

COOPERATIVE SOLAR

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

WHAT IS MITCHELL EMC COOPERATIVE SOLAR?

Mitchell EMC Cooperative Solar offers residential accounts solar energy from a large solar facility that generates solar energy more economically than rooftop or yard installations. The solar energy is delivered from the large solar facility to the member's home by the same distribution lines already in place. And it enables the member to avoid many problems that accompany rooftop installations and yard installations.

WHERE IS COOPERATIVE SOLAR ENERGY GENERATED?

The initial source of solar energy for Cooperative Solar is a 135 acre, 20 megawatt (ac) solar energy project near Hazlehurst, Georgia. The Hazlehurst project is providing solar energy to Mitchell EMC and 27 other EMCs that are co-owners of Green Power EMC. If member interest in Cooperative Solar is sufficient, another solar generating facility may be constructed to provide additional capacity.

DO I HAVE TO BE A MEMBER OF MITCHELL EMC TO PARTICIPATE IN COOPERATIVE SOLAR?

Yes. You must be a member with an active residential account to participate in Mitchell EMC Cooperative Solar.

HOW SOON CAN I PARTICIPATE IN COOPERATIVE SOLAR?

You can sign-up now. Your billing and energy credits start with your next billing.

HOW MUCH WILL IT COST TO PARTICIPATE IN COOPERATIVE SOLAR?

The price is \$20.00 per month for each energy block you purchase plus applicable sales tax.

HOW MANY ENERGY BLOCKS CAN I PURCHASE?

Each residential member may purchase up to two blocks of solar energy on a first-come, first-served basis. If blocks are sold out, we will place your name on a waiting list.

HOW MUCH ENERGY WILL I GET FROM EACH SOLAR ENERGY BLOCK?

Each block is expected to generate between 100 and 200 kilowatt hours of energy per month based upon variables such as the sun's position, season of the year, number of cloudy or rainy days in the month and other factors.

HOW DO I GET CREDIT FOR PURCHASING A BLOCK OF SOLAR ENERGY CAPACITY?

We will credit your monthly utility bill to reflect the amount of electricity produced from the previous month by your portion of the Cooperative Solar facility.

DO I OWN ANY SOLAR PANELS IF I PARTICIPATE IN COOPERATIVE SOLAR?

No. You are purchasing the electricity generated by the solar panels, but you will not own any property or equipment.

HOW LONG IS MY CONTRACT?

There is no long-term contract. You may quit at any time by notifying Mitchell EMC before your account bills for the current month. In the event your account has billed you will not be billed the next month. Keep in mind, when you leave the program you will not be able to sign up for a one year period. You may have to be placed on a waiting list to get back on solar if there are no blocks available.

WHAT IF I RENT AND DO NOT OWN MY PROPERTY?

Since there is no equipment required on the property, renters may participate the same as homeowners.

WHAT HAPPENS IF I MOVE?

No problem. You can keep your solar energy blocks if you move to another location served by Mitchell EMC. If you move outside of the cooperative's service territory or otherwise discontinue participating in Cooperative Solar, the co-op will make the block of energy available for another interested member.

HOW ABOUT MAINTENANCE COST ON THE SYSTEM?

Mitchell EMC maintains the solar units and there is never a charge to you for maintenance and up-keep to the solar system.

SOUNDS GOOD! HOW DO I SIGN UP?

You may come in now and sign up for Mitchell EMC Cooperative Solar. You may apply at any of our three offices in Albany, Camilla or Sylvester, GA. We'll be allocating portions of the solar generating facility on a "first-come, first-served" basis. For more information, contact our office by calling 800-479-6034.

COOPERATIVE SOLAR - HOW IT WORKS

READY FOR SOLAR?



GET HASSLE-FREE COOPERATIVE SOLAR

Mitchell EMC Cooperative Solar makes it easy for members to have all the benefits of solar energy without the hassles.

Mitchell EMC has invested in a utility-scale solar facility and will be offering blocks of Cooperative Solar energy to residential members. If you sign up, solar energy from the Cooperative Solar facility will be used to offset your residential energy usage without any of the hassles associated with having solar panels installed on your property.

HERE'S HOW IT WORKS:

AVAILABILITY:

Members can purchase up to 2 blocks of solar energy on a first-come, first-served basis. If blocks are sold out, we will place your name on a waiting list.

ELIGIBILITY:

Only members who receive electric service from Mitchell EMC can participate in Cooperative Solar, and participation is limited to residential accounts.

PRICING AND ENERGY OUTPUT:

The monthly charge for each 1 kW solar energy block is \$20. Each block is expected to generate between 100 and 200 kilowatt-hours of energy per month based upon variables such as the sun's position, season of the year, number of cloudy days and other factors.

BILLING:

For \$20 per month for each solar energy block, you will receive credit on your monthly bill for the kilowatt-hours generated by your solar energy block(s).

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