CHAPTER 25. SUBSTANTIVE RULES APPLICABLE TO ELECTRIC SERVICE PROVIDERS.

Subchapter I. TRANSMISSION AND DISTRIBUTION.

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§25.213. Metering for Distributed Renewable Generation.

(a) **Application.**

This section applies to transmission and distribution utilities, excluding river authorities, owners of distributed renewable generation, and the entity responsible for settlement.

(b) Metering.

- (1) Upon request by a customer that has, or is in the process of installing distributed renewable generation with a capacity of less than 50 kW on the retail electric customer's side of the meter and that desires to measure the generation's out-flow production, a transmission and distribution utility shall provide metering at the point of common coupling using one or two meters that separately measure both the customer's electricity consumption from the distribution network and the out-flow that is delivered from the customer's side of the meter to the distribution network and separately report each metered value to the transmission and distribution utility. The two metered values shall be separately accounted for by the entity responsible for settlement.
- (2) Upon request by a retail electric customer that has, or is the process of installing distributed renewable generation with a capacity equal to or greater than 50 kW up to 2,000 kW on the retail electric customer's side of the meter, a transmission and distribution utility shall provide one or two interval data recorders at the point of common coupling that separately measure both the customer's electricity consumption from the distribution network and the out-flow that is delivered from the retail electric customer's side of the meter to the distribution network and separately report each metered value to the transmission and distribution utility. The two metered values shall be separately accounted for by the entity responsible for settlement.
- (3) Upon request by a retail electric customer that has, or is in the process of installing distributed renewable generation with a capacity of less than 50 kW on the retail electric customer's side of the meter and that does not desire to measure the generation's out-flow production, a transmission and distribution utility shall provide metering in accordance with paragraph (1) of this subsection or, at the transmission and distribution utility's option, install a meter that measures the customer's electricity consumption from the distribution network but does not measure the out-flow that is delivered from the retail electric customer's side of the meter to the distribution network. Unless an existing distributed renewable generation owner requests to have the existing meter replaced, the transmission and distribution utility may, at its option and expense, replace an existing distributed renewable generation owner's meter with a meter of a type specified in this rule.
- (4) Pursuant to the applicable schedule in its tariff, a transmission and distribution utility shall charge for the customer's electricity consumption from the distribution network as measured by the metering installed pursuant to paragraphs (1), (2) or (3) of this subsection.
- (5) A transmission and distribution utility shall not provide metering for purposes of PURA §39.914(d) and PURA §39.916(f), that is inconsistent with paragraph (1), (2) or (3) of this subsection, unless ordered by the commission.
- (6) The distributed renewable generation owner shall pay any significant differential cost of the metering.
- (7) Transmission and distribution utilities shall file tariffs for metering under this section within 60 days of its effective date.

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- (8) Owners of distributed renewable generation may begin selling out-flow at any time, but transmission and distribution utilities are not required to comply with paragraph (1), (2) or (3) of this subsection, as they relate to reporting the two metered values, and the entity responsible for settlement is not required to accept the meter data provided pursuant to paragraph (1), (2) or (3) of this subsection until January 1, 2009.
- (9) The entity responsible for settlement shall develop processes for settlement of electricity consumption and out-flow that reflects time of generation by January 1, 2009.