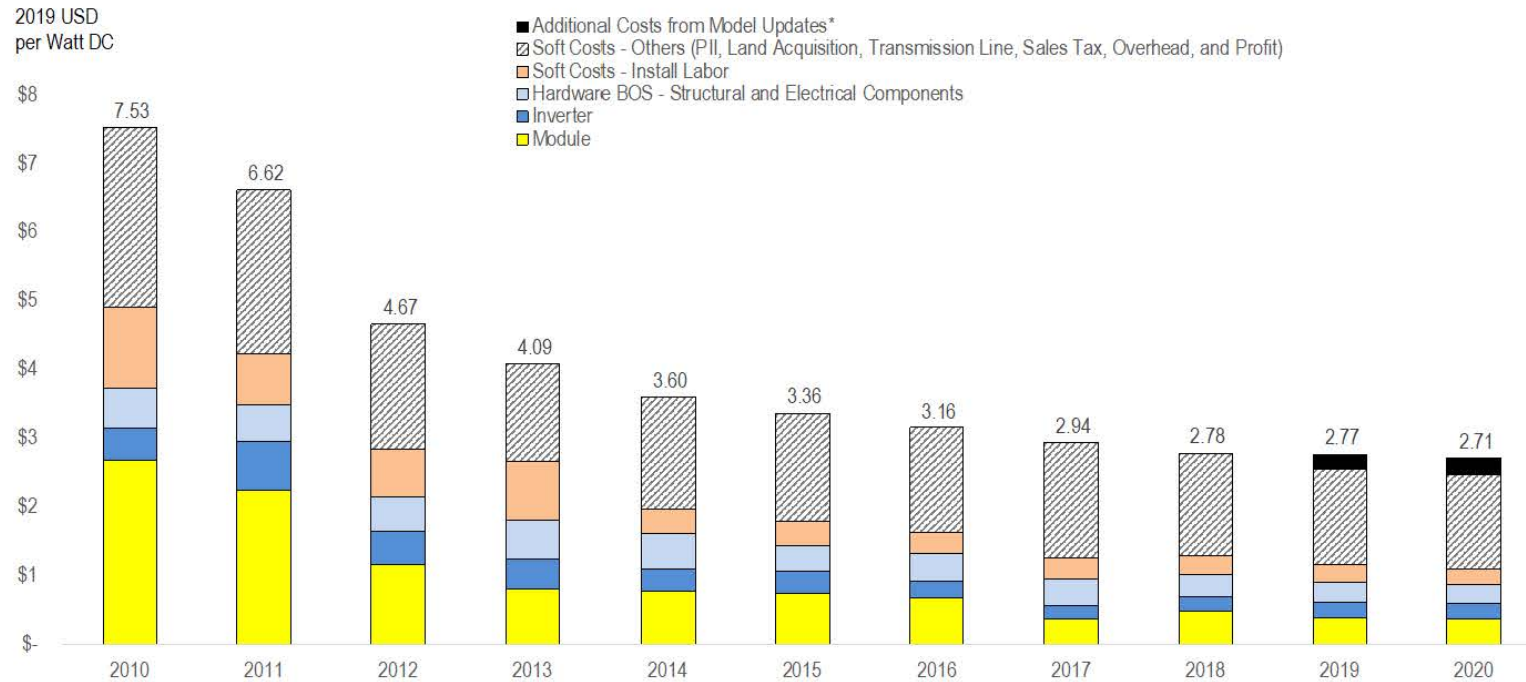


<https://neo.ne.gov/programs/stats/inf/201.htm>



How is solar viable  
in our area?

# Residential PV: Capital Cost Benchmark Historical Trends



From 2010 to 2020, there was a 64% reduction in the residential PV system cost benchmark. Approximately 57% of that reduction can be attributed to total hardware costs (module, inverter, and hardware BOS), as module prices dropped 85% over that period. An additional 20% can be attributed to labor, which dropped 84% over the period, and the final 22% is attributed to other soft costs, including PII, sales tax, overhead, and net profit.

Looking at this past year, from 2019 to 2020, there was a 2% reduction in the residential PV system cost benchmark.

\* The current version of our cost model makes a few significant changes from the version used in our Q1 2018 benchmark report (Fu, Feldman, and Margolis 2018), and it incorporates costs that had previously not been benchmarked in as much detail. To better distinguish the historical cost trends from the changes to our cost models, we calculate Q1 2019 and Q1 2020 PV benchmarks using the Q1 2018 version of the residential PV model. The "Additional Costs from Model Updates" category represents the difference between modeled results. Using the previous cost model, the Q1 2019 and Q1 2020 benchmarks are calculated to be \$2.56/W<sub>DC</sub> and \$2.47/W<sub>DC</sub> respectively.



# Net Metering vs. Net Billing

Under 'Net Metering' the solar energy which a Member generates for themselves is metered, so that any excess electricity which is generated can be banked (think "rollover data") to the Member's account for future consumption.

'Net Billing', on the other hand, allows solar Member's to generate electricity for personal use, and sell any excess energy to the utility company at wholesale or "avoided cost" prices, while purchasing power at the retail rate.

<https://osceolaenergy.com/guide-net-metering-net-billing/>

# Residential Rate to Net Billing Rate

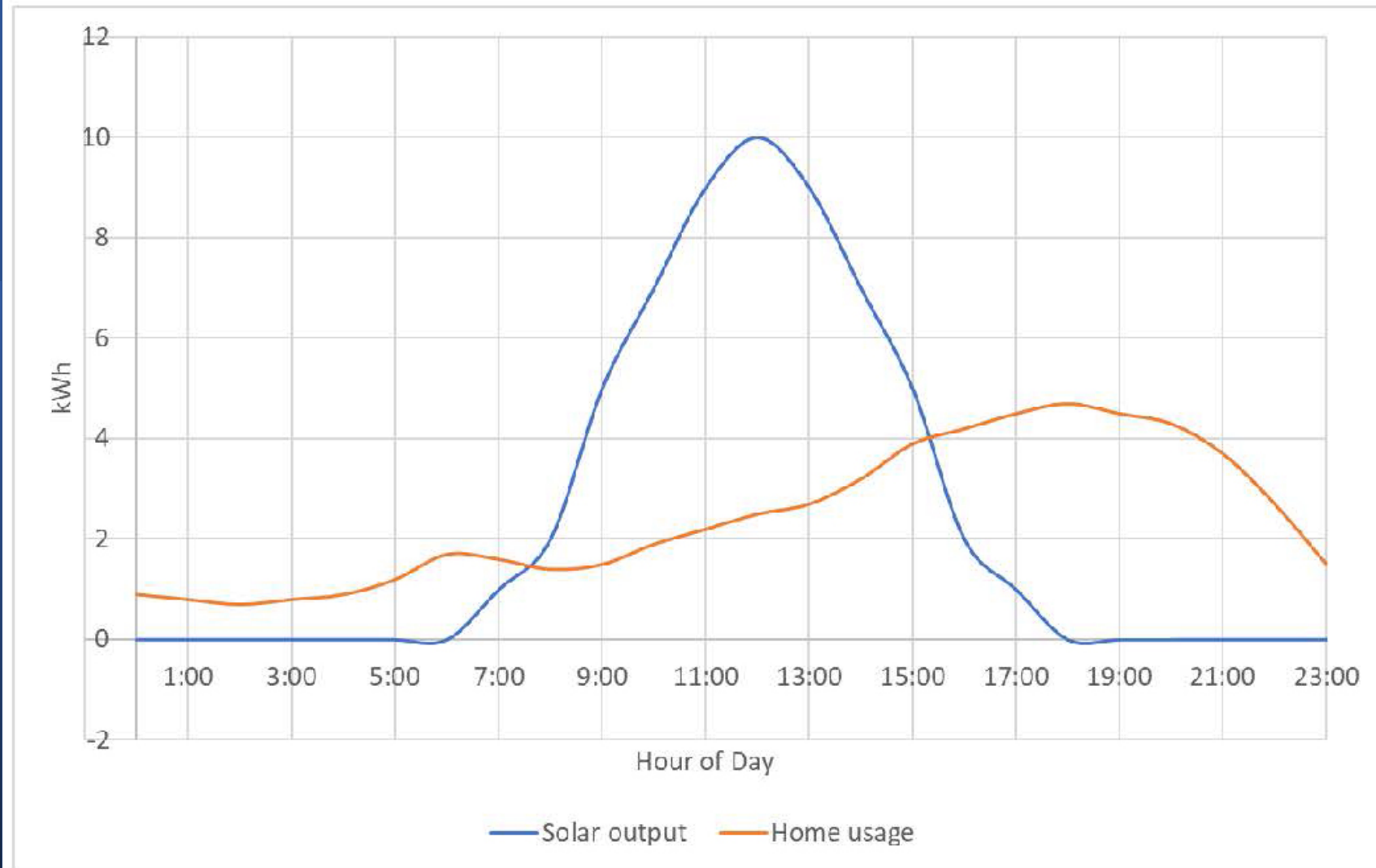
## Residential Service- Indiana/Ohio

Service Charge per month:	\$32.95
Distribution Energy Charge per kWh:	\$0.01913
<u>Generation &amp; Transmission Energy Charge per kWh</u>	<u>\$0.08093</u>
Total Energy Charge per kWh	\$0.10006

## Residential Net Billing Service- Indiana/Ohio

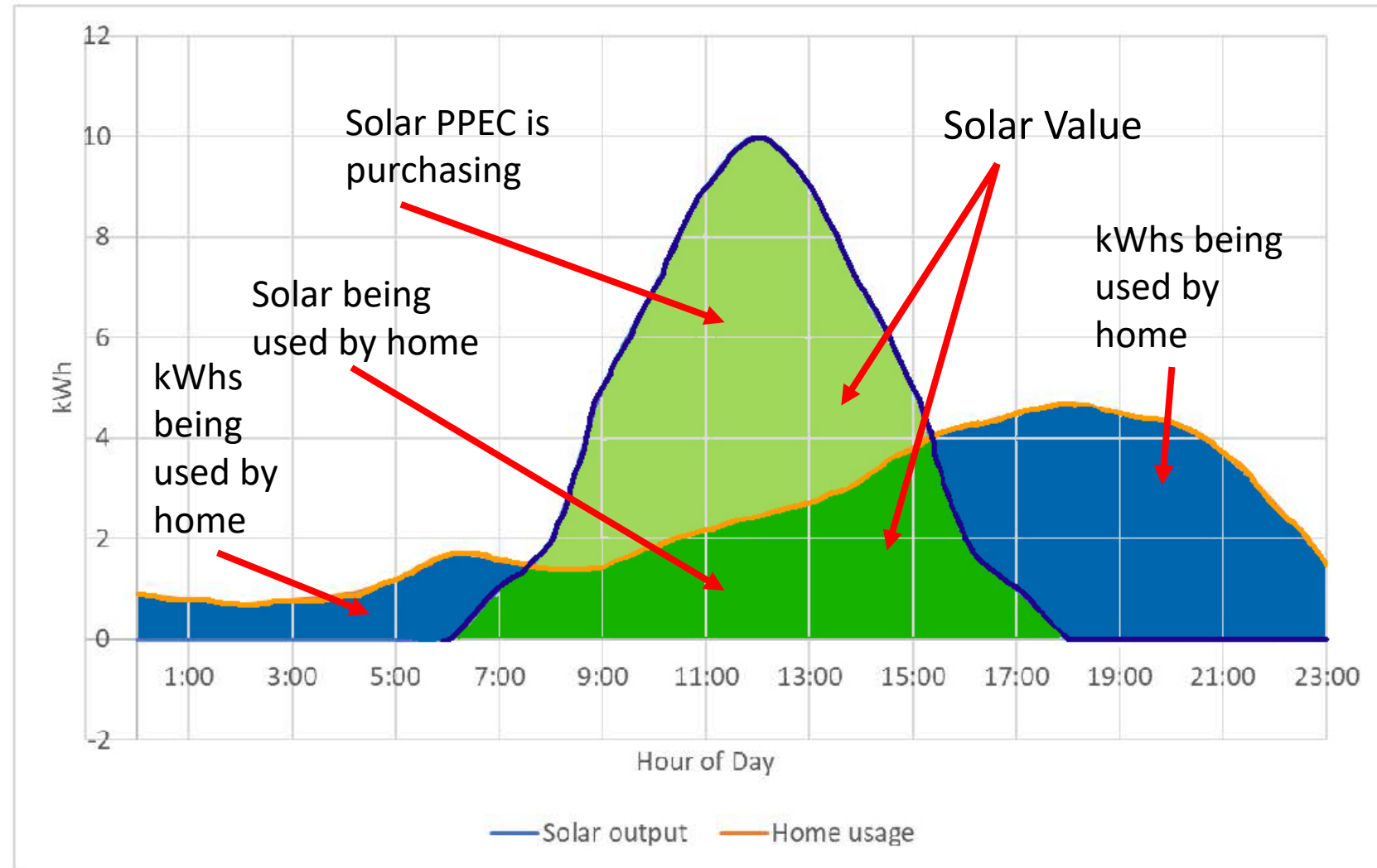
<u>Service Charge per month:</u>	<u>\$52.95</u>
Total Energy Charge per kWh	\$0.08340
Distribution Generation Credit (excess buy back)	\$0.05700

# Solar & Usage patterns





# Solar & Usage Patterns



# Net-Billing Example

12 Month Net Billing Example						
Month	Solar Array Generation (kWh)	Total Member usage (house) (kWh)	Total Solar (kWh) PPEC received	Total Member usage from PPEC (kWh)	Billing (\$52.95 Service Charge + \$0.083/kWh or - \$0.057 / kWh excess)	Total Charges
January	510	1859	0	1349	\$52.95 + \$111.97	\$164.92
February	1028	2467	0	1439	\$52.95 + \$119.44	\$172.39
March	1526	1671	0	145	\$52.95 + \$138.69	\$191.64
April	1402	1262	140	-140	\$52.95 + (\$7.98)	\$44.97
May	1568	1332	236	-236	\$52.95 + (\$13.46)	\$9.49
June	1432	1312	120	-120	\$52.95 + (\$6.84)	\$46.10
July	1542	1252	290	-290	\$52.95 + (\$16.53)	\$36.42
August	1452	1505	0	53	\$52.95 + \$4.40	\$57.35
September	1378	1551	0	173	\$52.95 + \$14.36	\$67.31
October	1020	1075	0	55	\$52.95 + \$4.57	\$57.52
November	982	1310	0	328	\$52.95 + \$27.22	\$80.17
December	602	1504	0	902	\$52.95 + \$74.87	\$127.82
<b>Total</b>	14442	18100				
<b>Sizing</b>	79.80%					

## Payback Example

- Assume a home that uses 15,000 kWh
- Install a 10 Kw-dc system
  - will produce about 12,000 kWh/year, or about 80% of the home's usage
  - install cost of \$2.50/ W-dc-equal to roughly \$25,000. After incentives, roughly \$18,500
- Assume:
  - Retail rate of \$0.083/kWh
  - Avoided cost rate of \$0.057/kWh



## Payback Example- Net Billing

- If 7% of solar kWhs are sent back to the grid, then we should expect the following solar values:
  - $7\% \times 12,000 = 840 \text{ kWh}$  credited at  $\$0.057 = \$ 47.88$
  - $93\% \times 12,000 = 11,160 \text{ kWh}$  valued at  $\$0.083 = \underline{\$ 926.28}$
  - Total annual solar value =  $\$ 974.16$
  - Simple payback of 18.9 years at  $\$2.50/\text{W-dc}$  install price

## Step-By-Step Process

Before choosing a solar system, be sure your home is as energy efficient as possible.

- Investing in energy efficiency provides a faster return on your investment.
- By improving your home's energy efficiency first, you will reduce your overall energy use, and may reduce the size of PV system needed.

## Step-By-Step Process

### **Make sure your roof is in tip-top shape.**

- a. If yours is older, you may want to repair or replace before installing a roof-top solar PV system.
- b. Remember, a PV system may last up to 30 years; be sure your roof will last, too.



## Step-By-Step Process

**\*Research solar and solar contractors thoroughly before investing in a system.**

A. Get at least 3 quotes before choosing a contractor.

B. Work closely with the cooperative for advice and assistance with interconnecting to the grid.

C. The cooperative can provide history of your energy use.

## Step-By-Step Process

Call the cooperative before you go forward with the project, so you have a complete understanding of the billing changes.

## Step-By-Step Process

When you have decided on a contractor, send in the proper application filled out completely, with the application processing fee.

## Step-By-Step Process

After PPEC receives the application and processing fee:

- The cooperative will review your last 3 years of energy use and confirm it falls within our policy of sizing UP TO 80% of your previous 3-year 12-month average.
- Engineering will review the specifications of the proposed system and do a study to be sure our equipment can handle the power. If the system falls within our parameters, you will then get an approval to start construction.



## Step-By-Step Process

The interconnect agreements must be completed and signed before construction is completed (typically the interconnect agreements are handled by the contractor).

After completion, PPEC will make a site visit to test the disconnect unit and exchange the meter to a bi-directional meter.

Project complete.

# Solar Array Installation & Requirements



# Site Layout

## PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

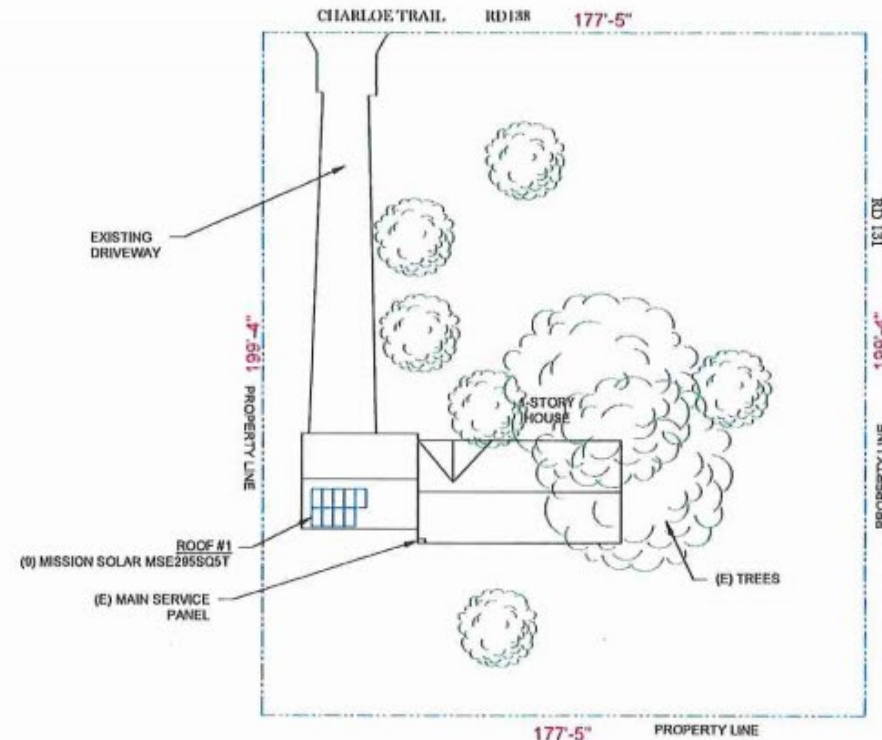
9 x MISSION SOLAR MSE295SQ5T MODULES  
ROOF MOUNTED SOLAR PHOTOVOLTAIC MODULES  
SYSTEM SIZE: 2.66 kW DC STC  
ARRAY AREA: ROOF #1- 161.01 SQ. FT.

### EQUIPMENT SUMMARY

09 MISSION SOLAR MSE295SQ5T MODULES  
09 SOLAREEDGE POWER OPTIMIZER P300  
01 SOLAREEDGE SE3800H-US INVERTER

APPLICABLE CODES & STANDARDS  
BUILDING: OHIO BUILDING CODE 2017  
ELECTRICAL: NEC 2017  
DESIGN SPECIFICATION  
OCCUPANCY: II  
CONSTRUCTION: SINGLE-FAMILY  
ZONING: RESIDENTIAL  
GROUND SNOW LOAD: 20 PSF  
WIND EXPOSURE: B  
WIND SPEED: 115 MPH

AUTHORITIES HAVING JURISDICTION  
BUILDING: PAULDING COUNTY  
ZONING: PAULDING COUNTY  
UTILITY: PAULDING-PUTMAN



1 PLOT PLAN WITH ROOF PLAN

SCALE: 1/32"=1'-0"



2 HOUSE PHOTO

SCALE: NTS

PROJECT SITE



3 VICINITY MAP

SCALE: NTS

### SHEET INDEX

PV-1 PLOT PLAN & VICINITY MAP  
PV-2 ROOF PLAN & MODULES  
PV-2A STRING LAYOUT  
PV-3 ATTACHMENT DETAIL  
PV-4 ELECTRICAL LINE DIAGRAM  
PV-5 WIRING CALCULATIONS  
PV-6 SOLAREEDGE OPTIMIZER CHART  
PV-7 to 11 EQUIPMENT SPECIFICATIONS

REVISIONS		
DESCRIPTION	DATE	REV

Signature with Seal

PROJECT NAME & ADDRESS

DESIGNED BY

PHS

SHEET NAME

PLOT PLAN &  
VICINITY MAP

SHEET SIZE

ANSI B  
11" X 17"

SHEET NUMBER

PV-1

# Site Layout

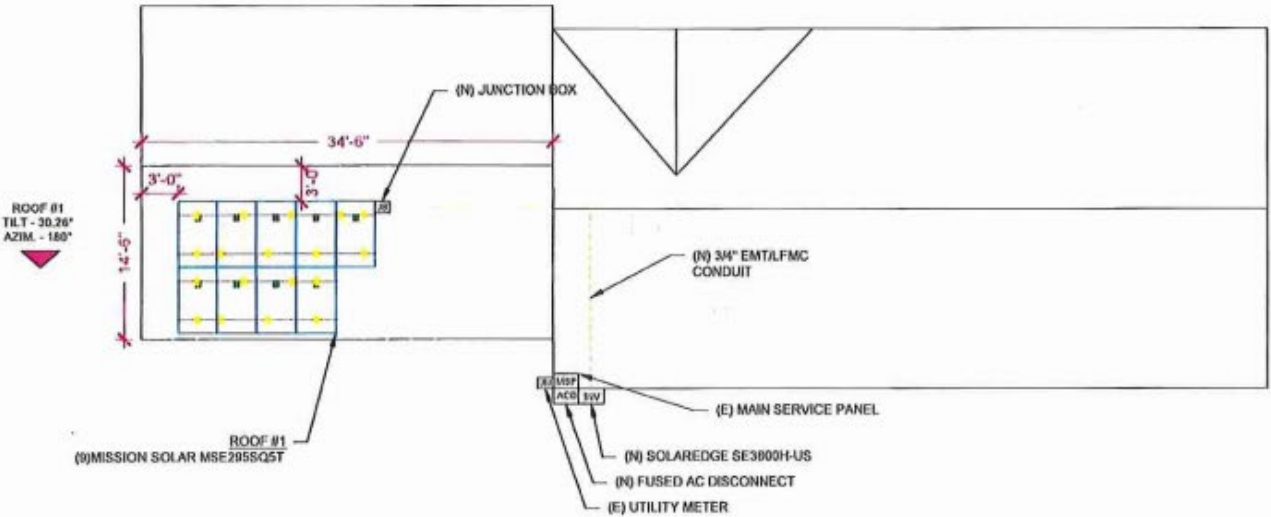
## MODULE TYPE, DIMENSIONS & WEIGHT

NUMBER OF MODULES = 9 MODULES  
MODULE TYPE = MISSION SOLAR MSE295SQ5T MODULES  
MODULE WEIGHT = 40.1 LBS / 18.2 KG.  
MODULE DIMENSIONS = 65.51" x 39.33" = 17.89 SF

ROOF DESCRIPTION				
ROOF TYPE		COMPOSITE SHINGLE		
ROOF LAYER		2 LAYERS		
ROOF	ROOF TILT	AZIMUTH	RAFTER SIZE	RAFTER SPACING
#1	30.26°	180°	2X8	24"

ARRAY AREA & ROOF AREA CALC'S				
ROOF	# OF MODULES	ARRAY AREA (Sq. Ft.)	ROOF AREA (Sq. Ft.)	ROOF AREA COVERED BY ARRAY (%)
#1	9	161.010	499.85	32

(E) FRONT OF RESIDENCE

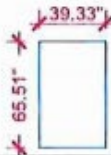


(E) BACK OF RESIDENCE

1 ROOF PLAN & MODULES  
SCALE: 3/32"=1'-0"



MISSION SOLAR  
MSE295SQ5T  
MODULES



## LEGEND

- JB - JUNCTION BOX
- INV - INVERTER
- DC - INTEGRATED DC DISCONNECT
- SLD - SOLAR LOAD CENTER
- PM - PRODUCTION METER
- MSP - MAIN SERVICE PANEL
- VENT, ATTIC FAN (ROOF OBSTRUCTION)
- ROOF ATTACHMENT
- RAFTERS
- CONDUIT
- COMBINER BOX

REVISIONS		
DESCRIPTION	DATE	REV

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PROJECT NAME & ADDRESS

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ROOF PLAN & MODULES

SHEET SIZE

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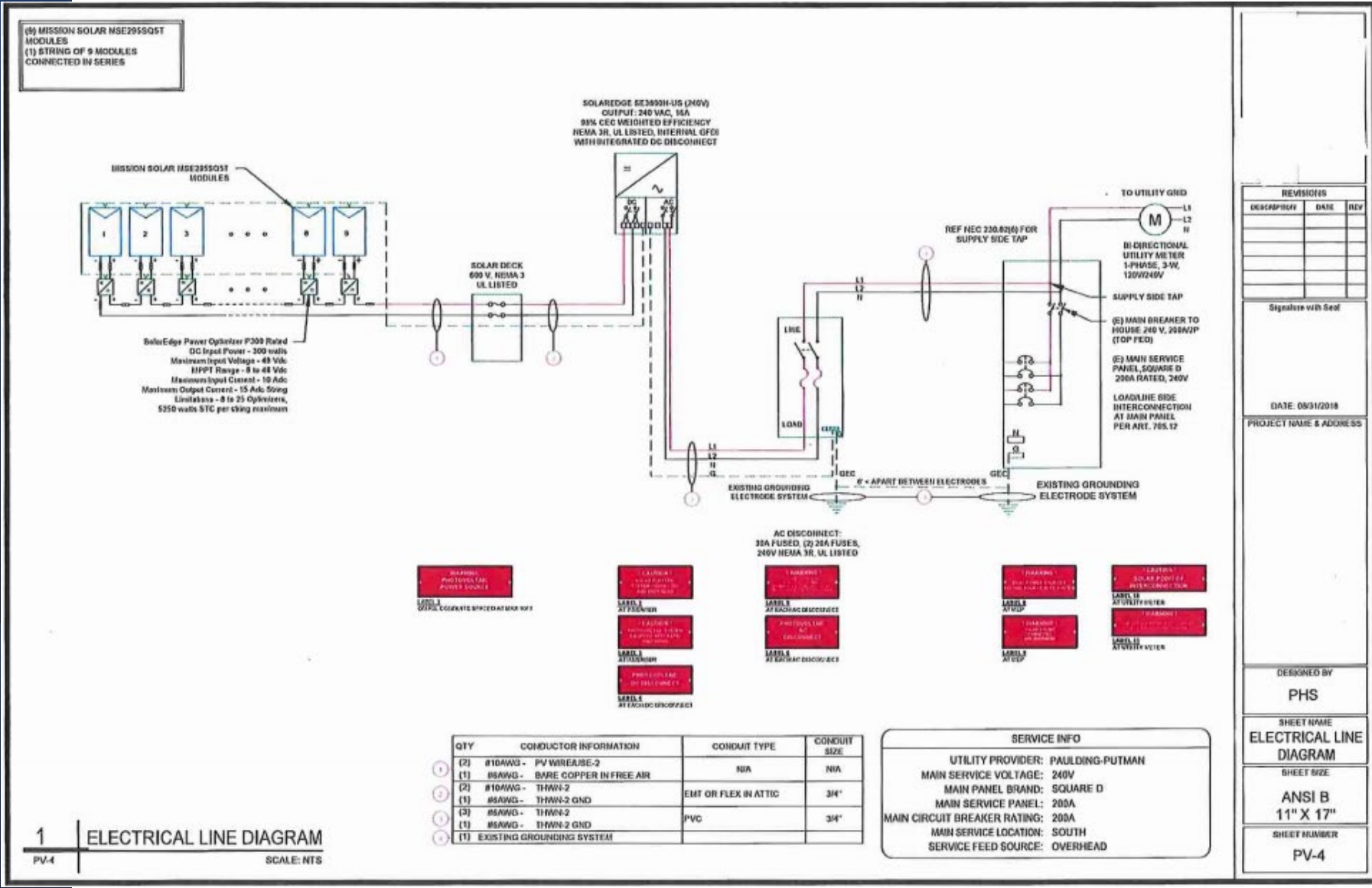
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# Line Diagram



# MSE PERC 60

High Power PERC Rooftop Module

- Class Leading Output: 300W power
- Advanced Technology: PERC and 4 busbars drive >18% module efficiency
- Superior Aesthetics: All-black design coupled with outstanding power output
- Certified Reliability: 3X IEC, salt mist, ammonia
- 5600 Pa snow load **New!** 175 mph wind rating
- Buy American Act

MISSION SOLAR ENERGY



**Superior Aesthetics**  
MSE PERC 60's sleek all-black design coupled with outstanding power output makes it ideal for DG installations including commercial and rooftop systems.

**Outstanding performance with PERC**  
Passivated Emitter Rear Contact (PERC) technology provides excellent power output through advanced cell structure.

**Best in class quality**  
Mission Solar Energy production lines are fully automated and include multiple quality checks throughout the production process.



Assembled in the USA

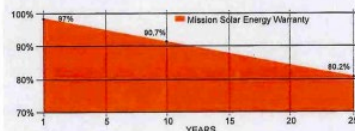
## CERTIFICATIONS

C 61215 / IEC 61730 / IEC 61701 UL 1703



As there are different certification requirements in different markets, please contact your local Mission Solar Energy sales representative for the specific certificates applicable to the markets in the region in which the products are to be used.

## 25-YEAR LINEAR WARRANTY



## ELECTRICAL SPECIFICATIONS

Electrical parameters at Standard Test Condition (STC)

Module Type			MSE295SQ5T	MSE295SQ5T	MSE300SQ5T
Power Output	P <sub>max</sub>	Wp	290	295	300
Module Efficiency	%		17.45	17.75	18.05
Tolerance				0+3%	
Short-Circuit Current	I <sub>sc</sub>	A	9.44	9.52	9.61
Open Circuit Voltage	V <sub>oc</sub>	V	39.81	40.11	40.18
Rated Current	I <sub>mp</sub>	A	8.95	9.03	9.17
Rated Voltage	V <sub>mp</sub>	V	32.54	32.72	32.80

STC: Irradiance 1000 W/m<sup>2</sup>, Cell temperature of 25°C, AM 1.5

## TEMPERATURE COEFFICIENTS

Normal Operating Cell Temperature (NOCT)	44°C (±2°C)
Temperature Coefficient of P <sub>max</sub>	-0.427%/°C
Temperature Coefficient of Voc	-0.318%/°C
Temperature Coefficient of Isc	0.042%/°C

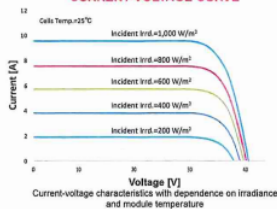
## OPERATING CONDITIONS

Maximum System Voltage	1,000VDC
Operating Temperature Range	-40°C (-40°F) to +90°C (194°F)
Maximum Series Fuse Rating	15A
Fire Safety Classification	Type 1, Class C
Front & Back Load (UL standard)	5600 Pa (117 psf) <b>New!</b>
Hail Safety Impact Velocity	25mm at 23 m/s

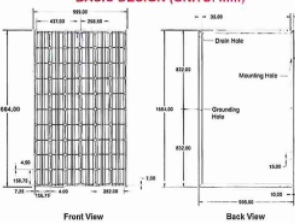
## MECHANICAL DATA

Solar Cells	P-type Mono-crystalline Silicon (156.75mm)
Cell orientation	60 cells (6x10), 4 busbar
Module dimension	1664mm x 999mm x 40mm (65.51 in. x 39.33 in. x 1.57 in.)
Weight	18.2 kg (40.1 lb)
Frame	Anodized aluminum alloy
Front Glass	3.2mm (0.126 in.) tempered, Low-iron, Anti-reflective coating
Encapsulant	Ethylene vinyl acetate (EVA)
J-Box	Protection class IP67 with 3 bypass-diodes
Cables	PV wire, 1m (39.37 in.), 4mm <sup>2</sup> / 12 AWG
Connector	MC4 or compatible

## MSE295SQ5T: 295WP, 60CELL SOLAR MODULE CURRENT-VOLTAGE CURVE



## BASIC DESIGN (UNITS: mm)



Mission Solar Energy reserves the right to make specification changes without notice.

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## SolarEdge Single Phase Inverters for North America

SE3000H-US / SE3800H-US / SE5000H-US / SE6000H-US / SE7600H-US



## Optimized installation with HD-Wave technology

- Specifically designed to work with power optimizers
- Record-breaking efficiency
- Integrated arc fault protection for NEC 2011 690.11 and integrated rapid shutdown for NEC 2014 690.12
- Extremely small
- High reliability without any electrolytic capacitors
- Built-in module-level monitoring
- Outdoor and indoor installation
- Optional: Revenue grade data, ANSI C12.20 Class 0.5 (0.5% accuracy)



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SE3000H-US / SE3800H-US / SE5000H-US / SE6000H-US / SE7600H-US

	SE3000H-US	SE3800H-US	SE5000H-US	SE6000H-US	SE7600H-US	
<b>OUTPUT</b>						
Rated AC Power Output	3000	3800	5000	6000	7600	VA
Max. AC Power Output	3000	3800	5000	6000	7600	VA
AC Output Voltage Min.-Nom.-Max. (180 - 220)	-	-	-	-	-	VAC
AC Output Voltage Min.-Nom.-Max. (230 - 240 - 264)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	VAC
AC Frequency (Nominal)	-	-	59.5 - 60.5	-	-	Hz
Maximum Continuous Output Current 300V	-	-	24	-	-	A
Maximum Continuous Output Current 240V	12.5	16	21	25	32	A
GFI Threshold	-	-	5	-	-	A
Utility Monitoring, Islanding Protection, Country Configurable Thresholds	-	-	Yes	-	-	
<b>INPUT</b>						
Maximum DC Power	4650	5900	7750	9300	11800	W
Transformer-less, Ungrounded	-	-	Yes	-	-	
Maximum Input Voltage	-	-	480	-	-	VDC
Nominal DC Input Voltage	-	380	-	-	400	VDC
Maximum Input Current 300V	-	-	25.5	-	-	Adc
Maximum Input Current 240V	8.5	10.5	13.5	16.5	20	Adc
Max. Input Short Circuit Current	-	-	45	-	-	Adc
Reverse-Polarity Protection	-	-	Yes	-	-	
Ground Fault Isolation Detection	-	-	600% Sensitivity	-	-	
Maximum Inverter Efficiency	99	-	99.2	-	-	%
CEC Weighted Efficiency	-	-	-	-	-	%
Highline Power Consumption	-	-	< 3.5	-	-	W
<b>SELF-SUSTAINING POWER OUTLET (OPTIONAL)</b>						
Nominal Output Voltage	-	-	110	-	-	V
Maximum Output Power	-	-	1500 <sup>W</sup>	-	-	W
External Outlet with GFCI	-	-	Yes	-	-	
<b>ADDITIONAL FEATURES</b>						
Supported Communication Interfaces	-	-	RS485, Ethernet, ZigBee (optional), Cellular (optional)	-	-	
Revenue Grade Data, ANSI C12.20	-	-	Optional <sup>1)</sup>	-	-	
Rapid Shutdown - NEC 2014 690.12	-	-	Automatic Rapid Shutdown upon AC Grid Disconnection	-	-	
<b>STANDARD COMPLIANCE</b>						
Safety	-	-	UL1741, UL1699B, CSA C22.2, Canadian AFO according to T.L. M-07	-	-	
Grid Connection Standards	-	-	IEEE1547, Rule 21, Rule14 (H)	-	-	
Emissions	-	-	FCC Part 15 Class B	-	-	
<b>INSTALLATION SPECIFICATIONS</b>						
AC Output Conduit Size / AWG Range	-	-	0.75-1" Conduit / 14-6 AWG	-	-	
DC Input Conduit Size / # of Straps / AWG Range	-	-	0.75-1" Conduit / 3-5 Straps / 14-6 AWG	-	-	
Dimensions with Safety Switch (HxWxD)	-	-	17.7 x 14.6 x 6.8 / 450 x 370 x 174	-	-	in / mm
Weight with Safety Switch	-	-	25.3 / 11.5	-	-	lb / kg
Noise	-	-	< 25	-	-	dBA
Cooling	-	-	Natural Convection	-	-	
Operating Temperature Range	-	-	-33 to +140 / -25 to +160 <sup>2)</sup> (-40 <sup>3)</sup> / +40 <sup>3)</sup> °C optional	-	-	°F / °C
Protection Rating	-	-	NEMA 3B (inverter with Safety Switch)	-	-	



RoHS

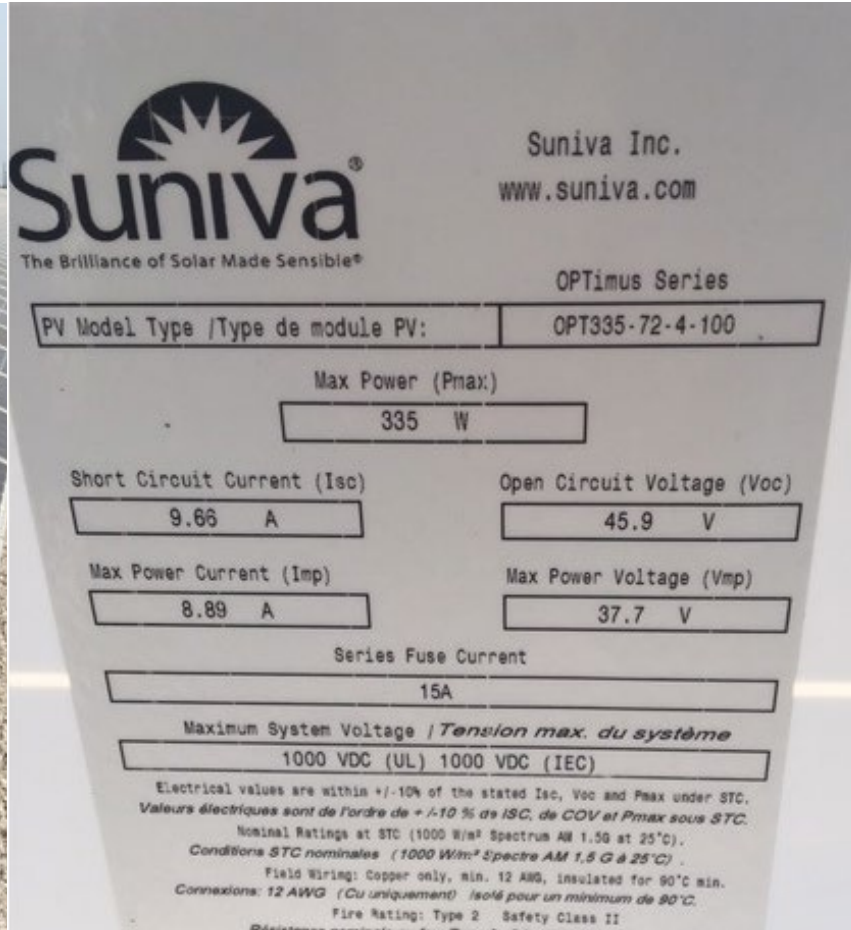
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# Equipment Specifications





# Interconnection Installation & Inspection



# Inspection Process





# Inspection Process

# Net-Billing Meter

YOUR TURN:  
**QUESTIONS?**

