Dear Solar Customer,

We are writing with some important news and reminders about PSE’s solar energy programs. Please take the time to read through this information carefully.

**Net Metering News**

We are pleased to report that Senate Bill 5223, which increases 8-fold the amount of generating capacity that utilities must allow in the net metering program, passed during the 2019 WA State Legislative Session. PSE is proud to have supported this bill as an important element of continued solar adoption!

One important element of the bill for existing net metered customers, is a change to the net metering calendar year. Beginning in 2020, the annual net metering bank reset will move from April 30th to March 31st. This date more closely aligns with our region’s solar energy production and consumption patterns, and will allow more customers to use all of their net metering credit over the course of a year.

However, for 2019, the net metering year ended on April 30th. Therefore, PSE reset your net metering bank to 0 kilowatt-hours on this date. Any net metering credit for solar energy produced prior to April 30 could only offset consumption also incurred prior to April 30th. Any credit for energy produced after April 30, offsets consumption incurred after April 30th and/or is added to your net metering bank for future use. If your bill period spans across this key date, it is possible to have net metering credit banked on your May PSE bill and still have consumption charges to pay for that period.

**Washington State Production Incentive Payments 2019**

PSE is working to make the 2019 payment process as smooth as possible for over 8000 PSE customers participating in the State Production Incentive Program. Here’s what we’ll be doing and when:

1. June 30th - PSE will read all production meters.
2. July – August - PSE works to calculate the kilowatt hours produced by each solar customer for the fiscal year 7/1/2018 - 6/30/2019.
3. September – PSE will report to customers by email their total renewable energy production for the fiscal year. You will not be required to take action at that time.
4. September (estimated) – PSE will report to WSU Energy Program (the State Program Administrator) total fiscal year production by all certified customer-participants, per WSU request.
5. WSU will calculate incentive payments and will provide that information back to PSE.
6. October- November (estimated) - PSE will notify eligible customers by email with the amount of their 2019 incentive payment and approximately when they should expect that payment to arrive.
7. October- December- PSE will issue 2019 Renewable Energy Production Incentive Payments, as directed by WSU. Payments will be issued by check to the mailing address of the eligible PSE account holder.
**Important Reminders:**
PSE can only make payments to state-certified PSE electric account holders. Payment will be issued in the name of the primary account holder listed on your PSE electric bill, and will be sent to the mailing address listed on your PSE account. Eligible customers that ended their PSE service during the production year will be paid in the same way, so please make sure that you have a current mailing address on your closed PSE account.

Customers who received a 2018 incentive payment or were certified by WSU Energy Program after July 1, 2018 are eligible for an incentive payment if they had a valid PSE account with solar energy production for all or part of the 2019 Fiscal Year. Eligibility, rates, terms and annual payments are determined by the WSU Energy Program.

Customers with more than one production meter should expect to be on the later end of the timeline and may have to work with WSU to parse the total kilowatt-hours to determine the incentive amount.

To update the billing address on your PSE electric account, login to your account at www.pse.com or contact PSE Customer Service at 1-888-225-5773.

For other questions or concerns, please reach out to a PSE Energy Advisor at 1-800-562-1482 or https://www.pse.com/rebates/ask-advisor-form.

Enjoy the sunshine,
The PSE Customer-Connected Solar Team