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### 39. Statewide Solar For All (“S-SFA”) Program

A customer participating in the Company’s Low-Income Program, as specified in Rule 4.U, that also resides within an area deemed to be a Disadvantaged Community (“DAC”) by the Climate Justice Working Group (“CJWG”), which may be modified at the discretion of the CJWG may receive a monthly credit under the S-SFA Program.

a. Definitions:

**Credit Pool:** is the sum of all S-SFA Projects’ Customer Share throughout the Program Year, plus any returned Utility Administration Fee. Any associated carrying charges shall be based on the Company’s pre-tax Weighted Average Cost of Capital (WACC) to the balance of the Credit Pool throughout the Program Year. The Credit Pool balance as of November 1<sup>st</sup> of each year shall be used in the calculation of the monthly S-SFA Customer Credit.

**Customer Share:** is the amount of Value Stack compensation that remains after the S-SFA Project Payment, and the Utility Administration Fee.

**S-SFA Program Year:** December 1<sup>st</sup> to November 30<sup>th</sup> of the following year.

**S-SFA Project Compensation Level:** percentage of the total Value Stack compensation, in accordance with Rule 26.B, paid to the participating project that is determined at the time of project enrollment.

**S-SFA Project Payment:** Monthly payment made to eligible Value Stack projects participating in S-SFA.

**Utility Administration Fee:** a fee to offset incremental costs incurred to implement and administer the S-SFA Program.

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b. Project Eligibility

- i. Starting December 1, 2024, non-operational projects that qualify for Value Stack, as determined in accordance with Rule 26.B, may elect to participate in S-SFA upon satisfaction of the 25% interconnection cost responsibility set forth in the Addendum-SIR, or when an SIR Contract has been executed, if no such obligation is required.
  - a) Projects electing to participate in the S-SFA Program are ineligible to receive the Community Adder (“CA”), Community Credit (“CC”), Market Transition Credit (“MTC”), or the Inclusive Community Solar Adder (“ICSA”), except as described below.
- ii. Non-operational projects that have submitted their 25% interconnection deposit or an SIR Contract has been executed, if no such payment is required, prior to December 1, 2024, have a one-time option to elect to participate in the S-SFA Program by March 31, 2025, with the following restrictions:
  - a) Projects awarded the CA, CC, or MTC must have received this NY-Sun incentive award prior to March 1, 2025.
  - b) Projects awarded the ICSA must forgo the ICSA award upon enrolling in the S-SFA Program.
  - c) Such projects will receive a reduced Compensation Level, as determined by NYSERDA annually, and as set forth in the S-SFA Compensation Statement.
- iii. The S-SFA eligible technologies pursuant to the size limits under Rule 26.B are as follows:
  - a) Solar
  - b) Standalone Energy Storage
  - c) Co-located Solar and Energy Storage
- iv. Value Stack-eligible Standalone Energy Storage projects, as described in Rule 26.B, are eligible to participate in the S-SFA Program.
  - a) Such projects will receive a Compensation Level specific to energy storage projects, as determined by NYSERDA, and as set forth in the S-SFA Compensation Statement.
- v. The S-SFA Project shall complete a SSFA Project Participation Agreement with the Company.
- vi. The S-SFA Project shall provide the necessary information as provided in the S-SFA Procedural Requirements for the Company to pay the project.
- vii. The S-SFA Project must be current on their utility account to be eligible and participate in S-SFA.

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c. S-SFA Program Customers:

i. Enrollment:

- a) The Company will automatically enroll any customer participating in the Company’s Low Income Program (Energy Affordability Program (“EAP”)) that also resides within a DAC in the S-SFA Program.
- b) EAP customers that reside within a DAC that are enrolled in a Community Choice Aggregation related product, shall be permitted to participate in both the S-SFA Program and Community Choice Aggregation.

ii. Opt-out Procedure and Unenrollment:

- a) S-SFA Program customers may opt-out of the S-SFA Program at any time via telephone by contacting the Company’s contact center or by visiting nyseg.com.
- b) If a customer opts-out during a Program Year, such customer shall receive a final S-SFA credit during the current month of the opt-out and shall not receive any further credits in subsequent bills.
- c) S-SFA Program customers will also be removed from the S-SFA Program at such time that the customer is no longer a participant in the Company’s EAP or if the customer is a participant in the Company’s EAP but no longer resides within a DAC.

iii. Dual-Participation

- a) A customer that receives S-SFA credits shall also be eligible to participate in Community Distributed Generation (“CDG”) as a satellite customer in accordance with Rule 23.

d. S-SFA Customer Credit Calculation:

- i. Beginning with the December 2025 Program Year, the Company shall determine the fixed dollar amount that will be credited to participating S-SFA Program customers’ total electric charges on a monthly basis for the upcoming Program Year (“S-SFA Customer Credit”).

ii. The monthly S-SFA Customer Credit will be determined as:

- a)  $\text{S-SFA Customer Credit} = \text{Credit Pool} / (\text{number of S-SFA Customers enrolled at end of previous Program Year} / \text{number of billing months in the Program Year in which customers receive the S-SFA Customer Credit})$
- b) Any overcollection of the S-SFA Utility Administration Fee compared to actual administrative and implementation costs shall be added to the Credit Pool for disbursement to S-SFA Program Customers.

iii. The S-SFA Customer Credit will be applied to the electric portion of customers’ bills, after the application of any other applicable customer bill credits, for billing periods ending on or after December 1, 2025.

iv. If the S-SFA Customer Credit causes a customer’s monthly bill to be less than zero, the amount less than zero caused by the S-SFA Customer Credit will be banked to a customer’s account and applied to future bills.

- a) If a customer closes their account with a negative balance that was the result of S-SFA Customer Credits, such credit shall be returned to the Credit Pool.

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#### e. S-SFA Project Compensation Methodology

- i. The compensation for the S-SFA Project shall be in accordance with Rule 26.B. Value Stack, multiplied by the project’s established Compensation Level percentage.

#### f. S-SFA Project Compensation Level and Payment

- i. The S-SFA Project Compensation Level shall be assigned to an enrolled project at the time the project has satisfied the 25% interconnection cost responsibility set forth in the Addendum-SIR based on the current New York State Energy Resource and Development Authority (“NYSERDA”) Standard Offer.
  - a) The Standard Offer accepted by a project shall remain with the project for a period of 25 years.
  - b) For projects that have paid at least 25% of their interconnection costs or executed the interconnection agreement if no such payment is required prior to December 1, 2024, the applicable Compensation Level will be determined based on the S-SFA Compensation Statement effective December 1, 2024.
- ii. Standard Offer Compensation Levels shall be set by the NYSERDA and reviewed at least annually by Department of Public Service Staff (“DPS Staff”).
- iii. Payments to the S-SFA Project shall be issued within 40 days from the end of the project bill date.
- iv. The SSFA project must be current on their utility account tied to the S-SFA project.
- v. The S-SFA payment shall not be reduced for amounts owed the Company on the retail bill. However, the Company shall withhold payments until the S-SFA project is current on their utility account.

#### g. S-SFA Project Unenrollment

- i. An S-SFA Project may unenroll from the S-SFA Program with a minimum of twelve (12) months’ notice prior to the beginning of the Program Year in which the S-SFA Project no longer wishes to participate. Projects that unenroll retain any Value Stack component rates locked-in at time of interconnection.
- ii. Payments based on the Compensation Level will expire at such time that the project terminates participation in the S-SFA Program or has reached the end of the project’s 25-year compensation period, whichever is sooner.
- iii. If there is a change in account name for the premises on which the project is located, the new Customer must apply for service under the S-SFA Program to receive compensation.

#### h. Utility Administration Fee

- i. The fee will be one percent of the Value Stack compensation of each project participating in S-SFA.

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#### i. Statements

- i. The S-SFA Customer Credit statement shall be filed annually with the Public Service Commission on not less than fifteen (15) days’ notice to become effective December 1<sup>st</sup> of each year, beginning in 2025. Such statement may be found at the end of this Schedule.
- ii. The Compensation Level percentages, as specified by NYSERDA, shall be filed annually with the Commission in the S-SFA Compensation Statement on not less than three (3) days’ notice to become effective December 1<sup>st</sup> of each year. Such statement may be found at the end of this Schedule.