

## **Unavailability of Net Metering Credits**

## **Customer Acknowledgement Form**

Illinois requires certain electric utilities to provide "retail rate" net metering. Net metering measures the electricity a solar project produces and compares it to the amount of electricity that the customer uses onsite. Under "retail rate" net metering, if the solar project generates more electricity than the customer uses in a billing period, the customer is credited on their electricity bill at the same retail rate that the customer pays for each kilowatt-hour of electricity. Net metering is different than and separate from incentives received for Renewable Energy Credits ("RECs") through the Illinois Shines program. Some rural electric cooperatives and municipal electric utilities in Illinois limit access or do not offer retail rate net metering credits and may instead credit customers for generation at a lower rate.

I understand that due to where my solar project is located, it will <u>NOT</u> receive retail rate net metering credits because my electric cooperative/utility limits or does not offer net metering credits. This may significantly decrease the economic value I receive from my solar project.

I will receive credits for surplus electricity that my project generates and sends back to the grid as follows:

(Approved Vendor / Designee to fill in information on crediting, including starting crediting rate)

Net metering credits are <u>different</u> than the renewable energy credit ("REC") incentive payment that the public utility pays to your Approved Vendor through the Illinois Shines program. Depending on the terms of your contract, your Approved Vendor may pass through a portion of the REC incentive payment to you, regardless of whether your project is eligible for net metering.

Customer Signature: Date:

## To be filled out by the Approved Vendor / Designee:

**Customer Name:** 

Disclosure Form ID:

Electric Cooperative/Municipal Utility:

The customer must sign this acknowledgment form and the standard Disclosure Form <u>prior to</u> signing their installation contract. The customer's Approved Vendor or Designee must submit this completed form to admin@illinoisabp.com prior to submission of the project's Part I application.

