

### **District of Columbia**

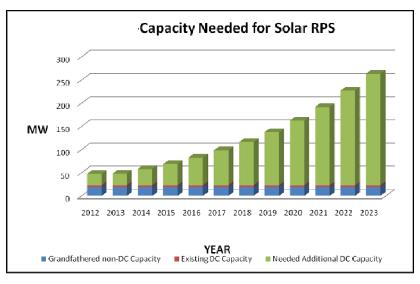
## Public Service Commission

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# **Fact Sheet:**

# Go Solar DC DC Needs DC Based Solar to meet the RPS

The Renewable Energy Portfolio Standard ("RPS") Act, enacted and amended by the D.C. Council, established a minimum percentage of District electricity providers' supply that must be derived from renewable energy sources. The RPS also includes a solar set-aside requiring a certain percentage of the RPS to be met specifically with solar the implementing energy. As rulemaking authority, the D.C. Public Service Commission (PSC) wants to ensure that the District is meeting its yearly RPS goal. To achieve this, District residents and businesses must know of and understand their options, and the benefits of renewable energy resources.



### Residential and commercial customers can benefit by going solar and help meet the RPS by:

- Installing solar electric generation facilities, solar PV, and solar thermal;
- Entering into an interconnection agreement to sell excess electricity back to the grid;
- Participating in net metering; and
- Registering your solar electric generation facility to sell SRECs (Solar Renewable Energy Credits).

Since February 1, 2011, all solar facilities seeking certification must be in the District of Columbia or in a location served by a distribution feeder serving the District.

### The benefits of going solar are SAVING ENERGY & SAVING MONEY by:

- 1. Reducing your electricity bill;
- 2. Getting paid for the excess electricity you generate; and
- 3. Being compensated with SRECs.

For additional information about Net Energy Metering and your Renewable Energy Generation Facility, please visit the Commission website at www.dcpsc.org.

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