Questions to Ask Your Solar Provider

As you’re shopping around for a solar energy system, you’ll probably have a lot of questions. Here are a few you should ask your provider before deciding if solar is right for you.

☐ Is my property a good site for solar?  ☑ Yes  ☐ No

☐ Is my roof sturdy enough to handle all of the equipment?  ☑ Yes  ☐ No

☐ Should I replace it?  ☑ Yes  ☐ No

☐ Are there any major concerns with having solar panels on my roof?  ☐ Yes  ☐ No

What are the concerns?

☐ Where will my panels be placed and what direction will they face? What direction is the best?

☐ Will I need to prune surrounding trees or adjust anything else about my property?

☐ What size and type of system would work best for my home?

☐ How much electricity will my system produce? How will that vary during different times of year?

☐ How long will the entire process take — from now until my solar panels are generating electricity?

☐ How long will my installation process take?

☐ How long will it take to connect my solar system to the electric grid?
Will you contact my electric company to schedule interconnection?  □ Yes  □ No
Do I need to do that?  □ Yes  □ No

What tax incentives are available to me?

What will I pay upfront?

How long will it take to pay off my system?

When will the system start saving me money? How much money will it save me?

Will I still have an electric bill and why?  □ Yes  □ No

If I want to add more panels later, could my inverter handle the larger system?

What happens if I want the panels removed later?

What happens if I need roof repair but want to keep my panels?

Who is responsible for the maintenance of my system? Who do I call if I have a problem or need a repair?

What does the warranty on this system cover? For how long?