

How to Read Your El Paso Electric Solar Electricity Bill

Interpreting a standard El Paso Electric bill can be confusing, and adding solar can make it a bit more complicated. This guide is intended to help you make sense of your new solar electricity bill from El Paso Electric.

As where the standard El Paso Electric bill shows the amount of electricity consumed in a given timeframe, a solar electric bill also includes the amount of solar energy produced during that same timeframe. There are two variations of a solar electric bill that you might see, one in which the solar energy produced in a given billing period is MORE than the energy consumed, and the other is one in which the solar energy produced in a given billing period is LESS than the energy consumed.

The first is referred to as "Overproduction", and the other is referred to as "Overconsumption". You will see an overproduction billing example down on the left, and an overconsumption billing example on the right. You will also see a typical monthly production vs. consumption graph displayed in the middle, showing both overproduction (i.e. March) and overconsumption (i.e. July).

Solar "Overproduction" Bill Example



Monthly Energy Production Vs. Consumption Solar Production Total Consumption Overproduction Overconsumption Overconsumption Solar Production Overconsumption Overconsumption Applied Baseline Baseline Baseline Consumption Operation Baseline Baseline Baseline Baseline Consumption Description Baseline Baseline

- 1) Solar production in kWh: 913 & 1,023 kWh
- 2a) Utility energy delivered to home: 254 & 515 kWh
- 2b) Solar energy delivered to utility: 622 & 406 kWh
- 3) Excess solar energy delivered to utility: 368 kWh
- 4) Dollar amount utility pays for excess energy for the period: 9.249 cents / kWh (Note negative sign)
- 5) Excess utility energy consumed: 109 kWh

Total consumption is not shown on the bill and must be calculated using the following methods.

Overproduction bill total consumption calculation: Solar Created (1) - Excess Solar (3): 913 - 368 = 545 kWh

Overconsumption bill total consumption calculation: Solar Created (1) + Excess Utility (5): 1,023 + 109 = 1,132

Solar "Overconsumption" Bill Example

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