

Renewable Power for Farmers Electric Cooperative

Through renewable energy incentives, grants and donated time, Farmers Electric has helped several customers begin generating solar and wind energy. We are dedicated to expanding your renewable opportunities, with a goal of generating 20% of our power through local, renewable resources by 2020. Adding local renewable energy to our portfolio keeps a portion of your monthly power payment in the community, and helps us keep rates as low as possible.

Many of you have asked about solar power. With federal tax credits (extended through 2011) and FEC incentives, installing a solar array on your property may be worth consideration. We understand however, that up-front costs are significant, and some of you do not have adequate site conditions for solar. With that in mind, we are introducing a new program that allows you to invest in solar and reap the benefits without building a system of your own.

Introducing ...



**\$250 PER MODULE
FOR A
LIMITED TIME**

To jump-start the program, FEC is offering the first 20 solar modules to its customers at a **50% savings.**

The Community-Owned Solar Garden offers affordable solar ownership to all FEC customers. Through the program, members can buy individual, 230-watt modules which will be installed on common arrays near the Frytown substation. FEC will provide the mounts, transformers, insurance and all labor, including long-term maintenance.

You purchase the solar module; FEC does the rest.

As soon as your solar module begins generating electricity, FEC will collect the power, put it on the grid, and directly credit your monthly bill for the retail value of the power (\$0.125/kWhr). This rate will rise as retail rates rise. Your brand-name module will generate power for at least 30-40 years.

Cost: \$500 per module (including cost of inverter)

Approximate monthly credit: \$3.15 (based on current rates and average solar availability/module)

Member investor owns the actual module (serial number and certificate of ownership provided). Modules can be resold to FEC at a depreciated rate if you move. Your solar module will be installed on a 10-module array. Each time ten modules are sold, a new array will be built.

FEC would like to let as many customers as possible take advantage of this opportunity to invest in solar. Call the cooperative to reserve your module. We'll let you know the number of modules you may purchase at \$250 by August 1.

After the first 20 modules have been sold, the price per module will be \$500.