

MLP Solar Rebate Program Frequently Asked Questions

Q1. The program requires that the Solar PV system be mounted on a plane that has an azimuth of 90-270 degrees. Can this be an average or does each plane that has panels needs to be in the range?

A. The program requires that, to be eligible for a rebate, each panel must be in the 90-270 degree range. A system can include panels that are outside the 90-270 range, but those panels cannot qualify for a rebate.

Q2. The program requires that that the MLP take ownership of the RECs that are earned by the system. If a system contains panels that do not qualify because they are outside the of the qualifying azimuth range can these panels earn RECs for the system owner?

A. Yes, though these panels would have to be separately metered. If the system only has one production meter, then all the RECs that are produced would be owned by the MLP.

Q3. How do you determine if a system meets 20% shading reduction standard?

A. A shading analysis must be conducted using one of the tools listed in Section 7 of the MLP Solar Rebate Program Manual. After imputing the system's azimuth, slope, and tilt, the shading on the system's location cannot reduce the Solar Access Value of the location below 80% of optimal performance.

Q4. What type of signature is required on the documents?

A. Each document that is submitted must have either handwritten signatures or electronic signatures. These signature s can then be photocopied or scanned. These documents include: The participants Agreement, the Contract between the Installer and the Homeowner, and the Project Completion Form.

Q5. Who needs to sign the Participants Agreement?

A. The Applicant/Installer and the System Owner must sign the Participant's Agreement, in addition to the Program Administrator. Please see Section 4 of the Program Manual for clarification on these terms.

Q.6 If I go forward with an application, how do I know that rebate funds will be available when my project is complete?

A. The rebate process involves two phases. The Applicant/Installer and System Owner complete the application and forward it to the program administrator. The Program Administrator reviews the application to ensure it meets the program's requirements and is complete. The Program Administrator then forwards it to DOER, who confirms the review. DOER then issues a Rebate Award Packet, which locks the rebate for that project in place and allows the installation to proceed with an assurance that the rebate will be available after completion. Please see Section 6 of The Program Manual for more information.