



DISTRIBUTED GENERATION

Renewable energy & your co-op

Installation procedures & guidelines for Farmers EC members

Provide the following information to your contractor.

Effective January 1, 2018

- 1:** Farmers EC will no longer offer the 1:1 monthly net metering rate to new renewable installation accounts. All Members who have installed a system prior to January 1, 2018 will be able to remain on the net metering plan or opt-into the new avoided cost buyback structure.
- 2:** All new Distributed Renewable Generation (DRG) systems (e.g. solar and wind) will now be administered under an avoided cost buyback structure. Any excess generation (out-flow or overflow) that goes onto the grid will be purchased at the Avoided Cost rate that is calculated yearly by ERCOT and posted publicly by the PUCT. Refer to the link below for the posted avoided cost rates.

<https://www.puc.texas.gov/industry/projects/electric/38578/38578.aspx>
- 3:** A new Interconnection Agreement will be in use starting January 1, 2018. The old Agreement will no longer be accepted.
- 4:** The technical requirements for installation have not changed.
- 5:** Farmers EC provides a rebate of up to \$500 for renewable energy systems that are 50kW or less.

