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The Rules Have Changed

- ✓ Illinois “triple-stack” of incentives
- ✓ 30% Federal tax credit available if “locked in” by July 4, 2026
- ✓ 30% from Illinois Shines SREC (not expiring)
- ✓ 10% from ComEd/Ameren Smart Inverter Rebate



Your Gameplan

How to “lock-in” by July 4, 2026

- Place a minimum 5% deposit by July 4, 2026,
- Start physical work on the project by July 4, 2026.

Both require “continuity”

This means that for those starting construction, you need maintain meaningful progress. For those placing deposits, engineering, permitting, procurement, and construction need that same meaningful progress.



The Endgame

Four years to complete

Assuming you maintain meaningful progress, your credits will be available for four years from the date of your deposit / start of construction.

Other incentives remain

For those that do not need the environmental attributes right away and do not need to net meter, the State SREC and utility Smart Inverter rebates will remain for projects that do not meet the federal deadline.





Resources



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