

**RESIDENTIAL ASSISTANCE**

**RATE R-2**

**AVAILABILITY**

This rate is available to any Customer meeting the qualifications stated in the special provisions section of this rate for all domestic uses in a single private dwelling, in an individual apartment or in a residential condominium in which the principal means of heating the premises is not provided by permanently installed electric space heating equipment. Service under this rate to residential condominiums is available to the extent permitted by applicable regulations of the Massachusetts Department of Public Utilities (the "M.D.P.U.") and is subject to both the Company's printed requirements and the Company's Terms and Conditions - Distribution Service, each as in effect from time to time.

Customers in Western Massachusetts where residential use of electricity constitutes more than 50% of customers' energy use in an outbuilding or farm and such customers initiated service under this rate prior to February 1, 2018, may continue service under this rate.

The Company will guarantee the Customer's payment to its designated supplier for generation services in accordance with the regulations established by the Department at 220 C.M.R. 11.05(3)(c).

**RATE PER MONTH**

**Delivery Services:**

Customer Charge:	As per M.D.P.U. No. 1 as in effect from time to time
Distribution:	As per M.D.P.U. No. 1 as in effect from time to time
Transition:	As per M.D.P.U. No. 1 as in effect from time to time
Transmission:	As per M.D.P.U. No. 1 as in effect from time to time

Delivery services shall be subject to the M.D.P.U. rates listed above as such rates are in effect from time to time.

**Supplier Services: (Optional)**

Basic Service:	As in effect per Tariff
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**Minimum Charge:**

The minimum charge per month shall be the Customer Charge, less the application of the Low Income Discount Adjustment provided under this rate schedule.

A Customer requesting a reconnection of service at a location where service to such Customer was terminated at the Customer's request during the prior 12 months shall pay a minimum charge for the first billing month after reconnection equal to the charges for regular service provided above plus: (1) the sum of the monthly Customer charges for each month during which service was not taken, and (2)

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the applicable reconnection charge per Appendix A of the Terms and Conditions - Distribution Service.

**LOW INCOME DISCOUNT ADJUSTMENT**

The total amount resulting from the billing of all charges under this rate schedule shall be adjusted by a discount of 42 percent for Customers in Eastern Massachusetts and Western Massachusetts.

**RATE ADJUSTMENTS**

The charges for delivery service shall be subject to the following provisions:

Revenue Decoupling Adjustment Mechanism	Pension Adjustment Mechanism
Residential Assistance Adjustment Clause	Net Metering Recovery Surcharge
Attorney General Consultant Expense	Long Term Renewable Contract Adjustment
Storm Reserve Adjustment Mechanism	Storm Cost Recovery Adjustment
Basic Service Cost Adjustment	Solar Program Cost Adjustment
Transmission Service Cost Adjustment	Transition Cost Adjustment
Renewable Energy Charge	Energy Efficiency Charge
Performance Based Revenue Adjustment	Solar Expansion Cost Recovery Mechanism
Vegetation Management	Miscellaneous Charges
Solar Massachusetts Renewable Target	2017 Tax Act Credit
Grid Modernization Factor	Advanced Metering Infrastructure
Electronic Payment Recovery	Electric Vehicle Program Factor
Provisional System Planning Factor	

**FARM DISCOUNT**

A Customer taking service under this rate may be eligible for the Company's Farm Discount Rider, as in effect from time to time.

**SPECIAL PROVISIONS**

- (1) A Customer will be eligible for this rate upon verification of a Customer's eligibility for the low-income home energy assistance program, or its successor program, or verification of a Customer's receipt of any means-tested public benefit, for which eligibility does not exceed 200 percent of the federal poverty level based on a household's gross income, or other criteria approved by the Department.
- (2) Customers who qualify for this rate shall be required each year to certify their continuing compliance with the terms hereof.

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**TERMS OF PAYMENT**

Charges are net and are payable upon presentation of the Company's bill.

**TERM**

Service shall continue until terminated on 3 business days' notice by the Customer.