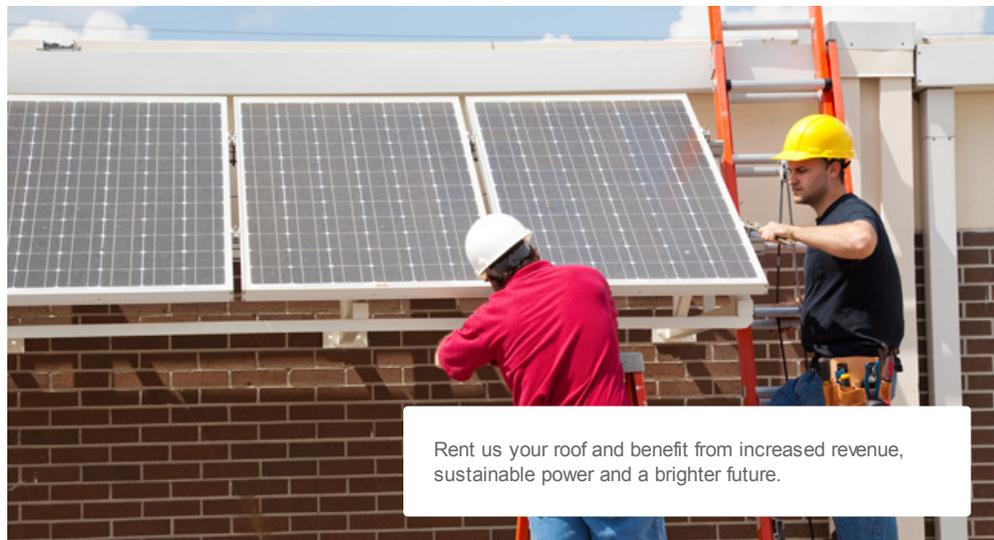


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Solar Rooftop Program: Power the Future



Rent us your roof and benefit from increased revenue, sustainable power and a brighter future.

Our Solar Rooftop Program installs solar facilities on commercial rooftops in areas where power demand is growing. Building owners lease space to us; we install and maintain systems that send electricity to the local grid. Your business benefits from increased revenue. Your community benefits from access to renewable, more reliable energy.

Wholesale Energy Procurement
Our team periodically conducts competitive solicitations for natural gas and wholesale electric energy supplies
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Solar Contractors

Are you a contractor? We've got information specifically for you

Got Questions?

We don't question your questions, we answer them

Get Charged Up

Is your business ready for an electric vehicle?

About the Program

To help increase our access to renewable energy sources, we created the Solar Rooftop Program, the nation's largest and most innovative solar program to date.

Our plan is to install up to 250 megawatts of photovoltaic (PV) power on the rooftops of approximately 100 to 150 large industrial buildings in areas where power demands are increasing. The project has the potential to generate enough energy to meet the needs approximately 162,000 homes as well as reduce—through economies of scale—the cost of solar energy for all our customers. As well, by sending electricity directly to the neighborhood power grid, this system also eliminates the need for costly long-distance transmission lines.

How It Works

Our business partners lease their building roof space to us. We then install, operate and maintain the solar facility over the life of the lease and remove the units when the lease expires. The benefits to your business include:

- A reliable, long-term revenue stream for unused or underutilized rooftop space.
- Meeting your corporate sustainability goals without investing in expensive solar power equipment, installation and service.
- Being an environmental leader and attracting like-minded tenants who care about supporting renewable energy use.
- Positive press coverage as a participant in one of the nation's largest solar projects.
- The good will you create by practicing corporate social responsibility and helping national energy independence as your building provides clean and renewable energy for your community.
- Helping your community by creating well paying local jobs that stimulate business activity. Our program is expected to create as many as 1,200 new green jobs in the solar industry. The International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, one of SCE's project partners, is supporting the plan through the expansion of its solar installation apprentice-training program.

Are You Eligible?

In order to participate in the Solar Rooftop Program, buildings must meet the following requirements:

- The ideal building should be at least 200,000 square feet, the area needed to install a 1 MW system.
- The building should be in an area with a high solar index (strong sun intensity).
- Preferably, the roof should be less than 8 years old to minimize the need to re-roof the building over the term of the lease. Alternatively, a building whose roof is at the end of its life and will be replaced prior to the solar site's construction is also a good candidate.
- The roof must be in good condition.

- The roof should be reasonably flat (no Quonset huts).
- The roof should have near continual exposure to the sun.
- A certain amount of usable ground space on the outside of the building is needed to house the system's inverters and transformers. These requirements include about 900 square feet for the first megawatt and 600 square feet for each additional megawatt.

Please contact us if you are considering participating in the program and are currently designing a new building. There are more options favorable to inclusion in the program available in new construction such as including some supporting posts on the rooftop and preferable roofing materials.

For questions about the program, contact email us at solar.rooftop@sce.com

How to Apply

We developed a multi-step process to screen and select potential candidates:

- To begin, you must sign a Non-Disclosure Agreement to protect you and SCE's confidential information.
- You then provide a list of buildings to be considered for the Solar Rooftop Leasing Program.
- You submit any requested structural, architectural and site plans, and all third party inspection reports for your buildings
- We will do preliminary site inspections and system modeling to determine which buildings might fit into the Solar Rooftop Program.
- Once a building is deemed suitable, you will be asked to sign an "Exclusive Right to Negotiate", enabling SCE to put the building into the queue for interconnection into the electrical grid, a process that can take in excess of seven months.
- Engineering evaluations of proposed rooftops will be conducted to confirm their suitability to hold a solar facility.
- A lease will then be executed for the roof and a small portion of the ground. A tentative construction start date will be set.
- SCE installs and pays for the solar system.

To get involved contact us solar.rooftop@sce.com. The program has limited availability so contact us today.

FAQs

Read the [Solar Rooftop Program Frequently Asked Questions](#) to learn more about the Program.