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Receive credits on your electric bill from solar

Solar developers are building hundreds of solar farms across New York State, creating an opportunity for more New Yorkers to go solar. Any electric customer, including businesses, not for profit organizations, municipal government agencies, and schools, can subscribe to a solar farm and save money. Remote crediting is a mechanism that allows customers to receive credits on their electric utility bill from solar not on their roof or property. It's never been easier for electric customers to help green the grid and save money at the same time.

Remote crediting vs. community solar

Any electric customer account can subscribe to either a remote crediting or community solar project. Both offer the same service, but the three major differences are the number of subscribers allowed, the ability to have onsite solar, and the ability to subscribe to multiple projects. If you are a large electric customer (25 kW or greater), remote crediting may be more suitable for you than community solar. Work with a solar contractor to determine which is best for you.

Why remote crediting

- No solar panels on your roof or property
- Saves you money on your electric utility bill
- Solar generation credits are applied to your electric utility bill, even if there is an energy service company (ESCO) charge on your bill

How it works

1. A developer builds a solar farm, a group of solar panels with access to the local electricity grid.
2. You subscribe to the solar farm through remote crediting.
3. You get credits on your electric utility bill, significantly reducing or eliminating the balance owed to your utility company.
4. The developer bills you for the energy produced by the solar panels, which, on average, is 10% less than what your utility company would charge.

Questions to ask before you sign up

- How long is the agreement term?
- Is there a guaranteed savings?
- What is the estimated monetary savings over the whole term?
- Is there a financial penalty to end the agreement early?



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