

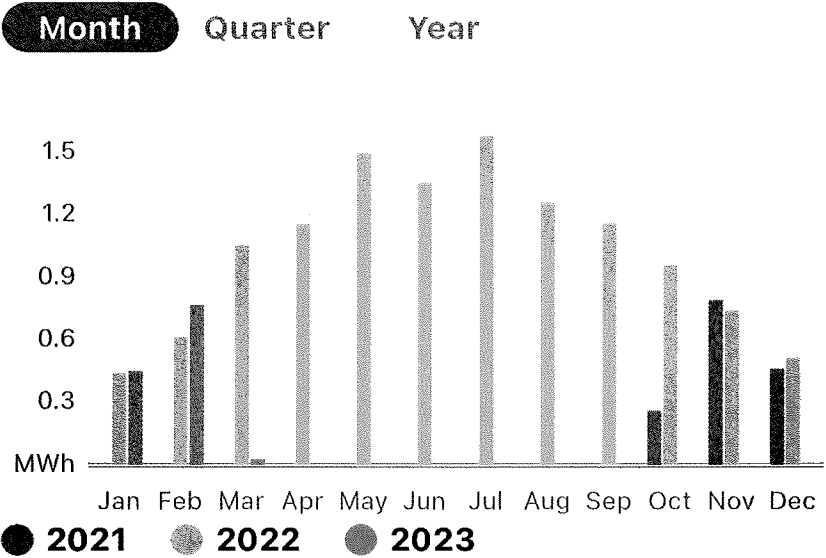
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Good afternoon Senator Lawrence, Representative Zeiglar and distinguished Member of the Committee on Energy, Utilities, and Technology. Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony for today's hearing on Central Maine Power's policy regarding Expired Solar Credits for residential customers with solar arrays. As you may or may not know residential customers of CMP with solar panels like myself receive kilowatt hour credits from CMP on a monthly basis. These credits are tabulated from the amount our homes use compared to the amount we produce through solar generation. Any excess kWh's we generate are stored in a "Bank" with CMP to be drawn from monthly, when our homes use more power than we generate. Unfortunately it's currently Central Maine Power's policy to let excess kilowatt hours expire every 12 months from when they are produced. As you know, solar production in the State of Maine varies dramatically from month to month, with higher productivity during longer daylight months and considerably less during the shorter winter months when energy consumption is usually highest. We've all been called on to reduce our carbon footprint for many reasons, and I've made a considerable investment in both Solar and Geothermal heating/cooling systems for my home. During winter months I rely heavily on these banked solar credits to offset higher energy needs during winter months when solar production is low. Central Maine Power directly benefits from receiving the excess energy I produce, and to have these excess kWh's arbitrarily expire every 12 months seems like an unjust policy. Through research I've found that other utilities compensate their residential solar providers based on the current market price per kilowatt hour instead of arbitrarily letting them expire. Whatever the solution, it only seems just to either let CMP's residential solar energy providers take advantage of the excess energy they provide back to the grid without expirations or be compensated for the excess they supply to the grid. Any efforts this committee can provide to rectify this practice would certainly be great for the members of our community who have invested in, and are doing their part to make this a cleaner more energy independent state. I'd like to thank you for your consideration and actions in improving this flawed policy.

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● Solar Production

Comparative Production



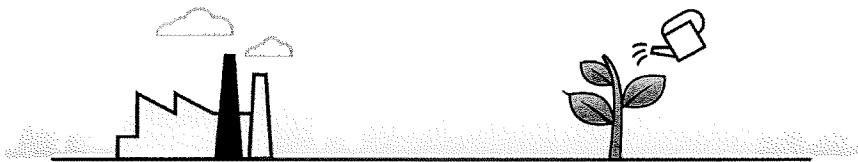
Environmental Benefits

CO2 Emission Saved

23,483.3 lb

Equivalent Trees Planted

177



Your Generation Details (kWh)

You can find definitions and explanations of Net Energy and Distributed Generation invoices on our website at cmpco.com/NEB-DG

Fixed Percentage	Billing Period	Usage	Self Generation	Banked Generation	Unused Expired Credits
100.000000	01/04/23-02/01/23	678	295	155	0
100.000000	12/03/22-01/03/23	1,139	292	538	0
100.000000	11/02/22-12/02/22	871	530	1,385	0
100.000000	10/04/22-11/01/22	512	651	1,726	0
100.000000	09/02/22-10/03/22	762	845	1,587	0
100.000000	08/03/22-09/01/22	859	670	1,504	0
100.000000	07/02/22-08/02/22	939	1,005	1,693	0
100.000000	06/02/22-07/01/22	634	917	1,627	0
100.000000	05/03/22-06/01/22	483	1,136	1,344	0
100.000000	04/02/22-05/02/22	768	951	691	0
100.000000	03/03/22-04/01/22	278	673	508	0
100.000000	02/02/22-03/02/22	437	550	113	0
100.000000	01/04/22-02/01/22	488	317	0	0
100.000000	12/03/21-01/03/22	645	331	0	0

