## DISTRIBUTED GENERATION PURCHASED POWER CLAUSE

## **AVAILABILITY**

This clause is applicable to all electric rate schedules. Qualifying distributed generation (DG) systems hereinafter called "Facility" or "Facilities" include, but are not limited to: Photovoltaics, Wind, Hydroelectric, Biomass, Fuel Cells, Combined Heat and Power (CHP), and Municipal Solid Waste with generation facilities rated 500 kW or less. Any DG system rated greater than 500 kW needs to be contracted through Department under a separate written agreement. If customer proposes a different DG system than specifically stated above, then customer must provide written request to Department which will conduct a 30 day review to determine if such DG system is qualified or not under this clause.

## **RATE - APPLIED MONTHLY**

A \$2.00 monthly customer charge for the qualifying Facility meter shall be provided.

All monthly kWh produced by the Facility will be credited to the customer on their monthly invoice. The amount of credit due to customer includes a Wholesale Energy Rate applicable to the Facility type installed at customer site. The applicable Wholesale Energy Rate, specific to Facility types installed and/or requested within Department's service territory, will be posted and updated at Department discretion from time to time on its website as warranted. All other rates and charges in effect are not included in the credit amount.

Total credit due customer = (Monthly kWh produced by qualifying Facility) x (Wholesale Energy Rate in effect for applicable Facility type) - \$2.00 monthly customer charge

There is no minimum amount on a monthly bill. Credit is based solely on kWh produced by the Facility. Payment to the customer will first be applied to any outstanding bills. If credit is greater than customer's bill, then the additional credit balance will be applied to the next monthly invoice.

As a further incentive to the Department's increase in carbon-free resources, qualifying Facilities will not be subject to a Standby Facilities Generation Charge. Additionally, photovoltaic (solar) projects will be eligible for applicable On-Peak Wholesale Energy Rate that is a higher credit than the monthly average applicable rate.

## TERMS AND CONDITIONS

This rate is subject to termination at any time upon notice to the Department. Service is governed by the "Rules and Regulations" and the "Distribution Generation Policy" of the Holyoke Gas & Electric Department, City of Holyoke, Massachusetts, as in effect from time to time. The Department may impose additional Terms and Conditions, as it deems necessary, in its sole discretion, for the protection of its distribution system, service territory, or its customers. Failure of the Facility to comply with any of the referenced terms and conditions may result in disconnection of the Facility from the Department's system.

Filed October 10, 2012

Effective November 10, 2012

CITY OF HOLYOKE
GAS & ELECTRIC DEPARTMENT