Energy Committee

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Study: Looking at current usage of solar users (generators) and see if there are increases. Users increasing by 20-25% will wipe out any lost revenue from MED.

Also, what is the growth rate?

Rate payers as holders of the interconnection-does that interfere with third party PPA? (No) Barry wants to deal only with the account holder.

Proposed 100kW limit for net metering

Can the town of Wolfeboro which owns MED generate its own electricity? Town does not to follow its own policies. It could put a larger than 100kW system on its own property.

Solar does have a benefit-how do we quantify.

Barry will present recommendation to Energy Committee

If 50% of power comes from net renewable

Rate structure

Possible to Retain monthly netting and change distribution rate

Grandfathering

In contract, it is stated that the rate of net metering could change.

Goal to encourage solar generation locally.

Locally generated v. contracted generated

Paul will send me document

Wolfeboro has monetized credits

Main question is how we incentivize people to use renewable energy.

Recommendation: Monthly net-metering; stay with tiered pay structure (until we look at numbers for use). Grandfather existing generators, maintain one to one. Monetary credit, transmission credit possibly,

To get to goal of Master plan we need several large installations.

What does the Town of Wolfeboro's net policy say about change of rate structure?

Must review net metering policy.

Look at other utilities policies to compare.

Energy Committee look at Green Power for our next contract.