

SREC Registration Program (SRP)

2020 Certification Form

Certification Form: Requirements, Instructions, Terms and Conditions

Before completing the attached SREC Registration Program (SRP) Certification Form, please carefully read all the information in Sections A, B, and C below.

A. Qualification Requirements

- 1. The proposed system must be interconnected with the distribution system serving New Jersey (N.J.A.C. 14:8-2.9).
- 2. The system must be installed in accordance with requirements specified in *New Jersey's Clean Energy Program* Solar Technical Instructions and it must come with an owner's manual and warranty documentation.
- 3. The system warranty must be all-inclusive for at least 5 years.
- 4. On February 22, 2017, the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities (NJBPU) re-adopted Chapter 8 (renewable energy and energy efficiency) rules with amendments that became effective upon publication on April 17, 2017. Per N.J.A.C. 14:8-2.4, the SRP Processing Team must receive a complete SRP Registration packet no later than 14 business days from the execution date of the contract (or in the case of a grid supply project the effective date of the NJBPU Board Order granting approval, conditional certification, or designation). Contracts are considered executed on the date of their most recent signature or the execution date within the contract. Contracts received with executed dates that are not compliant with the 14-day rule will be accepted into the program, but it will be noted in the SRP Acceptance letter that the project is non-compliant. If the applicable deadline is not met, any SRECs based on electricity generated by the solar facility shall not be usable for compliance with the New Jersey RPS until 12 months after the solar facility has received authorization to energize by the EDC in accordance with the Board's interconnection rules at N.J.A.C. 14:8-5. See <u>NJ Administrative Code</u>.
- 5. Pursuant to the Clean Energy Act of 2018 (P.L. 2018, c. 17), the Board of Public Utilities must close the SRP to new applications upon the attainment of 5.1 percent of the kilowatt-hours sold in the State from solar electric power generators connected to the distribution system. Once that milestone is met, only projects that have commenced commercial operations prior to the market's achievement of this milestone will be eligible for Solar Renewable Energy Certificates (SRECs). Projects that do not commence commercial operations prior to the market's achievement of this milestone may not be eligible for SRECs. The Board is monitoring the progress of the market toward achieving this milestone and will determine when it has been achieved.
- 6. The commitment length for completing the solar installation will be determined in the Board Order conditionally certifying your solar project. You must obtain PTO by the local Electric Distribution Company, submit all post construction documents which can be found on the Final As-Built Checklist and meet all other program requirements on or before: 1) the expiration date noted on your SRP acceptance letter or 2) the Board's determination that the 5.1% milestone has been achieved, whichever is earlier.
- 7. The Clean Energy Act also requires the Board to shorten the Qualification Life for eligible solar projects to ten years. The Board implemented this requirement via Board Order on October 29, 2018. If the SRP registration package for this project submitted after October 29, 2018 is deemed complete and provided permission to operate (PTO) is granted prior to the Board's determination that the 5.1 percent milestone has been achieved, then the project will be found eligible for SRECs with a ten-year qualification life.
- 8. By Order dated July 10, 2019, the Board further addressed implementation of the Act by stating that projects that filed a complete SRP registration or application for designation or conditional certification after October 29, 2018 but that have not reached commercial operation at the time the Board determines that the 5.1% Milestone has been attained will be eligible to be considered for any transition program that the Board may adopt, provided they have maintained eligibility in other respects. (I/M/O a New Jersey Solar Transition Pursuant to P.L. 2018, c.17, BPU Docket No. Q019010068 Order dated July 10, 2019 available at https://www.nj.gov/bpu/pdf/boardorders/2019/20190710/7-10-19-8L.pdf)
- 9. By Order dated December 6, 2019, the Board ordered the creation of a Transition Incentive ("TI") program, comprised of fixed-price, factorized Transition Renewable Energy Certificates ("TRECs"). Projects that submitted complete SRP registrations after October 29, 2018, that have yet to commence commercial operations but otherwise remain in good standing in the SRP pipeline at the time that the Board determines that the 5.1% Milestone has been attained, will be eligible for the TI. (<u>I/M/O a new Jersey Solar Transition Pursuant to P.L. 2018, c. 17</u>, BPU Docket No. QO19010068, Order dated December 6, 2019 available at <u>https://www.bpu.state.nj.us/bpu/pdf/boardorders/2019/20191206/12-6-19-8B.pdf</u>).

B. Instructions for completing the SRP Registration Certification Form

- 1. Complete all of sections A through D of the SRP Certification Form. All information is necessary for processing registrations. The SRP Certification Form is required to be uploaded in the online registration portal.
- 2. All requested signatures on forms and contracts are required.
- 3. An email address is required to be entered in this form for the Premise Contact, Primary Contact (SREC owner) and Solar Installer/Developer.



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C. Important Terms and Conditions

- 1. The "Registrant" is defined to be the entity that registers for the SRP (i.e. Registrant could be a Premise Contact, SREC owner or Installer/Developer) If the registrant is not clearly defined to the SRP Processing team, the default registrant will be the Installer/Developer.
- 2. The Registrant is responsible for completing the SRP Registration in the online registration portal, uploading all required forms referenced on the SRP Registration Checklist and for all communications regarding this registration.
- 3. If selected, the Premise Contact must agree to an on-site inspection of their installed solar electric system by a program representative. The Primary Contact must agree to allow the program to verify the facility's energy production for the life of the system.
- SRP Program Manager, TRC Energy Solutions is the organization(s) that was contracted by the NJBPU to administer the SREC Registration Program.
- 5. The NJBPU reserves the right to modify the SREC Registration Program. Program procedures are subject to change without notice. Projects conditionally accepted into the SRP will be honored under the terms stated in the project SRP Acceptance letter.
- 6. All solar installation must comply with the host Electric Distribution Company's interconnection requirements, which are available online; these include operation/ disconnection procedures, liability/ indemnity and insurance requirements according to the size of the project. For information on interconnection, please see our web site at <u>NJCleanEnergy.com</u> or contact your EDC. <u>Grid Supply systems must be connected to the distribution system serving New Jersey and meet the interconnection requirements of PJM Interconnection LLC.</u>
- 7. The registration received date will be established based upon the date that all required registration documents are uploaded, the registration is submitted in the online portal and the project status is changed to Application Received in the portal.
- 8. The Registrant must comply with the installation requirements in the Solar Technical Instructions.
- 9. The solar installation must be performed by a NJ licensed electrical contractor and the registrant must provide the company name, contact information, license number and expiration date. N.J.S.A. 45:5A-2(d) states that solar PV systems are by definition electrical work and requires any person engaged in installing, erecting, or repairing such equipment to be an electrical contractor as defined in the Act.
- 10. If any of the parties included in the original SRP Registration Certification Form have changed since the time of original submittal an updated signed SRP Certification Form must be submitted.
- 11. Systems shall be installed according to manufacturer's instructions.
- 12. Portable systems are not eligible to participate in this program.
- 13. Information may be subject to the Open Public Records Act requirements. Aggregated information will be used in reports and evaluations, and the geographic location may be used to update GIS mapping.
- 14. All installations must comply with all applicable local, state, and federal laws, permit requirements and regulations.

Updates to the program requirements are subject to change.

For more information or updates about New Jersey's Clean Energy Program, please call 866-NJSMART or visit NJCleanEnergy.com.



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A: Premise Contact and System Location (Where will the system be installed?)

Company Name (if applicable):				
First Name:	Last Name:			
Installation Address:				
City:		State:	Zip Code:	
Email:			·	

B: Primary Contact (SREC Owner) (Who will be issued the NJ Certification Number?) FILL OUT IF DIFFERENT PERSON THAN ABOVE

Company Name: Address:	Contact Person:
City: Email:	State: Zip Code:

C: Solar Installer/ Developer

Company Name:	Contact Person:
Address: City: Email:	State: Zip Code:

D: Certification and Signatures

The undersigned warrants, certifies, and represents that: 1) the information provided in this form is true and correct to the best of his or her knowledge; 2) if a behind-the-meter system, the annual output of the above described generating system will not exceed 100% of the host's historic annual electrical usage; 3) the Installer/Developer will provide manuals related to the system operation and maintenance to the SREC owner; 4) the system proposed will be constructed, installed and operated in accordance with all Board rules and applicable laws, and all NJBPU policies and procedures for the SRP program; 5) the Premise Contact is the Customer of Record for the Utility Account; 6) the Premise Contact gives permission to the SRP Processing Team to review their electric account information, both prior to installation and subsequent to installation; 7) all signing parties realize that certain information in this registration may be subject to the Open Public Records Act; 8) the Installer/Developer has reviewed and explained the SRP Technical Worksheet Instructions to the SREC owner; and 9) the information submitted with this registration is accurate and the system installation will follow the instructions detailed on the SRP Solar Technical Instructions page.

I agree that this document and all notices and disclosures made or given relating to this document may be created, executed, delivered and retained electronically and that the electronic signatures appearing on this document and any related documents shall have the same legal effect for all purposes as a handwritten signature.

The information, statements, and documents I have provided in and with this document are true and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I am aware that if any of them are willfully false, I am subject to punishment.

Primary Contact (SREC Owner)	Solar Installer/Developer	Premise Contact	
		(If different from Primary Contact)	
Signature:	Signature:	Signature:	
Print Name:	Print Name:	Print Name:	
Date:	Date:	Date:	