

New solar energy choice now available through LG&E and KU

Utilities select Kentucky-based business partner for business and industrial solar projects

(LOUISVILLE, Ky.) — Louisville Gas and Electric Company and Kentucky Utilities Company are further growing solar power in Kentucky — establishing a new service for business and industrial customers interested in solar energy.

The company selected Kentucky-based Solar Energy Solutions, LLC as its business partner for its new business solar offering, which was first announced in [November 2015](#)

“We received a good mix of responses during the request for proposals process from local and national companies with a wide range of capabilities and experience in solar generation design and construction,” said John P. Malloy, vice president of Customer Services. “Solar Energy Solutions is a well-established solar provider with local roots here in Kentucky and well-known projects throughout the region, and this partnership will keep business local and offer new solar opportunities for our communities and our customers.”

Through this new business solar service, LG&E and KU will build, own and operate individual solar facilities for interested business and industrial customers on their properties. The solar systems may include ground or rooftop solar arrays and can range in size from 30 kilowatts to 5 megawatts, and each customized project will be subject to approval by the Kentucky Public Service Commission.

“Solar Energy Solutions is enormously proud to be selected by LG&E and KU as the company’s partner in helping customers across Kentucky access the many benefits of solar power,” said Steve Ricketts, Solar Energy Solutions co-owner and General Manager – Business Development.

“Providing regulated distributed generation through this new customized business solar service will be a new venture for us, but we expect this to be responsive to our customers’ needs,” said Malloy. “We’re committed to investigating and evaluating new customer offerings that improve our business while continuing to deliver safe and reliable energy at the lowest reasonable cost.”

This new customer offering expands LG&E and KU’s solar initiatives; the first of which came in April as the company unveiled Kentucky’s largest universal solar facility at its E.W. Brown Generating Station in Mercer County. The 10-megawatt solar facility is expected to produce 19,000 megawatt-hours of energy annually, enough to power 1,500 homes — based on a usage of 1,000 kilowatt hours per month and considering all available hours of sunlight.

Visit lge-ku.com/solar to learn more about LG&E and KU’s efforts to grow solar energy in Kentucky for customers and the nation’s power grid.

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