



## EVERGY KANSAS METRO

# Renewables Direct FAQ

### What is Renewables Direct?

Renewables Direct is the program name for the Renewable Energy Rider Tariff (RER Tariff) approved by the Kansas Corporation Commission (KCC) in 2018. The program allows commercial and industrial customers to offset some or all of their energy usage through a renewable resource. This program is designed to provide large customers a path toward their sustainability goals with renewable energy. The RER tariff is available for viewing at [evergy.com/tariffs](https://evergy.com/tariffs).

### How do I sign up or receive more information?

Contact our Renewable Energy team at [renewables@evergy.com](mailto:renewables@evergy.com) or your Customer Solutions Manager for more information. Your name will be added to a waiting list in the order it is received. This waiting list will be used to determine participation order once the renewable resource is ready. To enroll in the program, you will be required to complete a **Participation Agreement**.

### What if the program receives more subscriptions than can be served by the given resource?

When the final resource is obtained, all customers on the waiting list will receive a portion of the available resource based on the proportion of their subscription request to the total resource size. Any unserved capacity associated with your subscription will remain on the waiting list for a future resource procurement or if capacity becomes available. The wait list will be used to determine participation for the future resource. Contact our Renewable Energy team at [renewables@evergy.com](mailto:renewables@evergy.com) or your

Customer Solutions Manager for wait list information.

### What are the program charges? Will this affect my demand charge?

The program is designed to replace the fuel factor charge on your bill, shown as the ECA, with a lower per-kWh price of no more than 2.0 cents per kWh known as the Renewable Participation Charge (RPC). The RPC price is fixed for the life of your agreement. The replacement will be based on the total number of kWh you use in a month and how many kWhs your subscription generates in the same month. If your share of the resource does not generate enough kWh to cover all of your energy usage in a month, then the remaining kWhs will be billed with the ECA instead of the RPC.

### How will I be billed?

Each month, you will be billed at the Renewables Direct RPC rate of no more than 2.0 cents per kWh for your share of the renewable resource production, planned to be a wind facility for the initial offering. All remaining usage will be charged at the standard fuel factor rate.

### Is it possible the cost of my bill will decrease because of my participation?

Yes, it is expected that the Renewable Participation Charge will be lower than Evergy's current fuel factor rate which would lead to costs savings for those participating in Renewables Direct.

### Do I own the renewable resource?

No. Evergy will procure a renewable resource through a Power Purchase Agreement (PPA)

for a resource to serve those who subscribe to the program.

### Is this program the same as a PPA?

No, but it is similar. The energy generated by this program will be added to Evergy's energy mix and will not go directly to your location. However, by participating, you will receive a similar fixed-cost benefit like a PPA.

### How much of the renewable resource can I subscribe to?

You can subscribe to offset up to 100% of your annual energy usage.

### Where will the renewable resource be located?

The location is yet to be determined. Evergy will pick a location that provides the most potential market value for the output from the resource while also reducing risk exposure.

### How large will the resource be?

The resource initially will be sized appropriately to support subscribed capacity of at least 100 MW and up to 200 MW.

### What are the subscription size increments?

Increments start at 200 kW up to 1 MW; then 500 kW increments thereafter. You will be rounded up/down to meet these whole increments.

### How do I qualify for the Renewables Direct program?

You must have an average monthly peak demand of 200 kW or greater.

### **What is the minimum annual usage I need to be eligible for Renewables Direct?**

If you meet the demand qualification, you can offset up to 100% of your energy, based on the last 12-months of usage. The minimum is 1 subscription share of 200 kW.

### **Do streetlights count towards my annual usage?**

Not at this time. The majority of streetlight installations are billed based on estimated usage since they are not metered.

### **What is the minimum participation period?**

Five-year participation is the minimum required. You may sign a 5, 10, 15 or 20-year Participation Agreement.

### **What happens if my annual energy usage is lower than expected at the start of my participation, and continues to decrease year over year?**

We will credit you for any excess renewable generation per the terms of your Participation Agreement and the RER Tariff. We may elect to reduce your subscription size should we find it necessary.

### **What if I want to reduce/increase my shares?**

If you wish to adjust your shares due to increases or decreases in electric demand, you may request such adjustment in writing from Evergy. You will be responsible for any additional cost incurred to facilitate the adjustment. Also, if your annual usage falls below your subscribed amount, Evergy may at its sole discretion reduce your shares. Should capacity be available if you request to expand your subscription, Evergy will amend your Participation Agreement. Any changes to your subscription will be made after notifying you.

### **What happens if I move to another location within the same Evergy jurisdiction?**

You may request transfer of your subscription, provided the total kWh of the subscribed amount is equal to or less than the new location's average annual historical usage. If it exceeds the allowed usage, the subscription may be adjusted down.

### **What if I move to another location within a different Evergy jurisdiction?**

Transfer of subscriptions between jurisdictions will not be allowed. Your subscription will be terminated, but to avoid fees you may, without penalty, transfer service to another account that is within the same Evergy jurisdiction.

### **I have locations in both Kansas and Missouri. Is the program the same in both states? Can I participate in both states?**

Although the program has different components between the states, you can participate through separate Participation Agreements, in both Kansas and Missouri if you meet the eligibility standards and there is capacity available.

### **Can I terminate my Participation Agreement before the expiration of the originally agreed to term?**

Yes. You must first notify Evergy in writing of your request to terminate. However, you also will be required to pay a Termination Fee to Evergy for any associated costs and administration associated with the termination as outlined in the RER Tariff.

### **If another customer agrees to take on my subscription in the event I want to terminate, will I still incur a penalty?**

No. However, if the subscription remains vacant, you must pay the Termination Fee or remain in the subscription for the life of the agreement.

### **What happens at the end of the 20-year term?**

At the end of the 20-year term, Evergy will evaluate customer interest, resource availability, and market conditions to determine whether or not to procure a new resource to extend the program. If conditions do not support obtaining a new resource, then the program will terminate.

### **Do I own the renewable energy credits (RECs) for my portion of this resource?**

No, but you have right to claim the environmental benefit of the RECs. The RECs produced by your portion of the resource will be retired by Evergy on your behalf. If you desire ownership, the RECs

may be transferred to you with all transfer costs borne by you.

### **Who gets to claim the environmental benefits of this project?**

As a Renewables Direct participant, you can claim the full environmental benefits for your share of the program with the transfer/retirement of RECs.

### **Does participation in this program qualify me as a net metering or cogeneration customer?**

No, this program is different from our net metering and other renewable programs.

### **Is the renewable energy I support through the Renewables Direct program delivered directly to my business?**

No. The energy produced is not sent directly to your business, but is added into Evergy's power system and will offset the traditional energy production associated with your usage.

### **Is there a calculator or spreadsheet I can use to help me determine my future expense?**

No, but you can contact our Renewables Energy team at [renewables@evergy.com](mailto:renewables@evergy.com) or your Customer Solutions Manager for rate calculation.

### **How will you decide to expand the program?**

Evergy must demonstrate 90% subscription of the resource for a minimum of two years before additional renewable subscriptions are offered. As this participation can be maintained and upon KCC approval, additional renewable resources may be added to the program.

