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NET ENERGY METERING
AND INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT

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**BIOGAS DIGESTER ELECTRICAL GENERATING FACILITY
NET ENERGY METERING
AND INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT**

This Biogas Digester Electrical Generating Facility Net Energy Metering and Interconnection Agreement ("Agreement") is entered into by and between (Producer's Name) a (form of entity & state of registration) ("Producer"), and Southern California Edison Company ("SCE"), a California corporation. For the purposes of this Agreement, Producer must be the same entity as the Customer taking electric service from SCE at the Host Facility's Location identified in Section 2.2, herein. Producer and SCE are sometimes also referred to in this Agreement jointly as "Parties" or individually as "Party." In consideration of the mutual promises and obligations stated in this Agreement and its attachments, the Parties agree as follows:

1. SCOPE AND PURPOSE

This Agreement provides for Producer, as an "Eligible biogas digester customer-generator" to interconnect and operate an "Eligible biogas digester electrical generating facility ("Generating Facility"), as both terms are defined in section 2827.9 of the California Public Utilities Code, in parallel with SCE's Distribution System to serve the electrical loads at the location identified in Section 2.2, below. Further, if the amount of energy produced by the Generating Facility exceeds the amount of energy consumed by the electrical loads directly connected to the Generating Facility, Producer may deliver surplus energy to SCE's Distribution System in conformance with the Net Energy Metering provisions of SCE's Schedule BG-NEM, Biogas Net Energy Metering, and accrue credits to be used pursuant to the terms and conditions of Schedule BG-NEM. This Agreement does not constitute an agreement by SCE to provide retail electrical service to Producer. Such arrangements must be made separately between SCE and Producer.

2. SUMMARY AND DESCRIPTION OF PRODUCER'S GENERATING FACILITY

2.1 A description of the Generating Facility, including a summary of its significant components and a single-line diagram showing the general arrangement of how Producer's Generating Facility and loads are interconnected with SCE's Distribution System are attached as Appendix A and made a part of this Agreement.

2.2 Name and address used by SCE to locate the Electric Service Account(s) used to interconnect the Generating Facility with SCE's Distribution System:

2.3 The Gross Nameplate Rating of the Generating Facility is _____ kW.

2.4 The Net Nameplate Rating of the Generating Facility is _____ kW.

2.5 The annual energy production of the Generating Facility is expected to be _____ kWh.

2.6 The annual amount of surplus energy to be delivered to SCE's Distribution System is expected to be _____ kWh.

2.7 The maximum (instantaneous) level of power that may be delivered to SCE's Distribution System is _____ kW.

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Account No.	ID No.
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- 2.8 The Generating Facility's expected date of Initial Operation is _____. The expected date of Initial Operation shall be within one year of the date of this Agreement, and must commence operation no later than December 31, 2009.
- 2.9 Producer hereby declares that it meets the requirements for an Eligible biogas digester customer-generator and that the Generating Facility meets the requirements for an "Eligible Biogas Digester Electrical Generating Facility," as both terms are defined in section 2827.9 of the California Public Utilities Code.

3. DOCUMENTS INCLUDED

This Agreement includes the following exhibits, which are specifically incorporated herein and made a part of this Agreement.

- Appendix A - Description of Generating Facility and Single-Line Diagram
- Appendix B - Interconnection Facility Financing and Ownership Agreement
- Appendix C - Schedule BG-NEM, Biogas Net Energy Metering
- Appendix D - Listing of eligible service accounts, as defined in Schedule BG-NEM Special Condition 2, to be included in Net Energy Metering allocations
- Appendix E - Producer's warranty that it meets the requirements for an "eligible biogas digester customer-generator" and that the Generating Facility meets the requirements for an "Eligible Biogas digester electrical generating facility," both as defined in Section 2827.9 of the California Public Utilities Code.

4. TERM AND TERMINATION

- 4.1 This Agreement shall become effective as of the last date entered in Section 16 of this Agreement. The Agreement shall continue in full force and effect until the earliest date that one of the following events occurs:
- (a) The Parties agree in writing to terminate the Agreement, or
 - (b) Unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Parties, at 12:01 A.M. on the day following the date the electric service account through which Producer's Generating Facility is Interconnected to SCE's Distribution System is closed or terminated, or
 - (c) At 12:01 A.M. on the 61st day after Producer or SCE provides written Notice pursuant to Section 9 of this Agreement to the other Party of Producer or SCE's intent to terminate this Agreement.
 - (d) The operating life of the Eligible Biogas Digester Electrical Generating Facility has been exceeded.
- 4.2 Producer may elect to terminate this Agreement pursuant to the terms of Section 4.1(c) for any reason. SCE may elect to terminate this Agreement pursuant to the terms of Section 4.1(c) for one or more of the following reasons:
- (a) A change in applicable tariffs as approved or directed by the Commission or a change in any local, state or federal law, statute or regulation, either of which materially alters or otherwise affects SCE's ability or obligation to perform SCE's duties under this Agreement; or,

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- (b) Unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Parties, Producer fails to take all corrective actions specified in SCE's Notice that Producer's Generating Facility is out of compliance with the terms of this Agreement within the time frame set forth in such Notice; or
 - (c) Producer fails to interconnect and operate the Generating Facility per the terms of this Agreement prior to 120 days after the date set forth in Section 2.8 of this Agreement as the Generating Facility's expected date of Initial Operation; or
 - (d) Producer abandons the Generating Facility. SCE shall deem the Generating Facility to be abandoned if SCE determines, in its sole opinion, the Generating Facility is non-operational and Producer does not provide a substantive response to SCE's Notice of its intent to terminate this Agreement as a result of Producer's apparent abandonment of the Generating Facility affirming Producer's intent and ability to continue to operate the Generating Facility.
- 4.3 Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Agreement, SCE shall have the right to unilaterally file with the Commission, pursuant to the Commission's rules and regulations, an application to terminate this Agreement.
- 4.4 Any agreements attached to and incorporated into this Agreement shall terminate concurrently with this Agreement unless the Parties have agreed otherwise in writing.

5. GENERATING FACILITY OPERATION

- 5.1 Producer shall operate the Generating Facility in compliance with all of SCE's tariffs, including but not limited to SCE's Rule 21, and any other regulations and laws governing the Interconnection of the Generating Facility.
- 5.2 The electric power produced by Producer's Generating Facility shall first be used to serve electrical loads connected to the electric service account that SCE uses to interconnect Producer's Generating Facility. Whenever the amount of electrical power produced by the Generating Facility exceeds Producer's directly connected loads, SCE shall receive and utilize all excess production, and the Producer shall accrue a credit, as determined by SCE under the terms and conditions of Schedule BG-NEM, for such surplus power delivered to SCE's Distribution System.
- 5.3 Unless the Parties have agreed otherwise in writing, energy delivered to and/or received from SCE under this Agreement shall be measured using electrical meter(s) and equipment owned, operated, and maintained by SCE. Such meter(s) shall be located or compensated so as to appear to be located at SCE's Distribution System side of any transformers installed at the Point of Common Coupling.
- 5.4 In no event shall the rate of delivery of electric power to SCE's Distribution System exceed the kilowatt level specified in Section 2.7, herein. If Producer does not regulate its Generating Facility in compliance with this limitation, SCE may require Producer to disconnect its Generating Facility from SCE's Distribution System until Producer demonstrates to SCE's sole satisfaction that Producer has taken adequate measures to regulate the output of its Generating Facility and control its deliveries of power to SCE. Further, should SCE determine that Producer's operation of the Generating Facility is causing an unsafe condition or is adversely affecting SCE's ability to utilize its Distribution System in any manner, even if Producer's deliveries of electric power to SCE's

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Distribution System are within the specified capacity limit, SCE may require Producer to temporarily or permanently reduce or cease deliveries of electric power to SCE's Distribution System. Alternatively, the Parties may agree to other corrective measures so as to mitigate the effect of electric power flowing from the Generating Facility to SCE's Distribution System. Producer's failure to comply with the terms of this Section shall constitute a material breach of this Agreement and SCE may initiate termination in accordance with the terms of Section 4.2.

- 5.5 Producer shall not deliver reactive power to SCE's Distribution System unless the Parties have agreed otherwise in writing.
- 5.6 The Generating Facility shall be operated with all of Producer's Protective Functions in service whenever the Generating Facility is operated in parallel with SCE's Distribution System. Any deviation from these requirements may occur only when the Parties have agreed to such deviations in writing.

6. INTERCONNECTION FACILITIES

- 6.1 Producer and/or SCE, as appropriate, shall provide Interconnection Facilities that adequately protect SCE's Distribution System, personnel, and other persons from damage or injury which may be caused by the operation of Producer's Generating Facility.
- 6.2 Producer shall be solely responsible for the costs, design, purchase, construction, operation, and maintenance of the Interconnection Facilities that Producer owns.
- 6.3 If the provisions of SCE's Rule 21, or any other tariff approved by the Commission, require SCE to own and operate a portion of the Interconnection Facilities, Producer and SCE shall promptly execute an agreement that establishes and allocates responsibility for the design, installation, operation, maintenance, and ownership of the Interconnection Facilities. This agreement shall be attached to and made a part of this Agreement as Appendix B.

7. LIMITATION OF LIABILITY

Each Party's liability to the other Party for any loss, cost, claim, injury, liability, or expense, including reasonable attorney's fees, relating to or arising from any act or omission in its performance of this agreement, shall be limited to the amount of direct damage actually incurred. In no event shall either Party be liable to the other Party for any indirect, special, consequential, or punitive damages of any kind whatsoever.

8. INSURANCE

- 8.1 In connection with Producer's performance of its duties and obligations under this Agreement, Producer shall maintain, during the term of this Agreement, general liability insurance with a combined single limit of not less than:
 - (a) Two million dollars (\$2,000,000) for each occurrence if the Gross Nameplate Rating of Producer's Generating Facility is greater than one hundred (100) kW; or
 - (b) One million dollars (\$1,000,000) for each occurrence if the Gross Nameplate Rating of Producer's Generating Facility is greater than twenty (20) kW and less than or equal to one hundred (100) kW; or

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- (c) Five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000) for each occurrence if the Gross Nameplate Rating of Producer's Generating Facility is twenty (20) kW or less; or
- (d) Two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000) for each occurrence if the Gross Nameplate Rating of Producer's Generating Facility is ten (10) kW or less and Producer's Generating Facility is connected to an account receiving residential service from SCE.

Such general liability insurance shall include coverage for "Premises-Operations, Owners and Contractors Protective, Products/Completed Operations Hazard, Explosion, Collapse, Underground, Contractual Liability, and Broad Form Property Damage including Completed Operations."

- 8.2 The general liability insurance required in Section 8.1 shall, by endorsement to the policy or policies, (a) include SCE as an additional insured; (b) contain a severability of interest clause or cross-liability clause; (c) provide that SCE shall not by reason of its inclusion as an additional insured incur liability to the insurance carrier for payment of premium for such insurance; and (d) provide for thirty (30) calendar days' written notice to SCE prior to cancellation, termination, alteration, or material change of such insurance.
- 8.3 If Producer's Generating Facility is connected to an account receiving residential service from SCE and the requirement of Section 8.2(a) prevents Producer from obtaining the insurance required in Section 8.1, then upon Producer's written Notice to SCE in accordance with Section 9.1, the requirements of Section 8.2(a) shall be waived.
- 8.4 Evidence of the insurance required in Section 8.2 shall state that coverage provided is primary and is not in excess to or contributing with any insurance or self-insurance maintained by SCE.
- 8.5 Producer agrees to furnish the required certificates and endorsements to SCE prior to Initial Operation. SCE shall have the right to inspect or obtain a copy of the original policy or policies of insurance.
- 8.6 If Producer is self-insured with an established record of self-insurance, Producer may comply with the following in lieu of Sections 8.1 through 8.4:
 - (a) Producer shall provide to SCE, at least thirty (30) calendar days prior to the date of Initial Operation, evidence of an acceptable plan to self-insure to a level of coverage equivalent to that required under Section 8.1.
 - (b) If Producer ceases to self-insure to the level required hereunder, or if Producer is unable to provide continuing evidence of Producer's ability to self-insure, Producer agrees to immediately obtain the coverage required under Section 8.1.

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- 8.7 All insurance certificates, statements of self insurance, endorsements, cancellations, terminations, alterations, and material changes of such insurance shall be issued and submitted to the following:

Southern California Edison Company
Attention: Director, QF Resources
2244 Walnut Grove Avenue
P.O. Box 800
Rosemead, CA 91770

9. NOTICES

- 9.1 Any written notice, demand, or request required or authorized in connection with this Agreement ("Notice") shall be deemed properly given if delivered in person or sent by first class mail, postage prepaid, to the person specified below:

If to SCE: Southern California Edison Company
 Attention: Director, QF Resources
 2244 Walnut Grove Avenue
 P.O. Box 800
 Rosemead, CA 91779
 Phone: (626) 302-1212
 FAX: (626) 302-9622

If to Producer: Producer Name
 Address: _____
 City: _____
 Phone: () _____
 FAX: () _____

- 9.2 A Party may change its address for Notices at any time by providing the other Party Notice of the change in accordance with Section 9.1.
- 9.3 The Parties may also designate operating representatives to conduct the daily communications, which may be necessary or convenient for the administration of this Agreement. Such designations, including names, addresses, and phone numbers may be communicated or revised by one Party's Notice to the other.

10. REVIEW OF RECORDS AND DATA

- 10.1 SCE shall have the right to review and obtain copies of Producer's operations and maintenance records, logs, or other information such as, unit availability, maintenance outages, circuit breaker operation requiring manual reset, relay targets and unusual events pertaining to Producer's Generating Facility or its Interconnection with SCE's Distribution System.
- 10.2 Producer authorizes SCE to release to the California Energy Commission (CEC) and/or the California Public Utilities Commission (Commission) information regarding the Generating Facility, including the Producer's name and location, and the size, location and operational characteristics of the Generating Facility, as requested from time to time pursuant to the CEC's or Commission's rules and regulations.

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11. **ASSIGNMENT**
Producer shall not voluntarily assign its rights nor delegate its duties under this Agreement without SCE's written consent. Any assignment or delegation Producer makes without SCE's written consent shall not be valid. SCE shall not unreasonably withhold its consent to Producer's assignment of this Agreement.
12. **NON-WAIVER**
None of the provisions of this Agreement shall be considered waived by a Party unless such waiver is given in writing. The failure of a Party to insist in any one or more instances upon strict performance of any of the provisions of this Agreement or to take advantage of any of its rights hereunder shall not be construed as a waiver of any such provisions or the relinquishment of any such rights for the future, but the same shall continue and remain in full force and effect.
13. **GOVERNING LAW, JURISDICTION OF COMMISSION, INCLUSION OF SCE's TARIFF SCHEDULES, DEFINED TERMS**
- 13.1 This Agreement shall be interpreted, governed, and construed under the laws of the State of California as if executed and to be performed wholly within the State of California without giving effect to choice of law provisions that might apply to the law of a different jurisdiction.
- 13.2 This Agreement shall, at all times, be subject to changes or modifications by the Commission as it may from time to time direct in the exercise of its jurisdiction.
- 13.3 The interconnection and services provided under this Agreement shall at all times be subject to the terms and conditions set forth in the tariffs applicable to the electric service provided by SCE. Copies of such tariffs are available at SCE's Internet site: www.sce.com or by request to SCE and are incorporated into this Agreement by this reference.
- 13.4 Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Agreement, SCE shall have the right to unilaterally file with the Commission, pursuant to the Commission's rules and regulations, an application for change in tariffs, rates, charges, classification, service, or any agreement relating thereto.
- 13.5 When initially capitalized, whether in the singular or in the plural, the terms used herein shall have the meanings assigned to them either in this Agreement or in SCE's Rule 1 or Rule 21, Section C. If any term is defined in both Rule 1 and Rule 21, the definition in Rule 21 shall prevail. (T)
14. **AMENDMENTS AND MODIFICATION**
This Agreement can only be amended or modified by a written agreement signed by both Parties. SCE shall determine in its sole discretion whether prior commission approval is required for such amendments or modifications.

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15. ENTIRE AGREEMENT

This Agreement, including any incorporated tariffs and rules, contains the entire agreement and understanding between the Parties, their agents, and employees as to the subject matter of this Agreement. Each party also represents that in entering into this Agreement; it has not relied on any promise, inducement, representation, warranty, agreement or other statement not set forth in this Agreement, or in the incorporated tariffs and rules.

16. SIGNATURES

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties hereto have caused two originals of this Agreement to be executed by their duly authorized representatives. This Agreement is effective as of the last date set forth below.

PRODUCER'S NAME	SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON COMPANY
By: <u> SAMPLE* </u>	By: _____
Name: _____	Name: _____
Title: _____	Title: _____
Date: _____	Date: _____

* This form is a sample only. Contact SCE for an Application to interconnect your Generating Facility.

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**APPENDIX A
DESCRIPTION OF GENERATING FACILITY
AND SINGLE-LINE DIAGRAM**

(Provided by Producer)

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**APPENDIX B
(If Applicable)
INTERCONNECTION FACILITIES
FINANCING AND OWNERSHIP
AGREEMENT
(Provided by SCE)**

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APPENDIX C

**SCHEDULE BG-NEM
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**APPENDIX D
(If Applicable)**

**LIST OF ELIGIBLE LOAD AGGREGATION SERVICE ACCOUNTS
TO BE INCLUDED IN NET ENERGY METERING CALCULATIONS
PURSUANT TO SCHEDULE BG-NEM SPECIAL CONDITION 2**

APPENDIX E

**PRODUCER'S WARRANTY THAT IT MEETS THE REQUIREMENTS FOR AN ELIGIBLE BIOGAS
DIGESTER CUSTOMER-GENERATOR AND THE GENERATING FACILITY IS
AN ELIGIBLE BIOGAS ELECTRICAL GENERATING FACILITY
PURSUANT TO SECTION 2827.9 OF THE CALIFORNIA PUBLIC UTILITIES CODE**

Producer has declared that it meets the requirements for an Eligible biogas digester customer-generator and the Generating Facility meets the requirements of an "Eligible Biogas Electrical Generating Facility", as defined section 2827.9 of the California Public Utilities Code. ("Eligibility Requirements")

Producer warrants that, beginning on the date of Initial Operation and continuing throughout the term of this Agreement, Producer and the Generating Facility shall continue to meet the Eligibility Requirements. If Producer or the Generating Facility cease to meet the Eligibility Requirements, Producer shall promptly provide SCE with Notice of such change pursuant to Section 9.1 of this Agreement. If at any time during the term of this Agreement SCE determines, in its sole discretion, that Producer or Generating Facility may no longer meet the Eligibility Requirements, SCE may require Producer to provide evidence, that Producer and/or Generating Facility continues to meet the Eligibility Requirements, within 15 business days of SCE's request for such evidence. Additionally, SCE may periodically (typically, once per year) inspect Producer's Generating Facility and/or require documentation from Producer to monitor the Generating Facility's compliance with the Eligibility Requirements. If SCE determines in its sole judgment that Producer either failed to provide evidence in a timely manner or that it provided insufficient evidence that its Generating Facility continues to meet the Eligibility Requirements, then the Eligibility Status shall be deemed ineffective until such time as Producer again demonstrates to SCE's reasonable satisfaction that Producer meets the requirements for an Eligible biogas digester customer-generator and/or the Generating Facility meets the requirements for a Eligible biogas electrical generating facility (the "Eligibility Status Change").

SCE shall revise its records and the administration of this Agreement to reflect the Eligibility Status Change and provide Notice to Producer of the Eligibility Status Change pursuant to Section 9.1 of this Agreement. Such Notice shall specify the effective date of the Eligibility Status Change. This date shall be the first day of the calendar year for which SCE determines in its sole discretion that the Producer and/or Generating Facility first ceased to meet the Eligibility Requirements. SCE shall invoice the Producer for any tariff charges that were not previously billed during the period between the effective date of the Eligibility Status Change and the date of the Notice in reliance upon Producer's representations that Producer and/or Generating Facility complied with the Eligibility Requirements and therefore was eligible for the rate treatment available under the Net Energy Metering provisions of SCE's Schedule BG-NEM, Biogas Net Energy Metering.

Any amounts to be paid or refunded by Producer, as may be invoiced by SCE pursuant to the terms of this warranty, shall be paid to SCE within 30 days of Producer's receipt of such invoice.