The intent of the Self Generation Incentive Program (SGIP) is to provide incentives for equipment installed and functioning for the duration of its useful life. All systems must be installed by an appropriately licensed California contractor in accordance with rules and regulations adopted by the Contractors' State Licensing Board (CSLB).

Current CSLB Classifications are outlined below:

- A
- B
- C-10
- C-46 (for the combined installation of solar photovoltaics and energy storage projects)
- C-38 (for the installation of large-scale thermal energy storage system projects)

Installers of the proposed SGIP system must have an active license issued by the State of California CSLB that complies with all current CSLB licensing requirements for the SGIP-eligible technology that is being installed.¹

¹ CSLB requirements for the Self Generation Incentive Program are outlined in section 4.2.3 of the SGIP Handbook.