



OPA posts finalized pricing for ground-mounted solar PV microFIT projects and updates to the FIT Program

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Over the last week, the OPA has posted the following amendments and updates to the FIT Program to its website:

- Price category for ground-mounted solar PV microFIT projects finalized

On August 13, 2010, the OPA announced that it finalized the 64.2 cents per kWh price category for ground-mounted solar PV microFIT projects. The revised price applies to all microFIT ground-mounted solar applications submitted after 12 p.m. on July 2, 2010. In addition to changes to the contract price, the OPA has announced that:

(1) commercial aggregators that lease land or rooftops from individuals for multiple renewable energy projects will no longer be able to participate in the microFIT program;

(2) the OPA will be setting up a microFIT advisory panel to provide advice on the evolution of the microFIT program; and

(3) the advisory panel will be charged with making recommendations regarding the appropriate contract provisions that should apply to aggregators (outside the microFIT program).

In addition, the OPA has granted an extension regarding the 2010 domestic content requirements to eligible ground mounted solar PV applicants who applied to the microFIT program before 12 p.m. on July 2, 2010. Such applicants will be deemed to have met the 2010 domestic content requirements of 40 percent if the project is installed and a connection request has been made by May 31, 2011. Those applicants which submitted their applications after 12 p.m. on July 2, 2010 will be required to meet 2011 domestic content levels if they are not installed and connected by December 31, 2010.

A webinar will be hosted on August 18 from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. to answer questions about these recent developments. Details on the webinar can be found at the [OPA Website](#)

FIT Rules and FIT Price Schedule amended to temporarily disallow applications for 10 KW or less

On August 16, 2010, the OPA announced that the FIT Rules have been revised such that applications for 10 KW or less are not permissible until the microFIT rules and application form have been updated to reflect the new price category and rules for microFIT ground-mounted solar PV projects. The OPA has

indicated new applications under the microFIT program will be accepted beginning on Friday August 20. The FIT Price Schedule has been updated to reflect the revised price for ground mounted solar PV projects under 10 kW of 64.2 cents/kWh.

- FIT Prescribed Forms

On August 12, 2010, the OPA updated the Prescribed Forms for the FIT Contract. The forms can be found at the [OPA Website](#).

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