

Blue SkySM Renewable Energy Options Frequently Asked Questions

Where does my money go when I pay for Blue Sky?

Your purchase goes to buy renewable energy equal to your purchase and for program administration. Because *Pacific Power retains no profit from the Blue Sky program*, it is one of the most economical renewable programs in the country.

Does my Blue Sky renewable energy purchase make a difference? Yes! Your purchase goes directly to supporting renewable energy facilities in the region and also helps build more facilities. By purchasing Blue Sky, you help:

- Reduce our region's dependence on the use of less environmentally friendly power sources.
- Improve air quality by helping cut down on emissions of carbon dioxide and greenhouse gases that cause global warming.
- Contribute to protecting human health (air pollution from electricity generation is often associated with respiratory illnesses like asthma in children).
- Encourage continued development of new, emerging energy sources, such as wind farms.
- Preserve the natural environment.
- Support an emerging industry, which creates jobs and boosts local economies.

How do I know I am getting what I pay for? Various organizations, including environmental groups and the Oregon Public Utility Commission, require a full accounting of renewable expenditures and the Blue Sky program. In fact, the Oregon Public Utility Commission helped Pacific Power create their Usage and Habitat options. In addition, all of Pacific Power's renewable power options meet high environmental standards that were developed by a variety of groups, including environmentalists, utilities and consumer groups. This ensures that customers get what they pay for when they voluntarily buy renewable energy through one of Pacific Power's programs.

How much money will Oregon Interfaith Power & Light (OIPL) receive when I enroll in Blue Sky (and remain enrolled for at least 3 months)? Pacific Power will contribute \$20.00 per enrollment.

What if I'm already enrolled—can OIPL still get a donation? No, this is an incentive program to encourage more homes and businesses to make a choice for renewable power—but you can help out! You can host a renewable energy presentation at your home, workplace or other location and for each new enrollment, Pacific Power will make a donation to OIPL. To explore hosting a presentation, contact mvanderwater@3phases.com

How can I get out of the program if I don't want to be enrolled any longer? Simply call Pacific Power at 1-800-769-3717 to end your participation. There is no fee to do so; however, for OIPL to receive a contribution, you must remain enrolled for at least three months.

Can I sign up if I live in an apartment? If you pay your electricity bill you have the decision-making authority to enroll in a Blue Sky renewable energy option.

What type of recognition can congregations and organizations earn when they enroll in renewable energy? Congregations and organizations making meaningful commitments to clean energy can earn recognition through the Blue Sky Business Partnership, the Northwest Clean Energy Challenge and the EPA Green Power Partnership.