

**COMMUNITY-BASED RENEWABLE ENERGY
FEED-IN TARIFF
DISCUSSION DOCUMENT
3rd Meeting on Renewable Energy Policies**

Community-based renewable energy

- Commission reported that if all projects certified become operational, then the program is fully subscribed.
- Policy decisions identified during the last meeting
 - Should the repeal date be extended?
 - Should the statewide capacity limit be increased from 50 MW to 60 or 75? Should net capacity factor be considered rather than nameplate capacity?
 - Other notes included a lack of participation by municipalities
- CBRE is a type of feed-in tariff

Policy Decisions

- Do you want to amend the CBRE?
- Do you want to create separate feed-in tariff program?
 - If so, how should this program be different than the CBRE?
 - Capacity caps, statewide limit, price
 - Currently 5 projects below 500kW, 8 above - list of certified projects are in white binder
 - Different prices for different technologies?
 - LD 1252 proposes to increase to 15 cents for solar and link to Consumer Price Index
 - Local ownership requirement
 - Standard contract, case-by-case contract or competitive solicitation

	Feed-in tariff Capacity Cap	Feed-in tariff Program Cap	Price
Maine – current CBRE	10 MW	50 MW	Capped at 10 cents/kWh
Rhode Island	5MW	40 MW	14 – 30 cents/kWh
Hawaii	5 MW	10MW or 60 MW	12 – 27 cents/kWh
California	3 MW	750 MW	Market-based tariff rate
Vermont	2.2 MW	127.5 MW	9-26 cents/kWh
Oregon (solar PV only)	500 kW	25 MW	18-40 cents/kWh, larger projects bid
Maine - proposed	500kW	No cap	Based on revenue requirements – sponsor suggested 26 cent cap
Washington	75kW	See price cap	12 cents - \$1.08/kWh, not more than \$5,000.