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VIA E-TARIFF FILING

The Honorable Debbie-Anne A. Reese Acting Secretary Federal Energy Regulatory Commission 888 First Street, NE Washington, DC 20426

Re: Public Service Company of Colorado

Xcel Energy Operating Companies Open Access Transmission Tariff

Docket No. ER24-

Order No. 2023 Compliance Filing

Dear Secretary Bose:

Xcel Energy Services Inc. ("XES"), on behalf of Public Service Company of Colorado ("PSCo"), submits the enclosed filing and tariff sheets proposing revisions to PSCo's Large Generator Interconnection Procedures ("LGIP"), Large Generator Interconnection Agreement ("LGIA"), Small Generator Interconnection Procedures ("SGIP"), and Small Generator Interconnection Agreement ("SGIA"), in compliance with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's ("FERC" or "Commission") Order No. 2023 and Order No. 2023-A. PSCo requests that the Commission accept this filing and the tariff sheets enclosed herein, and allow the revised LGIP to become effective on the date of FERC's acceptance.

PSCo has been undergoing extensive efforts to reform its interconnection queue for the past five years. PSCo historically experienced severe interconnection backlogs and, to remedy those backlogs, PSCo has been gradually increasing the readiness requirements imposed on Interconnection Customers entering PSCo's queue. PSCo initially reformed its interconnection

¹ XES is the service company subsidiary of Xcel Energy Inc. ("Xcel Energy"), the holding company parent of PSCo and the other Xcel Energy Operating Companies, namely, Northern States Power Company, a Minnesota corporation, Northern States Power Company, a Wisconsin corporation, (the "NSP Companies") and Southwestern Public Service Company ("SPS"). XES makes filings with, and appears in proceedings before, the Commission on behalf of the Xcel Energy Operating Companies.

² Improvements to Generator Interconnection Procedures and Agreements, Order No. 2023, 184 FERC ¶ 61,054 ("Order No. 2023"), modified in part, 185 FERC ¶ 61,063 (2023); order on reh'g and clarification, Order No. 2023-A, 186 FERC ¶ 61,063 (2024) ("Order No. 2023-A).

As discussed below, PSCo has submitted a placeholder "9998" effective date for this filing. Following Commission action on this filing, PSCo will make a further compliance filing to replace the "9998" effective date with the approved effective date. If the Commission orders PSCo to make additional significant changes to its LGIP in an additional compliance filing, PSCo would propose that the effective date of the reforms be set at the date that PSCo's subsequent compliance filing is accepted, rather than the date of FERC's conditional acceptance of the instant filing.

procedures in 2019 when it was faced with a backlog of 23,000 megawatts ("MW").⁴ That reform included a transition process and new requirements for Interconnection Customers to demonstrate readiness.⁵ Within two years, however, PSCo experienced further queue backlogs, totaling 13,000 MW.⁶ PSCo then proposed additional reforms, which further enhanced the requirements for Interconnection Customers to demonstrate readiness.⁷ PSCo's latest reforms were accepted by the Commission in June 2023,⁸ and PSCo is only now completing the transition process that resulted from those reforms. It remains to be seen whether PSCo's most recent reforms will be sufficient to prevent queue backlogs from returning. What is clear, however, is that it would be counterproductive to throw out the substance of those reforms and the readiness requirements contained therein before such measures have had a chance to take effect.

PSCo has dedicated extensive time and effort to a process of trial and error to remedy queue backlogs and enable efficient interconnection service for all Interconnection Customers. PSCo has therefore endeavored in its Order No. 2023 compliance filing to maintain core aspects of its latest readiness demonstration requirements, while also adopting as much of Order No. 2023's *pro forma* language as is possible without undermining PSCo's existing readiness requirements. PSCo asks that the Commission allow PSCo to maintain its existing readiness requirements, rather than order PSCo to throw out these reforms shortly after they were adopted. If PSCo is ordered to unwind its considerable queue reform efforts, PSCo anticipates that years of additional delay to the administration of PSCo's queue may result.

I. BACKGROUND

A. Description of XES and PSCO

XES is the centralized service company for the Xcel Energy holding company system and, *inter alia*, provides corporate and other services to PSCo and the other Xcel Energy Operating Companies. As such, XES makes filings with, and appears in proceedings before, the Commission on behalf of PSCo and the other Xcel Energy Operating Companies.

PSCo is a wholly owned subsidiary of Xcel Energy, a public utility holding company. PSCo is an integrated electric utility that, *inter alia*, generates, transmits, distributes, and sells regulated, cost-based electric energy to approximately 1.5 million retail customers in the state of Colorado. PSCo also provides wholesale, cost-based power sales (production) services to wholesale customers pursuant to rate schedules on file with the Commission. PSCo provides open-

See Pub. Serv. Co. of Colo., "Revisions to Attachment N Large Generator Interconnection Procedures," Docket No. ER19-2774-000, Transmittal Letter, 7 (filed Sept. 9, 2019).

⁵ See id. at 58, 81.

⁶ See Pub. Serv. Co. of Colo., "Revisions to Attachment N Large Generator Interconnection Procedures," Docket No. ER23-629-000, Exhibit XES-100, Testimony of Kevin Pera, 18 (filed Dec. 14, 2022).

See generally Pub. Serv. Co. of Colo., "Revisions to Attachment N Large Generator Interconnection Procedures," Docket No. ER23-629-000 (filed Dec. 14, 2022).

See Pub. Serv. Co. of Colo., 183 FERC ¶ 61,166 (2023) ("2023 Reforms Order"), reh'g denied, 184 FERC ¶ 62,070 (2023).

access wholesale transmission service or ancillary-only services to transmission customers or ancillary services customers under Parts II and III, or IV of the Xcel Energy Joint Open Access Transmission Tariff ("Tariff"). The ancillary-only customers represent loads located in the PSCo Balancing Authority Area ("BAA") that are not directly connected to the PSCo Transmission System. PSCo's BAA is located in the Western Interconnection region; PSCo joined the Western Energy Imbalance Service market administered by the Southwest Power Pool, Inc. ("SPP") on April 1, 2023.

PSCo offers non-discriminatory large generator interconnection service for all generators requesting Network Resource Interconnection Service ("NRIS") and all generators greater than 20 MW requesting Energy Resource Interconnection Service ("ERIS") under Attachment N of the Tariff. PSCo also offers non-discriminatory small generator interconnection service to generators 20 MW or less and requesting NRIS under Attachment P of the Tariff.

Provision of interconnection service to the systems operated by the NSP Companies and SPS is provided, respectively, by the Midcontinent Independent System Operator and SPP.

B. PSCo's Current LGIP

1. PSCo's 2019 Reforms

On December 4, 2019, the Commission approved PSCo's proposed large generator interconnection queue reforms aimed at transitioning to a first-ready, first-served interconnection process ("2019 LGIP"). The 2019 LGIP transitioned PSCo's large generator interconnection study to a three-phase cluster study process that included an initial power-flow and voltage study, a stability and short circuit study, a facilities study, and restudies as necessary. To proceed through the study process, interconnection customers were required to provide increasing demonstrations of (1) readiness or at-risk financial security in lieu of a readiness demonstration and (2) site control to move to the next phase. The Commission approved PSCo's proposed study deposit levels, study cost allocation processes, and early withdrawal penalties. The Commission also approved PSCo's proposal to permit customers to seek an informational study that was modeled after and replaced the Optional Study process included in the *pro forma* LGIP. Finally, the Commission accepted PSCo's proposal to retain its pre-existing resource solicitation study process, ¹² and permitted PSCo to implement a process to transition PSCo's then-existing queue to its newly reformed queue. ¹³

See Pub. Serv. Co. of Colo., 169 FERC ¶ 61,182 (2019) ("2019 Reforms Order"); see also Pub. Serv. Co. of Colo., Letter Order, Docket No. ER19-2774-002 (issued Mar. 2, 2020) (accepting compliance filing).

¹⁰ See 2019 Reforms Order, PP 36, 49–51.

¹¹ *Id.*, P 49.

¹² *Id.*, P 67.

¹³ *Id*.

2. PSCo's 2023 Reforms

On June 2, 2023, the Commission approved further changes to PSCo's LGIP as proposed by PSCo ("2023 LGIP"), subject to a compliance filing. 14 These changes were designed primarily to improve and strengthen the "ready" approach for processing generation interconnection requests that the Commission approved in the 2019 Reforms Order. Among other reforms, the Commission approved a generator deployment readiness milestone, 15 enhanced security requirements for entities that chose to provide security in lieu of a readiness demonstration, 16 an at-risk \$5 million security deposit required at the time of execution of an LGIA, 17 and higher levels of site control than were approved in the 2019 Reforms Order. 18 PSCo's 2023 LGIP included a transitional cluster study which PSCo is currently completing. A regular cluster study window under the 2023 LGIP opened on March 15, 2024, and closed on May 1, 2024. PSCo's 2023 LGIP retained pre-existing provisions for granting Surplus Interconnection Service, Provisional Interconnection Service, and Replacement Generation service, each of which the Commission has previously found to be just and reasonable, and to which Order No. 2023 did not require changes. 19

C. Order No. 2023 and Order No. 2023-A

On July 28, 2023, the Commission issued Order No. 2023, which adopted reforms to the *pro forma* LGIP (Attachment N of PSCo's Tariff), *pro forma* SGIP (Attachment P of PSCo's Tariff), and various *pro forma* Agreements associated with interconnection service. Order No. 2023's goal is to "ensure that interconnection customers are able to interconnect to the transmission system in a reliable, efficient, transparent, and timely manner," and prevent undue discrimination.²⁰ The Commission initially required that transmission providers submit compliance filings by April 3, 2024. On March 21, 2024, the Commission issued Order No. 2023-

See generally 2023 Reforms Order. Commission approval of PSCo's compliance filing in Docket No. ER23-629-004 remains pending as of the date of this filing.

¹⁵ 2023 Reforms Order, P 66.

¹⁶ *Id*.

¹⁷ *Id*.

¹⁸ *Id*.

Provisions of PSCo's LGIP regarding Provisional Interconnection Service and Surplus Interconnection Service were initially accepted by the Commission, subject to further compliance filing, on July 16, 2020. *See Pub. Serv. Co. of Colo.*, 172 FERC 61,023 (2020). PSCo's compliance filing was approved by letter order dated January 21, 2021, in Docket No. ER19-1874-001. The Commission approved provisions regarding PSCo's use of Resource Solicitation Clusters by letter order dated April 5, 2005, in Docket No. ER04-419-006, and further amended by letter order dated September 28, 2005, in Docket No. ER05-1322-000. PSCo's Replacement Generation Service was approved by letter order dated May 4, 2021, in Docket No. ER21-1287-000.

²⁰ Order No. 2023, P 1.

A, which largely affirmed the Commission's decisions in Order No. 2023, with certain modifications. Order No. 2023-A extended the compliance filing deadline to May 16, 2024.²¹

In Order No. 2023-A, the Commission provided additional guidance for transmission providers like PSCo which had already departed from FERC's pre-existing *pro forma* LGIP by previously adopting reforms to their interconnection procedures. The Commission held that such transmission providers "have a compliance obligation to review and modify their current *pro forma* interconnection procedures and *pro forma* interconnection agreements to comply with Order No. 2023," but that such transmission providers "will not be required to implement the transition process laid out in Order No. 2023." The Commission further reaffirmed its holding from Order No. 2023 that "[t]ransmission providers may seek variations from Order No. 2023's requirements on compliance provided the reason for the variation is sufficiently justified," and also clarified that "transmission providers need only re-file and seek approval for previously approved variations where those provisions are modified by Order No. 2023."²³

II. DESCRIPTION OF COMPLIANCE CHANGES

A. Body of the LGIP

PSCo's compliance filing contains amendments which combine PSCo's existing reformed LGIP with the new tariff language and requirements contained in Order Nos. 2023 and 2023-A. Because PSCo's LGIP had already been extensively reformed, and because PSCo has found that certain aspects of those reforms are functioning well, the amended LGIP contained in this Order No. 2023 compliance filing does not follow in all respects the *pro forma* language contained in Order Nos. 2023 and 2023-A. PSCo has endeavored to incorporate new concepts and *pro forma* language from Order Nos. 2023 and 2023-A in a way that also maintains the key aspects of PSCo's reformed tariff, which PSCo has found to be beneficial in ensuring that interconnection service can be provided in a timely manner, and which the Commission has already found to be just and reasonable.

Various aspects of the new *pro forma* provisions in Order No. 2023 have been implemented in this compliance filing with few or no changes. These areas include:

- Collapse of PSCo's four-phase process into a single cluster study, cluster restudies, and interconnection facilities studies;²⁴
- Incorporation of study and restudy timelines;²⁵

Order No. 2023-A, P 667 (extending the deadline to submit compliance filings until 30 days after publication of Order No. 2023-A in the Federal Register, which occurred on April 16, 2024).

²² *Id.*, P 73.

²³ *Id.*, P 77.

²⁴ PSCo LGIP, §§ 7, 8.

²⁵ *Id.*, §§ 8.4, 8.5(5),

- Incorporation of the requirement for 90% site control for generating facilities to enter and remain in the queue;²⁶
- Incorporation of the study deposit structure under Order No. 2023;²⁷
- Incorporation of study metric tracking and posting requirements;²⁸
- Incorporation of late study penalty provisions;²⁹
- Incorporation of affected system study requirements;³⁰
- Elimination of informational interconnection studies but retention of provisional interconnection studies;³¹
- Elimination of individual scoping meetings and addition of the group scoping meeting process approved in Order No. 2023;³²
- Incorporation of provisions for study of generating facilities that include one or more electric storage resources;³³
- Allocation of network upgrade costs upon withdrawal pursuant to impact calculations;³⁴
- Provisions for application and distribution of withdrawal penalties;³⁵ and
- Detailed steps for cluster study restudies. In addition to the *pro forma* restudy provisions, PSCo has added provisions explaining how sequential restudies will be performed if more than one cluster restudy is triggered by a withdrawal.³⁶

²⁶ *Id.*, § 3.4.2(c).

²⁷ *Id.*, § 3.1.1.

²⁸ *Id.*, § 3.5.2.

²⁹ *Id.*, § 3.9.

³⁰ *Id.*, § 10.

³¹ Id., § 6. PSCo notes that with adoption of revisions to its LGIP in 2019, PSCo omitted the pro forma Optional Study and replaced that study process with an optional Informational Study. The Commission determined in Order No. 2023 not to require the option for an Informational Study in its pro forma LGIP. Therefore, PSCo is proposing to eliminate its Informational Study process. In this compliance filing, PSCo is not proposing to add an Optional Study back into its LGIP.

³² *Id.*, § 3.4.6.

³³ *Id.*, §§ 3.1.2, 3.3.1, 4.4.3.

³⁴ *Id.*, § 3.7.1.2.3.

³⁵ *Id.*, §§ 3.7.1.1, 3.7.1.2.

³⁶ *Id.*, § 8.5.

B. Existing Non-Conforming Portions of PSCo LGIP Not Modified by Order Nos. 2023 and 2023-A

As discussed above, in Order No. 2023-A the Commission explained that "transmission providers need only re-file and seek approval for previously approved variations where those provisions are modified by Order No. 2023."³⁷ PSCo therefore notes that two substantive aspects of its LGIP have been retained which were previously approved by the Commission and which were not modified by Order Nos. 2023 or 2023-A.

The first substantive modification which PSCo has retained is the generation replacement process, which is retained in, *inter alia*, LGIP Section 3.10, Appendix 11, and Appendix 13, and which the Commission accepted in 2021.³⁸ In addition to noting in Order No. 2023-A that transmission providers need not re-justify portions of their tariffs which were not modified by Orders No. 2023 or 2023-A, the Commission held in Order No. 2023 that generation replacement processes were beyond the scope of the rulemaking.³⁹

The second substantive modification PSCo has retained are provisions relating to Resource Solicitation Clusters, which the Commission approved in 2005. PSCo has found Resource Solicitation Clusters to be a valuable modification to the *pro forma* LGIP. The process has been useful given the resource planning procedures and competitive resource solicitation requirements of the Colorado Public Utilities Commission ("CPUC"). The Resource Solicitation Cluster procedure has also been used by non-PSCo utility transmission customers. Previously approved references to the Resource Solicitation Cluster procedure are contained in PSCo LGIP § 4.2.2, as well as in the definitions section. All

PSCo has also retained other previously accepted modifications to the pre-existing *pro forma* which were not modified by Order Nos. 2023 and 2023-A, including, for example, a revision to the definition of "Calendar Day" in the LGIP definitions section to clarify that LGIP requirement deadlines falling on a weekend or federal holiday are moved to the next Business Day. As another example, PSCo has retained previously accepted additional details for use in processing Surplus Interconnection Service requests, such as the definitions of "Surplus Interconnection Study" and

³⁷ Order No. 2023-A, P 77.

Pub. Serv. Co. of Colo., 175 FERC ¶ 61,100 (2021); Pub. Serv. Co. of Colo., 177 FERC ¶ 61,097 (2021). In addition to provisions in LGIP § 3.10, Appendix 11, and Appendix 13, references to generation replacement are contained in the definitions section as well as in LGIP Sections 3.1.2 and 3.5.1. The definitions include "Reliability Assessment Study," "Replacement Generating Facility," and "Replacement Impact Study."

³⁹ Order No. 2023, PP 1736, 1743.

⁴⁰ The Commission approved provisions regarding PSCo's use of Resource Solicitation Clusters by letter order dated April 5, 2005, in Docket No. ER04-419-006, and further amended by letter order dated September 28, 2005, in Docket No. ER05-1322-000.

These definitions include "Resource Solicitation Cluster," "Resource Solicitation Process," "Resource Planning Entity," and "Resource Plan."

"Surplus Interconnection Study Agreement," as well as discussion in LGIP Section 3.3.2.⁴² As a further example, PSCo has retained the ERIS study-specific processes provision at the end of LGIP Section 3.2.1.2, which the Commission found was just and reasonable in the 2023 Reforms Order.⁴³

In the discussion of PSCo's tariff amendments which follow, PSCo has endeavored to discuss only deviations from *pro forma* language which was modified by Order Nos. 2023 and 2023-A, and has not exhaustively listed every previously accepted non-conforming edit which has been retained.

C. Proposed Modifications to Pro Forma LGIP

PSCo proposes to retain certain aspects of PSCo's prior LGIP reforms, or adopt but modify the *pro forma* language in some instances. PSCo believes that these modifications are consistent with or superior to the *pro forma* versions, for the reasons explained below. Specifically:

• Section 1, Definitions

• "Commercial Readiness Deposit" definition omission

This definition is omitted from PSCO's LGIP because, as also discussed in PSCo's discussion of Section 8.6, PSCo proposes to retain its existing Readiness Demonstration process rather than adopt the Commercial Readiness Deposits referenced in the Order No. 2023 *pro forma* LGIP. PSCo's existing Readiness Demonstration process offers a number of benefits to both PSCo and Interconnection Customers alike. The Readiness Demonstration process affords developers the ability to provide non-monetary readiness documentation such as a purchase power agreement or information about project progress. Since adopting these options, PSCo has found that many interconnection customers have preferred to use non-monetary options for demonstrating readiness. As an alternative to providing non-monetary forms of readiness demonstrations, interconnection customers can choose to provide \$7.5 million in the form of an irrevocable letter of credit, cash, surety bond, or other form of security that is reasonably acceptable to PSCo to demonstrate readiness. ⁴⁴

PSCo believes that this existing process is consistent with or superior to the Order No. 2023 *pro forma* procedure as it applies to service on PSCo's system. For example, in the most recent request window, which closed on May 1, 2024, PSCo received 20 requests and, of those, 19 used non-monetary readiness demonstrations to satisfy PSCo's initial readiness demonstration requirement. PSCo will continue to monitor the effectiveness of these in both facilitating

Provisions of PSCo's LGIP regarding Surplus Interconnection Service were initially accepted by the Commission, subject to further compliance filing, on July 16, 2020. *See Pub. Serv. Co. of Colo.*, 172 FERC ₱ 61,023 (2020). PSCo's compliance filing was approved by letter order dated January 21, 2021, in Docket No. ER19-1874-001.

⁴³ See 2023 Reforms Order, P 11.

⁴⁴ PSCo LGIP, § 8.6.

interconnections and avoiding a backlogged queue. If future changes to this process, PSCo will propose additional amendments to its LGIP at that time.

• "Interconnection Study" and "Interconnection Study Agreement" definition modifications

PSCo proposes to revise the definitions of "Interconnection Study" and "Interconnection Study Agreement" by eliminating references to specific types of study and instead referring to the various studies and agreements more generically as those identified in the LGIP.

• "LGIA Deposit" definition omission

This defined term is not used in PSCo's LGIP because security requirements associated with an LGIA are addressed in Section 8.6.4 of PSCo's LGIP.

• "Material Modification" definition modification

The Material Modification definition in PSCo's LGIP addresses modifications not only to a new interconnection request but also to Generator Replacement requests.

• "Optional Interconnection Study" and "Optional Interconnection Study Agreement" definition omissions

As discussed above, in 2019 PSCo received Commission approval to remove the Optional Study and replace it with an optional Informational Study. The Commission determined in Order No. 2023 not to require the option for an Informational Study in its *pro forma* LGIP. Therefore, PSCo is proposing to eliminate its Informational Study process. In this compliance filing, PSCo is proposing not to reinsert an Optional Study into its LGIP. Thus, PSCo has omitted references in its LGIP to the "Optional Interconnection Study" and "Optional Interconnection Study Agreement." PSCo believes this approach is consistent with or superior to the *pro forma* LGIP, as applied to PSCo's system, because it will allow PSCo to more efficiently study and process interconnection requests.

• "Readiness Demonstration(s)" definition retention and modification

PSCo's readiness demonstrations differ from the readiness deposits specified in the *pro forma* LGIP. These differences are discussed below in the section covering LGIP Section 8.6.

⁴⁵ 2019 Reforms Order, P 49.

• "Transitional Cluster Study," "Transitional Cluster Study Agreement," "Transitional Cluster Study Report," "Transitional Serial Interconnection Facilities Study," "Transitional Serial Interconnection Facilities Study Agreement," "Transitional Serial Interconnection Facilities Study Report," and "Transitional Withdrawal Penalty" definition omissions

As further discussed below in the section addressing LGIP Section 5.1, PSCo does not plan to utilize the *pro forma*'s transitional processes. Upon implementation of PSCo's LGIP as revised to comply with Order No. 2023, PSCo will have already completed a transition implementing PSCo's revised LGIP approved by the Commission in 2023.⁴⁶ PSCo's revised LGIP already implements a "first-ready" process, so PSCo does not believe another transition is needed as part of PSCo's Order No. 2023 compliance changes. Accordingly, PSCo proposes to omit the various definitions set forth in the *pro forma* related to the transitional cluster process. However, existing interconnection requests will be required to comply with the new requirements implement in PSCo's Order No. 2023 compliance filing, as instructed by FERC in Order No. 2023-A.⁴⁷

• Section 3, Interconnection Requests

• Section 3.1.1, "Study Deposits"

PSCo has adopted the Commission's *pro forma* changes to Section 3.1.1. PSCo also proposes to expand the list of permissible types of study deposits it will accept to include an irrevocable letter of credit, cash, surety bond, or other form of security that is reasonably acceptable to PSCo. This expanded list is consistent with the Commission's findings in Order No. 2023-A, in which the Commission held that "allowing surety bonds or other forms of financial security that are reasonably acceptable to the transmission provider for . . . all study deposits will help ensure that Interconnection Customers do not face unjust and unreasonable or unduly discriminatory hurdles to the interconnection of new generation through limitations on the acceptable forms of financial security."

• Section 3.4.1, "Cluster Request Window"

PSCo proposes to specify in this section when PSCo's Cluster Request Window opens. As discussed above, the Cluster Study Window under PSCo's LGIP occurs annually on March 15. This is consistent with the current request window timing, currently described in PSCo LGIP Section 4.2.1. PSCo has retained the timing of it single annual request window in revised LGIP Section 3.4. The 45-day window length is consistent with the window length adopted by FERC in Order No. 2023, 49 and retaining the March 15 cluster request window start date will allow PSCo to continue with annual windows following the most recent 45-day window which opened on March 15, 2024, and closed on May 1, 2024.

⁴⁶ See 2023 Reforms Order, P 139.

⁴⁷ See Order No. 2023-A, P 75.

⁴⁸ Order No. 2023-A, P 185.

⁴⁹ Order No. 2023, P 223.

• Section 3.4.2, "Initiating an Interconnection Request"

PSCo proposes to insert language into this section stating that "Interconnection Requests received shortly before the close of the Cluster Request Window may be rejected if Transmission Provider has insufficient time to review the Interconnection Request prior to the close of the Cluster Request Window." Order No. 2023-A instructs that transmission providers must determine the validity of a particular request prior to the close of a Cluster Request Window.⁵⁰

In PSCo's experience, however, Interconnection Customers often submit interconnection requests on the final day of a Cluster Request Window, sometimes during the last possible hour. With the new deadline to determine the validity of requests by the close of the window, such last-minute submissions would make it impossible for PSCo to validate these requests and for the customers to cure deficiencies. Validating interconnection requests requires numerous time-consuming steps such as verifying land plot locations for site control, lease documentation, and other agreements between the Interconnection Customer and landowners. PSCo's LGIP contains additional documentation submission requirements (Readiness Demonstration 1) beyond what is required in the *pro forma* LGIP, meaning that the review process is more involved for PSCo than would be the case under the *pro forma*. The inclusion of PSCo's proposed provision will provide guidance to potential Interconnection Customers to submit Interconnection Requests with sufficient time remaining in the Cluster Request Window to allow PSCo the opportunity to confirm the validity of each request. This clarification will also avoid situations where Interconnection Customers could demand that last-minute requests be accepted if a deficiency is not identified until after the close of the request window.

PSCo proposes to retain the previously-approved statement in this section that all requirements in 3.4.2(a)-(i) must be met for an interconnection request to be valid, as well as the statement that a request is "not valid until the Site Control associated with the Interconnection Request is validated." This clarification is consistent with or superior to the *pro forma* language because it avoids uncertainty about whether a request is valid prior to full review of the Site Control information submitted by the Interconnection Customer.

PSCo proposes to omit the Commercial Readiness Deposit requirement as part of initiating an interconnection request because PSCo's LGIP separately contains, in LGIP Section 8.6.1, a Readiness Demonstration 1 requirement (formerly called "Readiness Milestone 1" or "M1" in PSCo's LGIP), which requires Interconnection Customers to *either* provide \$7.5 million of security or else provide one of several non-financial options for demonstrating readiness. PSCo

⁵⁰ Order No. 2023-A, P 159, states that:

We clarify that the transmission provider must complete its determination that an interconnection request is valid by the close of the cluster request window, and therefore, interconnection customers must also cure deficient interconnection requests by the close of the cluster request window. In other words, only interconnection customers with valid interconnection requests, for which there is no need to cure deficiencies, proceed to the customer engagement window. As such, transmission providers may not continue determining whether interconnection requests are valid into the customer engagement window.

⁵¹ 2023 Reforms Order, P 11.

proposes to retain these options from its currently effective LGIP. Readiness Demonstration 1 is further discussed in the section addressing Section 8.6.1 below.

PSCo proposes to retain previously approved modifications in its LGIP in Section 3.4.2(g), 3.4.2(h), and 3.4.2(i) regarding the initiation of Interconnection Requests by Interconnection Customers, which was not modified by Order No. 2023. These additions were initially approved by the Commission as just and reasonable in the 2019 Reforms Order. PSCo further refined these provisions, which the Commission found to be just and reasonable in the 2023 Reforms Order. With respect to Section 3.4.2(g), PSCo has retained the portion of that section involving the Interconnection Customer's responsibilities to provide information to assist in the study process when PSCo receives a request for NRIS and PSCo has not been notified that the proposed Generating Facility will be designated as a Network Resource. PSCo is retaining this language because it assists PSCo in modeling these NRIS requests.

Section 3.4.2(h) simply requires additional information associated with the facility to be studied regarding total generating facility size (which may be different than the level of interconnection service requested) as well as energy storage capability, if applicable. This information also assists in the study process.

Section 3.4.2(i) includes a statement that a Readiness Demonstration is required with the initial request, which reflects PSCo's Readiness Demonstration procedures. Readiness Demonstration 1 is further discussed in the section addressing Section 8.6.1 below.

• Section 3.4.3, "Acknowledgement of Interconnection Request"

PSCo added further detail in Section 3.4.3 specifying the type of information it would provide in the Interconnection Request acknowledgement receipt. The Order No. 2023 pro forma LGIP Section 3.4.3 provides that when the Transmission Provider acknowledges receipt of the request back to the Interconnection Customer it must attach a copy of the Interconnection Request to the acknowledgement. PSCo has found it challenging in some cases to send the Interconnection Customer the entire request in the acknowledgement due to the size of the documents and attachments. Therefore, PSCo has proposed that the acknowledgement merely identify the developer, the MWs of service requested, the Point of Interconnection, and the type of service (NRIS or ERIS). PSCo believes that this modification is consistent with or superior to the pro forma LGIP because it will avoid situations where attempts to send large files back to Interconnection Customers as part of the acknowledgement will result in emails being blocked due to file limitations, in which case the Interconnection Customers would receive no acknowledgement at all.

• Section 3.4.4, "Deficiencies in Interconnection Request"

PSCo proposes to add supporting language to Section 3.4.4 to clarify that it will provide written notice to the Interconnection Customer when a request is determined to be valid. This is

⁵² 2019 Reforms Order, PP 13, 30, 49, 50.

⁵³ 2023 Reforms Order, P 11.

consistent with the statements in the LGIP regarding the initial acknowledgement of a request (Section 3.4.3). PSCo also proposes to add further clarifying edits regarding the events that occur when it determines that the Interconnection Request is invalid and becomes withdrawn. PSCo believes these revisions are consistent with or superior to the *pro forma* because the edits add clarity to the meaning of the section.

• Section 3.4.5, "Customer Engagement Window"

PSCo proposes to delete the list of items required for an OASIS posting in Section 3.4.5, because the items are already listed in Section 3.5.1. This edit is consistent with or superior to the *pro forma* because it eliminates redundancy and streamlines the PSCo LGIP.

PSCo proposes to require that, during the Customer Engagement Window, the Interconnection Customer must timely provide supplemental information to PSCo regarding the Interconnection Request if so requested of the Interconnection Customer. This addition is consistent with or superior to the *pro forma* because it will help ensure efficient processing of requests and advance study initiation.

• Section 3.4.6, "Cluster Study Scoping Meetings"

PSCo proposes to include a sentence notifying the Interconnection Customer that the form of non-disclosure agreement for the Cluster Study Scoping Meeting is provided in Appendix 15. This addition provides useful information to Interconnection Customers and thus is consistent with or superior to the *pro forma*.

• Section 3.7.1, "Withdrawal Penalty"

PSCo proposes to largely retain the language previously determined by the Commission as just and reasonable regarding the circumstances when an Interconnection Customer is exempt from a Withdrawal Penalty.

PSCo proposes to retain its current exception in Section 3.7.1(a) that excuses a withdrawal which "does not negatively affect the timing or cost of any equal or lower queued project" rather than the Order No. 2023 formulation of "does not have a material impact on the cost or timing." PSCo believes that the phrase "does not negatively affect" has a clearer meaning and establishes a clear rule that the penalty is waived if the withdrawal does not negatively affect the cost or timing of other requests. In Order No. 2023-A, the Commission stated that "Order No. 2023 does not preclude transmission providers from proposing a minimum impact threshold" for the "material impact" referenced in Order No. 2023. PSCo believes that maintaining its currently-approved standard of "does not negatively affect" establishes a clear threshold, will provide clarity to Interconnection Customers, will promote efficient administration of the queue, and will help offset harm cased to non-withdrawing Interconnection Customers.

⁵⁴ Order No. 2023-A, P 176.

PSCo proposes to largely maintain the existing formulation of Section 3.7.1(2) and (3), which establishes 25% and 100% cost increase thresholds, respectively. These existing PSCo thresholds are consistent with Order No. 2023's thresholds, and PSCo's deviations in this Section add clarity by referencing other terminology from PSCo's LGIP.

• Section 3.7.1.1, "Calculation of the Withdrawal Penalty"

PSCo proposes to retain the Withdrawal Penalty in the amounts previously found by the Commission to be just and reasonable. This means that, for Interconnection Customers withdrawing prior to LGIA execution who do not meet any exception to a withdrawal penalty from Section 3.7.1, the penalty amount would depend on whether the Interconnection Customer is preor post-LGIA execution, as well as on whether the Interconnection Customer elected to use financial or non-financial readiness demonstrations. Interconnection Customers electing to use non-financial readiness demonstration options who withdraw pre-LGIA execution would be subject to a penalty of the higher of one times the study deposit or one times actual allocated study costs. Interconnection Customers using non-financial readiness options withdrawing post-LGIA execution would be subject to a \$5 million withdrawal penalty. For Interconnection Customers using non-financial readiness options, the withdrawal penalty is based on a formula which increases depending on the timing of the withdrawal, starting at the lower of \$5,000/MW or \$500,000 for withdrawals during the Cluster Study, the lower of \$50,000/MW and \$5 million for withdrawals during the Facilities Study, and maxing out at the lower of \$75,000/MW or \$7.5 million for post-LGIA execution withdrawals.

When the Commission accepted PSCo's Withdrawal Penalty amount in June 2023, the Commission found PSCo's proposed penalty amounts to be consistent with or superior to the pro forma LGIA at the time. With regard to the minimum of \$5 million Withdrawal Penalty for Interconnection Customers after LGIA execution, the Commission "found that PSCo's proposed withdrawal penalty is a reasonable deterrent to interconnection customers with speculative projects at the LGIA stage" and "note[d] that the proposed \$5 million withdrawal penalty remains significantly below the average per-project network upgrade costs of \$24.1 million identified in PSCo's six most recent study clusters."55 Additionally, with regard to the maximum \$7.5 million Withdrawal Penalty that can apply to Interconnection Customers using a financial-only demonstration of readiness, the Commission "found that PSCo has supported its contention that the entry of speculative projects into its interconnection queue and the resultant withdrawals and restudies are currently contributing to delays," and that "it is reasonable for PSCo to require a higher amount from projects that elect the security in lieu of a commercial readiness demonstration option."⁵⁶ FERC further held that "both of these amounts fall well below the average per project network upgrade costs of \$24.1 million identified in PSCo's six most recent study clusters," and that "the approach in PSCo's alternative proposal strikes an appropriate balance between ensuring

⁵⁵ Pub. Serv. Co. of Colo., 183 FERC ¶ 61,166 at P 84 (2023). The Commission further held, in response to arguments that the \$5 million withdrawal penalty was excessive, that the "need for restudy when a post-LGIA customer withdraws increases the study costs of interconnection customers in the queue who must pay for the restudy of their project regardless of who caused the need for restudy, leads to delays in meeting study deadlines, and adds uncertainty regarding customers' interconnection costs." Id.

⁵⁶ 2023 Reforms Order, P 66.

the efficiency of the interconnection study process and avoiding unreasonably high barriers to independent power producers entering and moving through the interconnection queue process."⁵⁷

PSCo believes that its currently effective Withdrawal Penalty amounts remain consistent with or superior to the pro forma LGIA as applied to PSCo's particular system. Since PSCo's prior set of reforms which the Commission accepted, PSCo has not completed any subsequent study clusters. PSCo is currently in the process of completing the transitional cluster study which resulted from those reforms. The prior data submitted by PSCo regarding average network upgrade costs thus remains current and demonstrates the significant financial impact that withdrawals can have on the PSCo system. As explained in PSCo's April 3, 2023 filing in Docket No. ER23-629-000, in the six most recent Definitive Interconnection System Impact Study Cluster and Resource Solicitation Cluster studies completed by PSCo, the average network upgrade costs were \$24.1 million per interconnection request, and \$16.7 million per interconnection request if local substation Network Upgrades are excluded. 58 Additionally, when split between projects requesting NRIS versus ERIS, the NRIS requests averaged \$47 million of network upgrades and the ERIS requests averaged \$12.2 million.⁵⁹ These amounts significantly exceed even the high end of the potential Withdrawal Penalties under PSCo's LGIP, and the penalties allow PSCo to avoid future backlogs similar to the 13,000 MW backlog which necessitated PSCo's 2023 queue reform effort with its current withdrawal penalties.⁶⁰

The situation for PSCo has not changed, and the withdrawal penalties are needed today, in the same amounts, as they were one year ago. PSCo is just now processing the first post-transition requests, which came in a large request cluster with 20 requests submitted totaling 4,150 MW from this first post-transition cluster alone. Rigorous withdrawal penalties are therefore needed to help prevent backlogs and to ensure that PSCo can provide interconnection service in an efficient manner.

• Section 3.7.1.2.4, "Amending LGIA to Apply Reductions to Interconnection Customer's Assigned Network Upgrade Costs and Associated Financial Security Requirement with Respect to Withdrawals in the Same Cluster"

PSCo proposes to incorporate new *pro forma* Section 3.7.1.2.4 in its entirety, with one minor modification. The *pro forma* LGIP includes provisions regarding amendment of the LGIA to reflect the impact on network upgrade cost allocation from withdrawals. The *pro forma* language speaks of such withdrawals as causing a "reduction" in network upgrade cost assignment for non-withdrawing Interconnection Customers. Because withdrawals will not always result in a reduction

⁵⁷ *Id*.

See Pub. Serv. Co. of Colo., Docket No. ER23-629-001, Response to Deficiency Notice and Amended Filing at 3-4, (filed Apr. 3, 2023).

⁵⁹ *Id*.

⁶⁰ See Pub. Serv. Co. of Colo., "Revisions to Attachment N Large Generator Interconnection Procedures," Docket No. ER23-629-000, Exhibit XES-100, Testimony of Kevin Pera, 18 (filed Dec. 14, 2022).

⁶¹ PSCo notes that it is possible that some of these requests will not proceed to the cluster study.

of network upgrade costs for non-withdrawing Interconnection Customers, PSCo proposes to change the word "reduction" to "change."

PSCo also added a clarification in Section 3.7.1.2.4 that states that, in the event that a withdrawn Interconnection Customer's Withdrawal Penalty was applied as a credit to reduce the assignment of the costs of the Network Upgrade to one or more other non-withdrawn Interconnection Customers pursuant to LGIP Section 3.7.1.2, the amounts used from the Withdrawal Penalty as a credit against Network Upgrade costs of the other Interconnection Customers will be later refunded to the non-withdrawn Interconnection Customers who received the credit (not the withdrawn Interconnection Customer) pursuant to the Commission's refunding policy. This clarification resolves uncertainty as to who should be refunded these amounts.

• Section 4, Interconnection Request Evaluation Process

• Section 4.2.4, "Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrade Cost Allocation."

PSCo proposes to largely retain the provisions in its LGIP regarding the calculation of an Interconnection Customer's share of PSCo's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrade costs. The provisions are consistent with the *pro forma* LGIP and include a description of how costs for each facility type designated as a network upgrade will be allocated as directed in the *pro forma* LGIP. The Commission previously found that PSCo's approach for allocation of costs for various types of facilities was just and reasonable,⁶² and the Commission also noted in Order No. 2023 that transmission providers may include their own descriptions for how costs will be divided up using a proportional impact method.⁶³ PSCo believes its existing methodology is appropriate and fits within the discretion given to transmission providers in Order No. 2023.

• Section 5, Transition Procedures

• Section 5.1, "Transmission Providers with Existing Cluster Study Processes or Currently in Transition"

PSCo proposes to not adopt the provisions regarding the Transitional Serial Study and Transitional Cluster Study (*pro forma* Sections 5.1.1, 5.1.1.1, and 5.1.1.2, and the first sentence of *pro forma* Section 5.1.2). Order Nos. 2023 and 2023-A provide that "transmission providers that have already adopted a cluster study process or are currently undergoing a transition to a cluster study process will not be required to implement the transition process laid out in Order No. 2023."⁶⁴ Upon implementation of PSCo's LGIP as revised to comply with Order No. 2023, PSCo will not be utilizing the Transitional Serial Study and Transitional Cluster study because PSCo will have already completed a transition associated with implementation of PSCo's revised LGIP approved by the Commission on June 2, 2023. PSCo does not believe another transition is

⁶² See 2019 Reforms Order, P 36.

⁶³ Order No. 2023, P 453.

⁶⁴ Order No. 2023, P 861; Order No. 2023-A, P 73.

warranted because PSCo is just now in the process of completing the transitional cluster study resulting from the prior transition which was held in mid-2023.

PSCo also proposes to include a provision in this Section 5.1 regarding the impact on Cluster Studies in-progress at the time that PSCo's Order No. 2023 compliance filing becomes effective, stating that: "Any Cluster Studies in-progress as of the effective date of this LGIP will conform to the requirements of Section 8 providing for a single Cluster Study Report, subject to any Cluster Study Restudies triggered by this Section 5.1." This addition is consistent with or superior to the *pro forma* because it avoids uncertainty as to the type of study report that PSCo must provide for ongoing Cluster Studies.

In accordance with Order 2023-A,⁶⁵ PSCo proposes to require that Interconnection Customers that have not executed an LGIA or requested that an LGIA become compliant with PSCo's Order No. 2023-compliant LGIP within 60 days of the effective date of such LGIP or be deemed withdrawn.

• Section 7, Interconnection Information Access

Section 7.1, "Publicly Posted Interconnection Information"

PSCo has adopted *pro forma* Section 6.1 in its entirety in Section 7.1 of the PSCo LGIP (Section 6 of PSCo's revised LGIP relates to provisional interconnection service). PSCo proposes to add a sentence at the end of Section 7.1 stating that it will endeavor to make the required interactive visual and table of metrics available to view after the first new Cluster Study for Interconnection Requests is complete following the effective date of the LGIP. The interactive visual and table of metrics will take time for PSCo to develop and including this sentence provides Interconnection Customers with a timeline of when this information will first become available. This clarification is needed in PSCo's LGIP because PSCo will not be using the *pro forma* transitional procedures and transitional study established in Section 5, meaning that this edit clarifies when Interconnection Customers will first be able to access this information.

• Section 8, Cluster Study

Section 8.5, "Cluster Study Restudies"

PSCo has adopted the *pro forma* LGIP Section 7.5 from Order Nos. 2023 and 2023-A in PSCo LGIP Section 8.5, with two proposed modifications. First, PSCo has omitted Section 7.5(1)(b)'s reference to an additional Commercial Readiness Deposit, which is not used in PSCo's LGIP, and instead has added a reference to the Readiness Demonstration 2 required under PSCo LGIP Section 8.6.2. This is further discussed below in the discussion of Section 8.6.

Second, PSCo has added a clarification which PSCo believes is consistent with or superior to the *pro forma*, regarding the fact that restudies may be triggered by withdrawals of projects from earlier queued clusters. The language of the cluster restudy process in the *pro forma* LGIP focuses

⁶⁵ Order No. 2023-A, P 75.

on withdrawals from the same cluster as other projects which may be restudied, but there are also situations where projects from earlier clusters withdrawing will trigger restudies of later queued clusters. PSCo has clarified that "[i]n the event restudies are required due to the withdrawal of projects in a prior Cluster, the general process laid out in this section shall be followed, except that Cluster Restudies shall proceed sequentially starting with the first-in-time impacted Cluster." Because this clarification is consistent with the general meaning of the *pro forma* LGIP and with the need to accurately study requests, PSCo believes this addition is consistent with or superior to the *pro forma*.

Section 8.6, "Readiness Demonstrations"

PSCo proposes to largely retain its existing Readiness Milestones, which PSCo has renamed "Readiness Demonstrations." However, PSCo has eliminated one of the five existing milestones to reflect the Commission's elimination of the multi-stage Cluster study process in Order No. 2023.

PSCo previously provided for five readiness milestones. In PSCo's existing LGIP, the five readiness milestones align with the five phases of (1) Power Flow/Voltage analysis (M1), (2) Stability/Short Circuit analysis (M2), (3) Cluster System impact Restudy (M3), (4) Facilities Study (M4), and (5) LGIA (M5). PSCo's Order No. 2023 compliance filing condenses these five milestones to four Readiness Demonstrations. The four Readiness Demonstrations are required: (1) to enter the Cluster Study (Section 8.6.1); (2) for any required restudy (Section 8.6.2); (3) to participate in the Interconnection Facilities Study (Section 8.6.3); and (4) to execute an LGIA (Section 8.6.4).

The content of the Readiness Demonstrations is taken from the currently-effective readiness milestones M1, M3, and M4, with a handful of cleanup edits. PSCo proposes to eliminate readiness milestone M2. M2 currently applies prior to Phase 2 of a Cluster study, which is the Stability/Short Circuit phase. Under PSCo's Order No. 2023 compliance LGIP, Interconnection Customers will need only satisfy Readiness Demonstration 1 (old readiness milestone M1) to proceed through the entire Cluster study prior to any restudies. This means that the requirements on Interconnection Customers are slightly reduced from the requirements that exist today.

PSCo believes that its proposal to largely retain its existing readiness demonstration requirements is consistent with or superior to the *pro forma* LGIP as applied to service on PSCo's system. While Order No. 2023 does not provide non-monetary options for Interconnection Customers to demonstrate readiness, PSCo's 2023 LGIP reforms do provide such options. With the exception of the elimination of the current M2 readiness milestone, the formulation of readiness demonstration options in PSCo's filing is maintained from the LGIP reforms approved by FERC in 2023. For example, Readiness Milestone 1 allows Interconnection Customers to choose between (a) an executed term sheet for the sale of the completed facility or its output, (b) reasonable evidence that the project has been selected in a Resource Plan or Resource Solicitation Process, (c) a Provisional LGIA for the project accepted by FERC, (d) completed application for all required permits or, if not, has a detailed permitting plan, or (e) making a \$7.5 million security payment.

These readiness options are currently in use and are currently being relied on by PSCo's Interconnection Customers. PSCo therefore continues to believe that these options are appropriately tailored to the unique circumstances of PSCo's queue and system and remain consistent with or superior to the *pro forma*. PSCo believes that maintaining this optionality, which has already been used by some Interconnection Customers, would be beneficial. As discussed above, most recently, 19 of 20 requests in the most recent request window elected to use non-financial options. PSCo's readiness milestones are designed to ensure that, if some of the initial requests in a cluster later withdraw and if a restudy is triggered, any requests remaining during a subsequent restudy must comply with the more stringent Readiness Demonstration 2. This is designed to reduce the likelihood of multiple restudies, and functions similarly to the additional security deposit required at the time of restudies in Order No. 2023 *pro forma* LGIP Section 7.5.

Furthermore, while the amounts of security for the financial readiness demonstration option, if elected by the Interconnection Customer, differ from the calculation methods adopted by FERC in Order No. 2023, 66 PSCo believes that this difference should be acceptable because Interconnection Customers in the PSCo interconnection queue also have non-monetary options to choose from, and because FERC recently approved PSCo's readiness demonstration options after reviewing evidence of PSCo's queue backlogs and the average costs of network upgrades triggered on PSCo's system by generation interconnection requests. As noted above in PSCo's discussion of the withdrawal penalties in section 3.7.1, PSCo has observed that the average per-project network upgrade costs for interconnection request in the six most recent study clusters were \$24.1 million per request. In evaluating the required security deposits in PSCo's 2023 LGIP reforms, the Commission cited this high level of upgrade costs as a basis for finding that PSCo's readiness demonstration options were appropriate.⁶⁷ PSCo therefore believes there are multiple grounds for the Commission to find that the financial option for demonstrating readiness in PSCo's queue is consistent with or superior to the pro forma LGIP: (1) PSCo has a history of severe backlogs prior to its currently effective queue reform LGIP, (2) the tariff provides non-financial readiness demonstration options which do not exist in the *pro forma* LGIP and which thus are appropriately paired with a financial option which is higher than the financial option in the pro forma LGIP, and

We note that [the \$7.5 million financial option for demonstrating readiness and \$5 million LGIA execution security amount] fall well below the average per project network upgrade costs of \$24.1 million identified in PSCo's six most recent study clusters. We find that the approach in PSCo's alternative proposal strikes an appropriate balance between ensuring the efficiency of the interconnection study process and avoiding unreasonably high barriers to independent power producers entering and moving through the interconnection queue process.

To enter a cluster study, Order No. 2023 requires a commercial readiness demonstration in the form of at-risk security equal to two times study costs. *See* Order No. 2023, P 692. As noted, Order No. 2023 does not contemplate alternative readiness demonstrations—such as selection in a resource plan or a purchased power agreement—in lieu of security as does PSCo's 2023 LGIP. PSCo currently requires that an Interconnection Customer provide security in lieu of an alternative readiness demonstration in the amount of \$7.5 million, which exceeds two times study costs. *See*, *e.g.*, PSCo LGIP, § 8.6.1(e) (formerly § 7.7(e)). Additionally, later stage deposits under Order No. 2023 are calculated based on percentages of upgrade costs, rather than being set deposit amounts per request. *See* Order No. 2023, P 690.

⁶⁷ Pub. Serv. Co. of Colo., 183 FERC ¶ 61,166 at P 66 (2023):

(3) Interconnection Customers are currently making use of the optionality provided in PSCo's tariff and, thus far, have not triggered any new queue backlog.

Finally, the readiness demonstration options are appropriately tailored to the unique circumstances of Colorado, in which many generation facilities are evaluated in competitive resource solicitations overseen by the CPUC. Such proposed projects currently can use the Resource Solicitation Process option for demonstrating readiness.

• Section 9, Interconnection Facilities Study

Section 9.1, "Interconnection Facilities Study Agreement"

PSCo proposes to require that the Interconnection Customer deliver an executed Interconnection Facilities Study Agreement to PSCo in addition to a completed Readiness Demonstration 3 pursuant to Section 8.6.3 of the LGIP (in addition to providing all required technical data) in lieu of requiring demonstration of one hundred percent Site Control and an additional Commercial Readiness Deposit. As explained above, PSCo proposes not to utilize the Commercial Readiness Deposit requirement and instead proposes to retain its existing Readiness Demonstration requirement.

o Section 9.5, "Restudy"

The provisions of the facilities restudy process contemplate that a facilities restudy shall take no more than 60 days from the date of withdrawal of a project. However, this language does not consider the potential need for one or more Cluster Restudies due to the withdrawal. PSCo's compliance filing includes language to clarify this point: "Transmission Provider shall ensure that such restudy takes no longer than sixty (60) Calendar Days from the date of notice provided that a Cluster Restudy is not also required. In the event a Cluster Restudy is required, the process associated with such Cluster Restudies must be completed before the restudy of the Interconnection Facilities Study." This clarification avoids an ambiguity in the existing text and also reflects the reality that withdrawals can trigger Cluster Restudies and is thus consistent with or superior to the pro forma LGIP.

• Section 12, Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement (LGIA)

Section 12.3, "Execution and Filing"

PSCo proposes to require that the Interconnection Customer provide PSCo under Section 12.3 with (1) a demonstration of Site Control as specified in Section 3.4.2 of its LGIP, (2) a demonstration of partial Site Control of Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities ("ICIF"), and (3) the satisfaction of Readiness Demonstration 4. As discussed above, PSCo's alternative approach to the *pro forma* Commercial Readiness Deposit is satisfaction with its Readiness Demonstrations.

PSCo also proposes to retain its requirement of \$5 million in at risk security upon execution of an LGIA (in addition to interconnection study cost deposits),⁶⁸ as well as a requirement for 50% site control for ICIF to obtain an LGIA.⁶⁹ As discussed above in PSCo's discussion of LGIP Section 3.7.1.1, PSCo believes that the \$5 million security requirement continues to be a crucial measure to prevent speculative interconnection projects from making late stage withdrawals, and thus that the requirement remains consistent with or superior to the *pro forma* LGIP. PSCo also believes that the 50% site control for ICIF remains appropriate at the time of LGIA execution, as it provides a requirement to demonstrate that progress is being made towards ICIF development, but in a way that is more flexible than the site control requirement for the generation facility itself. PSCo thus believes that this section is consistent with or superior to the *pro forma* LGIP Section 11.3.

D. Appendices to the LGIP

PSCo's compliance filing adopts most of the changes to its LGIP appendices as set forth in the *pro forma* appendices. However, PSCo proposes certain modest revisions to the LGIP appendices that are consistent with the changes to the LGIP described above. PSCo also proposes the following minor revisions:

- Addition of a check box in Appendix 1, the interconnection request form, for an Interconnection Customer to indicate its request is for surplus interconnection service.⁷⁰
- In Appendix 12, the LGIA, PSCo has revised Section 2.4.4 relating to refunds to postpone refunds until all restudies have been completed.⁷¹
- In Appendix 15, PSCo has inserted a proposed standard form of non-disclosure agreement for scoping meetings.⁷²

E. Small Generator Interconnection Procedures

PSCo's compliance filing includes changes to the *pro forma* SGIP and appendices consistent with Order No. 2023.⁷³

⁶⁸ PSCo LGIP, § 12.3 (formerly § 10.3)

⁶⁹ *Id*.

⁷⁰ See Appendix 1 of PSCo's proposed LGIP.

⁷¹ See Appendix 2 of PSCo's proposed LGIP, Section 2.4.4.

⁷² See Appendix 15 of PSCo's proposed LGIP, Section 2.4.4.

⁷³ See generally Attachment P.

III. CONTENTS OF THE FILING

The following documents are included in this filing in addition to the eTariff file:

- This transmittal letter;
- A clean copy of the revised tariff records consisting of Attachment N, Large Generator Interconnection Procedures, including appendices, and Attachment P, Small Generator Interconnection Procedures, and appendices;
- A redline copy showing the proposed revisions to the currently effective tariff; and
- An informational redline showing the proposed revisions to the tariff records from the currently pending Attachment N under Docket No. ER23-629-004.

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V. EFFECTIVE DATE

PSCo requests that the Commission accept the compliance changes filed herein and grant an effective date as of the date the Commission approves PSCo's compliance filing. Following Commission action on this filing, PSCo will make a further compliance filing to replace the "9998" effective date with the approved effective date. If the Commission orders PSCo to make additional changes to its LGIP in an additional compliance filing, PSCo would propose that the effective date of the reforms be set at the date PSCo's subsequent compliance filing is accepted, rather than the date of FERC's conditional acceptance of the instant filing. This would be intended to avoid a situation where PSCo is required to administer tariff provisions which have not yet been accepted, and the acceptance of which could be open to question, which PSCo anticipates could interfere with the administration of PSCo's queue, could trigger restudies, and could create delays for Interconnection Customers.

VI. SERVICE OF FILING

An electronic notice of this filing will be served on the CPUC and all affected PSCo transmission service customers and ancillary service customers taking service under the Xcel Energy Tariff, including all Tariff customers with an LGIP Interconnection Request pending but who have not executed an LGIA. A courtesy copy will be served on the Commission's Director of the Division of Electric Power Regulation (West). Pursuant to 18 C.F.R. § 35.2(d), a copy of this filing will be posted for public inspection at the offices of Xcel Energy – Transmission Services at 414 Nicollet Mall – 6th Floor, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55401; and at the offices of PSCo – Transmission at 18201 West 10th Avenue, Golden, Colorado 80401. A copy of the filing also will be posted at the OASIS/Open Access Transmission Tariff link at the Transmission page of the Xcel Energy Inc. website (http://www.transmission.xcelenergy.com).

VII. CONCLUSION

For the reasons stated herein, XES respectfully requests that the Commission accept this Compliance Filing effective as of the date the Commission approves PSCo's compliance filing.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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ATTACHMENT N

Standard Large Generator Interconnection Procedures – Revised ("LGIP")

Applicable to all Generating Facilities that exceed 20 MWs or any Generating Facility that is requesting Network Resource Interconnection Service connecting to the Transmission System¹

of

Public Service Company of Colorado

Note: For further information regarding a large generation interconnection to the transmission system of any of the Xcel Energy Operating Companies, please consult the currently effective "Interconnection Guidelines For Transmission Interconnected Producer-Owned Generation Greater than 20 MW" available at the Xcel Energy Inc.

website

¹ Order No. 2006 at P 140 states: "Because Network Resource Interconnection Service entails high technical standards, we expect that an Interconnection Customer, particularly one interconnecting at a lower voltage, would rarely find this service to be efficient or practical. Nevertheless, we do not want to preclude it from choosing this option. If it wishes to interconnect its Small Generating Facility using Network Resource Interconnection Service, it may do so. However, it must request interconnection under the LGIP and execute the LGIA."

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Section 1. Definitions

Adverse System Impact shall mean the negative effects due to technical or operational limits on conductors or equipment being exceeded that may compromise the safety and reliability of the electric system.

Affected System shall mean an electric system other than Transmission Provider's Transmission System that may be affected by the proposed interconnection.

Affected System Facilities Construction Agreement shall mean the agreement contained in Appendix 6 (Two-Party Affected System Facilities Construction Agreement) or Appendix 7 (Multiparty Affected System Facilities Construction Agreement), as applicable, of this LGIP that is made between Transmission Provider and Affected System Interconnection Customer to facilitate the construction of and to set forth cost responsibility for necessary Affected System Network Upgrades on Transmission Provider's Transmission System.

Affected System Interconnection Customer shall mean any entity that submits an interconnection request for a generating facility to a transmission system other than Transmission Provider's Transmission System that may cause the need for Affected System Network Upgrades on Transmission Provider's Transmission System.

Affected System Network Upgrades shall mean the additions, modifications, and upgrades to Transmission Provider's Transmission System required to accommodate Affected System Interconnection Customer's proposed interconnection to a transmission system other than Transmission Provider's Transmission System.

Affected System Operator shall mean the entity that operates an Affected System.

Affected System Queue Position shall mean the queue position of an Affected System Interconnection Customer in Transmission Provider's interconnection queue relative to Transmission Provider's Interconnection Customers' Queue Positions.

Affected System Study shall mean the evaluation of Affected System Interconnection Customers' proposed interconnection(s) to a transmission system other than Transmission Provider's Transmission System that have an impact on Transmission Provider's Transmission System, as described in Section 10 of this LGIP.

Affected System Study Agreement shall mean the agreement contained in Appendix 4 (Two-Party Affected System Study Agreement) or Appendix 5 (MultiParty Affected System Study Agreement), as applicable, to this LGIP that is made between Transmission Provider and Affected System Interconnection Customer to conduct an Affected System Study pursuant to Section 10 of this LGIP.

Affected System Study Report shall mean the report issued following completion of an Affected System Study pursuant to Section 10.7 of this LGIP.

Affiliate shall mean, with respect to a corporation, partnership or other entity, each such other corporation, partnership or other entity that directly or indirectly, through one or more

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intermediaries, controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with, such corporation, partnership or other entity.

Ancillary Services shall mean those services that are necessary to support the transmission of capacity and energy from resources to loads while maintaining reliable operation of the Transmission Provider's Transmission System in accordance with Good Utility Practice.

Applicable Laws and Regulations shall mean all duly promulgated applicable federal, state and local laws, regulations, rules, ordinances, codes, decrees, judgments, directives, or judicial or administrative orders, permits and other duly authorized actions of any Governmental Authority.

Applicable Reliability Standards shall mean the requirements and guidelines of the Electric Reliability Organization and the Balancing Authority Area of the Transmission System to which the Generating Facility is directly interconnected.

Balancing Authority shall mean an entity that integrates resource plans ahead of time, maintains demand and resource balance within a Balancing Authority Area, and supports interconnection frequency in real time.

Balancing Authority Area shall mean the collection of generation, transmission, and loads within the metered boundaries of the Balancing Authority. The Balancing Authority maintains load-resource balance within this area.

Base Case shall mean the base case power flow, short circuit, and stability data bases used for the Interconnection Studies by Transmission Provider or Interconnection Customer.

Breach shall mean the failure of a Party to perform or observe any material term or condition of the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement.

Breaching Party shall mean a Party that is in Breach of the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement.

Business Day shall mean Monday through Friday, excluding Federal Holidays.

Calendar Day shall mean any day including Saturday, Sunday or a Federal Holiday. If a requirement due date lands on a Saturday, Sunday or Federal Holiday, the requirement is due the next Business Day.

Cluster shall mean a group of one or more Interconnection Requests that are studied together for the purpose of conducting a Cluster Study.

Cluster Request Window shall mean the time period set forth in Section 3.4.1 of this LGIP.

Cluster Restudy shall mean a restudy of a Cluster Study conducted pursuant to Section 8.5 of this LGIP.

Cluster Restudy Report shall mean the report issued following completion of a Cluster Restudy pursuant to Section 8.5 of this LGIP.

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Cluster Restudy Report Meeting shall mean the meeting held to discuss the results of a Cluster Restudy pursuant to Section 8.5 of this LGIP.

Cluster Study shall mean the evaluation of one or more Interconnection Requests within a Cluster as described in Section 8 of this LGIP.

Cluster Study Agreement shall mean the agreement contained in Appendix 2 to this LGIP for conducting the Cluster Study.

Cluster Study Process shall mean the following processes, typically conducted in sequence: the Cluster Request Window; the Customer Engagement Window and Scoping Meetings therein; the Cluster Study; any needed Cluster Restudies; and the Interconnection Facilities Study.

Cluster Study Report shall mean the report issued following completion of a Cluster Study pursuant to Section 8 of this LGIP.

Cluster Study Report Meeting shall mean the meeting held to discuss the results of a Cluster Study pursuant to Section 8 of this LGIP.

Clustering shall mean the process whereby one or more Interconnection Requests are studied together, instead of serially, as described in Section 8 of this LGIP.

Commercial Operation shall mean the status of a Generating Facility, or Replacement Generating Facility, that has commenced generating electricity for sale, excluding electricity generated during Trial Operation.

Commercial Operation Date of a unit shall mean the date on which the Generating Facility, or Replacement Generating Facility, commences Commercial Operation as agreed to by the Parties pursuant to Appendix E to the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement.

Confidential Information shall mean any confidential, proprietary or trade secret information of a plan, specification, pattern, procedure, design, device, list, concept, policy or compilation relating to the present or planned business of a Party, which is designated as confidential by the Party supplying the information, whether conveyed orally, electronically, in writing, through inspection, or otherwise.

Contingent Facilities shall mean those unbuilt Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades upon which the Interconnection Request's costs, timing, and study findings are dependent, and if delayed or not built, could cause a need for restudies of the Interconnection Request or a reassessment of the Interconnection Facilities and/or Network Upgrades and/or costs and timing.

Customer Engagement Window shall have the meaning set forth in Section 3.4.5 of the LGIP.

Default shall mean the failure of a Breaching Party to cure its Breach in accordance with Article 17 of the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement.

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Dispute Resolution shall mean the procedure for resolution of a dispute between the Parties in which they will first attempt to resolve the dispute on an informal basis.

Distribution System shall mean Transmission Provider's facilities and equipment used to transmit electricity to ultimate usage points such as homes and industries directly from nearby generators or from interchanges with higher voltage transmission networks which transport bulk power over longer distances. The voltage levels at which distribution systems operate differ among areas.

Distribution Upgrades shall mean the additions, modifications, and upgrades to Transmission Provider's Distribution System at or beyond the Point of Interconnection to facilitate interconnection of the Generating Facility and render the transmission service necessary to affect Interconnection Customer's wholesale sale of electricity in interstate commerce. Distribution Upgrades do not include Interconnection Facilities.

Effective Date shall mean the date on which the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement becomes effective upon execution by the Parties subject to acceptance by FERC, or if filed unexecuted, upon the date specified by FERC.

Electric Reliability Organization shall mean the North American Electric Reliability Corporation or its successor organization.

Emergency Condition shall mean a condition or situation: (1) that in the judgment of the Party making the claim is imminently likely to endanger life or property; or (2) that, in the case of a Transmission Provider, is imminently likely (as determined in a non-discriminatory manner) to cause a material adverse effect on the security of, or damage to Transmission Provider's Transmission System, Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities or the electric systems of others to which the Transmission Provider's Transmission System is directly connected; or (3) that, in the case of Interconnection Customer, is imminently likely (as determined in a non-discriminatory manner) to cause a material adverse effect on the security of, or damage to, the Generating Facility or Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities. System restoration and black start shall be considered Emergency Conditions; provided that Interconnection Customer is not obligated by the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement to possess black start capability.

Energy Resource Interconnection Service shall mean an Interconnection Service that allows Interconnection Customer to connect its Generating Facility to Transmission Provider's Transmission System to be eligible to deliver the Generating Facility's electric output using the existing firm or non-firm capacity of Transmission Provider's Transmission System on an as available basis. Energy Resource Interconnection Service in and of itself does not convey transmission service.

Engineering & Procurement (E&P) Agreement shall mean an agreement that authorizes Transmission Provider to begin engineering and procurement of long lead-time items necessary for the establishment of the interconnection in order to advance the implementation of the Interconnection Request.

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Environmental Law shall mean Applicable Laws or Regulations relating to pollution or protection of the environment or natural resources.

Existing Generating Facility shall mean a Generating Facility that is currently in-service or under construction with an unsuspended interconnection agreement.

Federal Power Act shall mean the Federal Power Act, as amended, 16 U.S.C. §§ 791a et seq.

FERC shall mean the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) or its successor.

Force Majeure shall mean any act of God, labor disturbance, act of the public enemy, war, insurrection, riot, fire, storm or flood, explosion, breakage or accident to machinery or equipment, any order, regulation or restriction imposed by governmental, military or lawfully established civilian authorities, or any other cause beyond a Party's control. A Force Majeure event does not include acts of negligence or intentional wrongdoing by the Party claiming Force Majeure.

Generating Facility shall mean Interconnection Customer's device(s) for the production and/or storage for later injection of electricity identified in the Interconnection Request but shall not include Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities. A Generating Facility may consist of one or more generating unit(s) and/or storage device(s) which usually can operate independently and be brought online or taken offline individually.

Generating Facility Capacity shall mean the net capacity of the Generating Facility or the aggregate net capacity of the Generating Facility where it includes more than one device for the production and/or storage for later injection of electricity.

Generating Facility Modification shall mean modification to an Existing Generating Facility, including comparable replacement of only a portion of the equipment at the Existing Generating Facility.

Generation Replacement shall mean replacement of one or more generating units and/or storage devices at an Existing Generating Facility with one or more new generating units or storage devices at the same electrical Point of Interconnection as those being decommissioned and electrically disconnected. The replacement facility may be of a different fuel type or a combination of different fuel types.

Generator Replacement Interconnection Facilities Study shall mean a study to determine a list of facilities to grant an Interconnection Customer's request to interconnect a Replacement Generating Facility, the cost of those facilities, and the time required to interconnect those facilities. The scope of the study is defined in Section 3.10.4 of the LGIP.

Good Utility Practice shall mean any of the practices, methods and acts engaged in or approved by a significant portion of the electric industry during the relevant time period, or any of the practices, methods and acts which, in the exercise of reasonable judgment in light of the facts known at the time the decision was made, could have been expected to accomplish the desired result at a reasonable cost consistent with good business practices, reliability, safety and expedition. Good Utility Practice is not intended to be limited to the optimum practice, method, or

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act to the exclusion of all others, but rather to be acceptable practices, methods, or acts generally accepted in the region.

Governmental Authority shall mean any federal, state, local or other governmental regulatory or administrative agency, court, commission, department, board, or other governmental subdivision, legislature, rulemaking board, tribunal, or other governmental authority having jurisdiction over the Parties, their respective facilities, or the respective services they provide, and exercising or entitled to exercise any administrative, executive, police, or taxing authority or power; provided, however, that such term does not include Interconnection

Customer, Transmission Provider, or any Affiliate thereof.

Hazardous Substances shall mean any chemicals, materials or substances defined as or included in the definition of "hazardous substances," "hazardous wastes," "hazardous materials," "hazardous constituents," "restricted hazardous materials," "extremely hazardous substances," "toxic substances," "radioactive substances," "contaminants," "pollutants," "toxic pollutants" or words of similar meaning and regulatory effect under any applicable Environmental Law, or any other chemical, material or substance, exposure to which is prohibited, limited or regulated by any applicable Environmental Law.

Initial Synchronization Date shall mean the date upon which the Generating Facility is initially synchronized and upon which Trial Operation begins.

In-Service Date shall mean the date upon which Interconnection Customer reasonably expects it will be ready to begin use of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities to obtain back feed power.

Interconnection Customer shall mean any entity, including Transmission Provider, Transmission Owner or any of the Affiliates or subsidiaries of either, that proposes to interconnect its Generating Facility with Transmission Provider's Transmission System or represents an Existing Generating Facility.

Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities shall mean all facilities and equipment, as identified in Appendix A of the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement, that are located between the Generating Facility and the Point of Change of Ownership, including any modification, addition, or upgrades to such facilities and equipment necessary to physically and electrically interconnect the Generating Facility to Transmission Provider's Transmission System. Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities are sole use facilities (e.g. for generator interconnection).

Interconnection Facilities shall mean Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities. Collectively, Interconnection Facilities include all facilities and equipment between the Generating Facility and the Point of Interconnection, including any modification, additions or upgrades that are necessary to physically and electrically interconnect the Generating Facility to Transmission Provider's Transmission System. Interconnection Facilities are sole use facilities (e.g. for generator interconnection) and shall not include Distribution Upgrades, Stand Alone Network Upgrades or Network Upgrades. Interconnection Facilities may be shared by more than one Generating Facility in a Cluster.

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Interconnection Facilities Study shall mean a study conducted by Transmission Provider or a third party consultant for Interconnection Customer to determine a list of facilities (including Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades as identified in the ClusterStudy), the cost of those facilities, and the time required to interconnect the Generating Facility with Transmission Provider's Transmission System. The scope of the study is defined in Section 9 of the LGIP.

Interconnection Facilities Study Agreement shall mean the form of agreement contained in Appendix 3 of the LGIP for conducting the Interconnection Facilities Study.

Interconnection Facilities Study Report shall mean the report issued following completion of an Interconnection Facilities Study pursuant to Section 9 of this LGIP.

Interconnection Request shall mean an Interconnection Customer's request, in the form of Appendix 1 to the LGIP, in accordance with the Tariff, to interconnect a new Generating Facility, or to increase the capacity of, or make a Material Modification to the operating characteristics of, an Existing Generating Facility that is interconnected with the Transmission Provider's Transmission System.

Interconnection Service shall mean the service provided by the Transmission Provider associated with interconnecting the Interconnection Customer's Generating Facility to the Transmission Provider's Transmission System and enabling it to receive electric energy and capacity from the Generating Facility at the Point of Interconnection, pursuant to the terms of the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement and, if applicable, the Transmission Provider's Tariff.

Interconnection Study shall mean any of the various interconnection studies described in this Attachment N.

Interconnection Study Agreement shall mean an agreement relating to performance of any of the various interconnection studies identified in this Attachment N.

IRS shall mean the Internal Revenue Service.

Joint Operating Committee shall be a group made up of representatives from Interconnection Customers and the Transmission Provider to coordinate operating and technical considerations of Interconnection Service.

Large Generating Facility shall mean a Generating Facility having a Generating Facility Capacity of more than 20 MW or any size Generating Facility requesting NRIS.

Loss shall mean any and all losses relating to injury to or death of any person or damage to property, demand, suits, recoveries, costs and expenses, court costs, attorney fees, and all other obligations by or to third parties, arising out of or resulting from the other Party's performance, or non-performance of its obligations under the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement on behalf of the Indemnifying Party, except in cases of gross negligence or intentional wrongdoing by the Indemnifying Party.

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Material Modification shall mean (1) modification to an Interconnection Request in the Queue or a not yet in-service Generating Facility with an LGIA that has a material adverse impact on the cost or timing of any other Interconnection Request with a later or equal Queue Position or (2) a planned modification to an Existing Generating Facility that has a material adverse impact on the Transmission System with respect to: i) steady-state thermal or voltage limits, ii) dynamic system stability and response, or iii) short-circuit capability limit; compared to the impacts of the Existing Generating Facility prior to the modification or replacement.

Metering Equipment shall mean all metering equipment installed or to be installed at the Generating Facility pursuant to the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement at the metering points, including but not limited to instrument transformers, MWh-meters, data acquisition equipment, transducers, remote terminal unit, communications equipment, phone lines, and fiber optics.

Multiparty Affected System Facilities Construction Agreement shall mean the agreement contained in Appendix 7 to this LGIP that is made among Transmission Provider and multiple Affected System Interconnection Customers to facilitate the construction of and to set forth cost responsibility for necessary Affected System Network Upgrades on Transmission Provider's Transmission System.

Multiparty Affected System Study Agreement shall mean the agreement contained in Appendix 5 to this LGIP that is made among Transmission Provider and multiple Affected System Interconnection Customers to conduct an Affected System Study pursuant to Section 10 of this LGIP.

Network Resource shall mean any designated generating resource owned, purchased, or leased by a Network Customer under the Network Integration Transmission Service Tariff. Network Resources do not include any resource, or any portion thereof, that is committed for sale to third parties or otherwise cannot be called upon to meet the Network Customer's Network Load on a non-interruptible basis.

Network Resource Interconnection Service shall mean an Interconnection Service that allows the Interconnection Customer to integrate its Large Generating Facility with the Transmission Provider's Transmission System (1) in a manner comparable to that in which the Transmission Provider integrates its generating facilities to serve native load customers; or (2) in an RTO or ISO with market based congestion management, in the same manner as Network Resources. Network Resource Interconnection Service in and of itself does not convey transmission service.

Network Upgrades shall mean the additions, modifications, and upgrades to the Transmission Provider's Transmission System required at or beyond the point at which the Interconnection Facilities connect to the Transmission Provider's Transmission System to accommodate the interconnection of the Large Generating Facility to the Transmission Provider's Transmission System.

Notice of Dispute shall mean a written notice of a dispute or claim that arises out of or in connection with the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement or its performance.

OASIS shall mean the Transmission Provider's Open Access Same-Time Information System.

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Party or Parties shall mean Transmission Provider, Transmission Owner, Interconnection Customer or any combination of the above.

Permissible Technological Advancement shall mean modification to equipment that (1) results in electrical performance that is equal to or better than the electrical performance expected prior to the technology change, (2) does not cause any reliability concerns, (3) does not degrade the electrical characteristics of the generating equipment (e.g., the ratings, impedances, efficiencies, capabilities, and performance of the equipment under steady-state and dynamic conditions) and (4) does not have a material impact on the cost or timing of any Interconnection Request with a later queue priority date, and is therefore not a Material Modification. A Permissible Technological Advancements is a change in equipment that may achieve cost or grid performance efficiencies that may include turbines, inverters, plant supervisory controls or other devices that may affect a generating facility's ability to provide ancillary services but does not include changes in generation technology type of fuel type.

Point of Change of Ownership shall mean the point, as set forth in Appendix A to the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement, where the Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities connect to the Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities.

Point of Interconnection shall mean the point, as set forth in Appendix A to the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement, where the Interconnection Facilities connect to the Transmission Provider's Transmission System.

Proportional Impact Method shall mean a technical analysis conducted by Transmission Provider to determine the degree to which each Generating Facility in the Cluster Study contributes to the need for a specific System Network Upgrade.

Provisional Interconnection Service shall mean interconnection service provided by Transmission Provider associated with interconnecting the Interconnection Customer's Generating Facility to Transmission Provider's Transmission System and enabling that Transmission System to receive electric energy and capacity from the Generating Facility at the Point of Interconnection, pursuant to the terms of the Provisional Large Generator Interconnection Agreement and, if applicable, the Tariff.

Provisional Interconnection Study shall mean an analysis described in Section 6.2 and based on assumptions specified in the Provisional Interconnection Study Agreement.

Provisional Interconnection Study Agreement shall mean the form of agreement contained in Appendix 9 of the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Procedures for conducting the Provisional Interconnection Study.

Provisional Large Generator Interconnection Agreement (PLGIA) shall mean the interconnection agreement for Provisional Interconnection Service established between Transmission Provider and/or Transmission Owner and Interconnection Customer. The pro forma agreement is provided in Appendix 14 and takes the form of the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement, modified for provisional purposes.

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Queue Position shall mean the order of a valid Interconnection Request, relative to all other pending valid Interconnection Requests, established pursuant to Section 4.1 of this LGIP.

Readiness Demonstrations(s) shall have the meaning set forth in Section 8.6 of this LGIP.

Reasonable Efforts shall mean, with respect to an action required to be attempted or taken by a Party under the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement, efforts that are timely and consistent with Good Utility Practice and are otherwise substantially equivalent to those a Party would use to protect its own interests.

Reliability Assessment Study shall mean an engineering study that evaluates the impact of a proposed Generation Replacement on the reliability of Transmission System during the time period between the date that the Existing Generating Facility ceases commercial operations and the Commercial Operation Date of the Replacement Generating Facility.

Replacement Generating Facility shall mean a Generating Facility that replaces an Existing Generating Facility, or a portion thereof, at the same electrical Point of Interconnection pursuant to Section 3.10 of this LGIP.

Replacement Impact Study shall mean an engineering study that evaluates the impact of a proposed Generation Replacement on the reliability of the Transmission System.

Resource Plan shall mean any process authorized or required by Applicable Laws and Regulations for, *inter alia*, the selection of Generating Facilities.

Resource Planning Entity shall mean any entity required to develop a Resource Plan or conduct a Resource Solicitation Process.

Resource Solicitation Cluster shall mean a Cluster Study associated with a Resource Plan or related process.

Resource Solicitation Process shall mean any process authorized or required by Applicable Laws and Regulations for the acquisition of Network Resources.

Scoping Meeting shall mean the meeting between representatives of Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider conducted for the purpose of discussing the proposed Interconnection Request and any alternative interconnection options, exchanging information including any transmission data and earlier study evaluations that would be reasonably expected to impact such interconnection options, refining information and models provided by Interconnection Customer(s), discussing the Cluster Study materials posted to OASIS pursuant to Section 3.4.5 of this LGIP, and analyzing such information.

Site Control shall mean the exclusive land right to develop, construct, operate, and maintain the Generating Facility over the term of expected operation of the Generating Facility. Site Control may be demonstrated by documentation establishing: (1) ownership of, a leasehold interest in, or a right to develop a site of sufficient size to construct and operate the Generating Facility; (2) an option to purchase or acquire a leasehold site of sufficient size to construct and operate the Generating Facility; or (3) any other documentation that clearly demonstrates the right of the

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Interconnection Customer to exclusively occupy a site of sufficient size to construct and operate the Generating Facility. Transmission Provider will maintain acreage requirements for each Generating Facility type on its OASIS or public website.

Small Generating Facility shall mean a Generating Facility that has a Generating Facility Capacity of no more than 20 MW not requesting NRIS.

Stand Alone Network Upgrades shall mean Network Upgrades that are not part of an Affected System that Interconnection Customer may construct without affecting day-to-day operations of the Transmission System during their construction and the following conditions are met: (1) a Substation Network Upgrade must only be required for a single Interconnection Customer in the Cluster and no other Interconnection Customer in that Cluster is required to interconnect to the same Substation Network Upgrades, and (2) a System Network Upgrade must only be required for a single Interconnection Customer in the Cluster, as indicated under the Transmission Provider's Proportional Impact Method. Both Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer must agree as to what constitutes Stand Alone Network Upgrades and identify them in Appendix A to the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement. If Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer disagree about whether a particular Network Upgrade is a Stand Alone Network Upgrade, Transmission Provider must provide Interconnection Customer a written technical explanation outlining why Transmission Provider does not consider the Network Upgrade to be a Stand Alone Network Upgrade within fifteen (15) Business Days of its determination.

Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement (LGIA) shall mean the form of interconnection agreement applicable to an Interconnection Request pertaining to a Large Generating Facility that is included in Transmission Provider's Tariff.

Standard Large Generator Interconnection Procedures (LGIP) shall mean the interconnection procedures applicable to an Interconnection Request pertaining to a Large Generating Facility that are included in Transmission Provider's Tariff.

Station Network Upgrades shall mean Network Upgrades that are required at the substation located at the Point of Interconnection.

Surplus Interconnection Service shall mean any unneeded portion of Interconnection Service established in a Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement, such that if Surplus Interconnection Service is utilized the total amount of Interconnection Service at the Point of Interconnection would remain the same.

Surplus Interconnection Study shall mean an analysis based on assumptions specified by the Interconnection Customer in the Surplus Interconnection Study Agreement.

Surplus Interconnection Study Agreement shall mean the form of agreement contained in Appendix 10 of the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Procedures for conducting the Surplus Interconnection Study.

System Network Upgrades shall mean Network Upgrades that are required beyond the substation located at the Point of Interconnection.

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System Protection Facilities shall mean the equipment, including necessary protection signal communications equipment, required to protect (1) Transmission Provider's Transmission System from faults or other electrical disturbances occurring at the Generating Facility and (2) the Generating Facility from faults or other electrical system disturbances occurring on Transmission Provider's Transmission System or on other delivery systems or other generating systems to which Transmission Provider's Transmission System is directly connected.

Tariff shall mean Transmission Provider's Tariff through which open access transmission service and Interconnection Service are offered, as filed with FERC, and as amended or supplemented from time to time, or any successor tariff.

Transmission Owner shall mean an entity that owns, leases or otherwise possesses an interest in the portion of the Transmission System at the Point of Interconnection and may be a Party to the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement to the extent necessary.

Transmission Provider shall mean the public utility (or its designated agent) that owns, controls, or operates transmission or distribution facilities used for the transmission of electricity in interstate commerce and provides transmission service under the Tariff. The term Transmission Provider should be read to include the Transmission Owner when the Transmission Owner is separate from Transmission Provider.

Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities shall mean all facilities and equipment owned, controlled, or operated by Transmission Provider from the Point of Change of Ownership to the Point of Interconnection as identified in Appendix A to the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement, including any modifications, additions or upgrades to such facilities and equipment. Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities are sole use facilities (e.g. for generator interconnection) and shall not include Distribution Upgrades, Stand Alone Network Upgrades or Network Upgrades. Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities may be shared by more than one Generating Facility in a given Study.

Transmission System shall mean the facilities owned, controlled or operated by Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner that are used to provide transmission service under the Tariff.

Trial Operation shall mean the period during which Interconnection Customer is engaged in onsite test operations and commissioning of the Generating Facility prior to Commercial Operation.

Withdrawal Penalty shall mean the penalty assessed by Transmission Provider to an Interconnection Customer that chooses to withdraw or is deemed withdrawn from Transmission Provider's interconnection queue or whose Generating Facility does not otherwise reach Commercial Operation. The calculation of the Withdrawal Penalty is set forth in Section 3.7.1 of this LGIP.

Section 2. Scope and Application.

2.1 Application of LGIP.

Sections 2 through 14 of this LGIP apply to processing an Interconnection Request pertaining to a Large Generating Facility, including, but not limited to, a Generating

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Facility Modification that may constitute a Material Modification to the operating characteristics of an Existing Generating Facility, or a Replacement Generating Facility.

A request for a Replacement Generating Facility shall be evaluated pursuant to Section 3.10 of this LGIP.

A request for Generating Facility Modification for an Existing Generating Facility must be submitted to and coordinated with the Transmission Provider to allow the Transmission Provider to determine whether the proposed modification constitutes a Material Modification. If the Transmission Provider determines that the proposed Generating Facility Modification is a Material Modification, then the Generating Facility Modification request shall be submitted as a separate Interconnection Request pursuant to Section 3.4 of the LGIP for that Generating Facility Modification. Such separate Interconnection Request shall be assigned a new Queue Position and proceed through the study process in the same manner as an Interconnection Request for a new Generating Facility.

As provided in Attachment P to the Tariff, Small Generating Facilities that are not eligible for the fast-track process will be processed in a single Queue with Large Generating Facilities. Additionally, Small Generating Facilities requesting NRIS shall be processed under this LGIP.

2.2 Comparability.

Transmission Provider shall receive, process and analyze all Interconnection Requests in a timely manner as set forth in this LGIP. Transmission Provider shall process and analyze Interconnection Requests from all Interconnection Customers, regardless of whether the Generating Facilities are owned by Transmission Provider, its subsidiaries or Affiliates, or others.

2.3 Base Case Data.

Transmission Provider shall maintain base power flow, short circuit and stability databases, including all underlying assumptions, and contingency list on either its OASIS site or a password-protected website subject to confidentiality provisions in LGIP Section 14.1. In addition, Transmission Provider shall maintain network models and underlying assumptions on either its OASIS site or a passwordprotected website. Such network models and underlying assumptions should reasonably represent those used during the most recent Interconnection Study and be representative of current system conditions. If Transmission Provider posts this information on a password-protected website, a link to the information must be provided on Transmission Provider's OASIS site. Transmission Provider is permitted to require that Interconnection Customers, OASIS site users and password-protected website users sign a confidentiality agreement before the release of commercially sensitive information or Critical Energy Infrastructure Information in the Base Case data. Such databases and lists, hereinafter referred to as Base Cases, shall include all (1) generation projects and (2) transmission projects, including merchant transmission projects that are proposed for the Transmission System for which a transmission expansion plan has been submitted

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and approved by the applicable authority. Some planned transmission projects must receive approval of the Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity from the Colorado Public Utility Commission prior to being included in the Base Case models. Base Case model assumptions for each Cluster are generally fixed once the study process starts.

2.4 No Applicability to Transmission Service.

Nothing in this LGIP shall constitute a request for transmission service or confer upon an Interconnection Customer any right to receive transmission service.

Section 3. Interconnection Requests.

3.1 Interconnection Requests

3.1.1 Study Deposits.

Interconnection Customer shall submit to Transmission Provider, during a Cluster Request Window, an Interconnection Request in the form of Appendix 1 to this LGIP, a non-refundable application fee of \$5,000, and a refundable study deposit in the form of an irrevocable letter of credit, cash, a surety bond, or other form of security that is reasonably acceptable to Transmission Provider of:

- a. \$35,000 plus \$1,000 per MW for Interconnection Requests ≥ 20 MW <80 MW; or,
- b. \$150,000 for Interconnection Requests ≥ 80 MW < 200 MW; or or
- c. \$250,000 for Interconnection Requests 200 MW.

Transmission Provider shall apply the study deposit toward the cost of the Cluster Study Process.

3.1.2 Submission

Interconnection Customer shall submit a separate Interconnection Request for each site. Where multiple Generating Facilities share a site, Interconnection Customer(s) may submit separate Interconnection Requests or a single Interconnection Request. An Interconnection Request to evaluate one site at two different voltage levels shall be treated as two Interconnection Requests.

At Interconnection Customer's option, Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer will identify alternative Point(s) of Interconnection and configurations at a Scoping Meeting within the Customer Engagement Window to evaluate in this process and attempt to eliminate alternatives in a reasonable fashion given resources and information available. Interconnection Customer will select the definitive Point of Interconnection to be studied no later than the execution of the Cluster Study Agreement. For purposes of clustering Interconnection Requests, Transmission Provider may propose changes to the requested Point of

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Interconnection to facilitate efficient interconnection of Interconnection Customers at common points of interconnection., Transmission Provider shall notify Interconnection Customers in writing of any intended changes to the requested Point of Interconnection within the Customer Engagement Window, and the Point of Interconnection shall only change upon mutual agreement.

Transmission Provider shall have a process in place to consider requests for Interconnection Service below the Generating Facility Capacity. These requests for Interconnection Service shall be studied at the level of Interconnection Service requested for purposes of Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades, and associated costs, but may be subject to other studies at the full Generating Facility Capacity to ensure safety and reliability of the system, with the study costs borne by Interconnection Customer. If after the additional studies are complete, Transmission Provider determines that additional Network Upgrades are necessary, then Transmission Provider must: (1) specify which additional Network Upgrade costs are based on which studies; and (2) provide a detailed explanation of why the additional Network Upgrades are necessary. Any Interconnection Facility and/or Network Upgrade costs required for safety and reliability also will be borne by Interconnection Customer. Interconnection Customers may be subject to additional control technologies as well as testing and validation of those technologies consistent with Article 6 of the LGIA. The necessary control technologies and protection systems shall be established in Appendix C of the executed, or requested to be filed unexecuted, LGIA.

Transmission Provider shall have a process in place to study Generating Facilities that include at least one electric storage resource using operating assumptions (i.e., whether the interconnecting Generating Facility will or will not charge at peak load) that reflect the proposed charging behavior of the Generating Facility as requested by Interconnection Customer, unless Transmission Provider determines that Good Utility Practice, including Applicable Reliability Standards, otherwise requires the use of different operating assumptions. If Transmission Provider finds Interconnection Customer's requested operating assumptions conflict with Good Utility Practice, Transmission Provider must provide Interconnection Customer an explanation in writing of why the submitted operating assumptions are insufficient or inappropriate by no later than thirty (30) Calendar Days before the end of the Customer Engagement Window and allow Interconnection Customer to revise and resubmit requested operating assumptions one time at least ten (10) Calendar Days prior to the end of the Customer Engagement Window. Transmission Provider shall study these requests for Interconnection Service, with the study costs borne by Interconnection Customer, using the submitted operating assumptions for purposes of Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades, and associated costs. These requests for Interconnection Service also may be subject to other studies at the full Generating Facility Capacity to ensure safety and reliability of the system, with the study costs borne by Interconnection Customer. Interconnection Customer's Generating Facility may be subject to additional control technologies as well as testing and validation of such additional control technologies consistent with Article 6 of the LGIA. The necessary control

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technologies and protection systems shall be set forth in Appendix C of the Interconnection Customer's LGIA.

The expected Commercial Operation Date of a Replacement Generating Facility shall be no more than three (3) years from the date of cessation of operation of the Existing Generating Facility or four (4) years from the date a unit is determined as an unplanned (forced) outage. If the requested period of time between the cessation of Commercial Operation of the Existing Generating Facility and expected Commercial Operation Date of the Replacement Generating Facility is greater than three or four years as described in the preceding sentence, the request shall be treated as an Interconnection Request for a new Generating Facility.

3.2 Identification of Types of Interconnection Services.

At the time the Interconnection Request is submitted, Interconnection Customer must request either Energy Resource Interconnection Service or Network Resource Interconnection Service, as described below; provided, however, that any Interconnection Customer requesting Network Resource Interconnection Service may also request that it be concurrently studied for Energy Resource Interconnection Service, up to the point when an Interconnection Facilities Study Agreement is executed. Interconnection Customer may then elect to proceed with Network Resource Interconnection Service or to proceed under a lower level of interconnection service to the extent that only certain upgrades will be completed.

3.2.1 Energy Resource Interconnection Service.

3.2.1.1 The Product.

Energy Resource Interconnection Service allows Interconnection Customer to connect the Large Generating Facility to the Transmission System and be eligible to deliver the Large Generating Facility's output using the existing firm or non-firm capacity of the Transmission System on an "as available" basis. Energy Resource Interconnection Service does not in and of itself convey any right to deliver electricity to any specific customer or Point of Delivery.

3.2.1.2 The Study.

The study consists of short circuit/fault duty, steady state (thermal and voltage) and stability analyses. The short circuit/fault duty analysis would identify direct Interconnection Facilities required and the Network Upgrades necessary to address short circuit issues associated with the Interconnection Facilities. The stability and steady state studies would identify necessary upgrades to allow full output of the proposed Large Generating Facility, except for Generating Facilities that include at least one electric storage resource that request to use operating assumptions pursuant to Section 3.1.2, unless Transmission Provider determines that Good Utility Practice,

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including Applicable Reliability Standards, otherwise requires the use of different operating assumptions, and would also identify the maximum output, at the time the study is performed, of the interconnecting Large Generating Facility without requiring additional Network Upgrades. The determination of maximum output in the ERIS study is for informational purposes only, it does not limit the amount of interconnection service provided or the operational output. ERIS does not convey transmission service and unreserved use may be charged if the output of the generator exceeds the granted transmission service. Details of the study process are provided in the business practice manual posted on OASIS.

3.2.2 Network Resource Interconnection Service.

- 3.2.2.1 The Product. Transmission Provider must conduct the necessary studies and construct the Network Upgrades needed to integrate the Large Generating Facility: (1) in a manner comparable to that in which Transmission Provider integrates its generating facilities to serve native load customers; or (2) in an ISO or RTO with market-based congestion management, in the same manner as Network Resources. Network Resource Interconnection Service allows Interconnection Customer's Large Generating Facility to be designated as a Network Resource, up to the Large Generating Facility's full output, on the same basis as Network Resources interconnected existing Transmission Provider's Transmission System, and to be studied as a Network Resource on the assumption that such a designation will occur. If the Transmission Provider has not been notified pursuant to Section 29.2 of Part III of the Tariff that Interconnection Customer's proposed Generating Facility is to be designated as a Network Resource within Transmission Provider's Transmission System, Interconnection Customer must provide the point of delivery or the geographic location on the seam of Transmission Provider's Transmission System at which Interconnection Customer intends to deliver the generation output to enable delivery out of Transmission Provider's eventual Transmission System.
- 3.2.2.2 The Study. The Interconnection Study for Network Resource Interconnection Service shall assure that Interconnection Customer's Large Generating Facility meets the requirements for Network Resource Interconnection Service and, as a general matter, that such Large Generating Facility's interconnection is also studied with Transmission Provider's Transmission System at peak

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load, under a variety of severely stressed conditions, to determine whether, with the Large Generating Facility at full output, except for Generating Facilities that include at least one electric storage resource that requests to use, and for Transmission Provider approves, operating assumptions pursuant to Section 3.1.2, the aggregate of generation in the local area can be delivered to the aggregate of load on Transmission Provider's Transmission System, consistent with Transmission Provider's reliability criteria and procedures. This approach assumes that some portion of existing Network Resources are displaced by the output of Interconnection Customer's Large Generating Facility. Network Resource Interconnection Service in and of itself does not convey any right to deliver electricity to any specific customer or Point of Delivery. Transmission Provider may also study the Transmission System under non-peak load conditions. However, upon request by Interconnection Customer, Transmission Provider must explain in writing to Interconnection Customer why the study of non-peak load conditions is required for reliability purposes. Details of the study process are provided in the business practice manual posted on OASIS.

3.3 Utilization of Surplus Interconnection Service.

Transmission Provider must provide a process that allows an Interconnection Customer to utilize or transfer Surplus Interconnection Service at an existing Point of Interconnection. The original Interconnection Customer or one of its Affiliates shall have priority to utilize Surplus Interconnection Service. If the existing Interconnection Customer or one of its Affiliates does not exercise its priority, then that service may be made available to other potential Interconnection Customers.

3.3.1 Surplus Interconnection Service Requests.

Surplus Interconnection Service requests may be made by the existing Interconnection Customer or one of its Affiliates or may be submitted once Interconnection Customer has executed the LGIA or requested that the LGIA be filed unexecuted. Surplus Interconnection Service requests also may be made by another Interconnection Customer. Section 3.3.2 provides a process for evaluating Interconnection Requests for Surplus Interconnection Service. Studies for Surplus Interconnection Service shall consist of reactive power, short circuit/fault duty, stability analyses, and any other appropriate studies. Steady-state (thermal/voltage) analyses may be performed as necessary to ensure that all required reliability conditions are studied. If the Surplus Interconnection Service was not studied under off-peak conditions, off-peak steady state analyses shall be performed to the required level necessary to demonstrate reliable operation of the Surplus Interconnection Service. If the original system impact study report or Cluster Study Report is not available for the Surplus

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Interconnection Service, both off-peak and peak analysis may need to be performed for the Existing Generating Facility associated with the request for Surplus Interconnection Service. The reactive power, short circuit/fault duty, stability, and steady-state analyses for Surplus Interconnection Service will identify any additional Interconnection Facilities and/or Network Upgrades necessary.

Transmission Provider shall study Surplus Interconnection Service requests for a Generating Facility that includes at least one electric storage resource using operating assumptions (i.e., whether the interconnecting Generating Facility will or will not charge at peak load) that reflect the proposed charging behavior of the Generating Facility as requested by Interconnection Customer, unless Transmission Provider determines that Good Utility Practice, including Applicable Reliability Standards, otherwise requires the use of different operating assumptions.

3.3.2 Process for Evaluating Surplus Interconnection Requests and Obtaining Surplus Interconnection Service.

The following process will be used for evaluating and obtaining Surplus Interconnection Service.

An existing (original) Interconnection Customer whose Generating Facility is already interconnected may choose to, but is not required to, make Surplus Interconnection Service available to potential Interconnection Customers. The original Interconnection Customer retains the ability to use, either for themselves, for an Affiliate, or for sale to a third party of their choosing, any Surplus Interconnection Service. The original Interconnection Customer may (a) stipulate the amount of Surplus Interconnection Service that is available, (b) designate when that service is available, and (c) describe any other conditions under which Surplus Interconnection Service at the Point of Interconnection may be used.

If the original Interconnection Customer makes Surplus Interconnection Service available at its Point of Interconnection, Transmission Provider shall work with the original Interconnection Customer (and the requesting Interconnection Customer, if different) to evaluate that Surplus Interconnection Service. Transmission Provider may accept third-party studies demonstrating no adverse impact to the Transmission Provider's Transmission System, but may require its own or additional studies at its discretion. Transmission Provider will use available studies to the extent applicable. If a Generating Facility interconnected prior to the issuance of Order No. 2003 and does not have an existing Large Generator Interconnection Agreement, it shall be considered to have Interconnection Service up to its installed capacity for purposes of the offering of Surplus Interconnection Service.

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The requesting Interconnection Customer shall execute a Surplus Interconnection Study Agreement to evaluate Surplus Interconnection Service in the form of Appendix 10, and the Interconnection Customer requesting Surplus Interconnection Service shall be responsible for the cost of such study. Transmission Provider shall study Surplus Interconnection Service outside of the Queue and shall make reasonable efforts to complete the study within sixty (60) days of executing the Surplus Interconnection Study Agreement including the study deposit and receiving data required to perform the study.

Studies for Surplus Interconnection Service shall consist of reactive power, short circuit/fault duty, stability analyses, and any other appropriate studies. Steady-state (thermal/voltage) analyses may be performed as necessary to ensure that all required reliability conditions are studied. If the Surplus Interconnection Service was not studied under off-peak conditions, off-peak steady state analyses shall be performed to the required level necessary to demonstrate reliable operation of the Surplus Interconnection Service. If the original System Impact Study is not available for the Surplus Interconnection Service. both off-peak and peak analysis may need to be performed for the Existing Generating Facility associated with the request for Surplus Interconnection Service. The reactive power, short circuit/fault duty, stability, and steady-state analyses for Surplus Interconnection Service will identify any additional Interconnection Facilities and/or Network Upgrades necessary. Surplus Interconnection Service is only available up to the amount that can be accommodated without requiring new Network Upgrades.

Transmission Provider, original Interconnection Customer, and Surplus Interconnection Customer shall develop a Surplus Interconnection Agreement and other agreements as necessary and file such agreements with the Commission. Such agreements shall, among other things, establish conditions such as the term of operation, the interconnection service limit, and the mode of operation for energy production (i.e., common or singular operation) and the roles and responsibilities of the parties for maintaining the operation of the facility within the parameters of the Surplus Interconnection Service Agreement.

Transmission Provider is not required to execute an Interconnection Agreement for Surplus Interconnection Service if the agreements do not meet the definition set forth in their Tariff or if the customer does not agree to the terms of such service, including any requirements that may be identified by the Transmission Provider in the studies for Surplus Interconnection Service. If the Surplus Interconnection Customer disputes an issue in the Interconnection Agreement for Surplus Interconnection Service, Transmission Provider must file the unexecuted Surplus Interconnection Service Agreement with the

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Commission if requested to do so by the Surplus Interconnection Customer.

3.4 Valid Interconnection Request.

3.4.1 Cluster Request Window. Transmission Provider shall accept Interconnection Requests during a forty-five (45) Calendar Day period (the Cluster Request Window). Cluster Request Windows shall open annually every March 15 or the first Business Day thereafter.

3.4.2 Initiating an Interconnection Request.

An Interconnection Customer seeking to join a Cluster shall submit its Interconnection Request to Transmission Provider within, and no later than the close of the Cluster Request Window. Interconnection Requests received shortly before the close of the Cluster Request Window may be rejected if Transmission Provider has insufficient time to review the Interconnection Request prior to the close of the Cluster Request Window.

Interconnection Requests submitted outside of the Cluster Request Window will not be considered.

To initiate an Interconnection Request, Interconnection Customer must submit all of the following:

- a. Applicable study deposit amount pursuant to Section 3.1.1 of this LGIP;
- b. A completed application in the form of Appendix 1;
- Demonstration of no less than ninety percent (90%) Site Control C. or (1) a signed affidavit from an officer of the company indicating that Site Control is unobtainable due to regulatory limitations as such term is defined by Transmission Provider; (2) documentation sufficiently describing and explaining the source and effects of such regulatory limitations, including a description of any conditions that must be met to satisfy the regulatory limitations and the anticipated time by which Interconnection Customer expects to satisfy the regulatory requirements; and (3) a deposit in lieu of Site Control of \$10,000 per MW, subject to a minimum of \$500,000 and a maximum of \$2,000,000. Interconnection Requests from multiple Interconnection Customers for multiple Generating Facilities that share a site must include a contract or other agreement that allows for shared land use;

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- (d) Generating Facility Capacity (MW) (and requested Interconnection Service level if the requested Interconnection Service is less than the Generating Facility Capacity);
- (e) If applicable, (1) the requested operating assumptions (i.e., whether the interconnecting Generating Facility will or will not charge at peak load) to be used by Transmission Provider that reflect the proposed charging behavior of the Generating Facility that includes at least one electric storage resource, and (2) a description of any control technologies (software and/or hardware) that will limit the operation of the Generating Facility to the operating assumptions submitted by Interconnection Customer:
- (f) A Point of Interconnection;
- Whether the Interconnection Request shall be studied for (g) Network Resource Interconnection Service or for Energy Resource Interconnection Service, consistent with Section 3.2 of this LGIP. If the request is for NRIS and if Transmission Provider has not been notified pursuant to Section 29.2 of Part III of the Tariff that Interconnection Customer's proposed Generating Facility is to be designated as a Network Resource, Interconnection Customer shall provide (1) the Network Transmission Customer which will later designate the resource as a Network Resource, (2) the expected point of delivery within the Transmission Provider's Transmission System, or (3) the geographic location on the seam of Transmission Provider's Transmission System at which Interconnection Customer intends to deliver the generation output out of Transmission Provider's Transmission System. This information is used to model the delivery of the NRIS request, but does not result in transmission service;
- (h) Interconnection Service amount (MW) requested, and the Generating Facility's capacity (MW) (i.e. plant size), including the energy storage capability (MWH) within the Generating Facility, if applicable;
- One of the Readiness Demonstration options totaling the entire (i) capacity of the Generating Facility (or requested Interconnection Service amount requested if the Interconnection Service is less than the Generating Facility Capacity) described in Section 8.6.

An Interconnection Customer that submits a deposit in lieu of Site Control due to demonstrated regulatory limitations must demonstrate that it is taking identifiable steps to secure the necessary regulatory

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approvals from the applicable federal, state, and/or tribal entities before execution of the Cluster Study Agreement. Such deposit will be held by Transmission Provider until Interconnection Customer provides the required Site Control demonstration for its point in the Cluster Study Process. Interconnection Customers facing qualifying regulatory limitations must demonstrate one hundred percent (100%) Site Control within one hundred eighty (180) Calendar Days of the effective date of the LGIA.

Interconnection Customer shall promptly inform Transmission Provider of any material change to Interconnection Customer's demonstration of Site Control under Section 3.4.2(c) of this LGIP. If Transmission Provider determines, based on Interconnection Customer's information, that Interconnection Customer no longer satisfies the Site Control requirement, Transmission Provider shall give Interconnection Customer ten (10) Business Days to demonstrate satisfaction with the applicable requirement subject to Transmission Provider's approval. Absent such, Transmission Provider shall deem the Interconnection Request withdrawn pursuant to Section 3.7 of this LGIP.

An Interconnection Request is valid when all information required in 3.4.2 (a-i) has been received and determined to be complete by the Transmission Provider. An Interconnection Request is not valid until the Site Control associated with the Interconnection Request is validated.

The expected In-Service Date of the new Large Generating Facility or increase in capacity of the Existing Generating Facility shall be no more than seven (7) years from the date the Interconnection Request is received by Transmission Provider, unless Interconnection Customer demonstrates that engineering, permitting and construction of the new Large Generating Facility or increase in capacity of the Existing Generating Facility will take longer than seven (7) years. The In-Service Date may succeed the date the Interconnection Request is received by Transmission Provider by a period up to ten (10) years, or longer where Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider agree, such agreement not to be unreasonably withheld.

3.4.3 Acknowledgment of Interconnection Request.

Transmission Provider shall acknowledge receipt of the Interconnection Request within five (5) Business Days of receipt of the request. Such acknowledgment shall identify the developer, MW, Point of Interconnection, and service requested in the Interconnection Request.

3.4.4 Deficiencies in Interconnection Request.

An Interconnection Request is not a valid request until all items in Section 3.4.1(a-i) have been received and deemed complete by Transmission Provider during the Cluster Request Window, including

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Site Control. Transmission Provider shall provide written notice to the Interconnection Customer when the Interconnection Request is determined to be valid.

If an Interconnection Request fails to provide any item specified in Section 3.4.2, Transmission Provider shall notify Interconnection Customer within five (5) Business Days of receipt of the initial Interconnection Request of the reasons for such failure and that the Interconnection Request does not constitute a valid request. Interconnection Customer shall provide Transmission Provider the additional requested information needed to constitute a valid request within ten (10) Business Days after receipt of such notice but no later than the close of the Cluster Request Window. At any time, if Transmission Provider finds that the technical data provided by Interconnection Customer is incomplete or contains errors, Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider shall work expeditiously and in good faith to remedy such technical and/or modeling data issues. In the event that Interconnection Customer fails to comply with this Section 3.4.4, Transmission Provider shall deem the Interconnection Request withdrawn (without the cure period provided under Section 3.7), the application fee is forfeited by Interconnection Customer, and the study deposit and any security deposit made under 8.6.1 for Readiness Demonstration 1 shall be returned to Interconnection Customer.

3.4.5 Customer Engagement Window.

Upon the close of each Cluster Request Window, Transmission Provider shall open a sixty (60) Calendar Day period (Customer Engagement Window). During the Customer Engagement Window, Transmission Provider shall hold a Scoping Meeting with all interested Interconnection Customers. Notwithstanding the preceding requirements and upon written consent of all Interconnection Customers within the Cluster, Transmission Provider may shorten the Customer Engagement Window and begin the Cluster Study. Within ten (10) Business Days of the opening of the Customer Engagement Window, Transmission Provider shall post on its OASIS a list of Interconnection Requests for that Cluster as specified in 3.5.1. Transmission Provider must ensure that project information is anonymized and does not reveal the identity or commercial information of Interconnection Customers with submitted requests. During the Customer Engagement Window, Transmission Provider shall provide Interconnection Customer a non-binding updated good faith estimate of the cost and timeframe for completing the Cluster Study and a Cluster Study Agreement to be executed prior to the close of the Customer Engagement During the Customer Engagement Window, Transmission Window. Provider may request additional information from the Interconnection Customer regarding the Interconnection Request, to which Interconnection

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Customer must provide the responsive information within ten (10) Business Days.

At the end of the Customer Engagement Window, all Interconnection Requests deemed valid that have executed a Cluster Study Agreement in the form of Appendix 2 to this LGIP shall be included in the Cluster Study. Any Interconnection Requests for which Interconnection Customer has not executed a Cluster Study Agreement shall be deemed withdrawn (without the cure period provided under Section 3.7 of this LGIP) by Transmission Provider, the application fee shall be forfeited to Transmission Provider, and Transmission Provider shall return the study deposit and any security deposit for Readiness Demonstration 1 under 8.6.1 to Interconnection Customer. Immediately following the Customer Engagement Window, Transmission Provider shall initiate the Cluster Study described in Section 8 of this LGIP.

3.4.6 Cluster Study Scoping Meetings.

During the Customer Engagement Window, Transmission Provider shall hold a Scoping Meeting with all Interconnection Customers whose valid Interconnection Requests were received in that Cluster Request Window

The purpose of the Cluster Study Scoping Meeting shall be to discuss alternative interconnection options, to exchange information including any transmission data and earlier study evaluations that would reasonably be expected to impact such interconnection options, to discuss the Cluster Study materials posted to OASIS pursuant to Section 3.5 of this LGIP, if applicable, and to analyze such information. Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer(s) will bring to the meeting such technical data, including, but not limited to: (i) general facility loadings, (ii) general instability issues, (iii) general short circuit issues, (iv) general voltage issues, and (v) general reliability issues as may be reasonably required to accomplish the purpose of the meeting. Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer(s) will also bring to the meeting personnel and other resources as may be reasonably required to accomplish the purpose of the meeting in the time allocated for the meeting. On the basis of the meeting, Interconnection Customer(s) shall designate its Point of Interconnection. The duration of the meeting shall be sufficient to accomplish its purpose. If the Cluster Study Scoping Meeting consists of more than one Interconnection Customer, Transmission Provider shall issue, no later than fifteen (15) Business Days after the commencement of the Customer Engagement Window, and Interconnection Customer shall execute a non-disclosure agreement prior to a group Cluster Study Scoping Meeting, which will provide for confidentiality of identifying information or commercially sensitive information pertaining to any other Interconnection Customers. A form of non-disclosure agreement

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is provided in Appendix 15, Cluster Study Scoping Meeting Non-Disclosure Agreement.

3.5 OASIS Posting.

3.5.1 OASIS Posting.

Transmission Provider will maintain on its OASIS a list of all Interconnection Requests. The list will identify, for each Interconnection Request: (i) the maximum summer and winter megawatt electrical output; (ii) the location by county and state; (iii) the station or transmission line or lines where the interconnection will be made; (iv) the projected In-Service Date; (v) the status of the Interconnection Request, including Queue Position; (vi) the type of Interconnection Service being requested; (vii) the availability of any studies related to the Interconnection Request; (viii) the date of the Interconnection Request; (ix) the type of Generating Facility to be constructed (e.g. wind, solar, combined cycle, hybrid (e.g. solar and storage) combustion turbine, and fuel type); and (x) for Interconnection Requests that have not resulted in a completed interconnection, an explanation as to why it was not completed. In addition, for a Generation Replacement, Transmission Provider will post the planned date of cessation of operation for the Existing Generating Facility or actual date if the Existing Generating Facility already has ceased commercial operations, the expected Commercial Operation Date of the Replacement Generating Facility, and the type of requested Interconnection Service.

Except in the case of an Affiliate, the list will not disclose the identity of Interconnection Customer until Interconnection Customer executes an LGIA or requests that Transmission Provider file an unexecuted LGIA with FERC. Before holding a Scoping Meeting with its Affiliate, Transmission Provider shall post on OASIS an advance notice of its intent to do so.

Transmission Provider shall post to its OASIS site any deviations from the study timelines set forth herein. Interconnection Study reports shall be posted to Transmission Provider's OASIS site subsequent to the meeting between Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider to discuss the applicable study results. Transmission Provider shall also post any known deviations in the Large Generating Facility's In-Service Date.

3.5.2 Requirement to Post Interconnection Study Metrics.

Transmission Provider will maintain on its OASIS or its website summary statistics related to processing Interconnection Studies pursuant to Interconnection Requests, updated quarterly. If Transmission Provider posts this information on its website, a link to the

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information must be provided on Transmission Provider's OASIS site. For each calendar quarter, Transmission Provider must calculate and post the information detailed in Sections 3.5.2.1 through 3.5.2.3 of this LGIP.

3.5.2.1 Interconnection Cluster Study Processing Time.

- (A) Number of Interconnection Requests that had Cluster Studies completed within Transmission Provider's coordinated region during the reporting quarter,
- (B) Number of Interconnection Requests that had Cluster Studies completed within Transmission Provider's coordinated region during the reporting quarter that were completed more than one hundred fifty (150) Calendar Days after the close of the Customer Engagement Window,
- (C) At the end of the reporting quarter, the number of active valid Interconnection Requests with ongoing incomplete Cluster Studies where such Interconnection Requests had executed a Cluster Study Agreement received by Transmission Provider more than one hundred fifty (150) Calendar Days before the reporting quarter end,
- (D) Mean time (in days), Cluster Studies completed within Transmission Provider's coordinated region during the reporting quarter, from commencement of the Cluster Study to the date when Transmission Provider provided the completed Cluster Study Report to Interconnection Customer,
- (E) Mean time (in days), Cluster Studies were completed within Transmission Provider's coordinated region during the reporting quarter, from the close of the Cluster Request Window to the date when Transmission Provider provided the completed Cluster Study Report to Interconnection Customer; and
- (F) Percentage of Cluster Studies exceeding one hundred and fifty (150) Calendar Days to complete this reporting quarter, calculated as the sum of Section 3.5.2.1(B) plus Section 3.5.2.1(C)) divided by the sum of (Section 3.5.2.1(A) plus section 3.5.2.1(C) of this LGIP.

3.5.2.2 Cluster Restudies Processing Time.

(A) Number of Interconnection Requests that had Cluster Restudies completed within Transmission Provider's coordinated region during the reporting quarter,

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- (B) Number of Interconnection Requests that had Cluster Restudies completed within Transmission Provider's coordinated region during the reporting quarter that were completed more than one hundred fifty (150) Calendar Days after Transmission Provider notifies Interconnection Customers in the Cluster that a Cluster Restudy is required pursuant to Section 8.5,
- (C) At the end of the reporting quarter, the number of active valid Interconnection Requests with ongoing incomplete Cluster Restudies where Transmission Provider notified Interconnection Customers in the Cluster that a Cluster Restudy is required pursuant to Section 8.5 more than one hundred fifty (150) Calendar Days before the reporting quarter end,
- (D) Mean time (in days), Cluster Restudies completed within Transmission Provider's coordinated region during the reporting quarter, from the date when Transmission Provider notifies Interconnection Customers in the Cluster that a Cluster Restudy is required pursuant to Section 8.5to the date when Transmission Provider provided the completed Cluster Restudy Report to Interconnection Customer,
- (E) Mean time (in days), Cluster Restudies completed within Transmission Provider's coordinated region during the reporting quarter, from the close of the Cluster Request Window to the date when Transmission Provider provided the completed Cluster Restudy Report to Interconnection Customer;
- (F) Percentage of Cluster Restudies exceeding one hundred fifty (150) Calendar Days to complete this reporting quarter, calculated as the sum of (Section 3.5.2.2(B) plus Section 3.5.2.2(C)) divided by the sum of (Section 3.5.2.2(A) plus Section 3.5.2.2(C) of this LGIP).

3.5.2.3 Interconnection Facilities Studies Processing Time.

- (A) Number of Interconnection Requests that had Interconnection Facilities Studies that are completed within Transmission Provider's coordinated region during the reporting quarter,
- (B) Number of Interconnection Requests that had Interconnection Facilities Studies that are completed

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within Transmission Provider's coordinated region during the reporting quarter that were completed more than ninety (90) Calendar Days after receipt by Transmission Provider of Interconnection Customer's executed Interconnection Facilities Study Agreement,

- (C) At the end of the reporting quarter, the number of active valid Interconnection Service requests with ongoing incomplete Interconnection Facilities Studies where such Interconnection Requests had executed Interconnection Facilities Studies Agreement received by Transmission Provider more than ninety (90) Calendar Days before the reporting quarter end,
- (D) Mean time (in days), for Interconnection Facilities Studies completed within Transmission Provider's coordinated region during the reporting quarter, calculated from the date when Transmission Provider received the executed Interconnection Facilities Study Agreement to the date when Transmission Provider provided the completed Interconnection Facilities Study to Interconnection Customer,
- (E) Mean time (in days), Interconnection Facilities Studies completed within Transmission Provider's coordinated region during the reporting quarter, from the close of the Cluster Request Window to the date when Transmission Provider provided the completed Interconnection Facilities Study to Interconnection Customer;
- (F) Percentage of delayed Interconnection Facilities Studies this reporting quarter, calculated as the sum of (Section 3.5.2.3(B) plus Section 3.5.2.3(C)) divided by the sum of (Section 3.5.2.3(A) plus Section 3.5.2.3(C) of this LGIP).

3.5.2.4 Valid Interconnection Service Requests Withdrawn from Interconnection Queue

- (A) Number of Interconnection Requests withdrawn from Transmission Provider's interconnection queue during the reporting quarter,
- (B) Number of Interconnection Requests withdrawn from Transmission Provider's interconnection queue during the reporting quarter before completion of any Interconnection Studies or execution of any Interconnection Study agreements,

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- (C) Number of Interconnection Requests withdrawn from Transmission Provider's interconnection queue during the reporting quarter before completion of a Cluster Study,
- (D) Number of Interconnection Requests withdrawn from Transmission Provider's interconnection queue during the reporting quarter before completion of an Interconnection Facilities Study,
- (E) Number of Interconnection Requests withdrawn from Transmission Provider's interconnection queue after completion of an Interconnection Facilities Study but before execution of an LGIA or Interconnection Customer requests the filing of an unexecuted, new LGIA.
- (F) Number of Interconnection Requests withdrawn from Transmission Provider's interconnection queue after execution of an LGIA or Interconnection Customer requests the filing of an unexecuted, new LGIA,
- (G) Mean time (in days), for all withdrawn Interconnection Requests, from the date when the request was determined to be valid to when Transmission Provider received the request to withdraw from the gueue.

3.5.3 Posting of Study Metrics.

Transmission Provider is required to post on OASIS or its website the measures in Section 3.5.2.1(A) through Section 3.5.2.4(G) for each calendar quarter within thirty (30) Calendar Days of the end of the calendar quarter. Transmission Provider will keep the quarterly measures posted on OASIS or its website for three (3) calendar years with the first required report to be in the first quarter of 2020. If Transmission Provider retains this information on its website, a link to the information must be provided on Transmission Provider's OASIS site.

3.5.4 Reporting Requirement for Late Studies.

In the event that any of the values calculated in Sections 3.5.2.1(F), 3.5.2.2(F), or 3.5.2.3(F) exceeds twenty-five percent (25%) for two (2) consecutive calendar quarters, Transmission Provider will have to comply with the measures below for the next four (4) consecutive calendar quarters and must continue reporting this information until Transmission Provider reports four (4) consecutive calendar quarters without the values calculated in Sections 3.5.2.1(E), 3.5.2.2(E), or

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3.5.2.3(E) exceeding twenty five percent (25%) for two (2) consecutive calendar quarters:

- (i) Transmission Provider must submit a report to the Commission describing the reason for each Cluster Study, Cluster Restudy, or individual Interconnection Facilities Study pursuant to one or more Interconnection Request(s) that exceeded its deadline (i.e., 150, 90 or 180 Calendar Days) for completion. Transmission Provider must describe the reasons for each study delay and any steps taken to remedy these specific issues and, if applicable, prevent such delays in the future. The report must be filed at the Commission within forty-five (45) Calendar Days of the end of the calendar quarter.
- (ii) Transmission Provider shall aggregate the total number of employee-hours and third party consultant hours expended towards Interconnection Studies within its coordinated region that quarter and post on OASIS or its website. If Transmission Provider posts this information on its website, a link to the information must be provided on Transmission Provider's OASIS site. This information is to be posted within thirty (30) Calendar Days of the end of the calendar quarter.

3.6 Coordination with Affected Systems.

Transmission Provider will coordinate the conduct of any studies required to determine the impact of the Interconnection Request on Affected Systems with Affected System Operators.. Interconnection Customer will cooperate with Transmission Provider and Affected System Operator in all matters related to the conduct of studies and the determination of modifications to Affected Systems.

A transmission provider whose system may be impacted by a proposed interconnection on another transmission provider's transmission system shall cooperate with the transmission provider with whom interconnection has been requested in all matters related to the conduct of studies and the determination of modifications to Transmission Provider's Transmission System.

3.6.1 Initial Notification. Transmission Provider must notify Affected System Operator of a potential Affected System impact caused by an Interconnection Request within ten (10) Business Days of the completion of the Cluster Study.

At the time of initial notification, Transmission Provider must provide Interconnection Customer with a list of potential Affected Systems, along with relevant contact information.

3.6.2 Notification of Cluster Restudy.

Transmission Provider must notify Affected System Operator of a Cluster Restudy concurrently with its notification of such Cluster Restudy to Interconnection Customers.

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3.6.3 Notification of Cluster Restudy Completion.

Upon the completion of Transmission Provider's Cluster Restudy, Transmission Provider will notify Affected System Operator of a potential Affected System impact caused by an Interconnection Request within ten (10) Business Days of the completion of the Cluster Restudy, regardless of whether that potential Affected System impact was previously identified. At the time of the notification of the completion of the Cluster Restudy to the Affected System Operator, Transmission Provider must provide Interconnection Customer with a list of potential Affected System Operators, along with relevant contact information.

3.7 Withdrawal.

Interconnection Customer may withdraw its Interconnection Request at any time by written notice of such withdrawal to Transmission Provider. In addition, if Interconnection Customer fails to adhere to all requirements of this LGIP, except as provided in Section 14.5 (Disputes), Transmission Provider shall deem the Interconnection Request to be withdrawn and shall provide written notice to Interconnection Customer of the deemed withdrawal and an explanation of the reasons for such deemed withdrawal. Upon receipt of such written notice, Interconnection Customer shall have fifteen (15) Business Days in which to either respond with information or actions that cures the deficiency or to notify Transmission Provider of its intent to pursue Dispute Resolution.

Withdrawal shall result in the loss of Interconnection Customer's Queue Position. If Interconnection Customer disputes the withdrawal and loss of its Queue Position, then during Dispute Resolution, Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Request is eliminated from the queue until such time that the outcome of Dispute Resolution would restore its Queue Position. An Interconnection Customer that withdraws or is deemed to have withdrawn its Interconnection Request shall pay to Transmission Provider all costs that Transmission Provider prudently incurs with respect to that Interconnection Request prior to Transmission Provider's receipt of notice described above. Interconnection Customer must pay all monies due to Transmission Provider before it is allowed to obtain any Interconnection Study data or results.

If Interconnection Customer withdraws its Interconnection Request or is deemed withdrawn by Transmission Provider under Section 3.7 of this LGIP, Transmission Provider shall: (i) update the OASIS Queue Position posting; (ii) impose the Withdrawal Penalty described in Section 3.7.1 of this LGIP; and (iii) refund to Interconnection Customer any portion of the refundable portion of Interconnection Customer's study deposit that exceeds the costs that Transmission Provider has incurred, including interest calculated in accordance with section 35.19a(a)(2) of FERC's regulations. Transmission Provider shall also refund any portion of security used to demonstrate readiness under section 8.6 which is not applied to the Withdrawal Penalty and, if applicable, the deposit in lieu of site control. In the event of such withdrawal, Transmission Provider, subject to the confidentiality provisions of Section 14.1, shall provide, at Interconnection Customer's request,

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all information that Transmission Provider developed for any completed study conducted up to the date of withdrawal of the Interconnection Request.

3.7.1 Withdrawal Penalty.

Interconnection Customer shall be subject to a Withdrawal Penalty under 3.7.1.1 if its request is withdrawn from the queue or the Generating Facility does not otherwise reach Commercial Operation, unless:

- (1) the withdrawal does not negatively affect the timing or cost of any equal or lower queued project;
- (2) the cost responsibility identified for that Interconnection Customer in the current study report (including a restudy) associated with new upgrades to the Transmission Provider's Transmission System or Affected System increased by more than twenty-five percent (25%) compared to the costs identified in the Inteconnection Customer's preceding Cluster Study Report or Cluster Restudy Report;
- (3) the Interconnection Request is withdrawn after the Interconnection Facilities Study Report is published and before Interconnection Customer provides Readiness Demonstration 4 as specified in Section 8.6.3 of this LGIP, and the cost responsibility for that Interconnection Customer identified in the such report increases by more than one hundred percent (100%) compared to the estimates in the current Cluster Study or Cluster Restudy Report;
 - (4) Interconnection Request is withdrawn due to the Generating Facility being rejected from the Resource Solicitation Process as described in Section 4.2.2;
 - (5) Applicable Laws and Regulations, such as laws related to permitting, change between the date the Interconnection Request is made and the withdrawal that (i) prevent the Generating Facility from reaching Commercial Operation, and (ii) are outside the control of the Interconnection Customer. To qualify for this exemption, Interconnection Customer shall have had and acted on a plan to interconnect their Generating Facility under the laws or regulations in effect when the Interconnection Request was submitted; or
 - (6) a Certificate Of Public Convenience and Necessity associated with the Interconnection Request is denied by the Colorado Public Utilities Commission.

3.7.1.1 Calculation of the Withdrawal Penalty.

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If Interconnection Customer withdraws prior to executing an LGIA and does not use any of the milestones described in Section 8.6.1.e, 8.6.2.e, or 8.6.3.e, that Interconnection Customer's Withdrawal Penalty shall be equal to the higher of the study deposit or one (1) times its actual allocated cost of the Cluster and Facilities Study Processes, including restudies.

The Withdrawal Penalty is five million dollars (\$5,000,000) for any Interconnection Customer that does not use any of the milestones described in Section 8.6.1.e, 8.6.2.e, 8.6.3.e, or 8.6.4.e, and that withdraws or otherwise does not reach Commercial Operation after executing an LGIA or after the Commission accepts an unexecuted LGIA.

If Interconnection Customer uses one or more of the milestones described in Section 8.6.1.e, 8.6.2.e, 8.6.3.e, or 8.6.4.e, and withdraws from the study phase where that milestone was used, the Withdrawal Penalty shall be dependent on the phase of the study from which the Interconnection Request is withdrawn as follows (MW amount is the MW of requested Interconnection Service):

- (1) If the request withdraws from the Cluster Study process at any stage, including upon issuance of the Cluster Study Report or Cluster Restudy Report, the Withdrawal Penalty shall be the lower of five thousand dollars per megawatt (\$5,000/MW) or five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000)
- (2) If the request withdraws from the Interconnection Facilities Study process at any stage, including upon issuance of the Interconnection Facilities Study Report or the Interconnection Facilities Restudy Report, the Withdrawal Penalty shall be the lower offifty thousand dollars per megawatt (\$50,000/MW) or five million dollars (\$5,000,000)
- (3) If the request withdraws or otherwise does not reach Commercial Operation after executing an LGIA or after the Commission accepts an unexecuted LGIA the Withdrawal Penalty shall be the lower of seventy five thousand dollars per megawatt (\$75,000/MW) or seven and a half million dollars (\$7,500,000).

3.7.1.2 Distribution of the Withdrawal Penalty.

3.7.1.2.1 Initial Distribution of Withdrawal Penalties Prior to Assessment of Network Upgrade Costs Previously Shared with Withdrawn Interconnection Customers in the Same Cluster

For a single Cluster, Transmission Provider shall hold all Withdrawal Penalty funds until all Interconnection Customers in that Cluster have either: (1) withdrawn or been deemed withdrawn; (2) executed an LGIA; or (3) requested an LGIA to be filed unexecuted. Any Withdrawal Penalty

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funds collected from the Cluster shall first be used to fund studies conducted under the Cluster Study Process for Interconnection Customers in the same Cluster that have executed the LGIA or requested the LGIA to be filed unexecuted. Next, after the Withdrawal Penalty funds are applied to relevant study costs in the same Cluster, Transmission Provider will apply the remaining Withdrawal Penalty funds to reduce net increases, for Interconnection Customers in the same Cluster, in Interconnection Customers' Network Upgrade cost assignment and associated financial security requirements under Article 11.5 of the pro forma LGIA attributable to the impacts of withdrawn Interconnection Customers that shared an obligation with the remaining Interconnection Customers to fund a Network Upgrade, as described in more detail in Sections 3.7.1.2.3 and 3.7.1.2.4. The total amount of funds used to fund these studies under the Cluster Study Process or those applied to any net increases in Network Upgrade costs for Interconnection Customers in the same Cluster shall not exceed the total amount of Withdrawal Penalty funds collected from the Cluster.

Withdrawal Penalty funds shall first be applied as a refund to invoiced study costs for Interconnection Customers in the same Cluster that did not withdraw within thirty (30) Calendar Days of such Interconnection Customers executing their LGIA or requesting to have their LGIA filed unexecuted. Distribution of Withdrawal Penalty funds within one specific Cluster for study costs shall not exceed the total actual Cluster Study Process costs for the Cluster. Withdrawal Penalty funds applied to study costs shall be allocated within the same Cluster to Interconnection Customers in a manner consistent with Transmission Provider's method in Section 14.3 of this LGIP for allocating the costs of Interconnection Studies conducted on a clustered basis. Transmission Provider shall post the balance of Withdrawal Penalty funds held by Transmission Provider but not yet dispersed on its OASIS site and update this posting on a quarterly basis.

If an Interconnection Customer withdraws after it executes, or requests the unexecuted filing of, its LGIA, Transmission Provider shall first apply such Interconnection Customer's Withdrawal Penalty funds to any restudy costs required due to Interconnection Customer's withdrawal as a credit to asyet-to be invoiced study costs to be charged to the remaining Interconnection Customers in the same Cluster in a manner consistent with Transmission Provider's method in Section 14.3 of this LGIP for allocating the costs of Interconnection Studies conducted on a clustered basis. Distribution of the Withdrawal Penalty funds for such restudy costs shall not exceed the total actual restudy costs.

3.7.1.2.2 Assessment of Network Upgrade Costs Previously Shared with Withdrawn Interconnection Customers in the Same Cluster

If Withdrawal Penalty funds remain for the same Cluster after the Withdrawal Penalty funds are applied to relevant study costs, Transmission

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Provider will determine if the withdrawn Interconnection Customers, at any point in the Cluster Study Process, shared cost assignment for one or more Network Upgrades with any remaining Interconnection Customers in the same Cluster based on the Cluster Study Report, Cluster Restudy Report(s), Interconnection Facilities Study Report, and any subsequent issued restudy report issued for the Cluster.

In Section 3.7.1.2 of this LGIP, shared cost assignments for Network Upgrades refers to the cost of Network Upgrades still needed for the same Cluster for which an Interconnection Customer, prior to withdrawing its Interconnection Request, shared the obligation to fund along with Interconnection Customers that have executed an LGIA, or requested the LGIA to filed unexecuted.

If Transmission Provider's assessment determines that there are no shared cost assignments for any Network Upgrades in the same Cluster for the withdrawn Interconnection Customer, or determines that the withdrawn Interconnection Customer's withdrawal did not cause a net increase in the shared cost assignment for any remaining Interconnection Customers' Network Upgrade(s) in the same Cluster, Transmission Provider will return any remaining Withdrawal Penalty funds to the withdrawn Interconnection Customer(s). Such remaining Withdrawal Penalty funds will be returned to withdrawn Interconnection Customers based on the proportion of each withdrawn Interconnection Customer's contribution to the total amount of Withdrawal Penalty funds collected for the Cluster (i.e., the total amount before the initial disbursement required under Section 3.7.1.2.1 of this LGIP). Transmission Provider must make such disbursement within sixty (60) Calendar Days of the date on which all Interconnection Customers in the same Cluster have either: (1) withdrawn or been deemed withdrawn; (2) executed an LGIA; or (3) requested an LGIA to be filed unexecuted. For the withdrawn Interconnection Customers that Transmission Provider determines have caused a net increase in the shared cost assignment for one or more Network Upgrade(s) in the same Cluster under Section 3.7.1.2.3(a) of this LGIP, Transmission Provider will determine each such withdrawn Interconnection Customers' Withdrawal Penalty funds remaining balance that will be applied toward net increases in Network Upgrade shared costs calculated under Sections 3.7.1.2.3(a) and 3.7.1.2.3(b) of this LGIP based on each such withdrawn Interconnection Customer's proportional contribution to the total amount of Withdrawal Penalty funds collected for the same Cluster (i.e., the total amount before the initial disbursement requirement under Section 3.7.1.2.1 of this LGIP).

If Transmission Provider's assessment determines that there are shared cost assignments for Network Upgrades in the same Cluster, Transmission Provider will calculate the remaining Interconnection Customers' net increase in cost assignment for Network Upgrades due to a shared cost assignment for Network Upgrades with the withdrawn Interconnection

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Customer and distribute Withdrawal Penalty funds as described in Section 3.7.1.2.3, depending on whether the withdrawal occurred before the withdrawing Interconnection Customer executed the LGIA (or filed unexecuted), as described in Section 3.7.1.2.3(a) of this LGIP, or after such execution (or filing unexecuted) of an LGIA, as described in Section 3.7.1.2.3(b) of this LGIP.

As discussed in Section 3.7.1.2.4 of this LGIP, Transmission Provider will amend executed (or filed unexecuted) LGIAs of the remaining Interconnection Customers in the same Cluster to apply the remaining Withdrawal Penalty funds to reduce net increases in Interconnection Customers' Network Upgrade cost assignment and associated financial security requirements under Article 11.5 of the pro forma LGIA attributable to the impacts of withdrawn Interconnection Customers on Interconnection Customers remaining in the same Cluster that had a shared cost assignment for Network Upgrades with the withdrawn Interconnection Customers.

3.7.1.2.3 Impact Calculations.

3.7.1.2.3(a) Impact Calculation for Withdrawals During the Cluster Study Process.

If an Interconnection Customer withdraws before it executes, or requests the unexecuted filing of, its LGIA, Transmission Provider will distribute in the following manner the Withdrawal Penalty funds to reduce the Network Upgrade cost impact on the remaining Interconnection Customers in the same Cluster who had a shared cost assignment for a Network Upgrade with the withdrawn Interconnection Customer.

To calculate the reduction in the remaining Interconnection Customers' net increase in Network Upgrade costs and associated financial security requirements under Article 11.5 of the pro forma LGIA, Transmission Provider will determine the financial impact of a withdrawing Interconnection Customer on other Interconnection Customers in the same Cluster that shared an obligation to fund the same Network Upgrade(s). Transmission Provider shall calculate this financial impact once all Interconnection Customers in the same Cluster either: (1) have withdrawn or have been deemed withdrawn; (2) executed an LGIA; or (3) request an LGIA to be filed unexecuted. Transmission Provider will perform the financial impact calculation using the following steps.

First, Transmission Provider must determine which withdrawn Interconnection Customers shared an obligation to fund Network Upgrades with Interconnection Customers from the same Cluster that have LGIAs that are executed or have been requested to be filed unexecuted. Next, Transmission Provider shall perform the calculation of the financial impact of a withdrawal on another Interconnection Request in the same Cluster by

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performing a comparison of the Network Upgrade cost estimates between each of the following:

- (1) Cluster Study phase to Cluster Restudy phase (if Cluster Restudy was necessary);
- (2) Cluster Restudy phase to Interconnection Facilities Study phase (if a Cluster Restudy was necessary);
- (3) Cluster Study phase to Interconnection Facilities Study phase (if no Cluster Restudy was performed);
- (4) Interconnection Facilities Study phase to any subsequent restudy that was performed before the execution or filing of an unexecuted LGIA;
- (5) the restudy to the executed, or filed unexecuted, LGIA (if a restudy was performed after the Interconnection Facilities Study phase and before the execution or filing of an unexecuted LGIA).
- If, based on the above calculations, Transmission Provider determines:
- (i) that the costs assigned to an Interconnection Customer in the same Cluster for Network Upgrades that a withdrawn Interconnection Customer shared cost assignment for increased between any two studies, and
- (ii) after the impacted Interconnection Customer's LGIA was executed or filed unexecuted, Interconnection Customer's cost assignment for the relevant Network Upgrade is greater than it was prior to the withdrawal of Interconnection Customer in the same Cluster that shared cost assignment for the Network Upgrade, then Transmission Provider shall apply the withdrawn Interconnection Customer's Withdrawal Penalty funds that have not already been applied to study costs in the amount of the financial impact by reducing, in the same Cluster, the remaining Interconnection Customer's Network Upgrade costs and associated financial security requirements under Article 11.5 of the *pro forma* LGIA.

If Transmission Provider determines that more than one Interconnection Customer in the same Cluster was financially impacted by the same withdrawn Interconnection Customer, Transmission Provider will apply the relevant withdrawn Interconnection Customer's Withdrawal Penalty funds that have not already been applied to study costs to reduce the financial impact to each Interconnection Customer based on each Interconnection Customer's proportional share of the financial impact, as determined by either the Proportional Impact Method if it is a System Network Upgrade or on a per capita basis if it is a Substation Network Upgrade, as described under Section 4.2.4 of this LGIP.

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3.7.1.2.3(b) Impact Calculation for Withdrawals in the Same Cluster After the Cluster Study Process

If an Interconnection Customer withdraws after it executes, or requests the unexecuted filing of, its LGIA, Transmission Provider will distribute in the following manner the remaining Withdrawal Penalty funds to reduce the Network Upgrade cost impact on the remaining Interconnection Customers in the same Cluster who had a shared cost assignment with the withdrawn Interconnection Customer for one or more Network Upgrades.

Transmission Provider will determine the financial impact on the remaining Interconnection Customers in the same Cluster within thirty (30) Calendar Days after the withdrawal occurs. Transmission Provider will determine that financial impact by comparing the Network Upgrade cost funding obligations Interconnection Customers shared with the withdrawn Interconnection Customer before the withdrawal of Interconnection Customer. If that comparison indicates an increase in Network Upgrade costs for an Interconnection Customer, Transmission Provider shall apply the withdrawn Interconnection Customer's Withdrawal Penalty funds to the increased costs each impacted Interconnection Customer in the same Cluster experienced associated with such Network Upgrade(s) in proportion to each Interconnection Customer's increased cost assignment, as determined by Transmission Provider.

3.7.1.2.4 Amending LGIA to Apply Changes to Interconnection Customer's Assigned Network Upgrade Costs and Associated Financial Security Requirement with Respect to Withdrawals in the Same Cluster

Within thirty (30) Calendar Days of all Interconnection Customers in the same Cluster having: (1) withdrawn or been deemed withdrawn; (2) executed an LGIA; or (3) requested an LGIA to be filed unexecuted, Transmission Provider must perform the calculations described in Section 3.7.1.2.3(a) of this LGIP and provide such Interconnection Customers with an amended LGIA that provides the change in Network Upgrade cost assignment and associated change to Interconnection Customer's financial security requirements, under Article 11.5 of the *pro forma* LGIA, due from Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider.

Where an Interconnection Customer executes the LGIA (or requests the filing of an unexecuted LGIA) and is later withdrawn or its LGIA is terminated, Transmission Provider must, within thirty (30) Calendar Days of such withdrawal or termination, perform the calculations described in Section 3.7.1.2.3(b) of this LGIP and provide such Interconnection Customers in the same Cluster with an amended LGIA that provides the reduction in Network Upgrade cost assignment and associated change to Interconnection Customer's financial security requirements, under Article

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11.5 of the pro forma LGIA, due from Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider.

Any repayment by Transmission Provider to Interconnection Customer under Article 11.4 of the pro forma LGIA of amounts advanced for Network Upgrades after the Generating Facility achieves Commercial Operation shall be limited to Interconnection Customer's total amount of Network Upgrade costs paid and associated financial security provided to Transmission Provider under Article 11.5 of the pro forma LGIA.

After a Network Upgrade is placed into service, in the event that a withdrawn Interconnection Customer's Withdrawal Penalty was applied as a credit to reduce the assignment of the costs of the Network Upgrade to one or more other non-withdrawn Interconnection Customers pursuant to LGIP Section 3.7.1.2, the withdrawn Interconnection Customer shall not be entitled to any refund of the construction costs of the Network Upgrade and the costs shall instead be refunded to the non-withdrawn Interconnection Customers who received the credit, either through credits against transmission charges over a period not to exceed twenty years pursuant to Commission policy, or sooner if the Transmission Provider elects to refund the amounts prior to twenty years.

3.7.1.2.5 Final Distribution of Withdrawal Penalty Funds

If Withdrawal Penalty funds remain for the Cluster after the Withdrawal Penalty funds are applied to relevant study costs and net increases in shared cost assignments for Network Upgrades to remaining Interconnection Customers in the same or later Clusters, Transmission Provider will return any remaining Withdrawal Penalty funds to the withdrawn Interconnection Customers net of the amount of each withdrawn Interconnection Customer's Withdrawal Penalty funds applied to study costs and net increases in shared cost assignments for Network Upgrades to remaining Interconnection Customers.

3.8 Identification of Contingent Facilities.

Contingent Facilities shall be identified in the Cluster Study Report including in any subsequent restudies, in the Cluster Study Report including in any subsequent restudies, and then included in Interconnection Customer's Large Generator Interconnection Agreement. Transmission Provider shall also provide, upon request of Interconnection Customer, the estimated interconnection facility and/or network upgrade costs and estimated in-service completion date of each identified Contingent Facility when this information is readily available and not commercially sensitive.

Any unbuilt Interconnection Facility and/or Network Upgrade included in the study model that is necessary as determined through technical studies such as power flow, short circuit and/or stability analysis to accommodate the Interconnection Request, will be identified as a Contingent Facility. Network Upgrades will include both Network Upgrades planned by the Transmission Provider or Affected

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Systems in the Base Case as well as those Network Upgrades identified for higher queued Interconnection Requests.

In the Cluster Study report, including in any subsequent restudies, Transmission Provider is to explain why each listed Contingent Facility was identified as such, and how it relates to the Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Request, such that Interconnection Customer can better understand their potential risk exposure should any such Contingent Facility be delayed or not built.

3.8.1 Method for Identifying Contingent Facilities

The following steps are to be taken by Transmission Provider to identify and list the Contingent Facilities, if any, upon which the Interconnection Customer's costs, timing, and study findings are dependent.

Step 1: Transmission Provider will employ the following method to identify potential contingent facilities:

- (a) review any applicable Cluster Study associated with Generating Facilities that have a higher queued interconnection request and determining whether any of those request(s) have unbuilt Interconnection Facilities and/or Network Upgrades that may be necessary to accommodate the Interconnection Customer's requested interconnection,
- (b) review its 10-year transmission expansion plan and identifying any planned upgrades to its System which may be necessary to accommodate the Interconnection Customer's requested interconnection, and
- (c) coordinating with applicable Affected Systems to obtain from such Affected Systems any completed and available Affected System studies to determine what Contingent Facilities have been identified in such studies based on the Affected Systems' respective criteria.

Step 2: Using the methods identified in Step 1, Transmission Provider will make a list of potential contingent facilities that consist of:

- (a) any unbuilt Interconnection Facilities and/or Network Upgrades associated with higher queued interconnection requests that are identified as potentially necessary to accommodate the Interconnection Customer's requested interconnection,
- (b) any of Transmission Provider's planned upgrades to its system that are identified as potentially necessary to accommodate the Interconnection Customer's requested interconnection, and

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(c) any Contingent Facilities that have been identified in Affected System studies as potentially necessary to accommodate Interconnection Customer's requested interconnection.

Step 3: The Transmission Provider will, use the list of potential contingent facilities identified in Steps 2(a) and 2(b), conduct a flow impact analysis on such facilities based on the performance requirements set forth in the Electric Reliability Organization Standard TPL-001-4, Table 1 (Transmission System Planning Performance Requirements) or any successor applicable version of such Reliability Standard; provided, however, that the flow impact analysis is not necessary if the related modification or upgrade is the facility the generator is connecting to (effectively 100% flow impact).

Step 4: The criteria that shall apply to the flow impact analysis performed in Step 3 are as follows:

- (a) the MW amount of the Interconnection Request (the distribution factor) or
- (b) the applicable MVA rating of the existing facility that is mitigated by the potential contingent facility

If Transmission Provider's analysis in accordance w demonstrates that the MW impact on the potential contingent facility is either (a) at least 3% of the MW amount of the Interconnection Request (the distribution factor) or (b) at least 1% of the applicable MVA rating of the existing facility that is mitigated by the potential contingent facility then Transmission Provider shall deem such potential contingent facilities as Contingent Facilities.

Step 5: In the applicable study report and the LGIA, Transmission Provider will list the identified Contingent Facilities and explain why each listed Contingent Facility was identified as such by explaining (a) which threshold in Step 4 was exceeded and (b) the amount by which such threshold was exceeded.

3.9 Penalties for Failure to Meet Study Deadlines.

(1) Transmission Provider shall be subject to a penalty if it fails to complete a Cluster Study, Cluster Restudy, Interconnection Facilities Study, or Affected Systems Study by the applicable deadline set forth in this LGIP. Transmission Provider must pay the penalty for each late Cluster Study, Cluster Restudy, and Interconnection Facilities Study on a pro rata basis per Interconnection Request to all Interconnection Customer(s) included in the relevant study that did not withdraw, or were not deemed withdrawn, from Transmission Provider's interconnection Customer's final study cost. Transmission Provider must pay the penalty for a late Affected Systems Study on a pro rata basis per interconnection request to all Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) included in the relevant Affected System Study that did not withdraw, or were not deemed withdrawn, from the host transmission provider's interconnection queue before the missed study deadline,

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in proportion to each Interconnection Customer's final study cost. The study delay penalty for each late study shall be distributed no later than forty-five (45) Calendar Days after the late study has been completed.

- (2) For penalties assessed in accordance with this Section, the penalty amount will be equal to: \$1,000 per Business Day for delays of Cluster Studies beyond the applicable deadline set forth in this LGIP; \$2,000 per Business Day for delays of Cluster Re-Studies beyond the applicable deadline set forth in this LGIP; \$2,000 per Business Day for delays of Affected System Studies beyond the applicable deadline set forth in this LGIP; and \$2,500 per Business Day for delays of Interconnection Facilities Studies beyond the applicable deadline set forth in this LGIP. The total amount of a penalty assessed under this Section shall not exceed: (a) one hundred percent (100%) of the initial study deposit(s) received for all of the Interconnection Requests in the Cluster for Cluster Studies and Cluster Restudies; (b) one hundred percent (100%) of the initial study deposit received for the single Interconnection Request in the study for Interconnection Facilities Studies; and (c) one hundred percent (100%) of the study deposit(s) that Transmission Provider collects for conducting the Affected System Study.
- (3) Transmission Provider may appeal to the Commission any penalties imposed under this Section. Any such appeal must be filed no later than forty-five (45) Calendar Days after the late study has been completed. While an appeal to the Commission is pending, Transmission Provider shall remain liable for the penalty, but need not distribute the penalty until forty-five (45) Calendar Days after (1) the deadline for filing a rehearing request has ended, if no requests for rehearing of the appeal have been filed, or (2) the date that any requests for rehearing of the Commission's decision on the appeal are no longer pending before the Commission. The Commission may excuse Transmission Provider from penalties under this Section for good cause.
- (4) No penalty will be assessed under this Section where a study is delayed by ten (10) Business Days or less. If the study is delayed by more than ten (10) Business Days, the penalty amount will be calculated from the first Business Day Transmission Provider misses the applicable study deadline.
- (5) If (a) Transmission Provider needs to extend the deadline for a particular study subject to penalties under this Section and (b) all Interconnection Customers or Affected System Interconnection Customers included in the relevant study mutually agree to such an extension, the deadline for that study shall be extended thirty (30) Business Days from the original deadline. In such a scenario, no penalty will be assessed for Transmission Provider missing the original deadline.
- (6) No penalties shall be assessed until the third Cluster Study cycle after the Commission-approved effective date of Transmission Provider's filing made in compliance with the Final Rule in Docket No. RM22-14-000.
- (7) Transmission Provider must maintain on its OASIS or its public website summary statistics related to penalties assessed under this Section, updated quarterly. For

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each calendar quarter, Transmission Provider must calculate and post (1) the total amount of penalties assessed under this Section during the previous reporting quarter and (2) the highest penalty assessed under this Section paid to a single Interconnection Customer or Affected System Interconnection Customer during the previous reporting quarter. Transmission Provider must post on its OASIS or its website these penalty amounts for each calendar quarter within thirty (30) Calendar Days of the end of the calendar quarter. Transmission Provider must maintain the quarterly measures posted on its OASIS or its website for three (3) calendar years with the first required posting to be the third Cluster Study cycle after Transmission Provider transitions to the Cluster Study Process.

3.10 Additional Requirements for Generation Replacement Requests

3.10.1 Requirements for Generation Replacement Requests.

- i) Any Replacement Generating Facility must connect to the Transmission System at the same electrical Point of Interconnection as the Existing Generating Facility.
- ii) The request for Generation Replacement must be submitted to the Transmission Provider by the Interconnection Customer for its Existing Generating Facility (a) at least one (1) year prior to the date that the Existing Generating Facility is planned to cease operation or (b) up to (1) one year after a unit is determined as an unplanned (forced) outage as reported to the Electric Reliability Organization through the Generating Availability Data System. The request shall include the planned or actual date of cessation of operation for the Existing Generating Facility and the expected Commercial Operation Date for the Replacement Generating Facility.
- iii) The Interconnection Customer shall request only ERIS for the Replacement Generating Facility if the Existing Generating Facility has only ERIS. The request for NRIS for the Replacement Generating Facility, when the Existing Generating Facility has only ERIS, shall be submitted as a separate Interconnection Request and shall proceed through the review process in the same manner as an Interconnection Request for a new Generating Facility. The Interconnection Customer may request either ERIS or NRIS for the Replacement Generating Facility if the Existing Generating Facility has NRIS. Requests for ERIS or NRIS that exceed the amount of Interconnection Service for the Existing Generating Facility shall be processed as a new Interconnection Request for the amount of such excess pursuant to Section 3.10.1.iv of this LGIP.
- iv) If the Replacement Generating Facility requires Interconnection Service (MW) in excess of that of the Existing Generating Facility that is being replaced, Interconnection Customer shall initiate a separate request for Interconnection Service in an amount (MW) equal to the excess pursuant to Section 3 of thisLGIP. Such separate Interconnection Request shall be assigned a new Queue Position and proceed through the study process in the same manner as an Interconnection Request for a new Generating Facility.

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- v) If the request for Replacement Generating Facility requests less Interconnection Service (MW) than that of the Existing Generating Facility that is being replaced, then any future request for Interconnection Service for that Replacement Generating Facility shall be submitted as a separate Interconnection Request pursuant to Section 3 of thisLGIP. Such separate Interconnection Request shall be assigned a new Queue Position and proceed through the study process in the same manner as an Interconnection Request for a new Generating Facility.
- vi) No request for Generation Replacement may be made until twelve (12) months have elapsed from: (1) the date of any assignment of the LGIA applicable to the Existing Generating Facility; or (2) the date of sale or other transfer of such Existing Generating Facility. Upon submission of a request for Generation Replacement, the Interconnection Customer shall not sell or otherwise transfer the Existing Generating Facility, the Replacement Generating Facility, nor assign the applicable LGIA until such time as the Transmission Provider completes evaluation of the request for Generation Replacement unless the Interconnection Customer first withdraws such request for Generation Replacement in writing. In the event that the Transmission Provider notifies Interconnection Customer that the request for Generation Replacement has been granted, the prohibition on sale, transfer, or assignment shall be extended in accordance with Section 3.10.5 of this LGIP. For purposes of this Section 3.10.1(vi), prohibited assignments include assignments to Affiliates pursuant to Article 19.1 of the LGIA, or any analogous provision in an applicable interconnection agreement.

A transfer, sale, or assignment of the Existing Generating Facility, Replacement Generating Facility, or applicable LGIA that violates this Section 3.10.1(vi) of Attachment N shall void the request for Generation Replacement.

(vii) The request for Generation Replacement must include: (1) a \$50,000 study deposit; and (2) an executed Generation Replacement Study Agreement in the form of Appendix 11. Approval of the Generation Replacement request is contingent on the results of the Replacement Impact Study. Transmission Provider shall notify Interconnection Customer in writing when the Replacement Generating Facility is accepted.

3.10.1.1 Requirements for Modification of Generation Replacement Requests.

The request for Generation Replacement can be modified any time before the evaluation process is complete.

1) If the revised planned date of cessation of operation for the Existing Generating Facility is prior to the planned date of cessation of operation specified in the original request, a new request for Generation Replacement must be submitted at least one (1) year prior to the date that the Existing Generating Facility is planned to cease operation.

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2) If the revised expected Commercial Operation Date for the Replacement Generating Facility is after the expected Commercial Operation Date for the Replacement Generating Facility in the original request, a new request for Generation Replacement must be submitted at least one (1) year prior to the date that the Existing Generating Facility is planned to cease operation, unless the Existing Generating Facility is in forced outage.

3.10.2 Evaluation Process for Generation Replacement Requests.

The Transmission Provider will place requests for Generation Replacement in a separate Generation Replacement queue on a first come first served basis based upon the date that the Transmission Provider receives a complete Generation Replacement request. The Transmission Provider will evaluate Generation Replacement requests in the order in which they are submitted. The evaluation will consist of two studies: i) a Replacement Impact Study as set forth in Section 3.10.2.1 of this LGIP, and ii) a Reliability Assessment Study as set forth in Section 3.10.2.2 of this LGIP.

Transmission Provider shall use Reasonable Efforts to complete the Replacement Impact Study and Reliability Assessment Study and share results with the Interconnection Customer within one hundred eighty (180) Calendar Days of the request.

3.10.2.1 Generation Replacement—Replacement Impact Study.

The Replacement Impact Study will include analyses to determine if the Generation Replacement has a material adverse impact on the Transmission System when compared to Existing Generating Facility. The Replacement Impact Study may include steady-state (thermal/voltage), reactive power, short circuit/fault duty, and stability analyses, as necessary, to ensure that required reliability conditions are studied. If the Replacement Impact Study identifies any materially adverse impact from operating the Replacement Generating Facility when compared to the Existing Generating Facility, the Transmission Provider shall deem such impact as a Material Modification, and, in such an instance, if the Interconnection Customer wishes to move forward with its request, the Interconnection Customer must submit all information and milestone payments necessary for a valid Interconnection Request for a new Generating Facility pursuant to Section 3 of this LGIP.

3.10.2.2 Generation Replacement—Reliability Assessment Study.

The Reliability Assessment Study for the time period between the date that the Existing Generating Facility ceases commercial operations and the expected Commercial Operation Date of the Replacement Generating Facility shall evaluate the performance of the Transmission System to determine if thermal and/or voltage violations of Applicable Reliability Standards and Transmission Owner planning criteria are caused by removing the Existing Generating Facility from service prior to the expected Commercial Operation Date of the Replacement Generating Facility. This study shall compare the conditions on the Transmission System that would exist if the Existing Generating Facility is taken offline to the conditions on the Transmission System as they exist when the Existing Generating Facility is

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online. The scope of Reliability Assessment Study may include stability analysis as necessary. The Existing Generating Facility shall be responsible for mitigating any reliability violation identified in the Reliability Assessment Study and may not cease operations until all mitigations are implemented or are in service. Mitigation for this interim period may, as applicable, include: (i) redispatch/reconfiguration through operator instruction; and (ii) remedial action scheme or any other operating steps depending upon the type of reliability violation identified.

3.10.3 Generation Replacement—Notice to Proceed.

An Interconnection Customer requesting Generation Replacement shall inform Transmission Provider within thirty (30) Calendar Days of receiving the results of the Replacement Impact Study and Reliability Assessment Study of its election to proceed. If the Interconnection Customer provides the Transmission Provider notice to proceed, then the Transmission Provider will either: (i) initiate a Generator Replacement Interconnection Facilities Study; or (ii) tender a draft LGIA. If the Interconnection Customer fails to notify the Transmission Provider with its election to proceed within thirty (30) Calendar Days, then the Interconnection Request will be deemed withdrawn pursuant to Section 3.7 of this LGIP.

3.10.4 Scope of Generator Replacement Interconnection Facilities Study.

Within thirty (30) Calendar Days after the Interconnection Customer has notified the Transmission Provider of its intent to proceed, the Transmission Provider will determine whether it will conduct a Generator Replacement Interconnection Facilities Study, pursuant to Section 9 of this LGIP. The scope of such a Generator Replacement Interconnection Facilities Study will focus on the Interconnection Facilities for the Replacement Generating Facility. This Generator Replacement Interconnection Facilities Study will identify estimates for cost and the time required to construct the Interconnection Facilities. Transmission Provider shall use Reasonable Efforts to complete this portion of the Generator Replacement Interconnection Facilities Study within ninety (90) Calendar Days.

3.10.5 LGIA for Generation Replacement.

Consistent with the process described in Section 12 of this LGIP, Transmission Provider shall tender a draft LGIA or, if deemed appropriate, an amended LGIA that conforms to the LGIA in effect at the time, within thirty (30) Calendar Days after the Interconnection Customer has notified the Transmission Provider of its intent to proceed if a Generator Replacement Interconnection Facilities Study is not required, or within thirty (30) Calendar Days after the final Generator Replacement Interconnection Facilities Study report is provided to the Interconnection Customer. The draft LGIA shall include updated appendices describing the timing of Generation Replacement and a condition that the LGIA cannot be assigned and the Replacement Generating Facility cannot be transferred to any other Party, including an Affiliate of the Interconnection Customer, until the Commercial Operation Date of the Replacement Generating Facility. A transfer, sale, or assignment of the Existing Generating Facility, Replacement Generating Facility, or applicable LGIA that violates this Section 3.10.5 shall be void and constitute a material breach of the LGIA.

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Section 4. Interconnection Request Evaluation Process.

Once an Interconnection Customer has submitted a valid Interconnection Request pursuant to Section 3.4 of this LGIP, such Interconnection Request shall become part of Transmission Provider's interconnection queue for further processing pursuant to the following procedures.

4.1 Queue Position.

4.1.1 Assignment of Queue Position

Transmission Provider shall assign a Queue Position as follows: the Queue Position within the queue shall be assigned based upon the date and time of receipt of all items required pursuant to the provisions of Section 3.4 of this LGIP. All Interconnection Requests submitted and validated in a single Cluster Request Window shall be considered equally queued.

4.1.2 Higher Queue Position

A higher Queue Position assigned to an Interconnection Request is one that has been placed "earlier" in the queue in relation to another Interconnection Request that is assigned a lower Queue Position. All requests studied in a single Cluster shall be considered equally queued. Interconnection Customers that are part of Clusters initiated earlier in time than an instant queue shall be considered to have a higher Queue Position than Interconnection Customers that are part of Clusters initiated later than an instant queue.

4.2 General Study Process.

Interconnection Studies performed within the Cluster Study Process shall be conducted in such a manner to ensure the efficient implementation of the applicable regional transmission expansion plan in light of the Transmission System's capabilities at the time of each study and consistent with Good Utility Practice.

Transmission Provider may use subgroups in the Cluster Study Process. In all instances in which Transmission Provider elects to use subgroups in the Cluster Study Process, Transmission Provider must publish the criteria used to define and determine subgroups on its OASIS or public website.

4.2.1 Initiation of a Cluster Study.

Transmission Provider shall accept Interconnection Requests during the "Cluster Request Window" specified in Section 3.4.1

4.2.2 Initiation of a Resource Solicitation Cluster.

At any time, and upon request of a Resource Planning Entity, Transmission Provider may initiate the study of a Resource Solicitation Cluster. The Resource Solicitation Cluster shall respect Queue Position and shall be studied as its own Cluster. Within ten (10) Business Days of receipt of a request to perform a Resource Solicitation Cluster that includes one or more Interconnection Requests as described in Section

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3.4, Transmission Provider and Resource Planning Entity shall meet to determine a mutually agreeable scope of study and timeframe to initiate the Resource Solicitation Cluster. The timeline shall indicate the close of the Customer Engagement Window for that Resource Solicitation Cluster. Thereafter the Resource Solicitation Cluster Study shall proceed as described in Section 8. Transmission Provider shall post on OASIS that a Resource Solicitation Cluster is initiated but may delay posting the individual requests until after the competitive solicitation process is complete.

In order to initiate Transmission Provider's study of Interconnection Requests made in connection with a Resource Solicitation Process. Resource Planning Entity must: (a) act as the authorized representative for all Interconnection Requests submitted to the Resource Solicitation Cluster; (b) submit all Interconnection Requests arising from the Resource Solicitation Process at the same time to ensure an equal Queue Position for all Generating Facilities included in the Resource Solicitation Cluster; (c) cooperate with Transmission Provider in conducting the studies; and (d) request a reasonable number of different combinations of such Interconnection Requests to meet Resource Planning Entity's identified need and assumptions in the Resource Solicitation Process. Such studies in connection with a Resource Solicitation Process shall be implemented based upon Queue Position (relative to higher or lower queued clusters) and shall consider Resource Planning Entity's needs and assumptions identified in the Resource Solicitation Process.

The Resource Planning Entity may submit for inclusion in the Resource Solicitation Process an Interconnection Request for a Generating Facility that already has a higher Queue Position pursuant to Section 4.1.1. A Generating Facility that initially is associated with a Queue Position through the Resource Solicitation Process may also reserve a lower Queue Position separate from the Resource Solicitation Process pursuant to Section 4.1.1. In either case, Interconnection Customer must meet all requirements associated with maintaining each Queue Position for the Generating Facility. In the event a Generating Facility has multiple Queue Positions, it shall not be double counted in the study models.

A Generating Facility in the Resource Solicitation Process is subject to study according to the Queue Position of the Resource Solicitation Cluster. A Generating Facility that is not a part of the Resource Solicitation Process is also subject to study according to its Queue Position. All studies must be performed in accordance with the provisions of the this LGIP and may not be delayed as a result of the Resource Solicitation Process.

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After Transmission Provider completes the Resource Solicitation Cluster Studies for the requested combinations, the results will be provided to the Resource Planning Entity for use in the Resource Solicitation Process. The results will be posted on Transmission Provider's OASIS consistent with the posting of other study results.

After receipt of the Resource Soliciation Cluster Study Report, Resource Planning Entity must select one of the studied combinations commencement of any Resource Solicitation to the Interconnection Facilities Study associated with the Resource Solicitation Process. Prior to the completion of the Interconnection Facilities Study of all of the components of the selected combination, Resource Planning Entity may replace components, subject to any necessary restudy pursuant to Sections 8.5 or 9. While conducting the Resource Solicitation Interconnection Facilities Study, Transmission Provider may suspend further action on the Interconnection Requests in the Resource Solicitation Process that are not included in the selected combination. Once a Generating Facility is rejected in the Resource Solicitation Process, the Generating Facility shall lose the Queue Position it held as part of the Resource Solicitation Process and withdraw from the Resource Solicitation Cluster. If a Generating Facility is rejected in the Resource Solicitation Process, Interconnection Customer will not be subject to a Withdrawal Penalty under Section 3.7.1 when it withdraws that Generating Facility from the Resource Solicitation Cluster. If a Generating Facility is selected by Resource Planning Entity at the conclusion of the Resource Solicitation Process. the Generating Facility may no longer maintain more than one Queue Position.

4.2.3 Study Cost Allocation.

Transmission Provider shall determine each Interconnection Customer's share of the costs of a Cluster Study by allocating: (1) fifty percent (50%) of the applicable study costs to Interconnection Customers on a per capita basis based on number of Interconnection Requests included in the applicable Cluster; and (2) fifty percent (50%) of the applicable study costs to Interconnection Customers on a prorata basis based on requested megawatts included in the applicable Cluster. For instance, the cost of a cluster study consisting of a 100 MW request and a 900 MW request would be allocated 30% to the 100 MW reguest and 70% to the 900 MW reguest. The Interconnection Facilities Study portion of the Cluster Study Process is an individual study and costs for each Interconnection Facilities Study is directly assigned to the Interconnection Customer associated with such study.

4.2.4 Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrade Cost Allocation.

For Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades identified in Cluster Studies, Transmission Provider shall

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calculate each Interconnection Customer's share of costs in the following manner:

- equipment Network Upgrades ("Station a) Station Network Upgrades"), including all switching stations, shall be allocated based on the number of Generating Facilities interconnecting at an individual station on a per capita basis (i.e. on a per Interconnection Request basis). If multiple Interconnection Customers are connecting to the Transmission Provider's System through a single Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facility (i.e. sharing the Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facility connecting to the Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facility(ies)), those Interconnection Customers shall be considered Interconnection Customer for the per capita calculation described in the preceding sentence. Shared Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities shall be allocated based on the number of Generating Facilities sharing that Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facility on a per capita basis.
- b) All Network Upgrades other than those identified in Section 4.2.4.a ("System Network Upgrades") will be allocated based on the proportional impact of each individual Generating Facility in the Cluster on the need for a specific System Network Upgrade. The proportional impact of such Network Upgrades shall be calculated as follows. All transmission lines and transformers identified as Network Upgrades shall be allocated using distribution factor analysis. Voltage support related Network Upgrades shall be allocated using a voltage impact analysis which will identify each Generating Facility's contribution to the voltage violation. Network Upgrades associated with upgrading existing breakers not physically located at the substation to which the Generating Facility is interconnecting or associated with a new transmission facility shall be allocated based on short circuit analysis.
- c) Costs of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities are directly assigned to the Interconnection Customer(s) using such facilities. The cost of such Interconnection Facilities shall be allocated based on the number of Generating Facilities sharing use of such Interconnection Facilities on a per capita basis (i.e., on a per Generating Facility basis), unless Parties mutually agree to a different cost sharing arrangement.

Interconnection Customer funding of Substation and System Network Upgrades are eligible for credits as provided in Article 11.4 of the LGIA.

4.3 Transferability of Queue Position.

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An Interconnection Customer may transfer its Queue Position to another entity only if such entity acquires the specific Generating Facility identified in the Interconnection Request and the Point of Interconnection does not change.

4.4 Modifications.

Interconnection Customer shall submit to Transmission Provider, in writing (including an updated Appendix A to Appendix 1), modifications to any information provided in the Interconnection Request. Such modification request may require updated technical data, Site Control and readiness demonstrations (as applicable) to be considered complete. Interconnection Customer shall retain its Queue Position if the modifications are in accordance with Sections 4.4.1, 4.4.2, 4.4.5 of this LGIP, or are determined not to be Material Modifications pursuant to Section 4.4.3 of this LGIP.

Notwithstanding the above, during the course of the Interconnection Studies, either Interconnection Customer or Transmission Provider may identify changes to the planned interconnection that may improve the costs and benefits (including reliability) of the interconnection, and the ability of the proposed change to accommodate the Interconnection Request. Subject to the forgoing sentence, and provided, however, they do not result in a material modification, to the extent the identified changes are acceptable to Transmission Provider, Interconnection Customer and potentially impacted Interconnection Customers in the same Cluster, such acceptance not to be unreasonably withheld, Transmission Provider shall modify the Point of Interconnection prior to return of the executed Cluster Study Agreement.

If the requested MW Interconnection Service is decreased in accordance with Section 4.4.1 or 4.4.2 of this Revised LGIA, the required study deposit is recalculated and the excess study deposit is refunded, if applicable

Requests to increase the Interconnection Service amount are considered Material Modifications and the requested incremental increase in Interconnection Service project will go to the end of the Queue for the purposes of cost allocation and study analysis. If the Interconnection Service is not increased, Interconnection Customer may increase the plant size if such increase is not determined to be a Material Modification by Transmission Provider.

4.4.1 Prior to the return of the executed Cluster Study Agreement to Transmission Provider, modifications permitted under this Section shall include specifically: (a) a decrease of up to sixty percent (60%) of electrical output (MW) of the proposed project, through either (1) a decrease in plant size, or (2) a decrease in Interconnection Service level (consistent with the process described in Section 3.1 of this LGIP) accomplished by applying Transmission Provider-approved injection-limiting equipment; (b) modifying the technical parameters associated with the Large Generating Facility technology or the Large Generating Facility step-up transformer impedance characteristics; (c) changing the type of service (ERIS or NRIS) and (d) modifying the

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interconnection configuration. For plant increases, the incremental increase in plant output will go in the next Cluster Request Window for the purposes of cost allocation and study analysis.

- 4.4.2 Prior to the return of the executed Interconnection Facilities Study Agreement to Transmission Provider, the modifications permitted under this Section shall include specifically: (a) fifteen percent (15%) decrease of electrical output of the proposed project through either (1) a decrease in in plant size (MW), or (2) a decrease in Interconnection Service level (consistent with the process described in Section 3.1) accomplished by applying Transmission Providerapproved injection-limiting equipment; (b) Large Generating Facility technical parameters associated with modifications to Large Generating Facility technology and transformer impedances; provided, however, the incremental costs associated with those modifications are the responsibility of the requesting Interconnection Customer; and (c) a Permissible Technological Advancement for the Large Generating Facility after the submission of the Interconnection Request. Section 4.4.6 of this LGIP specifies a separate technological change procedure including the requisite information and process that will be followed to whether the Interconnection Customer's technological advancement under Section 4.4.2(c) of this LGIP is a Material Modification. Section 1 of this LGIP contains a definition of Permissible Technological Advancement.
- 4.4.3 Prior to making any modification other than those specifically permitted by Sections 4.4.1, 4.4.2, and 4.4.5, Interconnection Customer may first request that Transmission Provider evaluate whether such modification is a Material Modification. In response to Interconnection Customer's Transmission Provider shall evaluate the proposed modifications prior to making them and inform Interconnection Customer in writing of whether the modifications would constitute a Material Modification. Any change to the Point of Interconnection, except those deemed acceptable under Sections 3.1.2 or 4.4 of this LGIP or so allowed elsewhere, shall constitute a Material Modification. Interconnection Customer may then withdraw the proposed modification or proceed with a new Interconnection Request for such modification. Transmission Provider shall study the addition of a Generating Facility that includes at least one electric storage resource using operating assumptions (i.e., whether the interconnecting Generating Facility will or will not charge at peak load) that reflect the proposed charging behavior of the Generating Facility as requested by Interconnection Customer, unless Transmission Provider determines that Good Utility Practice, including Applicable Reliability Standards, otherwise requires the use of different operating assumptions. Transmission Provider shall not accept modification requests after the draft Interconnection Facilities Study Report has been tendered. After

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execution of the LGIA, modification requests shall be processed according to Article 5.19 of the LGIA.

- 4.4.3.1 Interconnection Customer may request, and Transmission Provider shall evaluate, the addition to the Interconnection Request of a Generating Facility with the same Point of Interconnection indicated in the initial Interconnection Request, if the addition of the Generating Facility does not increase the requested Interconnection Service level. Transmission Provider must evaluate such modifications prior to deeming them a Material Modification, but only if Interconnection Customer submits them prior to the return of the executed Interconnection Facilities Study Agreement by Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider. Interconnection Customers requesting that such a modification be evaluated must demonstrate the required Site Control at the time such request is made.
- 4.4.4 Upon receipt of Interconnection Customer's written request for modification permitted under this Section 4.4 of this LGIP, Transmission Provider shall commence and perform any necessary additional studies as soon as practicable, but in no event shall Transmission Provider commence such studies later than thirty (30) Calendar Days after receiving notice of the modification of Interconnection Customer's request. Any additional studies resulting from such modification shall be performed at Interconnection Customer's cost. Any such request for modification of the Interconnection Request must be accompanied by any resulting updates to the models described in Appendix A to Appendix 1 of this LGIP.
- 4.4.5 Extensions of less than three (3) cumulative years in the Commercial Operation Date of the Generating Facility to which the Interconnection Request relates are not material and should be handled through construction sequencing. Extensions of more than three (3) cumulative years shall be considered Material Modifications unless the extension is required to allow for the construction of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades. For purposes of this section, the Commercial Operation Date reflected in the initial Interconnection Request shall be used to calculate the permissible extension prior to Interconnection Customer executing an LGIA or requesting that the LGIA be filed unexecuted. After an LGIA is executed or requested to be filed unexecuted, the Commercial Operation Date reflected in the LGIA shall be used to calculate the permissible extension. Such cumulative extensions may not exceed three years including both extensions requested after execution of the LGIA by Interconnection Customer or the filing of an unexecuted LGIA by Transmission Provider and those requested prior to execution of the LGIA by Interconnection Customer or the filing of an unexecuted LGIA by Transmission Provider.

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4.4.6 Technological Change Procedure.

The technological change procedure included in this Section 4.4.6 will be followed to assess whether Interconnection Customer's proposed modification is a Material Modification.

4.4.6.1 Technological Change Request.

If an Interconnection Customer seeks to incorporate a technological advancement into its existing Interconnection Request, it must submit a Technological Change Request (TCR) as described below to the Transmission Provider in writing any time prior to the return of the signed Interconnection Facilities Study Agreement.

The Interconnection Customer's TCR shall include a description of the proposed change, a \$10,000 study deposit and the following information: (1) updated technical data called for in Appendix A of Appendix 1; (2) type and specifications of equipment being replaced; updated modeling information; (3) make and model of new equipment; (4) dynamic, steady-state and performance characteristics of the new equipment; (5) efficiencies, impedances, and ratings of the equipment; (6) and technical analysis demonstrating that the technological change would (i) result in electrical performance that is equal to or better than the electrical performance expected prior to the technological change, and (ii) not cause any reliability concerns. The customer's analysis should contain engineering evidence and reasoning that clearly demonstrates the proposed change aligns with the definition of a Permissible Technological Advancement. Accordingly, a TCR should demonstrate that the proposed incorporation of the technological advancement would result in electrical performance that is equal to or better than the electrical performance expected prior to the technology change and would not cause any reliability concerns (i.e., would not materially impact the transmission system with regard to short circuit capability limits, steady-state thermal and voltage limits, or dynamic system stability and response).

Upon receipt by the Transmission Provider of a completed TCR from the Interconnection Customer, the Transmission Provider will evaluate the TCR to determine whether the TCR is a Permissible Technological Advancement or if it necessitates the performance of additional analyses and/or studies. If the technological change request has no adverse effect on electrical parameters or performance, the technological advancement request will not be considered a Material Modification and will be deemed a Permissible Technological Advancement.

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If the Transmission Provider determines that additional analyses and/or studies are required, Transmission Provider's studies may include steady-state, reactive power, short circuit, stability analysis and any other appropriate studies that the Transmission Provider deems necessary based on the Transmission Provider's engineering judgment. These additional studies and/or analyses will determine whether the technological change results in electrical performance that is equal to or better than the electrical performance expected prior to the technological change request and be deemed a Permissible Technological Advancement, technological change is deemed a Material Modification. Transmission Provider shall complete the evaluation as soon as practical but no later than thirty (30) Calendar Days after the receipt of the completed TCR.

Transmission Provider will produce a report that will state if the technological advancement is permissible. If the proposed technology fails to meet the definition of a Permissible Technological Advancement, then the TCR is deemed to be a Material Modification. In such cases, the study report shall provide an explanation regarding why the technological change is a Material Modification. The Interconnection Customer can choose to abandon the request and retain its queue position or choose to proceed with the request and reenter the queue with a new queue position.

If the study determines that the proposed technology meets the definition of a Permissible Technological Advancement the modification is approved and will be incorporated into the Interconnection Request. Study reports may be updated if appropriate. Once the Permissible Technological Advancement is approved and incorporated into the Interconnection Request; a new TCR would be required for the Interconnection Customer to revert back to the original equipment or make additional modifications to equipment.

Transmission Provider shall either refund any overage or charge for any shortage for costs of the study that exceed the deposit amount. The studies associated with the TCR shall be billed separately from other Interconnection Studies.

Section 5. Transition Procedures.

5.1 Transmission Providers with Existing Cluster Study Processes or Currently in Transition

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Within sixty (60) Calendar Days of the Commission-approved effective date of this LGIP, Interconnection Customers that have not executed an LGIA or requested an LGIA to be filed unexecuted must meet the requirements of Sections 3.4.2, 7.5, or 8.1 of this LGIP, based on Interconnection Customer's Queue Position.

Any Interconnection Customer that fails to meet these requirements within sixty (60) Calendar Days of the Commission-approved effective date of this LGIP shall have its Interconnection Request deemed withdrawn by Transmission Provider pursuant to Section 3.7 of this LGIP. In such case, Transmission Provider shall not assess Interconnection Customer any Withdrawal Penalty.

Any Cluster Studies in-progress as of the effective date of this LGIP will conform to the requirements of Section 8 providing for a single Cluster Study Report, subject to any Cluster Study Restudies triggered by this Section 5.1.

5.2 New Transmission Provider.

If Transmission Provider transfers control of its Transmission System to a successor Transmission Provider during the period when an Interconnection Request is pending, the original Transmission Provider shall transfer to the successor Transmission Provider any amount of the deposit or payment with interest thereon that exceeds the cost that it incurred to evaluate the request for interconnection. Any difference between such net amount and the deposit or payment required by this LGIP shall be paid by or refunded to the Interconnection Customer, as appropriate. The original Transmission Provider shall coordinate with the successor Transmission Provider to complete any Interconnection Study, as appropriate, that the original Transmission Provider has begun but has not completed.

If original Transmission Provider has tendered a draft LGIA to Interconnection Customer, but Interconnection Customer has not either executed the LGIA or requested the filing of an unexecuted LGIA with FERC, unless otherwise provided, Interconnection Customer must complete negotiations with the successor Transmission Provider.

Section 6. Provisional Interconnection Study.

6.1 Provisional Interconnection Request and Study Agreement.

At any time, a customer may request Transmission Provider perform a Provisional Interconnection Study. Customers are encouraged to discuss the potential request with Transmission Provider ahead of submitting a request. Interconnection Customer shall first submit a Provisional Interconnection Request in the form of Appendix 8 to this Revised LGIP. Transmission Provider shall schedule an initial scoping meeting within 10 Business Days of receipt of a completed request for Provisional Interconnection Service, unless a later date is mutually agreed. If the customer has provided sufficient information to initiate a study and has confirmed they desire a study, within five (5) Business Days after the initial scoping meeting, or later upon mutual agreement, Transmission Provider shall provide to Interconnection Customer a Provisional Interconnection Study Agreement in the form of appendix 9.

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The Provisional Interconnection Study Agreement shall: (i) include the scope of work for the Provisional Interconnection Study (ii) specify the technical data that Interconnection Customer must provide, (iii) specify the study case and assumptions, and (iv) identify the Transmission Provider's estimate of the cost of the Provisional Interconnection Study. To the extent known by Transmission Provider at the time, such estimate shall include any costs expected to be incurred by any Affected System whose participation is necessary to complete the Provisional Interconnection Study.

Interconnection Customer shall execute the Provisional Interconnection Study Agreement within ten (10) Business Days of receipt and deliver the Provisional Interconnection Study Agreement, the technical data, and a \$45,000 deposit to Transmission Provider within this timeframe.

6.2 Scope of Provisional Interconnection Study.

The intent of the Provisional Interconnection Study is to identify requirements to obtain Provisional Interconnection Service. The Provisional Interconnection Study shall consist of analysis based on the assumptions and scope of work specified in the Provisional Interconnection Study Agreement. The Provisional Interconnection Study will identify the potential Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and the Network Upgrades, and the estimated cost thereof, that may be required to provide Provisional Interconnection Service as described in Article 5.9.2 of the LGIA. The study shall also estimate the amount of additional security that may be required as part of the Provisional Large Generator Agreement. Transmission Provider shall use Reasonable Efforts to coordinate the study with any Affected Systems that may be affected by the request. Transmission Provider shall utilize existing studies to the extent practicable in conducting the Provisional Interconnection Study.

6.3 Provisional Interconnection Study Procedures.

Transmission Provider shall use Reasonable Efforts to complete the Provisional Interconnection Study within a mutually agreed upon time period specified within the Provisional Interconnection Study Agreement. If Transmission Provider is unable to complete the Provisional Interconnection Study within such time period, it shall notify Interconnection Customer and provide an estimated completion date and an explanation of the reasons why additional time is required. Any difference between the study deposit and the actual cost of the study shall be paid to Transmission Provider or refunded to Interconnection Customer, as appropriate. Upon request, Transmission Provider shall provide Interconnection Customer supporting documentation and work papers and databases or data developed in the preparation of the Provisional Interconnection Study, subject to confidentiality arrangements consistent with Section 14.1. The Provisional Interconnection Study results may be used to develop a Provisional Large Generator Interconnection Agreement at the discretion of Transmission Provider in accordance with Article 5.9.2 of the LGIA.

Section 7. Interconnection Information Access

7.1 Publicly Posted Interconnection Information.

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Transmission Provider shall maintain and make publicly available: (1) an interactive visual representation of the estimated incremental injection capacity (in megawatts) available at each point of interconnection in Transmission Provider's footprint under N-1 conditions. and (2) a table of metrics concerning the estimated impact of a potential Generating Facility on Transmission Provider's Transmission System based on a user-specified addition of a particular number of megawatts at a particular voltage level at a particular point of interconnection. At a minimum, for each transmission facility impacted by the userspecified megawatt addition, the following information will be provided in the table: (1) the distribution factor; (2) the megawatt impact (based on the megawatt values of the proposed Generating Facility and the distribution factor); (3) the percentage impact on each impacted transmission facility (based on the megawatt values of the proposed Generating Facility and the facility rating); (4) the percentage of power flow on each impacted transmission facility before the injection of the proposed project; (5) the percentage power flow on each impacted transmission facility after the injection of the proposed Generating Facility. These metrics must be calculated based on the power flow model of the Transmission System with the transfer simulated from each point of interconnection to the whole Transmission Provider's footprint (to approximate Network Resource Interconnection Service), and with the incremental capacity at each point of interconnection decremented by the existing and gueued Generating Facilities (based on the existing or requested interconnection service limit of the generation). These metrics must be updated within thirty (30) Calendar Days after the completion of each Cluster Study and Cluster Restudy. This information must be publicly posted, without a password or a fee. The website will define all underlying assumptions, including the name of the most recent Cluster Study or Restudy used in the Base Case. Transmission Provider will make this interactive visual and table of metrics publicly available following the completion of the first Cluster Study for Interconnection Requests submitted after the effective date of this LGIP.

Section 8. Cluster Study.

8.1 Cluster Study Agreement.

No later than five (5) Business Days after the close of a Cluster Request Window, Transmission Provider shall tender to each to Interconnection Customer that submitted a valid Interconnection Request a Cluster Study Agreement in the form of Appendix 2 to this LGIP. The Cluster Study Agreement shall require Interconnection Customer to compensate Transmission Provider for the actual cost of the Cluster Study pursuant to Section 14.3 of this LGIP. The specifications, assumptions, or other provisions in the appendices of the Cluster Study Agreement provided pursuant to Section 8.1 of this LGIP shall be subject to change by Transmission Provider following the conclusion of the Scoping Meeting..

8.2 Execution of Cluster Study Agreement.

Interconnection Customer shall execute the Cluster Study Agreement and deliver the executed Cluster Study Agreement to Transmission Provider no later than the close of the Customer Engagement Window.

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If Interconnection Customer does not provide all required technical data when it delivers the Cluster Study Agreement, Transmission Provider shall notify Interconnection Customer of the deficiency within five (5) Business Days of the receipt of the executed Cluster Study Agreement and Interconnection Customer shall cure the deficiency within ten (10) Business Days of receipt of the notice, provided, however, such deficiency does not include failure to deliver the executed Cluster Study Agreement or study deposit.

8.3 Scope of Cluster Study.

The Cluster Study shall evaluate the impact of the proposed interconnection on the reliability of the Transmission System. The Cluster Study will be performed by updating the Base Case to include all generating facilities (and with respect to (iii) and (iv) below, any identified Network Upgrades associated with such higher queued interconnection requests) that, on the date the Cluster Study is commenced: (i) are existing and directly interconnected to Transmission Provider's Transmission System; (ii) are existing and interconnected to Affected Systems and may have an impact on the Interconnection Request; (iii) have a pending higher queued Interconnection Request to interconnect to Transmission Provider's Transmission System; and (iv) have executed an LGIA or requested that an unexecuted LGIA be filed with FERC. Generating Facilities with higher queued NRIS requests and requests associated with Firm Transmission Service shall generally be dispatched in the study model at output levels similar to the output levels of existing generation and may also be re-dispatched like existing generation in the study model to maintain system reliability, stress the system as appropriate, and/or accommodate new Interconnection Requests. Higher queued ERIS requests or in-service ERIS generators without associated Firm Transmission Service may be modeled offline or dispatched at zero in some study models. If the total output for all new Interconnection Requests for NRIS in a Cluster exceeds or otherwise cannot be sunk to the Network Load modeled in the Base Case, the excess output shall be assumed to be delivered outside of the Transmission Provider's Transmission System in the study. In-service generation in the study model may be re-dispatched in the Cluster Study, but generally will not be studied at less than its minimum operating limit unless the generation owner agrees the Generating Facility should be modeled as if retired. Existing generation dispatch will be used, for instance, to maintain reliability and stress the system as appropriate. Transmission Provider studies the new Interconnection Requests using a study pocket approach - the NRIS requests in each study pocket are evaluated first, followed by evaluating the combined NRIS and ERIS requests in each study pocket. Additional study methodology details are included in the business practice manual posted on OASIS.

The Cluster Study will consist of power flow, stability and short circuit analyses, the results of which are documented in a single Cluster Study Report, as applicable. At the conclusion of the Cluster Study, Transmission Provider shall issue a Cluster Study Report. The Cluster Study Report will state the assumptions upon which it is based; state the results of the analyses; and provide the requirements or potential impediments to providing the requested Interconnection Service, including a preliminary indication of the cost and length of time that would

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be necessary to correct any problems identified in those analyses and implement the interconnection. The Cluster Study Report shall identify the Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades expected to be required to reliably interconnect the Generating Facilities in that Cluster Study at the requested Interconnection Service level and hsall provide non-binding cost estimates for required Network Upgrades. The Cluster Study Report shall identify each Interconnection Customer's estimated allocated costs for Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades pursuant to the method in Section 4.2.4 of this LGIP. Transmission Provider shall hold an open stakeholder meeting pursuant to Section 8.4 of this LGIP.

For purposes of determining necessary Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades, the Cluster Study shall use the level of Interconnection Service requested by the Interconnection Customers in the Cluster, except where the Transmission Provider otherwise determines that it must study the full Generating Facility Capacity due to safety or reliability concerns.

For purposes of determining necessary Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades, the Cluster Study shall use operating assumptions (i.e., whether the interconnecting Generating Facility will or will not charge at peak load) that reflect the proposed charging behavior of a Generating Facility that includes at least one electric storage resource as requested by Interconnection Customer, unless Transmission Provider determines that Good Utility Practice, including Applicable Reliability Standards, otherwise requires the use of different operating assumptions. Transmission Provider may require the inclusion of control technologies sufficient to limit the operation of the Generating Facility per the operating assumptions as set forth in the Interconnection Request and to respond to dispatch instructions by Transmission Provider. As determined by Transmission Provider, Interconnection Customer may be subject to testing and validation of those control technologies consistent with Article 6 of the LGIA.

The Cluster Study shall evaluate the use of static synchronous compensators, static VAR compensators, advanced power flow control devices, transmission switching, synchronous condensers, voltage source converters, advanced conductors, and tower lifting. Transmission Provider shall evaluate each identified alternative transmission technology and determine whether the above technologies should be used, consistent with Good Utility Practice, Applicable Reliability Standards, and Applicable Laws and Regulations. Transmission Provider shall include an explanation of the results of Transmission Provider's evaluation for each technology in the Cluster Study Report. The Cluster Study Report will provide a list of facilities that are required as a result of the Interconnection Requests within the Cluster and a non-binding good faith estimate of cost responsibility and a non-binding good faith estimated time to construct.

8.4 Cluster Study Procedures.

Transmission Provider shall coordinate the Cluster Study with any Affected System Operator that is affected by the Interconnection Request pursuant to Section 3.6 of this LGIP. Transmission Provider shall utilize existing studies to the extent

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practicable when it performs the Cluster Study. Interconnection Requests for a Cluster Study may be submitted only within the Cluster Request Window and Transmission Provider shall initiate the Cluster Study Process pursuant to Section 8 of this LGIP.

Transmission Provider shall complete the Cluster Study within one hundred fifty (150) Calendar Days of the close of the Customer Engagement Window.

Within ten (10) Business Days of simultaneously furnishing a Cluster Study Report to each Interconnection Customer within the Cluster and posting such report on OASIS, Transmission Provider shall convene a Cluster Study Report Meeting.

At the request of Interconnection Customer or at any time Transmission Provider determines that it will not meet the indicated timeframe for completing the Cluster Study, Transmission Provider shall notify Interconnection Customer(s) as to the schedule status of the Cluster Study. If Transmission Provider is unable to complete the Cluster Study within the time period, it shall notify Interconnection Customer(s) and provide an estimated completion date with an explanation of the reasons why additional time is required.

Upon request, Transmission Provider shall provide to Interconnection Customer(s)all supporting documentation, workpapers, and relevant pre-Interconnection Request and post-Interconnection Request power flow, short circuit and stability databases for the Cluster Study, subject to confidentiality arrangements consistent with Section 14.1 of this LGIP.

8.5 Cluster Study Restudies.

- (1) Within twenty (20) Calendar Days after the Cluster Study Report Meeting, Interconnection Customer must provide the following:
 - (a) Demonstration of continued Site Control pursuant to Section 3.4.2(c) of this LGIP; and
 - (b) a Readiness Demonstration 2 as required under Section 8.6.2 of this LGIP.

Interconnection Customer shall promptly inform Transmission Provider of any material change to Interconnection Customer's demonstration of Site Control under Section 3.4.2(c) of this LGIP. Upon Transmission Provider determining that Interconnection Customer no longer satisfies the Site Control requirement, Transmission Provider shall notify Interconnection Customer. Within ten (10) Business Days of such notification, Interconnection Customer must demonstrate compliance with the applicable requirement subject to Transmission Provider's approval, not to be unreasonably withheld. Absent such demonstration, Transmission Provider shall deem the subject Interconnection Request withdrawn pursuant to Section 3.7 of this LGIP.

(2) If no Interconnection Customer withdraws from the Cluster after completion of the Cluster Study or Cluster Restudy or is deemed withdrawn pursuant to Section 3.7 of this LGIP after completion of the Cluster Study or Cluster Restudy, Transmission Provider

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shall notify Interconnection Customers in the Cluster that a Cluster Restudy is not required.

- (3) If one or more Interconnection Customers withdraw from the Cluster or are deemed withdrawn pursuant to Section 3.7 of this LGIP, Transmission Provider shall determine if a Cluster Restudy is necessary within thirty (30) Calendar Days after the Cluster Study Report Meeting. If Transmission Provider determines a Cluster Restudy is not necessary, Transmission Provider shall notify Interconnection Customers in the Cluster that a Cluster Restudy is not required and Transmission Provider shall provide an updated Cluster Study Report within thirty (30) Calendar Days of such determination.
- (4) If one or more Interconnection Customers withdraws from the Cluster or is deemed withdrawn pursuant to Section 3.7 of this LGIP, and Transmission Provider determines a Cluster Restudy is necessary as a result, Transmission Provider shall notify Interconnection Customers in the Cluster and post on OASIS that a Cluster Restudy is required within thirty (30) Calendar Days after the Cluster Study Report Meeting. Transmission Provider shall continue with such restudies until Transmission Provider determines that no further restudies are required. If an Interconnection Customer withdraws or is deemed withdrawn pursuant to Section 3.7 of this LGIP during the Interconnection Facilities Study, or after other Interconnection Customers in the same Cluster have executed LGIAs, or requested that unexecuted LGIAs be filed, and Transmission Provider determines a Cluster Restudy is necessary, the Cluster shall be restudied. If a Cluster Restudy is required due to a higher queued project withdrawing from the queue, or a modification of a higher or equally queued project subject to Section 4.4 of this LGIP, Transmission Provider shall so notify affected Interconnection Customers in writing. Except as provided in Section 3.7 of this LGIP in the case of withdrawing Interconnection Customers, any cost of Restudy shall be borne by Interconnection Customers being restudied.
- (5) The scope of any Cluster Restudy shall be consistent with the scope of an initial Cluster Study pursuant to Section 8.3 of this LGIP. Transmission Provider shall complete the Cluster Restudy within one hundred fifty (150) Calendar Days of the Transmission Provider informing the Interconnection Customers in the cluster that restudy is needed. The results of the Cluster Restudy shall be combined into a single report (Cluster Restudy Report). Transmission Provider shall hold a meeting with the Interconnection Customers in the cluster (Cluster Restudy Report Meeting) within ten (10) Business Days of simultaneously furnishing the Cluster Restudy Report to each Interconnection Customer in the Cluster Restudy and publishing the Cluster Restudy Report on OASIS.

If additional restudies are required, Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider shall follow the procedures of this Section 8.5 of this LGIP until such time that Transmission Provider determines that no further restudies are required. Transmission Provider shall notify each Interconnection Customer within the Cluster when no further restudies are required.

Notwithstanding any provision of this Section 8.5 to the contrary, restudies may be required if projects in any prior Cluster withdraw and regardless of whether projects in the same Cluster withdraw. In the event restudies are required due to the

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withdrawal of projects in a prior Cluster, the general process laid out in this section shall be followed, except that Cluster Restudies shall proceed sequentially starting with the first-in-time impacted Cluster.

8.6 Readiness Demonstrations

Readiness Demonstrations are required at four separate stages of the Cluster Study Process: (a) to enter the Cluster Study; (b) for any required Cluster Restudy, (c) to participate in the Interconnection Facilities Study; and (d) to execute an LGIA. A customer that does not sufficiently demonstrate readiness by providing a required Readiness Demonstration is subject to withdrawal as described in Section 3.7, which may include additional penalties.

The Readiness Demonstrations are below and may be combined. For example, a 200 MW request may provide a contract for sale (i.e. 8.6.1.a) for 50 MW and evidence that 150 MW has been selected in a resource plan. Customers may update their Readiness Demonstrations at any time and shall provide notice to Transmission Provider if a previously supplied Readiness Demonstration is no longer valid (i.e. the contract for sale is terminated). Contracts provided under this section may be redacted. Transmission Provider shall accept reasonable modifications to Readiness Demonstrations 8.6.1.d, 8.6.2.d, or 8.6.3.d. that must change due to interconnection study results. For instance, delayed Network Upgrades may cause the in-service date to change, along with the milestones leading up to that new in-service date.

8.6.1 Readiness Demonstration 1

To enter a Cluster Study, any one or a combination of the options of this Section 8.6.1 of this LGIP must be provided at the time the Interconnection Customer submits an application to enter a Cluster Study pursuant to the provisions of Section 3.6 of this LGIP:

- a) Executed term sheet (or comparable evidence) related to a contract, binding upon the parties to the contract, for sale of (i) the constructed Generating Facility, (ii) the Generating Facility's energy, or (iii) the Generating Facility's ancillary services if the Generating Facility is an electric storage resource; where the term of sale is not less than five (5) years. The contract must include an end use customer (i.e. representing load) and may not be between Affiliates.;
- b) Reasonable evidence the project has been selected in a Resource Plan or Resource Solicitation Process.;
- Provisional Large Generator Interconnection Agreement accepted for filing at FERC. Such an agreement shall not be suspended and shall include a commitment to construct the Generating Facility;

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- d) Applications for all required land, water and air permits required for the Generating Facility. If Interconnection Customer is unable to apply for a specific permit, Interconnection Customer must (1) describe the reasons it is unable to apply for the permit and (2) provide a detailed permitting plan that includes specific permitting milestones. Transmission Provider shall accept reasonable permitting plans and shall deem the Interconnection Request withdrawn if it does not meet the permitting milestones. Interconnection Customer shall provide evidence it is meeting permitting milestones or shall be withdrawn according to Section 3.7. Unless Transmission Provider is able to provide or has provided such information, applications for permits that information associated Transmission Interconnection Facilities or Network Upgrades are not required until thirty (30) Calendar Days after the draft Interconnection Facilities Study report is tendered.; or
- e) Seven and a half million dollars (\$7,500,000) in security in the form of an irrevocable letter of credit, cash, surety bond, or other form of security that is reasonably acceptable to Transmission Provider.

8.6.2 Readiness Demonstration 2

If a Cluster Restudy is required, Readiness Demonstration 2 is required within twenty (20) Calendar Days after the Cluster Study Report Meeting. Readiness Demonstration 2 is satisfied by any one or combination of the options below at Interconnection Customer's option.

- a) Executed contract, binding upon the parties to the contract, for sale of (i) the constructed Generating Facility, (ii) the Generating Facility's energy, or (iii) the Generating Facility's ancillary services if the Generating Facility is an electric storage resource; where the term of sale is not less than five (5) years. Contract must include an end use customer (i.e. representing load) and may not be between Affiliates;
- b) Reasonable evidence that the project has been selected in an approved Resource Plan or Resource Solicitation Process.;
- c) An unsuspended Provisional Large Generator Interconnection Agreement accepted for filing by FERC with reasonable evidence that the Generating Facility and Interconnection Facilities have commenced design and engineering.;
- d) In addition to the information described in 8.6.1.d, (1) evidence of Generating Facility, site and substation 60% design drawings are complete, (2) procurement plan for all Generating Facility equipment consistent with expected In-Service date, including

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- (i) updated lead time for equipment, (ii) purchase orders of site-specific equipment consistent with procurement plan and (3) if required for the project, (i) completed Phase 1 Environmental Site Assessment and (ii) completed Wetland Delineation. Interconnection Customer shall provide reasonable evidence it is meeting milestones in the procurement plan or it shall be withdrawn according to Section 3.7; or
- e) Having previously satisfied 8.6.1.e or, if not, providing seven and a half million dollars (\$7,500,000) in security in the form of an irrevocable letter of credit.

8.6.3 Readiness Demonstration 3

Readiness Demonstration 3 is required to proceed to the Facilities Study and is satisfied by any one or combination of the options below at Interconnection Customer's option.

- a) Executed contract, binding upon the parties to the contract, for sale of (i) the constructed Generating Facility, (ii) the Generating Facility's energy, or (iii) the Generating Facility's ancillary services and capacity if the Generating Facility is an electric storage resource; where the term of sale is not less than five (5) years. Contract must include an end use customer (i.e. representing load) and may not be between Affiliates.;
- b) Reasonable evidence that the project has been selected in an approved Resource Plan or Resource Solicitation Process;
- c) An unsuspended Provisional Large Generator Interconnection Agreement accepted for filing by FERC with reasonable evidence that the Generating Facility and Interconnection Facilities have commenced construction.;
- In addition to the information described in 8.6.1.d and 8.6.2.d, d) (1) construction, engineering and procurement plan for the Generation Facility consistent with the expected In-Service Date, (2) reasonable evidence that any actions in the construction, engineering and procurement plan required to achieve the requested In-Service Date are complete, including execution of contracts, (3) all required permits (air, water, and land use) needed to construct the Generating Facility are approved, or if not yet approved, a detailed plan and schedule to achieve approval is developed, (4) if required for the project, a completed Natural and Cultural Resources Assessment, and (5) evidence of closing of project financing for the Generating Facility or proof of financial capability and commitment to construct the Generating Facility. Closing of project financing may be contingent on executing the LGIA with interconnection

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costs reasonably estimated by the Cluster Study results and may be provided up to sixty (60) Calendar Days after Readiness Demonstration 3 is due. Interconnection Customer shall provide reasonable evidence it has met each milestone identified in the construction, engineering and procurement plan by the date the milestone is due or shall be withdrawn according to Section 3.7.; or

e) Having previously satisfied 8.6.1.e or 8.6.2.e, or, if not, providing seven and a half million dollars (\$7,500,000) in security in the form of an irrevocable letter of credit, cash, surety bond, or other form of security that is reasonably acceptable to Transmission Provider.

8.6.4 Security Requirements and Readiness Demonstration 4

Readiness Demonstration 4 is required to proceed to an LGIA. Security shall be in the form of an irrevocable letter of credit, cash, asurety bond, or other form of security that is reasonably acceptable to Transmission Provider, upon which Transmission Provider may draw, or cash. Subject to the Withdrawal Penalty provisions of Section 3.7, the security is refunded to the Interconnection Customer upon withdrawal, LGIA termination, or Commercial Operation after any final invoice is settled. If cash is provided as security, it shall be refunded plus interest, where the interest is calculated in accordance with the methodology set forth in FERC's regulations at 18 CFR § 35.19a(a)(2)(iii) from the date the security is received to the date that it is refunded. Security may be drawn upon if costs under this LGIP, including the LGIA, remain unpaid as per this LGIP and/or the LGIA.

As part of a valid interconnection request all Interconnection Customers must provide security equal to the study deposit amount as described in Section 3.1.1.a. The security provided in Section 3.1.1.a will be applied towards the amount of security required for under this Section 8.6.4 if the final study invoice is paid and the Interconnection Request is not withdrawn or undergoing dispute resolution.

All Interconnection Customers are required to provide security in order to satisfy Readiness Demonstration 4 prior to full execution of the LGIA as described in Section 12. The amount of security required for Readiness Demonstration for LGIA is equal to five (5) million dollars for projects not using the Readiness Demonstration options listed in 8.6.1.e, 8.6.2.e, or 8.6.3.e, and seven and a half (7.5) million dollars for projects using a Readiness Demonstration option in 8.6.1.e, 8.6.2.e, or 8.6.3.e, and in the form of an irrevocable letter of credit, cash, surety bond, or other form of security that is reasonably acceptable to Transmission Provider, upon which Transmission Provider may draw, or cash. As the additional amount required under this Section 8.6.4 is the total security required to satisfy Readiness Demonstration 4, any

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security provided pursuant to Sections 3.1.1(a) shall be applied toward the Readiness Demonstration 4 amount when the LGIA is executed. The Interconnection Customer shall only be responsible to provide the incremental amount of security to the Transmission Provider and any excess security provided shall be refunded to the Interconnection Customer. Transmission Provider shall refund all security provided under this section to the Interconnection Customer upon achieving Commercial Operation.

Section 9. Interconnection Facilities Study.

9.1 Interconnection Facilities Study Agreement.

Within five (5) Business Days following Transmission Provider notifying each Interconnection Customer within the Cluster that no further Cluster Restudy is required (per Section 7.5 of this LGIP), Transmission Provider shall provide to Interconnection Customer an Interconnection Facilities Study Agreement in the form of Appendix 3 to this LGIP. Within five (5) Business Days following the Cluster Report Meeting or Cluster Restudy Report Meeting if applicable, Transmission Provider shall provide to Interconnection Customer a non-binding good faith estimate of the cost and timeframe for completing the Interconnection Facilities Study. Interconnection Customer shall compensate Transmission Provider for the actual cost of the Interconnection Facilities Study. Interconnection Customer shall execute the Interconnection Facilities Study Agreement and deliver the executed Interconnection Facilities Study Agreement to Transmission Provider within thirty (30) Calendar Days after its receipt, together with:

- (1) any of the required technical data; and
- (2) a Readiness Demonstration 3 pursuant to Section 8.6.3 of this LGIP. Any deposit paid pursuant to this Section 9 shall be refunded upon withdrawal in accordance with Section 3.7 of this LGIP.

Interconnection Customer shall promptly inform Transmission Provider of any material change to Interconnection Customer's demonstration of Site Control under Section 3.4.2(c) of this LGIP. Upon Transmission Provider determining separately that Interconnection Customer no longer satisfies the Site Control requirement, Transmission Provider shall notify Interconnection Customer. Within ten (10) Business Days of such notification, Interconnection Customer must demonstrate compliance with the applicable requirement subject to Transmission Provider's approval, not to be unreasonably withheld. Absent such demonstration, Transmission Provider shall deem the subject Interconnection Request withdrawn pursuant to Section 3.7 of this LGIP.

9.2 Scope of Interconnection Facilities Study.

The Interconnection Facilities Study shall be specific to each Interconnection Request and performed on an individual, i.e., non-clustered, basis. The Interconnection Facilities Study shall specify and provide a non-binding estimate of the cost of the equipment, engineering, procurement and construction work needed to implement the conclusions of the Cluster Study Report (and any

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associated restudies) in accordance with Good Utility Practice to physically and electrically connect the Interconnection Facilities to the Transmission System. The Interconnection Facilities Study shall also identify the electrical switching configuration of the connection equipment, including, without limitation: the transformer, switchgear, meters, and other station equipment; the nature and estimated cost of any Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades necessary to accomplish the interconnection; and an estimate of the time required to complete the construction and installation of such facilities.

The Interconnection Facilities Study will also identify any potential control equipment for (1) requests for Interconnection Service that are lower than the Generating Facility Capacity, and/or (2) requests to study a Generating Facility that includes at least one electric storage resource using operating assumptions (i.e., whether the interconnecting Generating Facility will or will not charge at peak load) that reflect its proposed charging behavior, as requested by Interconnection Customer, unless Transmission Provider determines that Good Utility Practice, including Applicable Reliability Standards, otherwise require the use of different operating assumptions.

9.3 Interconnection Facilities Study Procedures.

- a. Transmission Provider shall coordinate the Interconnection Facilities Study with any Affected System Operator pursuant to Section 3.6 of this LGIP. Transmission Provider shall utilize existing studies to the extent practicable in performing the Interconnection Facilities Study. Transmission Provider shall complete the study and issue a draft Interconnection Facilities Study Report to Interconnection Customer within the following number of days after receipt of an executed Interconnection Facilities Study Agreement: ninety (90) Calendar Days, with no more than a +/- twenty percent (20%) cost estimate contained in the report; or one hundred eighty (180) Calendar Days, if Interconnection Customer requests a +/- ten percent (10%) cost estimate.
- b. At the request of Interconnection Customer or at any time Transmission Provider determines that it will not meet the required time frame for completing the Interconnection Facilities Study, Transmission Provider shall notify Interconnection Customer as to the schedule status of the Interconnection Facilities Study. If Transmission Provider is unable to complete the Interconnection Facilities Study and issue a draft Interconnection Facilities Study Report within the time identified, it shall notify Interconnection Customer and provide an estimated completion date and an explanation of the reasons why additional time is required.
- c. Interconnection Customer may, within thirty (30) Calendar Days after receipt of the draft Interconnection Facilities Study Report, provide written comments to Transmission Provider, which Transmission Provider shall consider in completing the final Interconnection Facilities Study Report. Transmission Provider shall issue the final Interconnection Facilities Study Report within fifteen (15) Business Days of receiving Interconnection

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Customer's comments or promptly upon receiving Interconnection Customer's statement that it will not provide comments. Transmission Provider may reasonably extend such fifteen (15) Business Day period upon notice to Interconnection Customer if Interconnection Customer's comments require Transmission Provider to perform additional analyses or make other significant modifications prior to the issuance of the final Interconnection Facilities Study Report. Upon request, Transmission Provider shall provide Interconnection Customer supporting documentation, workpapers, and databases or data developed in the preparation of the Interconnection Facilities Study, subject to confidentiality arrangements consistent with Section 14.1.

9.4 Meeting with Transmission Provider.

Transmission Provider shall offer a meeting scheduled within ten (10) Business Days of providing a draft Interconnection Facilities Study Report to discuss the results of the Interconnection Facilities Study. Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer shall work to hold such a meeting on a mutually agreeable date.

9.5 Restudy.

If restudy of the Interconnection Facilities Study is required due to a higher or equal priority queued project withdrawing from the queue or a modification of a higher or equally queued project pursuant to Section 4.4 of this LGIP, Transmission Provider shall so notify Interconnection Customer in writing. Transmission Provider shall ensure that such restudy takes no longer than sixty (60) Calendar Days from the date of notice provided that a Cluster Restudy is not also required. In the event a Cluster Restudy is required, the process associated with such Cluster Restudies must be completed before the restudy of the Interconnection Facilities Study. Except as provided in Section 3.7 of this LGIP in the case of withdrawing Interconnection Customers, any cost of Restudy shall be borne by Interconnection Customer(s) being restudied.

Section 10. Affected System Study

10.1 Applicability.

This Section 10 outlines the duties of Transmission Provider when it receives notification that an Affected System Interconnection Customer's proposed interconnection to its host transmission provider may impact Transmission Provider's Transmission System.

10.2 Response to Notifications

10.2.1 Response to Initial Notification

When Transmission Provider receives initial notification either following the Cluster Study or Cluster Restudy that an Affected System Interconnection Customer's proposed interconnection to its host transmission provider may impact Transmission Provider's Transmission System,

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Transmission Provider must respond in writing within twenty (20) Business Days whether it intends to conduct an Affected System Study.

By fifteen (15) Business Days after the Transmission Provider responds with its affirmative intent to conduct an Affected System Study, Transmission Provider shall share with Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) and the Affected System Interconnection Customer's host transmission provider a non-binding good faith estimate of the cost and the schedule to complete the Affected System Study.

10.2.2 Response to Notification of Cluster Restudy

Within five (5) Business Days of receipt of notification of Cluster Restudy, Transmission Provider will send written notification to Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) involved in the Cluster Restudy and the host transmission provider that Transmission Provider intends to delay a planned or in-progress Affected System Study until after completion of the Cluster Restudy. If Transmission Provider decides to delay the Affected System Study, it is not required to meet its obligations under Section 9 of this LGIP until the time that it receives notification from the host transmission provider that the Cluster Restudy is complete. If Transmission Provider decides to move forward with its Affected System Study despite the Cluster Restudy, then it must meet all requirements under Section 9 of this LGIP.

10.3 Affected System Queue Position.

Transmission Provider must assign an Affected System Queue Position to Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) that require(s) an Affected System Study. Such Affected System Queue Position shall be assigned based upon the date of execution of the Affected System Study Agreement. Relative to Transmission Provider's Interconnection Customers, this Affected System Queue Position shall be higher-queued than any Cluster that has not yet received its Cluster Study Report and shall be lower-queued than any Cluster that has already received its Cluster Study Report. Consistent with Section 10.7 of this LGIP, Transmission Provider shall study the Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) via Clustering, and all Affected System Interconnection Customers that are equally queued, the Affected System Queue Position shall have no bearing on the assignment of Affected System Network Upgrades identified in the applicable Affected System Study. The costs of the Affected System Network Upgrades shall be allocated among the Affected System Interconnection Customers in accordance with Section 10.9 of this LGIP.

10.4 Affected System Study Agreement/Multiparty Affected System Study Agreement.

Unless otherwise agreed, Transmission Provider shall provide to Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) an Affected System Study Agreement/Multiparty Affected System Study Agreement, in the form of Appendix 4 or Appendix 5 to this LGIP, as applicable, within ten (10) Business Days of Transmission Provider sharing the schedule for the Affected System Study per Section 10.2 of this LGIP. Upon Affected System Interconnection Customer(s)' receipt of the Affected System Study Report, Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) shall compensate Transmission Provider for the actual cost of the Affected System Study. Any difference between the study

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deposit and the actual cost of the Affected System Study shall be paid by or refunded to the Affected System Interconnection Customer(s). Any invoices for the Affected System Study shall include a detailed and itemized accounting of the cost of the study. Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) shall pay any excess costs beyond the already-paid Affected System Study deposit or be reimbursed for any costs collected over the actual cost of the Affected System Study within thirty (30) Calendar Days of receipt of an invoice thereof. If Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) fail to pay such undisputed costs within the time allotted, it shall lose its Affected System Queue Position. Transmission Provider shall notify Affected System Interconnection Customer's host transmission provider of such failure to pay.

10.5 Execution of Affected System Study Agreement/Multiparty Affected System Study Agreement.

Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) shall execute the Affected System Study Agreement/Multiparty Affected System Study Agreement, deliver the executed Affected System Study Agreement to Transmission Provider, and provide the Affected System Study deposit within ten (10) Business Days of receipt. If Transmission Provider notifies Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) that it will delay the Affected System Study pursuant to Section 10.2.2 of this LGIP, Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) are neither required to execute and return the previously tendered Affected System Study/Multiparty Affected System Study deposit for the previously tendered Affected System Study Agreement.

If Affected System Interconnection Customer does not provide all required technical data when it delivers the Affected System Study Agreement/Multiparty Affected System Study Agreement, Transmission Provider shall notify the deficient Affected System Interconnection Customer, as well as the host transmission provider with which Affected System Interconnection Customer seeks to interconnect, of the technical data deficiency within five (5) Business Days of the receipt of the executed Affected System Study Agreement/Multiparty Affected System Study Agreement and the deficient Affected System Interconnection Customer shall cure the technical deficiency within ten (10) Business Days of receipt of the notice: provided, however, that such deficiency does not include failure to deliver the executed Affected System Study Agreement/Multiparty Affected System Study Agreement or deposit for the Affected System Study Agreement/Multiparty Affected System Study Agreement. If Affected System Interconnection Customer does not cure the technical data deficiency within the cure period or fails to execute the Affected System Study Agreement/Multiparty Affected System Study Agreement or provide the deposit, the Affected System Interconnection Customer shall lose its Affected System Queue Position.

10.6 Scope of Affected System Study.

The Affected System Study shall evaluate the impact that any Affected System Interconnection Customer's proposed interconnection to another transmission provider's transmission system will have on the reliability of Transmission Provider's Transmission System. The Affected System Study shall consider the Base Case as well as all Generating Facilities (and with respect to (iii) below, any identified Affected System Network Upgrades associated with such higher-queued Interconnection Request) that, on the date the Affected System Study is commenced: (i) are directly interconnected to Transmission Provider's Transmission System; (ii) are directly

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interconnected to another transmission provider's transmission system and may have an impact on Affected System Interconnection Customer's interconnection request; (iii) have a pending higher-queued Interconnection Request to interconnect to Transmission Provider's Transmission System; and (iv) have no queue position but have executed an LGIA or requested that an unexecuted LGIA be filed with FERC. Transmission Provider has no obligation to study impacts of Affected System Interconnection Customers of which it is not notified.

The Affected System Study shall consist of a power flow, stability, and short circuit analysis. The Affected System Study Report will: state the assumptions upon which it is based; state the results of the analyses; and provide the potential impediments to Affected System Interconnection Customer's receipt if interconnection service on its host transmission provider's transmission system, including a preliminary indication of the cost and length of time that would be necessary to correct any problems identified in those analyses and implement the interconnection. For purposes of determining necessary Affected System Network Upgrades, the Affected System Study shall consider the level of interconnection service requested in megawatts by Affected System Interconnection Customer, unless otherwise required to study the full generating facility capacity due to safety or reliability concerns. The Affected System Study Report shall provide a list of facilities that are required as a result of Affected System Interconnection Customer's proposed interconnection to another transmission provider's system, a nonbinding good faith estimate of cost responsibility, and a non-binding good faith estimated time to construct. The Affected System Study may consist of a system impact study, a facilities study, or some combination thereof.

10.7 Affected System Study Procedures.

Transmission Provider shall use Clustering in conducting the Affected System Study and shall use existing studies to the extent practicable, when multiple Affected System Interconnection Customers that are part of a single Cluster may cause the need for Affected System Network Upgrades. Transmission Provider shall complete the Affected System Study and provide the Affected System Study Report to Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) and the host transmission provider with whom interconnection has been requested within one hundred fifty (150) Calendar Days after the receipt of the Affected System Study Agreement and deposit.

At the request of Affected System Interconnection Customer, Transmission Provider shall notify Affected System Interconnection Customer as to the status of the Affected System Study. If Transmission Provider is unable to complete the Affected System Study within the requisite time period, it shall notify Affected System Interconnection Customer(s), as well as the transmission provider with which Affected System Interconnection Customer seeks to interconnect, and shall provide an estimated completion date with an explanation of the reasons why additional time is required. If Transmission Provider does not meet the deadlines in this section, Transmission Provider shall be subject to the financial penalties as described in Section 3.9 of this LGIP. Upon request, Transmission Provider shall provide Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) with all supporting documentation, workpapers and relevant power flow, short circuit and stability databases for the Affected System Study, subject to confidentiality arrangements consistent with Section 14.1 of this LGIP. Transmission Provider must study an Affected System Interconnection Customer using the Energy Resource Interconnection Service modeling standard used for Interconnection Requests on its own Transmission System, regardless of the level of

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interconnection service that Affected System Interconnection Customer is seeking from the host transmission provider with whom it seeks to interconnect.

10.8 Meeting with Transmission Provider.

Within ten (10) Business Days of providing the Affected System Study Report to Affected System Interconnection Customer(s), Transmission Provider and Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) shall meet to discuss the results of the Affected System Study.

10.9 Affected System Cost Allocation.

Transmission Provider shall allocate Affected System Network Upgrade costs identified during the Affected System Study to Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) using a proportional impact method, consistent with Section 4.2.4(b) of this LGIP.

10.10 Tender of Affected Systems Facilities Construction Agreement/Multiparty Affected System Facilities Construction Agreement.

Transmission Provider shall tender to Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) an Affected System Facilities Construction Agreement/Multiparty Affected System Facilities Construction Agreement, as applicable, in the form of Appendix 6 or 7 to this LGIP, within thirty (30) Calendar Days of providing the Affected System Study Report. Within ten (10) Business Days of the receipt of the Affected System Facilities Construction Agreement/Multiparty Affected System Facilities Construction Agreement, the Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) must execute the agreement or request the agreement to be filed unexecuted with FERC. Transmission Provider shall execute the agreement or file the agreement unexecuted within five (5) Business Days after receiving direction from Affected System Interconnection Customer(s). Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) Construction Agreement/Multiparty Affected System Facilities Construction Agreement, or failure to request the agreement to be filed unexecuted with FERC, shall result in the loss of its Affected System Queue Position.

10.11 Restudy.

If restudy of the Affected System Study is required, Transmission Provider shall notify Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) in writing within thirty (30) Calendar Days of discovery of the need for restudy. Such restudy shall take no longer than sixty (60) Calendar Days from the date of notice. Any cost of restudy shall be borne by the Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) being restudied.

Section 11. Engineering & Procurement ("E&P") Agreement.

Prior to executing an LGIA, an Interconnection Customer may, in order to advance the implementation of its interconnection, request and Transmission Provider shall offer the Interconnection Customer, an E&P Agreement that authorizes Transmission Provider to begin engineering and procurement of long lead-time items necessary for the establishment of the interconnection. However, Transmission Provider shall not be obligated to offer an E&P Agreement if

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Interconnection Customer is in Dispute Resolution as a result of an allegation that Interconnection Customer has failed to meet any Readiness Demonstrations or comply with any prerequisites specified in other parts of the Revised LGIP. The E&P Agreement is an optional procedure and it will not alter the Interconnection Customer's Queue Position or In-Service Date. At the Transmission Provider's sole discretion, Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer may enter into an E&P Agreement prior to the customer making an Interconnection Request. Transmission Provider may use an E&P Agreement to develop information Interconnection Customer may require to become a ready project such as for permitting applications, Generating Facility design or other activities associated with increasing readiness prior to entering the Queue. The E&P Agreement shall provide for Interconnection Customer to pay the cost of all activities authorized by Interconnection Customer and to make advance payments or provide other satisfactory security for such costs.

Interconnection Customer shall pay the cost of such authorized activities and any cancellation costs for equipment that is already ordered for its interconnection, which cannot be mitigated as hereafter described, whether or not such items or equipment later become unnecessary. If Interconnection Customer withdraws its application for interconnection or either Party terminates the E&P Agreement, to the extent the equipment ordered can be canceled under reasonable terms, Interconnection Customer shall be obligated to pay the associated cancellation costs. To the extent that the equipment cannot be reasonably canceled, Transmission Provider may elect: (i) to take title to the equipment, in which event Transmission Provider shall refund Interconnection Customer any amounts paid by Interconnection Customer for such equipment and shall pay the cost of delivery of such equipment, or (ii) to transfer title to and deliver such equipment to Interconnection Customer, in which event Interconnection Customer shall pay any unpaid balance and cost of delivery of such equipment.

Section 12. Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement (LGIA).

12.1 Tender.

Interconnection Customer shall tender comments on the draft Interconnection Facilities Study report within thirty (30) Calendar Days of receipt of the draft Interconnection Facilities Study report. Within thirty (30) Calendar Days (1) after the comments from Interconnection Customer are received, (2) after the Interconnection Customer notifies Transmission Provider that it will provide no comments, or (3) after thirty (30) Calendar Days if no comments are received, Transmission Provider shall tender (1) a draft LGIA that includes appendices (partially or fully completed) and (2) a final Interconnection Facilities Study report. The draft LGIA shall be in the form of Transmission Provider's FERC-approved standard form LGIA, which is in Appendix 12, unless parties have mutually agreed to develop a non-conforming agreement. Interconnection Customer shall return the completed draft appendices and execute the LGIA within thirty (30) Calendar Days of receiving the draft LGIA and final Interconnection Facilities Study unless (1) the sixty (60) Calendar Day negotiation period under Section 12.2 has

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commenced, or (2) LGIA execution, or filing unexecuted, has been delayed to await the Affected System Study Report pursuant to Section 12.2.1 of this LGIP.

12.2 Negotiation.

Notwithstanding Section 12.1 of this LGIP, at the request of Interconnection Customer, Transmission Provider shall begin negotiations with Interconnection Customer concerning the appendices to the LGIA at any time after Interconnection Customer executes the Interconnection Facilities Study Agreement.

Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer shall negotiate any provisions in the appendices to the draft LGIA for not more than sixty (60) Calendar Days after tender of the draft LGIA and final Interconnection Facilities Study report.

If Interconnection Customer determines that negotiations are at an impasse, Interconnection Customer may request termination of the negotiations at any time after tender of the draft LGIA and request submission of an unexecuted LGIA with FERC or initiate Dispute Resolution procedures pursuant to Section 14.5 of this LGIP. If Interconnection Customer requests termination of the negotiations, but within sixty (60) Business Days thereafter fails to request either the filing of the unexecuted LGIA or initiate Dispute Resolution, it shall be deemed to have withdrawn its Interconnection Request. If Interconnection Customer requests submission of an unexecuted LGIA, Transmission Provider shall develop and provide to Interconnection Customer the final LGIA within (15) Business Days of such request.

Unless otherwise mutually agreed by the Parties, if Interconnection Customer has not executed the LGIA, requested filing of an unexecuted LGIA, or initiated Dispute Resolution procedures pursuant to Section 14.5 of this LGIP within sixty (60) Calendar Days of tender of draft LGIA and final Interconnection Facilities Study report, it shall be deemed to have withdrawn its Interconnection Request.

Transmission Provider shall provide to Interconnection Customer a final LGIA within fifteen (15) Business Days after the completion of the negotiation process.

12.2.1 Delay in LGIA Execution, or Filing Unexecuted, to Await Affected System Study Report.

If Interconnection Customer has not received its Affected System Study Report from the Affected System Operator prior to the date that it would be required to execute its LGIA (or request that its LGIA be filed unexecuted) pursuant to Section 12.1 of this LGIP, Transmission Provider shall, upon request of Interconnection Customer, extend this deadline to thirty (30) Calendar Days after Interconnection Customer's receipt of the Affected System Study Report. If Interconnection Customer, after delaying LGIA execution, or requesting unexecuted filing, to await Affected System Study Report, decides to proceed to LGIA execution, or request unexecuted filing, without those results, it may notify Transmission Provider of its intent to proceed with LGIA execution (or request that its LGIA be filed unexecuted) pursuant to Section 12.1 of this LGIP. If Transmission Provider determines that

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further delay to the LGIA execution date would cause a material impact on the cost or timing of an equal- or lower-queued Interconnection Customer, Transmission Provider must notify Interconnection Customer of such impacts and set the deadline to execute the LGIA (or request that the LGIA be filed unexecuted) to thirty (30) Calendar Days after such notice is provided.

12.3 Execution and Filing.

Simultaneously with submitting the executed LGIA to Transmission Provider, or within ten (10) Business Days after the Interconnection Customer requests that the Transmission Provider file the LGIA unexecuted at the Commission, Interconnection Customer shall provide Transmission Provider with the following:

- (1) demonstration of continued Site Control for Interconnection Customer's Generation Facilities pursuant to Section 3.4.2 of the LGIP;
- (2) demonstration of Site Control for 50% of Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities; and
- (3) Readiness Demonstration 4 equal to
 - a. security equal to five million dollars (\$5,000,000) for Interconnection Customers that have not used Section 8.6.1.e, 8.6.2.e, or 8.6.3.e); or
 - b. Interconnection Customers that have used Section 8.6.1.e, 8.6.2.e, or 8.6.3.e, meaning they have provided seven and a half million dollars (\$7,500,000) in security, are considered to have met Readiness Demonstration 4.

If Interconnection Customer does not reach Commercial Operation, upon payment of any final invoice, including any Withdrawal Penalty, Readiness Demonstration 4 shall be refunded to the Interconnection Customer, including any accumulated interest, if applicable. If the Interconnection Customer reaches Commercial Operation, Readiness Demonstration 4 is refunded to the Interconnection Customer including any accumulated interest, if applicable. Interconnection Customer may not request to suspend its LGIA under LGIA Article 5.16 until Interconnection Customer has provided (1), (2), and (3) of this Section 12.3 to Transmission Provider. If Interconnection Customer fails to provide (1), (2), and (3) of this Section 12.3 to Transmission Provider within the thirty (30) Calendar Days allowed for returning the executed LGIA and appendices under LGIP Section 12.1, or within ten (10) Business Days after Interconnection Customer requests that Transmission Provider file the LGIA unexecuted at the Commission as allowed in this Section 12.3 of this LGIP, the Interconnection Request will be deemed withdrawn pursuant to Section 3.7 of this LGIP.

Within fifteen (15) Business Days after receipt of the final LGIA, Interconnection Customer also shall provide reasonable evidence that one or more of the following milestones in the development of the Large Generating Facility, at Interconnection Customer election, has been achieved (unless such milestone is inapplicable due to the characteristics of the Generating Facility): (i) the execution of a contract for the supply or transportation of fuel to the Large Generating Facility (not available for storage, wind or solar resources); (ii) the execution of a contract for the supply

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of cooling water to the Large Generating Facility (not available for storage, wind or solar resources); (iii) execution of a contract for the engineering for, procurement of major equipment for, or construction of, the Large Generating Facility; (iv) execution of a contract (or comparable evidence) for the sale of electric energy or capacity from the Large Generating Facility; or (v) application for an air, water, or land use permit.

Within fifteen (15) Business Days after receipt of the final LGIA, Interconnection Customer shall either: (i) execute two originals of the tendered final LGIA and return them to Transmission Provider (or upon mutual agreement electronically execute the final LGIA); or (ii) request in writing that Transmission Provider file with FERC an LGIA in unexecuted form. As soon as practicable, but not later than ten (10) Business Days after receiving either the two executed originals of the tendered final LGIA (if it does not conform with a FERC-approved Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement) or the request to file the final LGIA unexecuted, Transmission Provider shall file the final LGIA with FERC, together with its explanation of any matters as to which Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider disagree and support for the costs that Transmission Provider proposes to charge to Interconnection Customer under the LGIA. An unexecuted LGIA should contain terms and conditions deemed appropriate by Transmission Provider for the Interconnection Request. If the Parties agree to proceed with design, procurement, and construction of facilities and upgrades under the agreed-upon terms of the unexecuted LGIA, they may proceed pending FERC action.

If Interconnection Customer provides the requirements and executes final LGIAs as described above in this section, Transmission Provider shall fully execute the LGIA.

12.4 Commencement of Interconnection Activities.

If Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider execute the final LGIA, Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer shall perform their respective obligations in accordance with the terms of the LGIA, subject to modification by FERC. Upon submission of an unexecuted LGIA to FERC, Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider shall promptly comply with the unexecuted LGIA, subject to modification by FERC.

Section 13. Construction of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades.

13.1 Schedule.

Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer shall negotiate in good faith concerning a schedule for the construction of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and the Network Upgrades.

13.2 Construction Sequencing.

13.2.1 **General.**

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In general, the In-Service Date of an Interconnection Customer seeking interconnection to the Transmission System will determine the sequence of construction of Network Upgrades. Construction sequencing may also apply to shared Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities in a similar manner as described below for Network Upgrades.

13.2.2 Advance Construction of Network Upgrades that are an Obligation of an Entity other than Interconnection Customer.

An Interconnection Customer with an LGIA, in order to maintain its In-Service Date, may request that Transmission Provider advance, to the extent necessary, the completion of Network Upgrades that: (i) were assumed in the Interconnection Studies for such Interconnection Customer, (ii) are necessary to support such In-Service Date, and (iii) would otherwise not be completed, pursuant to a contractual obligation of an entity other than Interconnection Customer that is seeking interconnection to the Transmission System, in time to support such In-Service Date. Upon such request, Transmission Provider will use Reasonable Efforts to advance the construction of such Network Upgrades to accommodate such request; provided that Interconnection Customer commits to pay Transmission Provider: (i) any associated expediting costs; and (ii) the cost of such Network Upgrades.

Construction sequencing may result in a different interconnection configuration than identified in the interconnection studies (before any amendment described in Section 13.2.4, if appliable). The cost responsibility/allocation of upgrades between the other entity and the Interconnection Customer shall be determined by the interconnection or other study results (i.e. prior to any amendment described in Section 13.2.4, if appliable). The updated configuration and cost responsibilities shall be described in the LGIA and the other entity's LGIA. LGIAs shall be amended if necessary. To minimize costs, Transmission Provider may elect to only construct upgrades needed to meet the requested inservice date and may delay other upgrades until the other entity requires the remaining upgrades to be constructed.

Transmission Provider will refund to Interconnection Customer both the expediting costs and the cost of Network Upgrades, in accordance with Article 11.4 of the LGIA. Consequently, the entity with a contractual obligation to construct such Network Upgrades shall be obligated to pay only that portion of the costs of the Network Upgrades that Transmission Provider has not refunded to Interconnection Customer. Payment by that entity shall be due on the date that it would have been due had there been no request for advance construction. Transmission Provider shall forward to Interconnection Customer the amount paid by the entity with a contractual obligation to construct the Network Upgrades as payment in full for the outstanding balance owed to Interconnection Customer. Transmission Provider then shall refund to

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that entity the amount that it paid for the Network Upgrades, in accordance with Article 11.4 of the LGIA.

13.2.3 Advancing Construction of Network Upgrades that are Part of an Expansion Plan of the Transmission Provider.

An Interconnection Customer with an LGIA, in order to maintain its In-Service Date, may request that Transmission Provider advance to the extent necessary the completion of Network Upgrades that: (i) are necessary to support such In-Service Date; and (ii) would otherwise not be completed, pursuant to an expansion plan of Transmission Provider, in time to support such In-Service Date. Upon such request, Transmission Provider will use Reasonable Efforts to advance the construction of such Network Upgrades to accommodate such request; provided that Interconnection Customer commits to pay Transmission Provider any associated expediting costs. Interconnection Customer shall be entitled to transmission credits, if any, for any expediting costs paid.

13.2.4 Amended Cluster Study Report.

An Interconnection Cluster Study Report or Interconnection Facilities Study Report may be amended to determine the facilities necessary to support the requested In-Service Date. This amended study report will include those transmission and Large Generating Facilities that are expected to be in service on or before the requested In-Service Date.

Section 14. Miscellaneous.

14.1 Confidentiality.

Confidential Information shall include, without limitation, all information relating to a Party's technology, research and development, business affairs, and pricing, and any information supplied by either of the Parties to the other prior to the execution of an LGIA.

Information is Confidential Information only if it is clearly designated or marked in writing as confidential on the face of the document, or, if the information is conveyed orally or by inspection, if the Party providing the information orally informs the Party receiving the information that the information is confidential.

If requested by either Party, the other Party shall provide in writing the basis for asserting that the information referred to in this Article warrants confidential treatment, and the requesting Party may disclose such writing to the appropriate Governmental Authority. Each Party shall be responsible for the costs associated with affording confidential treatment to its information.

14.1.1 Scope.

Confidential Information shall not include information that the receiving Party can demonstrate: (1) is generally available to the public other than as a result of a disclosure by the receiving Party; (2) was in the

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lawful possession of the receiving Party on a non-confidential basis before receiving it from the disclosing Party; (3) was supplied to the receiving Party without restriction by a third party, who, to the knowledge of the receiving Party after due inquiry, was under no obligation to the disclosing Party to keep such information confidential; (4) was independently developed by the receiving Party without reference to Confidential Information of the disclosing Party; (5) is, or becomes, publicly known, through no wrongful act or omission of the receiving Party or Breach of the LGIA; or (6) is required, in accordance with Section 14.1.6 of this LGIP, Order of Disclosure, to be disclosed by any Governmental Authority or is otherwise required to be disclosed by law or subpoena, or is necessary in any legal proceeding establishing rights and obligations under the LGIA.

Information designated as Confidential Information will no longer be deemed confidential if the Party that designated the information as confidential notifies the other Party that it no longer is confidential.

14.1.2 Release of Confidential Information.

Neither Party shall release or disclose Confidential Information to any other person, except to its Affiliates (limited by the Standards of Conduct requirements), employees, consultants, or to parties who may be or considering providing financing to or equity participation with Interconnection Customer, or to potential purchasers or assignees of Interconnection Customer, on a need-to-know basis in connection with these procedures, unless such person has first been advised of the confidentiality provisions of this Section 14.1 and has agreed to comply with such provisions. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a Party providing Confidential Information to any person shall remain primarily responsible for any release of Confidential Information in contravention of this Section 14.1.

14.1.3 Rights.

Each Party retains all rights, title, and interest in the Confidential Information that each Party discloses to the other Party. The disclosure by each Party to the other Party of Confidential Information shall not be deemed a waiver by either Party or any other person or entity of the right to protect the Confidential Information from public disclosure.

14.1.4 No Warranties.

By providing Confidential Information, neither Party makes any warranties or representations as to its accuracy or completeness. In addition, by supplying Confidential Information, neither Party obligates itself to provide any particular information or Confidential Information to the other Party nor to enter into any further agreements or proceed with any other relationship or joint venture.

14.1.5 Standard of Care.

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Each Party shall use at least the same standard of care to protect Confidential Information it receives as it uses to protect its own Confidential Information from unauthorized disclosure, publication or dissemination. Each Party may use Confidential Information solely to fulfill its obligations to the other Party under these procedures or its regulatory requirements.

14.1.6 Order of Disclosure.

If a court or a Government Authority or entity with the right, power, and apparent authority to do so requests or requires either Party, by subpoena, oral deposition, interrogatories, requests for production of documents, administrative order, or otherwise, to disclose Confidential Information, that Party shall provide the other Party with prompt notice of such request(s) or requirement(s) so that the other Party may seek an appropriate protective order or waive compliance with the terms of the LGIA. Notwithstanding the absence of a protective order or waiver, the Party may disclose such Confidential Information which, in the opinion of its counsel, the Party is legally compelled to disclose. Each Party will use Reasonable Efforts to obtain reliable assurance that confidential treatment will be accorded any Confidential Information so furnished.

14.1.7 Remedies.

The Parties agree that monetary damages would be inadequate to compensate a Party for the other Party's Breach of its obligations under this Section 14.1. Each Party accordingly agrees that the other Party shall be entitled to equitable relief, by way of injunction or otherwise, if the first Party Breaches or threatens to Breach its obligations under this Section 14.1, which equitable relief shall be granted without bond or proof of damages, and the receiving Party shall not plead in defense that there would be an adequate remedy at law. Such remedy shall not be deemed an exclusive remedy for the Breach of this Section 14.1, but shall be in addition to all other remedies available at law or in equity. The Parties further acknowledge and agree that the covenants contained herein are necessary for the protection of legitimate business interests and are reasonable in scope. No Party, however, shall be liable for indirect, incidental, or consequential or punitive damages of any nature or kind resulting from or arising in connection with this Section 14.1.

14.1.8 Disclosure to FERC, its Staff, or a State.

Notwithstanding anything in this Section 14.1 to the contrary, and pursuant to 18 CFR Section 1b.20, if FERC or its staff, during the course of an investigation or otherwise, requests information from one of the Parties that is otherwise required to be maintained in confidence pursuant to this LGIP, the Party shall provide the requested information to FERC or its staff, within the time provided for in the request for information. In providing the information to FERC or its staff, the Party

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must, consistent with 18 CFR Section 388.112, request that the information be treated as confidential and non-public by FERC and its staff and that the information be withheld from public disclosure. Parties are prohibited from notifying the other Party prior to the release of the Confidential Information to FERC or its staff. The Party shall notify the other Party to the LGIA when it is notified by FERC or its staff that a request to release Confidential Information has been received by FERC, at which time either of the Parties may respond before such information would be made public, pursuant to 18 CFR Section 388.112. Requests from a state regulatory body conducting a confidential investigation shall be treated in a similar manner, consistent with applicable state rules and regulations.

- 14.1.9 Subject to the exception in Section 14.1.8 of this LGIP, any information that a Party claims is competitively sensitive, commercial or financial information ("Confidential Information") shall not be disclosed by the other Party to any person not employed or retained by the other Party, except to the extent disclosure is (i) required by law; (ii) reasonably deemed by the disclosing Party to be required to be disclosed in connection with a dispute between or among the Parties, or the defense of litigation or dispute; (iii) otherwise permitted by consent of the other Party, such consent not to be unreasonably withheld; or (iv) necessary to fulfill its obligations under this LGIP or as a transmission service provider or a Balancing Authority Area operator including disclosing the Confidential Information to an RTO or ISO or to a subregional, regional or national reliability organization or planning group. The Party asserting confidentiality shall notify the other Party in writing of the information it claims is confidential. Prior to any disclosures of the other Party's Confidential Information under this subparagraph, or if any third party or Governmental Authority makes any request or demand for any of the information described in this subparagraph, the disclosing Party agrees to promptly notify the other Party in writing and agrees to assert confidentiality and cooperate with the other Party in seeking to protect the Confidential Information from public disclosure by confidentiality agreement, protective order or other reasonable measures.
- **14.1.10** This provision shall not apply to any information that was or is hereafter in the public domain (except as a result of a Breach of this provision).

Transmission Provider shall, at Interconnection Customer's election, destroy, in a confidential manner, or return the Confidential Information provided at the time of Confidential Information is no longer needed.

14.2 Delegation of Responsibility.

Transmission Provider may use the services of subcontractors as it deems appropriate to perform its obligations under this LGIP. Transmission Provider shall remain primarily liable to Interconnection Customer for the performance of such subcontractors and compliance with its obligations of this LGIP. The subcontractor

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shall keep all information provided confidential and shall use such information solely for the performance of such obligation for which it was provided and no other purpose.

14.3 Obligation for Study Costs and Withdrawal Penalty

In the event an Interconnection Customer withdraws its Interconnection Request prior to the commencement of the Cluster Study, Interconnection Customer must pay Transmission Provider the actual costs of processing its Interconnection Request. In the event an Interconnection Customer withdraws after the commencement of the Cluster Study, Transmission Provider shall charge and Interconnection Customer shall pay the actual costs of the Interconnection Studies and the Withdrawal Penalty, as applicable. The costs of any interconnection study conducted on a clustered basis shall be allocated among each Interconnection Customer within the cluster as specified in Section 4.2.3 of this LGIP.

Any difference between the study deposit and the actual cost of the Interconnection Studies shall be paid by or refunded, except as otherwise provided herein, to Interconnection Customers. . Any invoices for Interconnection Studies shall include a detailed and itemized accounting of the cost of each Interconnection Study as well as the Withdrawal Penalty, if applicable. Interconnection Customers shall pay any such undisputed costs within thirty (30) Calendar Days of receipt of an invoice. If an Interconnection Customer fails to pay such undisputed costs within the time allotted, its Interconnection Request shall be deemed withdrawn from the Cluster Study Process and will be subject to Withdrawal Penalties pursuant to Section 3.7 of this LGIP.

14.4 Third Parties Conducting Studies.

If (i) at the time of the signing of an Interconnection Study Agreement there is disagreement as to the estimated time to complete an Interconnection Study, (ii) Interconnection Customer receives notice pursuant to Sections 8.4 or 9.3 of this LGIP that Transmission Provider will not complete an Interconnection Study within the applicable timeframe for such Interconnection Study, or (iii) Interconnection Customer receives neither the Interconnection Study nor a notice under Sections 8.4 or 9.3 of this LGIP within the applicable timeframe for such Interconnection Study, then Interconnection Customer may require Transmission Provider to utilize a third party consultant reasonably acceptable to Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider to perform such Interconnection Study under the direction of Transmission Provider. At other times, Transmission Provider may also utilize a third party consultant to perform such Interconnection Study, either in response to a general request of Interconnection Customer, or on its own volition.

In all cases, use of a third party consultant shall be in accord with Article 26 of the LGIA (Subcontractors) and limited to situations where Transmission Provider determines that doing so will help maintain or accelerate the study process for Interconnection Customer's pending Interconnection Request and not interfere with Transmission Provider's progress on Interconnection Studies for other pending Interconnection Requests. In cases where Interconnection Customer requests use of a third party consultant to perform such Interconnection Study,

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Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider shall negotiate all of the pertinent terms and conditions, including reimbursement arrangements and the estimated study completion date and study review deadline. Transmission Provider shall convey all workpapers, data bases, study results and all other supporting documentation prepared to date with respect to the Interconnection Request as soon as soon as practicable upon Interconnection Customer's request subject to the confidentiality provision in Section 14.1 of this LGIP. In any case, such third party contract may be entered into with either Interconnection Customer or Transmission Provider at Transmission Provider's discretion. In the case of clause (iii), above, Interconnection Customer maintains its right to submit a claim to Dispute Resolution to recover the costs of such third party study. Such third party consultant shall be required to comply with this LGIP, Article 26 of the LGIA (Subcontractors), and the relevant Tariff procedures and protocols as would apply if Transmission Provider were to conduct the Interconnection Study and shall use the information provided to it solely for purposes of performing such services and for no other purposes. Transmission Provider shall cooperate with such third party consultant and Interconnection Customer to complete and issue the Interconnection Study in the shortest reasonable time.

14.5 Disputes.

14.5.1 Submission.

In the event either Party has a dispute, or asserts a claim, that arises out of or in connection with the LGIA, the LGIP, or their performance, such Party (the "disputing Party") shall provide the other Party with written notice of the dispute or claim ("Notice of Dispute"). Such dispute or claim shall be referred to a designated senior representative of each Party for resolution on an informal basis as promptly as practicable after receipt of the Notice of Dispute by the other Party. In the event the designated representatives are unable to resolve the claim or dispute through unassisted or assisted negotiations within thirty (30) Calendar Days of the other Party's receipt of the Notice of Dispute, such claim or dispute may, upon mutual agreement of the Parties, be submitted to arbitration and resolved in accordance with the arbitration procedures set forth below. In the event the Parties do not agree to submit such claim or dispute to arbitration, each Party may exercise whatever rights and remedies it may have in equity or at law consistent with the terms of this LGIA.

14.5.2 External Arbitration Procedures.

Any arbitration initiated under these procedures shall be conducted before a single neutral arbitrator appointed by the Parties. If the Parties fail to agree upon a single arbitrator within ten (10) Calendar Days of the submission of the dispute to arbitration, each Party shall choose one arbitrator who shall sit on a three-member arbitration panel. The two arbitrators so chosen shall within twenty (20) Calendar Days select a third arbitrator to chair the arbitration panel. In either case, the arbitrators shall be knowledgeable in electric utility matters, including

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electric transmission and bulk power issues, and shall not have any current or past substantial business or financial relationships with any party to the arbitration (except prior arbitration). The arbitrator(s) shall provide each of the Parties an opportunity to be heard and, except as otherwise provided herein, shall conduct the arbitration in accordance with the Commercial Arbitration Rules of the American Arbitration Association ("Arbitration Rules") and any applicable FERC regulations or RTO rules; provided, however, in the event of a conflict between the Arbitration Rules and the terms of this Section 14, the terms of this Section 14 shall prevail.

14.5.3 Arbitration Decisions.

Unless otherwise agreed by the Parties, the arbitrator(s) shall render a decision within ninety (90) Calendar Days of appointment and shall notify the Parties in writing of such decision and the reasons therefore. The arbitrator(s) shall be authorized only to interpret and apply the provisions of the LGIA and LGIP and shall have no power to modify or change any provision of the LGIA and LGIP in any manner. The decision of the arbitrator(s) shall be final and binding upon the Parties, and judgment on the award may be entered in any court having jurisdiction. The decision of the arbitrator(s) may be appealed solely on the grounds that the conduct of the arbitrator(s), or the decision itself, violated the standards set forth in the Federal Arbitration Act or the Administrative Dispute Resolution Act. The final decision of the arbitrator must also be filed with FERC if it affects jurisdictional rates, terms and conditions of service, Interconnection Facilities, or Network Upgrades.

14.5.4 Costs.

Each Party shall be responsible for its own costs incurred during the arbitration process and for the following costs, if applicable: (1) the cost of the arbitrator chosen by the Party to sit on the three member panel and one-half of the cost of the third arbitrator chosen; or (2) one-half the cost of the single arbitrator jointly chosen by the Parties.

14.5.5 Non-Binding Dispute Resolution Procedures.

If a Party has submitted a Notice of Dispute pursuant to Section 14.5.1 of this LGIP, and the Parties are unable to resolve the claim or dispute through unassisted or assisted negotiations within the thirty (30) Calendar Days provided in that section, and the Parties cannot reach mutual agreement to pursue the Section 14.5 arbitration process, a Party may request that Transmission Provider engage in Non-binding Dispute Resolution pursuant to this Section by providing written notice to Transmission Provider ("Request for Non-binding Dispute Resolution"). Conversely, either Party may file a Request for Non-binding Dispute Resolution pursuant to this Section without first seeking mutual agreement to pursue the Section 14.5 arbitration process. The process in Section 14.5.5 shall serve as an alternative to, and not a

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replacement of, the Section 14.5 arbitration process. Pursuant to this process, Transmission Provider must within thirty (30) Calendar Days of receipt of the Request for Non-binding Dispute Resolution appoint a neutral decision-maker that is an independent subcontractor that shall not have any current or past substantial business or financial relationships with either Party. Unless otherwise agreed by the Parties, the decision-maker shall render a decision within sixty (60) Calendar Days of appointment and shall notify the Parties in writing of such decision and reasons therefore. This decision-maker shall be authorized only to interpret and apply the provisions of the LGIP and LGIA and shall have no power to modify or change any provision of the LGIP and LGIA in any manner. The result reached in this process is not binding, but, unless otherwise agreed, the Parties may cite the record and decision in the non-binding dispute resolution process in future dispute resolution processes, including in Section 14.5 arbitration, or in a Federal Power Act Section 206 complaint. Each Party shall be responsible for its own costs incurred during the process and the cost of the decision-maker shall be divided equally among each Party to the dispute.

14.6 Local Furnishing Bonds.

14.6.1 Transmission Providers That Own Facilities Financed by Local Furnishing Bonds.

This provision is applicable only to a Transmission Provider that has financed facilities for the local furnishing of electric energy with tax-exempt bonds, as described in Section 142(f) of the Internal Revenue Code ("local furnishing bonds"). Notwithstanding any other provision of this LGIA and LGIP, Transmission Provider shall not be required to provide Interconnection Service to Interconnection Customer pursuant to this LGIA and LGIP if the provision of such Transmission Service would jeopardize the tax-exempt status of any local furnishing bond(s) used to finance Transmission Provider's facilities that would be used in providing such Interconnection Service.

14.6.2 Alternative Procedures for Requesting Interconnection Service.

If Transmission Provider determines that the provision of Interconnection Service requested by Interconnection Customer would jeopardize the tax-exempt status of any local furnishing bond(s) used to finance its facilities that would be used in providing such Interconnection Service, it shall advise Interconnection Customer within thirty (30) Calendar Days of receipt of the Interconnection Request.

Interconnection Customer thereafter may renew its request for interconnection using the process specified in Article 5.2(ii) of the Transmission Provider's Tariff.

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| 1. | | undersigned Interconnection Customer submits this request to interconnect its Large erating Facility with Transmission Provider's Transmission System pursuant to a f. |
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| 2. | This | Interconnection Request is for (check one): _A proposed new Large Generating Facility. _An increase in the generating capacity or a Material Modification of an existing Generating Facility. _A Generating Facility proposed for inclusion in a resource solicitation process. _Replacement of Existing Generating Facility with no increase in capacity. _Surplus Interconnection Service |
| 3. | The | type of interconnection service requested (check one): _Energy Resource Interconnection Service _Network Resource Interconnection Service |
| | | Check here only if Interconnection Customer requesting Network Resource Interconnection Service also seeks to have its Generating Facility studied for Energy Resource Interconnection Service |
| 4. | Inter | connection Customer provides the following information: |
| | a. | Address or location or the proposed new Large Generating Facility site (to the extent known) or, in the case of an existing Generating Facility, the name and specific location of the existing Generating Facility; |
| | b. | Maximum summer at degrees C and winter at degrees C megawatt electrical output of the proposed new Large Generating Facility or the amount of megawatt increase in the generating capacity of an existing Generating Facility; |
| | C. | General description of the equipment configuration; |
| | d. | Commercial Operation Date (Month, Day, and Year); |
| | e. | Name, address, telephone number, and e-mail address of Interconnection |
| | f. | Customer's contact person; Approximate location of the proposed Point of Interconnection; |
| | g. | Interconnection Customer Data (set forth in Appendix A) |
| | h. | Primary frequency response operating range for electric storage resources. |
| | i. | Requested capacity (in MW) of Interconnection Service (if lower than the |
| | | Generating Facility Capacity). |
| | j. | If this Interconnection Request is for Generation Replacement, Interconnection |
| | | Customer must submit: |
| | | Planned or Actual date of cessation of operation for the Existing Generating Facility: |

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| | Expected Commercial Operation Date for the Replacement Generating Facility: |
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| k. | If applicable, (1) the requested operating assumptions (i.e., whether the interconnecting Generating Facility will or will not charge at peak load) to be used by Transmission Provider that reflect the proposed charging behavior of a Generating Facility that includes at least one electric storage resource, and (2) a description of any control technologies (software and/or hardware) that will limit the operation of the Generating Facility to its intended operation. |
| Interco | onnection Customer provides applicable study deposit amount as specified in the |
| | onnection Customer provides Readiness Demonstration 1 as specified in the LGIP on 8.6.1). |
| descri | onnection Customer provides security equal to one times the study deposit bed in Section 3.1 of the LGIP in the form of an irrevocable letter of credit, cash, a bond, or other form of security that is reasonably acceptable to Transmission er. |
| Sectio | request is for NRIS and if Transmission Provider has not been notified pursuant to n 29.2 of Part III of the Tariff that Interconnection Customer's proposed Generating y is to be designated as a Network Resource, Interconnection Customer to provide: |
| , | e Network Transmission Customer which will later designate the resource as a |
| 2) Th | e expected Point of Delivery within the Transmission Provider's Transmission stem: |
| or 3) Th | e georgraphic location on the seam of Transmission Provider's Transmission |

9. Interconnection Customer provides evidence of Site Control as specified in the LGIP and Transmission Provider's business practices posted on OASIS.

System at which the Interconnection Customer intends to deliver the generation output

10. This Interconnection Request shall be submitted to the email box indicated below:

PSCointerconnection@xcelenergy.com

11. Representative of Interconnection Customer to contact:

[To be completed by Interconnection Customer]

out of Transmission Provider's Transmission System.

12. This Interconnection Request is submitted by:

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| Name of Interconnection Customer: |
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| By (signature): |
| Name (type or print): |
| Title: |
| Date: |
| Date |

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LARGE GENERATING FACILITY DATA

UNIT RATINGS

| kVA | °F | Voltage |
|--|--------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Power Factor | | <u> </u> |
| Speed (RPM) | | |
| Short Circuit Ratio | Frequency, Hertz | <u></u> |
| Stator Amperes at Rated kVA | | Field Volts |
| Max Turbine MW | °F | |
| Primary frequency resp | onse operating range fo | r electric storage resources. |
| Minimum State of Cha Maximum State of Cha | | |
| COMBINED TUR | BINE-GENERATOR-EXC | CITER INERTIA DATA |
| Inertia Constant, H = | kW sec/kVA | |
| Moment-of-Inertia, WR ² = | ID. π.² | |
| REACTA | NCE DATA (PER UNIT- | RATED KVA) |
| DIF | RECT AXIS QUADRATU | RE AXIS |
| Synchronous – saturated | X_{dv} | X _{qv} |
| Synchronous – unsaturated | X_{di} | X _{qi} |
| Transient – saturated | X ' _{dv} | X'qv |
| Transient – unsaturated | X'di | X'qi |
| Subtransient – saturated | X" _{dv} | X" _{qv} |
| Subtransient – unsaturated | X" _{di} | X" _{qi} |
| Negative Sequence – saturated | X2 _v | |
| Negative Sequence – unsaturat | ed X2 _i | |
| Zero Sequence – saturated | X0 _v | |
| Zero Sequence – unsaturated | X0 _i | |
| Leakage Reactance | XI _m | |

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| Open Circuit | | T' _{do} | T' _{qo} |
|---|---|------------------------------------|---|
| Three-Phase Short Circuit Tra | nsient | T' _{d3} | T' _q |
| Line to Line Short Circuit Trans | sient | T'd1 | |
| Short Circuit Subtransient | | T" _d | T" _q |
| Open Circuit Subtransient | | T' _{d2} | |
| Line to Neutral Short Circuit Tr | ansient | T" _{do} | Т" _{qo} |
| | | ONSTANT DATA (CONSTANT DAT | • |
| Three Phase Short Circuit Line to Line Short Circuit Line to Neutral Short Circuit | T _{a3} T _{a2} T _{a1} | _ | |
| NOTE: If requested information | is not applica | able, indicate by m | arking "N/A." |
| | | ID PLANT CONFIC | |
| ARMATURE | WINDING F | RESISTANCE DAT | TA (PER UNIT) |
| Positive Negative Zero | R ₁ R ₂ R ₀ | _ | |
| Rotor Short Time Thermal Capa Field Current at Rated kVA, Arn Field Current at Rated kVA and Three Phase Armature Winding Field Winding Resistance = Armature Winding Resistance (| nature Voltag Armature Vo Capacitance ohms | oltage, 0 PF = e =microfa °C | amps arad |
| | (| CURVES | |
| Provide Saturation, Vee, Re Designate normal and emergen | | | Temperature Correction curves. ng range for multiple curves. |
| GENERATOR | R STEP-UP T | TRANSFORMER D | DATA RATINGS |
| Capacity Self-cooled/ Maximum Na / | imeplate kVA | | |
| Voltage Ratio(Generator Side/S | ystem side/T | Гertiary) | |

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| | Winding Connections (Low V/Hig |
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| | Present Tap Setting |
| age is used to deliver the output from the proposed Generating tem, please provide the information above for each transforme | |
| IMPEDANCE | |
| ting)%X/R | Positive Z ₁ (on self-cooled kVA rate |
| ting)%X/R | Zero Z ₀ (on self-cooled kVA rate |
| EXCITATION SYSTEM DATA | |
| block diagram of excitation system and power system stabilize on in power system stability simulations and the corresponding tants for use in the model. | |
| GOVERNOR SYSTEM DATA | |
| block diagram of governor system for computer representation tions and the corresponding governor system constants for use | |
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| Single PhaseThree Phase | Elevation |
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Note: A completed General Electric Company Power Systems Load Flow (PSLF) data sheet or other compatible formats, such as IEEE and PTI power flow models, must be supplied with the

List of adjustable setpoints for the protective equipment or software:

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Interconnection Request as specified in the business practice manual or other OASIS postings. If other data sheets are more appropriate to the proposed device, then they shall be provided and discussed at Scoping Meeting.

| Project Information: Site Control and Adequacy |
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| Total acres required to construct the Generating Facility: |
| Total acres under site control for the Generating Facility at the time of application: |
| Is Site Control required for Interconnection Facilities, i.e. transmission gen-tie or substation, to interconnect the Generating Facility? Y N |
| If yes, how many miles of gen-tie right-of-way are required? What is the total number of acres required to build the gen-tie? How many miles of gen-tie right-of-way are under Site Control at the time of this application? |
| List any local, state, or federal government permits required to construct the Generating Facility and any applicable Interconnection Facilities, i.e. transmission gen-tie: |
| INDUCTION GENERATORS |
| (*) Field Volts: |
| (*) Motoring Power (kW): |
| (*) Neutral Grounding Resistor (If Applicable: |
| (*) I ₂ ² t or K (Heating Time Constant): |
| (*) Rotor Resistance: |
| () Stator Resistance. |
| (*) Stator Reactance: |
| (*) Rotor Reactance: |
| (*) Magnetizing Reactance:(*) Short Circuit Reactance: |
| () Short Circuit Reactance |
| (*) Exciting Current:(*) Temperature Rise: |
| (*) Frame Size: |
| (*) Design Letter: |
| (*) Reactive Power Required In Vars (No Load): |
| (*) Reactive Power Required In Vars (Full Load): |
| (*) Total Rotating Inertia, H:Per Unit on KVA Base |

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Note: Please consult Transmission Provider prior to submitting the Interconnection Request to determine if the information designated by (*) is required.

MODELS FOR NON-SYNCHRONOUS GENERATORS For a non-synchronous Large Generating Facility, Interconnection Customer shall provide (1) a validated user-defined root mean squared (RMS) positive sequence dynamics model; (2) an appropriately parameterized generic library RMS positive sequence dynamics model, including model block diagram of the inverter control and plant control systems, as defined by the selection in Table 1 or a model otherwise approved by the Western Electricity Coordinating Council, that corresponds to Interconnection Customer's Large Generating Facility; and (3) if applicable, a validated electromagnetic transient model if Transmission Provider performs an electromagnetic transient study as part of the interconnection study process. A user-defined model is a set of programming code created by equipment manufacturers or developers that captures the latest features of controllers that are mainly software based and represents the entities' control strategies but does not necessarily correspond to any generic library model. Interconnection Customer must also demonstrate that the model is validated by providing evidence that the equipment behavior is consistent with the model behavior (e.g., an attestation from Interconnection Customer that the model accurately represents the entire Large Generating Facility; attestations from each equipment manufacturer that the user defined model accurately represents the component of the Large Generating Facility; or test data).

Table 1: Acceptable Generic Library RMS Positive Sequence Dynamics Models

| GE PSLF | Siemens PSS/E* | PowerWorld Simulator | Description |
|---------|--------------------|-------------------------|---|
| pvd1 | | PVD1 | Distributed PV system model |
| der_a | DERAU1 | DER_A | Distributed energy resource model |
| regc_a | REGCAU1, REGCA1 | REGC_A | Generator/converter model |
| regc_b | REGCBU1 | REGC_B | Generator/converter model |
| wt1g | WT1G1 | WT1G and WT1G1 | Wind turbine model for Type-1 wind turbines (conventional directly connected induction generator) |
| wt2g | WT2G1 | WT2G and WT2G1 | Generator model for generic Type-2 wind turbines |
| wt2e | WT2E1 | WT2E and WT2E1 | Rotor resistance control model for wound-rotor induction wind-turbine generator wt2g |

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| GE PSLF | Siemens PSS/E* | PowerWorld Simulator | Description |
|------------|--------------------|-------------------------|--|
| reec_a | REECAU1, REECA1 | REEC_A | Renewable energy electrical control model |
| reec_c | REECCU1 | REEC_C | Electrical control model for battery energy storage system |
| reec_d | REECDU1 | REEC_D | Renewable energy electrical control model |
| wt1t | WT12T1 | WT1T and WT12T1 | Wind turbine model for Type-1 wind turbines (conventional directly connected induction generator) |
| wt1p_b | wt1p_b | WT12A1U_B | Generic wind turbine pitch controller for WTGs of Types 1 and 2 |
| wt2t | WT12T1 | WT2T | Wind turbine model for Type-2 wind turbines (directly connected induction generator wind turbines with an external rotor resistance) |
| wtgt_a | WTDTAU1, WTDTA1 | WTGT_A | Wind turbine drive train model |
| wtga_a | WTARAU1, WTARA1 | WTGA_A | Simple aerodynamic model |
| wtgp_a | WTPTAU1, WTPTA1 | WTGPT_A | Wind Turbine Generator Pitch controller |
| wtgq_a | WTTQAU1, WTTQA1 | WTGTRQ_A | Wind Turbine Generator Torque controller |
| wtgwgo_a | WTGWGOAU | WTGWGO_A | Supplementary control model for Weak Grids |
| wtgibffr_a | WTGIBFFRA | WTGIBFFR_A | Inertial-base fast frequency response control |
| wtgp_b | WTPTBU1 | WTGPT_B | Wind Turbine Generator Pitch controller |
| wtgt_b | WTDTBU1 | WTGT_B | Drive train model |

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| GE PSLF | Siemens PSS/E* | PowerWorld Simulator | Description |
|---------|---|-------------------------|--|
| repc_a | Type 4: REPCAU1 (v33), REPCA1 (v34) | REPC_A | Power Plant Controller |
| | Type 3: REPCTAU1 (v33), REPCTA1 (v34) | | |
| repc_b | PLNTBU1 | REPC_B | Power Plant Level Controller for controlling several plants/devices In regard to Siemens PSS/E*: Names of other models for interface with other devices: REA3XBU1, REAX4BU1- for interface with Type 3 and 4 renewable machines SWSAXBU1- for interface with SVC (modeled as switched shunt in powerflow) SYNAXBU1- for interface with synchronous condenser FCTAXBU1- for interface with FACTS |
| repc_c | REPCCU | REPC_C | device Power plant controller |

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APPENDIX 2 to LGIP CLUSTER STUDY AGREEMENT

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| 5.0 | Т | he Cluster | · Studv Rep | ort shall prov | ide the | following inform | ation, as app | ropriate: | |

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- identification of any circuit breaker short circuit capability limits exceeded as a result of the interconnection;
- identification of any thermal overload or voltage limit violations resulting from the interconnection:
- identification of any instability or inadequately damped response to system disturbances resulting from the interconnection; and
- description and non-binding, good faith estimated cost of facilities required to interconnect the Large Generating Facility to the Transmission System and to address the identified short circuit, instability, and power flow issues.
- Interconnection Customer shall provide any deposit or Readiness Demonstration specified in Sections 3.1.1 and 8.6 of the LGIP, as applicable, for the performance of the Cluster. Transmission Provider's good faith estimate for the time of completion of the Cluster Study is [insert date].
 - Upon receipt of the Cluster Study results, or withdrawal of the Interconnection Request, Transmission Provider shall charge and Interconnection Customer shall pay its share of the actual costs of the Cluster Study, and the Withdrawal Penalty, as applicable, allocated according to Sections 4.2.3 and 3.7.1 of the LGIP and the cost of the individual Interconnection Facilities Study.
 - Any difference between the study deposit and the actual cost of the study shall be paid by or refunded to Interconnection Customer, as appropriate, except as otherwise provided herein and in the LGIP. As provided in Section 14.3 of the LGIP, Interconnection Customer has thirty (30) Calendar Days of receipt of an invoice from Transmission Provider to pay any undisputed costs. If invoices are not paid within thirty (30) Calendar Days of receipt of an invoice, Transmission Provider shall draw upon the security provided to settle all accounts, which shall include any offsets of amounts due and owing by Transmission Provider. After the final invoice is paid and all accounts are settled, Transmission Provider shall refund all remaining security.
- 7.0 Miscellaneous. Cluster Study Agreement shall include standard miscellaneous terms including, but not limited to, indemnities, representations, disclaimers, warranties, governing law, amendment, execution, waiver, enforceability and assignment, that reflect best practices in the electric industry, that are consistent with regional practices, Applicable Laws and Regulations and the organizational nature of each Party. All of these provisions, to the extent practicable, shall be consistent with the provisions of the LGIP and the LGIA.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, the Parties have caused this Agreement to be duly executed by their duly authorized officers or agents on the day and year first above written.

[Insert name of Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner, if applicable]

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Appendix A to Appendix 2
Cluster Study Agreement

ASSUMPTIONS USED IN CONDUCTING THE CLUSTER STUDY

The Cluster Study will be based upon the technical information provided by Interconnection Customer in the Interconnection Request, subject to any modifications in accordance with Section 4.4 of this LGIP, and the following assumptions:

Designation of Point of Interconnection and configuration to be studied. Designation of alternative Point(s) of Interconnection and configuration.

{Above assumptions to be completed by Interconnection Customer and other assumptions to be provided by Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider}

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APPENDIX 3 to LGIP INTERCONNECTION FACILITIES STUDY AGREEMENT

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4.0 The Interconnection Facilities Study Report (i) shall provide a description of, estimated cost of, schedule for required facilities to interconnect the Large Generating Facility to the Transmission System and (ii) shall address the short circuit, instability, and power flow issues identified in the Cluster Study.

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- 5.0 Interconnection Customer shall meet the requirements specified under Section 9.1 of the LGIP prior to the performance of the Interconnection Facilities Study. The time for completion of the Interconnection Facilities Study is specified in Appendix A
- 6.0 Interconnection Customer shall have provided the Readiness Demonstrations specified in Section 8.6 of the LGIP for the performance of the Cluster Study and the Interconnection Facilities Study.

Upon receipt of the Interconnection Facilities Study results, Transmission Provider shall charge and Interconnection Customer shall pay the actual costs of the Cluster Study which includes costs allocated according to Section 4.2.3 of the LGIP, the cost of the individual Interconnection Facilities Study, and the withdraw penalty calculated pursuant to 3.7.1.1, if applicable.

Any difference between the study deposit and the actual cost of the study shall be paid by or refunded to Interconnection Customer, as appropriate, except as otherwise provided herein. As provided in Section 14.3 of the LGIP, Interconnection Customer has thirty (30) Calendar Days of receipt of an invoice from Transmission Provider to pay any undisputed costs. If invoices are not paid within thirty (30) Calendar Days of receipt of an invoice, Transmission Provider shall draw upon the security provided to settle all accounts, which shall include any offsets of amounts due and owing by Transmission Provider. After the final invoice is paid and all accounts are settled, Transmission Provider shall refund all remaining security.

7.0 Miscellaneous. The Interconnection Facilities Study Agreement shall include standard miscellaneous terms including, but not limited to, indemnities, representations, disclaimers, warranties, governing law, amendment, execution, waiver, enforceability and assignment, that reflect best practices in the electric industry, and that are consistent with regional practices, Applicable Laws and Regulations, and the organizational nature of each Party. All of these provisions, to the extent practicable, shall be consistent with the provisions of the LGIP and the LGIA.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have caused this Agreement to be duly executed by their duly authorized officers or agents on the day and year first above written.

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Appendix A to Appendix 3 Interconnection Facilities Study Agreement

INTERCONNECTION CUSTOMER SCHEDULE ELECTION FOR CONDUCTING THE INTERCONNECTION FACILITIES STUDY

Transmission Provider shall complete the study and issue a draft Interconnection Facilities Study Report to Interconnection Customer within the following number of days after receipt of an executed copy of this Interconnection Facilities Study Agreement:

- ninety (90) Calendar Days with no more than a +/- 20 percent cost estimate contained in the report, or
- one hundred eighty (180) Calendar Days with no more than a +/- 10 percent cost estimate contained in the report.

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Appendix B to Appendix 3 Interconnection Facilities Study Agreement

DATA FORM TO BE PROVIDED BY INTERCONNECTION CUSTOMER WITH THE INTERCONNECTION FACILITIES STUDY AGREEMENT

Provide location plan and simplified one-line diagram of the plant and station facilities. For staged projects, please indicate future generation, transmission circuits, etc.

One set of metering is required for each generation connection to the new ring bus or existing Transmission Provider station. Number of generation connections:

| On the one line diagram indicate the generation capacity attached at each metering location. (Maximum load on CT/PT) |
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| On the one line diagram indicate the location of auxiliary power. (Minimum load on CT/PT) Amps |
| Will an alternate source of auxiliary power be available during CT/PT maintenance? Yes No |
| Will a transfer bus on the generation side of the metering require that each meter set be designed for the total plant generation? Yes No (Please indicate on one line diagram). |
| What type of control system or PLC will be located at Interconnection Customer's Large Generating Facility? |
| What protocol does the control system or PLC use? |
| Please provide a 7.5-minute quadrangle of the site. Sketch the plant, station, transmission line, and property line. |
| Physical dimensions of the proposed interconnection station: |
| Bus length from generation to interconnection station: |

Line length from interconnection station to Transmission Provider's transmission line:

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| Tower number observed in the field. (Painted on tower leg)* | | | | |
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| Number of third party easements required for transmission lines*: | | | | |
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| * To be completed in coordination with Transmission Provider. | | | | |
| Is the Large Generating Facility in Transmission Provider's service area? | | | | |
| Yes No Local provider: _ | | | | |
| Please provide proposed schedule dates: | | | | |
| Begin Construction | Date: | | | |
| Generator step-up transformer receives back feed power | Date: | | | |
| Generation Testing | Date: | | | |
| Commercial Operation | Date: | | | |

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APPENDIX 4 to LGIP TWO-PARTY AFFECTED SYSTEM STUDY AGREEMENT

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| Interconnection | n Customer) and, a | organized and |
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| System interc | connection Customer and Transmission Provider each may ectively as the "Parties." | be referred to as a |
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| {description of consistent wi | EAS , Affected System Interconnection Customer is proposing generating facility or generating capacity addition to an existing the the interconnection request submitted by Affected Systemame of host transmission provider, dated | g generating facility) tem Interconnection |
| | EAS , Affected System Interconnection Customer desires cility} with {name of host transmission provider}'s transmission | |
| | THEREFORE , in consideration of and subject to the mutual orties agree as follows: | covenants contained |
| 1.0 | When used in this Agreement, with initial capitalization, the te have the meanings indicated in this LGIP. | rms specified shall |
| 2.0 | Transmission Provider shall coordinate with Affected System Customer to perform an Affected System Study consistent with LGIP. | |
| 3.0 | The scope of the Affected System Study shall be subject to the forth in Appendix A to this Agreement. | ne assumptions set |
| 4.0 | The Affected System Study will be based upon the technical is by Affected System Interconnection Customer and {name of his provider}. Transmission Provider reserves the right to request technical information from Affected System Interconnection Coreasonably become necessary consistent with Good Utility Procurse of the Affected System Study. | nost transmission st additional customer as may |
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- 5.0 The Affected System Study shall provide the following information:
 - identification of any circuit breaker short circuit capability limits exceeded as a result of the interconnection;

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- identification of any thermal overload or voltage limit violations resulting from the interconnection;
- identification of any instability or inadequately damped response to system disturbances resulting from the interconnection;
- non-binding, good faith estimated cost and time required to construct facilities required on Transmission Provider's Transmission System to accommodate the interconnection of the {generating facility} to the transmission system of the host transmission provider; and
- description of how such facilities will address the identified short circuit, instability, and power flow issues.
- 6.0 Affected System Interconnection Customer shall provide a deposit of ______ for performance of the Affected System Study. Upon receipt of the results of the Affected System Study by the Affected System Interconnection Customer, Transmission Provider shall charge, and Affected System Interconnection Customer shall pay, the actual cost of the Affected System Study. Any difference between the deposit and the actual cost of the Affected System Study shall be paid by or refunded to Affected System Interconnection Customer, as appropriate, including interest calculated in accordance with section 35.19a(a)(2) of FERC's regulations.
- 7.0 This Agreement shall include standard miscellaneous terms including, but not limited to, indemnities, representations, disclaimers, warranties, governing law, amendment, execution, waiver, enforceability, and assignment, which reflect best practices in the electric industry, that are consistent with regional practices, Applicable Laws and Regulations and the organizational nature of each Party. All of these provisions, to the extent practicable, shall be consistent with the provisions of the LGIP.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, the Parties have caused this Agreement to be duly executed by their duly authorized officers or agents on the day and year first above written.

| Insert name of Trans | smission Provider} |
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Appendix A to Appendix 4 Two-Party Affected System Study Agreement

ASSUMPTIONS USED IN CONDUCTING THE AFFECTED SYSTEM STUDY

The Affected System Study will be based upon the following assumptions: {Assumptions to be completed by Affected System Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider}

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APPENDIX 5 to LGIP MULTIPARTY AFFECTED SYSTEM STUDY AGREEMENT

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| System Interconnection Customers and Transmission Provider each may be referred to as a | | | | |
| 'Party," or collectively as the "Parties." When it is not important to differentiate among them, Affected System Interconnection Customers each may be referred to as "Affected System | | | | |
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| WHEREAS, Affected System Interconnection Customers are proposing to develop {description of generating facilities or generating capacity additions to an existing generating facility}, consistent with the interconnection requests submitted by Affected System Interconnection Customers to {name of host transmission provider}, dated | | | | |
| Transmission System; and | | | | |
| WHEREAS , Affected System Interconnection Customers desire to interconnect the [generating facilities] with {name of host transmission provider}'s transmission system; | | | | |
| NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of and subject to the mutual covenants contained nerein, the Parties agree as follows: | | | | |
| When used in this Agreement, with initial capitalization, the terms specified shall have the meanings indicated in this LGIP. | | | | |
| 2.0 Transmission Provider shall coordinate with Affected System Interconnection Customers to perform an Affected System Study consistent with Section 10 of this LGIP. | | | | |
| 3.0 The scope of the Affected System Study shall be subject to the assumptions set forth in Appendix A to this Agreement. | | | | |

The Affected System Study will be based upon the technical information provided by Affected System Interconnection Customers and {name of host transmission

technical information from Affected System Interconnection Customers as may reasonably become necessary consistent with Good Utility Practice during the

provider}. Transmission Provider reserves the right to request additional

course of the Affected System Study.

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- 5.0 The Affected System Study shall provide the following information:
 - identification of any circuit breaker short circuit capability limits exceeded as a result of the interconnection;
 - identification of any thermal overload or voltage limit violations resulting from the interconnection;
 - identification of any instability or inadequately damped response to system disturbances resulting from the interconnection;
 - non-binding, good faith estimated cost and time required to construct facilities required on Transmission Provider's Transmission System to accommodate the interconnection of the {generating facilities} to the transmission system of the host transmission provider; and
 - description of how such facilities will address the identified short circuit, instability, and power flow issues.
- Affected System Interconnection Customers shall each provide a deposit of ______ for performance of the Affected System Study. Upon receipt of the results of the Affected System Study by the Affected System Interconnection Customers, Transmission Provider shall charge, and Affected System Interconnection Customers shall pay, the actual cost of the Affected System Study. Any difference between the deposit and the actual cost of the Affected System Study shall be paid by or refunded to Affected System Interconnection Customers, as appropriate, including interest calculated in accordance with section 35.19a(a)(2) of FERC's regulations.
- 7.0 This Agreement shall include standard miscellaneous terms including, but not limited to, indemnities, representations, disclaimers, warranties, governing law, amendment, execution, waiver, enforceability, and assignment, which reflect best practices in the electric industry, that are consistent with regional practices, Applicable Laws and Regulations, and the organizational nature of each Party. All of these provisions, to the extent practicable, shall be consistent with the provisions of the LGIP.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, the Parties have caused this Agreement to be duly executed by their duly authorized officers or agents on the day and year first above written.

| {Insert | name of Transmission Provider} | |
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| By: | - | _ By: |
| Title: | | Title: |
| Date: | | Date: |

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| name of Affected System Interconnection Customer} | |
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Appendix A to Appendix 5 Multiparty Affected System Study Agreement

ASSUMPTIONS USED IN CONDUCTING THE MULTIPARTY AFFECTED SYSTEM STUDY

The Affected System Study will be based upon the following assumptions: {Assumptions to be completed by Affected System Interconnection Customers and Transmission Provider}

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| APPENDIX 6 TO LGIP TWO-PARTY AFFECTED SYSTEM FACILITIES CONSTRUCTION AGREEMENT |
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| THIS AGREEMENT is made and entered into this day of, 20, by and between, organized and existing under the laws of the State of |
| (Affected System Interconnection Customer) and, an entity organized under the laws of the State of (Transmission Provider). Affected System Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider each may be referred to as a "Party" or collectively as the "Parties." |
| RECITALS |
| WHEREAS, Affected System Interconnection Customer is proposing to develop a {description of generating facility or generating capacity addition to an existing generating facility} consistent with the interconnection request submitted by Affected System Interconnection Customer to {name of host transmission provider}, dated, for which {name of host transmission provider} found impacts on Transmission Provider's Transmission System; and |
| WHEREAS , Affected System Interconnection Customer desires to interconnect the {generating facility} to {name of host transmission provider}'s transmission system; and |
| WHEREAS, additions, modifications, and upgrade(s) must be made to certain existing facilities of Transmission Provider's Transmission System to accommodate such interconnection; and |
| WHEREAS , Affected System Interconnection Customer has requested, and Transmission Provider has agreed, to enter into this Agreement for the purpose of facilitating the construction of necessary Affected System Network Upgrade(s); |
| NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of and subject to the mutual covenants contained herein, the Parties agree as follows: |
| ARTICLE 1 DEFINITIONS |

ARTICLE 2 TERM OF AGREEMENT

When used in this Agreement, with initial capitalization, the terms specified and not otherwise

defined in this Agreement shall have the meanings indicated in this LGIP.

- **2.1 Effective Date.** This Agreement shall become effective upon execution by the Parties subject to acceptance by FERC (if applicable), or if filed unexecuted, upon the date specified by FERC.
- 2.2 Term.

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- 2.2.1 General. This Agreement shall become effective as provided in Article 2.1 and shall continue in full force and effect until the earlier of (1) the final repayment, where applicable, by Transmission Provider of the amount funded by Affected System Interconnection Customer for Transmission Provider's design, procurement, construction and installation of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) provided in Appendix A; (2) the Parties agree to mutually terminate this Agreement; (3) earlier termination is permitted or provided for under Appendix A of this Agreement; or (4) Affected System Interconnection Customer terminates this Agreement after providing Transmission Provider with written notice at least sixty (60) Calendar Days prior to the proposed termination date, provided that Affected System Interconnection Customer has no outstanding contractual obligations to Transmission Provider under this Agreement. termination of this Agreement shall be effective until the Parties have complied with all Applicable Laws and Regulations applicable to such termination. The term of this Agreement may be adjusted upon mutual agreement of the Parties if (1) the commercial operation date for the {generating facility} is adjusted in accordance with the rules and procedures established by {name of host transmission provider} or (2) the in-service date for the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) is adjusted in accordance with the rules and procedures established by Transmission Provider.
- **2.2.2 Termination Upon Default.** Default shall mean the failure of a Breaching Party to cure its Breach in accordance with Article 5 of this Agreement where Breach and Breaching Party are defined in Article 5. Defaulting Party shall mean the Party that is in Default. In the event of a Default by a Party, the non-Defaulting Party shall have the termination rights described in Articles 5 and 6; provided, however, Transmission Provider may not terminate this Agreement if Affected System Interconnection Customer is the Defaulting Party and compensates Transmission Provider within thirty (30) Calendar Days for the amount of damages billed to Affected System Interconnection Customer by Transmission Provider for any such damages, including costs and expenses, incurred by Transmission Provider as a result of such Default.
- 2.2.3 Consequences of Termination. In the event of a termination by either Party, other than a termination by Affected System Interconnection Customer due to a Default by Transmission Provider, Affected System Interconnection Customer shall be responsible for the payment to Transmission Provider of all amounts then due and payable for construction and installation of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) (including, without limitation, any equipment ordered related to such construction), plus all out-of-pocket expenses incurred by Transmission Provider in connection with the construction and installation of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s), through the date of termination, and, in the event of the termination of the entire Agreement, any actual costs which Transmission Provider reasonably incurs in (1) winding up work and construction demobilization and (2) ensuring the safety of persons and property and the integrity and safe and reliable operation of Transmission Provider's Transmission System. Transmission Provider shall use Reasonable Efforts to minimize such costs.
- **2.2.4 Reservation of Rights.** Transmission Provider shall have the right to make a unilateral filing with FERC to modify this Agreement with respect to any rates, terms and conditions, charges, classifications of service, rule or regulation under section 205 or any other applicable provision of the Federal Power Act and FERC's rules and regulations thereunder, and Affected System Interconnection Customer shall have the right to make a unilateral filing with FERC to modify this Agreement pursuant to section 206 or any other applicable provision of the Federal Power Act and FERC's rules and regulations thereunder; provided that each Party shall have the

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right to protest any such filing by the other Party and to participate fully in any proceeding before FERC in which such modifications may be considered. Nothing in this Agreement shall limit the rights of the Parties or of FERC under sections 205 or 206 of the Federal Power Act and FERC's rules and regulations thereunder, except to the extent that the Parties otherwise mutually agree as provided herein.

- **2.3 Filing.** Transmission Provider shall file this Agreement (and any amendment hereto) with the appropriate Governmental Authority, if required. Affected System Interconnection Customer may request that any information so provided be subject to the confidentiality provisions of Article 8. If Affected System Interconnection Customer has executed this Agreement, or any amendment thereto, Affected System Interconnection Customer shall reasonably cooperate with Transmission Provider with respect to such filing and to provide any information reasonably requested by Transmission Provider needed to comply with applicable regulatory requirements.
- **2.4 Survival.** This Agreement shall continue in effect after termination, to the extent necessary, to provide for final billings and payments and for costs incurred hereunder, including billings and payments pursuant to this Agreement; to permit the determination and enforcement of liability and indemnification obligations arising from acts or events that occurred while this Agreement was in effect; and to permit each Party to have access to the lands of the other Party pursuant to this Agreement or other applicable agreements, to disconnect, remove, or salvage its own facilities and equipment.
- **2.5 Termination Obligations.** Upon any termination pursuant to this Agreement, Affected System Interconnection Customer shall be responsible for the payment of all costs or other contractual obligations incurred prior to the termination date, including previously incurred capital costs, penalties for early termination, and costs of removal and site restoration.

ARTICLE 3 CONSTRUCTION OF AFFECTED SYSTEM NETWORK UPGRADE(S)

3.1 Construction.

3.1.1 Transmission Provider Obligations. Transmission Provider shall (or shall cause such action to) design, procure, construct, and install, and Affected System Interconnection Customer shall pay, consistent with Article 3.2, the costs of all Affected System Network Upgrade(s) identified in Appendix A. All Affected System Network Upgrade(s) designed, procured, constructed, and installed by Transmission Provider pursuant to this Agreement shall satisfy all requirements of applicable safety and/or engineering codes and comply with Good Utility Practice, and further, shall satisfy all Applicable Laws and Regulations. Transmission Provider shall not be required to undertake any action which is inconsistent with its standard safety practices, its material and equipment specifications, its design criteria and construction procedures, its labor agreements, or any Applicable Laws and Regulations.

3.1.2 Suspension of Work.

3.1.2.1 Right to Suspend. Affected System Interconnection Customer must provide to Transmission Provider written notice of its request for suspension. Only the milestones described in the Appendices of this Agreement are subject to suspension under this Article 3.1.2. Affected

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System Network Upgrade(s) will be constructed on the schedule described in the Appendices of this Agreement unless: (1) construction is prevented by the order of a Governmental Authority; (2) the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) are not needed by any other Interconnection Customer; or (3) Transmission Provider determines that a Force Majeure event prevents construction. In the event of (1), (2), or (3), any security paid to Transmission Provider under Article 4.1 of this Agreement shall be released by Transmission Provider upon the determination by Transmission Provider that the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) will no longer be If suspension occurs, Affected System Interconnection Customer shall be responsible for the costs which Transmission Provider incurs (i) in accordance with this Agreement prior to the suspension; (ii) in suspending such work, including any costs incurred to perform such work as may be necessary to ensure the safety of persons and property and the integrity of Transmission Provider's Transmission System and, if applicable, any costs incurred in connection with the cancellation of contracts and orders for material which Transmission Provider cannot reasonably avoid; and (iii) reasonably incurs in winding up work and construction demobilization; provided, however, that, prior to canceling any such contracts or orders, Transmission Provider shall obtain Affected System Interconnection Customer's authorization. Affected System Interconnection Customer shall be responsible for all costs incurred in connection with Affected System Interconnection Customer's failure to authorize cancellation of such contracts or orders.

Interest on amounts paid by Affected System Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider for the design, procurement, construction, and installation of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) shall not accrue during periods in which Affected System Interconnection Customer has suspended construction under this Article 3.1.2.

Transmission Provider shall invoice Affected System Interconnection Customer pursuant to Article 4 and will use Reasonable Efforts to minimize its costs. In the event Affected System Interconnection Customer suspends work by Affected System Transmission Provider required under this Agreement pursuant to this Article 3.1.2.1, and has not requested Affected System Transmission Provider to recommence the work required under this Agreement on or before the expiration of three (3) years following commencement of such suspension, this Agreement shall be deemed terminated. The three-year period shall begin on the date the suspension is requested, or the date of the written notice to Affected System Transmission Provider, whichever is earlier, if no effective date of suspension is specified.

- **3.1.2.2 Recommencing of Work.** If Affected System Interconnection Customer requests that Transmission Provider recommence construction of Affected System Network Upgrade(s), Transmission Provider shall have no obligation to afford such work the priority it would have had but for the prior actions of Affected System Interconnection Customer to suspend the work. In such event, Affected System Interconnection Customer shall be responsible for any costs incurred in recommencing the work. All recommenced work shall be completed pursuant to an amended schedule for the interconnection agreed to by the Parties. Transmission Provider has the right to conduct a restudy of the Affected System Study if conditions have materially changed subsequent to the request to suspend. Affected System Interconnection Customer shall be responsible for the costs of any studies or restudies required.
- **3.1.2.3 Right to Suspend Due to Default.** Transmission Provider reserves the right, upon written notice to Affected System Interconnection Customer, to suspend, at any time, work by

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Transmission Provider due to Default by Affected System Interconnection Customer. Affected System Interconnection Customer shall be responsible for any additional expenses incurred by Transmission Provider associated with the construction and installation of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) (as set forth in Article 2.2.3) upon the occurrence of either a Breach that Affected System Interconnection Customer is unable to cure–pursuant to Article 5 or a Default pursuant to Article 5. Any form of suspension by Transmission Provider shall not be barred by Articles 2.2.2, 2.2.3, or 5.2.2, nor shall it affect Transmission Provider's right to terminate the work or this Agreement pursuant to Article 6.

- **3.1.3 Construction Status.** Transmission Provider shall keep Affected System Interconnection Customer advised periodically as to the progress of its design, procurement and construction efforts, as described in Appendix A. Affected System Interconnection Customer may, at any time and reasonably, request a progress report from Transmission Provider. If, at any time, Affected System Interconnection Customer determines that the completion of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) will not be required until after the specified in-service date, Affected System Interconnection Customer will provide written notice to Transmission Provider of such later date upon which the completion of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) would be required. Transmission Provider may delay the in-service date of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) accordingly.
- **3.1.4 Timely Completion.** Transmission Provider shall use Reasonable Efforts to design, procure, construct, install, and test the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) in accordance with the schedule set forth in Appendix A, which schedule may be revised from time to time by mutual agreement of the Parties. If any event occurs that will affect the time or ability to complete the Affected System Network Upgrade(s), Transmission Provider shall promptly notify Affected System Interconnection Customer. In such circumstances, Transmission Provider shall, within fifteen (15) Calendar Days of such notice, convene a meeting with Affected System Interconnection Customer to evaluate the alternatives available to Affected System Interconnection Customer. Transmission Provider shall also make available to Affected System Interconnection Customer all studies and work papers related to the event and corresponding delay, including all information that is in the possession of Transmission Provider that is reasonably needed by Affected System Interconnection Customer to evaluate alternatives, subject to confidentiality arrangements consistent with Article 8. Transmission Provider shall, at Affected System Interconnection Customer's request and expense, use Reasonable Efforts to accelerate its work under this Agreement to meet the schedule set forth in Appendix A, provided that (1) Affected System Interconnection Customer authorizes such actions, such authorization to be withheld, conditioned, or delayed by Affected System Interconnection Customer only if it can demonstrate that the acceleration would have a material adverse effect on it; and (2) the Affected System Interconnection Customer funds costs associated therewith in advance.

3.2 Interconnection Costs.

3.2.1 Costs. Affected System Interconnection Customer shall pay to Transmission Provider costs (including taxes and financing costs) associated with seeking and obtaining all necessary approvals and of designing, engineering, constructing, and testing the Affected System Network Upgrade(s), as identified in Appendix A, in accordance with the cost recovery method provided herein. Unless Transmission Provider elects to fund the Affected System Network Upgrade(s), they shall be initially funded by Affected System Interconnection Customer.

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3.2.1.1 Lands of Other Property Owners. If any part of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) is to be installed on property owned by persons other than Affected System Interconnection Customer or Transmission Provider, Transmission Provider shall, at Affected System Interconnection Customer's expense, use efforts similar in nature and extent to those that it typically undertakes on its own behalf or on behalf of its Affiliates, including use of its eminent domain authority to the extent permitted and consistent with Applicable Laws and Regulations and, to the extent consistent with such Applicable Laws and Regulations, to procure from such persons any rights of use, licenses, rights-of-way, and easements that are necessary to construct, operate, maintain, test, inspect, replace, or remove the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) upon such property.

3.2.2 Repayment.

- 3.2.2.1 Repayment. Consistent with Articles 11.4.1 and 11.4.2 of the Transmission Provider's pro forma LGIA, Affected System Interconnection Customer shall be entitled to a cash repayment by Transmission Provider of the amount paid to Transmission Provider, if any, for the Affected System Network Upgrade(s), including any tax gross-up or other tax-related payments associated with the Affected System Network Upgrade(s), and not refunded to Affected System Interconnection Customer pursuant to Article 3.3.1 or otherwise. The Parties may mutually agree to a repayment schedule, to be outlined in Appendix A, not to exceed twenty (20) years from the commercial operation date, for the complete repayment for all applicable costs associated with the Affected System Network Upgrade(s). Any repayment shall include interest calculated in accordance with the methodology set forth in FERC's regulations at 18 CFR 35.19 a(a)(2)(iii) from the date of any payment for Affected System Network Upgrade(s) through the date on which Affected System Interconnection Customer receives a repayment of such payment pursuant to Interest shall not accrue during periods in which Affected System this subparagraph. Interconnection Customer has suspended construction pursuant to Article 3.1.2. Affected System Interconnection Customer may assign such repayment rights to any person.
- **3.2.2.2 Impact of Failure to Achieve Commercial Operation.** If the Affected System Interconnection Customer's generating facility fails to achieve commercial operation, but it or another generating facility is later constructed and makes use of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s), Transmission Provider shall at that time reimburse Affected System Interconnection Customer for the amounts advanced for the Affected System Network Upgrade(s). Before any such reimbursement can occur, Affected System Interconnection Customer (or the entity that ultimately constructs the generating facility, if different), is responsible for identifying the entity to which the reimbursement must be made.

3.3 Taxes.

3.3.1 Indemnification for Contributions in Aid of Construction. With regard only to payments made by Affected System Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider for the installation of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s), Transmission Provider shall not include a gross-up for income taxes in the amounts it charges Affected System Interconnection Customer for the installation of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) unless (1) Transmission Provider has determined, in good faith, that the payments or property transfers made by Affected System Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider should be reported as income subject to

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taxation, or (2) any Governmental Authority directs Transmission Provider to report payments or property as income subject to taxation. Affected System Interconnection Customer shall reimburse Transmission Provider for such costs on a fully grossed-up basis, in accordance with this Article, within thirty (30) Calendar Days of receiving written notification from Transmission Provider of the amount due, including detail about how the amount was calculated.

The indemnification obligation shall terminate at the earlier of (1) the expiration of the ten (10)year testing period and the applicable statute of limitation, as it may be extended by Transmission Provider upon request of the Internal Revenue Service, to keep these years open for audit or adjustment, or (2) the occurrence of a subsequent taxable event and the payment of any related indemnification obligations as contemplated by this Article. Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Article 3.3.1, and to the extent permitted by law, to the extent that the receipt of such payments by Transmission Provider is determined by any Governmental Authority to constitute income by Transmission Provider subject to taxation, Affected System Interconnection Customer shall protect, indemnify, and hold harmless Transmission Provider and its Affiliates. from all claims by any such Governmental Authority for any tax, interest, and/or penalties associated with such determination. Upon receiving written notification of such determination from the Governmental Authority, Transmission Provider shall provide Affected System Interconnection Customer with written notification within thirty (30) Calendar Days of such determination and notification. Transmission Provider, upon the timely written request by Affected System Interconnection Customer and at Affected System Interconnection Customer's expense, shall appeal, protest, seek abatement of, or otherwise oppose such determination. Transmission Provider reserves the right to make all decisions with regard to the prosecution of such appeal. protest, abatement or other contest, including the compromise or settlement of the claim; provided that Transmission Provider shall cooperate and consult in good faith with Affected System Interconnection Customer regarding the conduct of such contest. Affected System Interconnection Customer shall not be required to pay Transmission Provider for the tax, interest, and/or penalties prior to the seventh (7th) Calendar Day before the date on which Transmission Provider (1) is required to pay the tax, interest, and/or penalties or other amount in lieu thereof pursuant to a compromise or settlement of the appeal, protest, abatement, or other contest; (2) is required to pay the tax, interest, and/or penalties as the result of a final, non-appealable order by a Governmental Authority; or (3) is required to pay the tax, interest, and/or penalties as a prerequisite to an appeal, protest, abatement, or other contest. In the event such appeal, protest, abatement, or other contest results in a determination that Transmission Provider is not liable for any portion of any tax, interest, and/or penalties for which Affected System Interconnection Customer has already made payment to Transmission Provider, Transmission Provider shall promptly refund to Affected System Interconnection Customer any payment attributable to the amount determined to be non-taxable, plus any interest (calculated in accordance with 18 CFR 35.19a(a)(2)(iii)) or other payments Transmission Provider receives or which Transmission Provider may be entitled with respect to such payment. Affected System Interconnection Customer shall provide Transmission Provider with credit assurances sufficient to meet Affected System Interconnection Customer's estimated liability for reimbursement of Transmission Provider for taxes, interest, and/or penalties under this Article 3.3.1. Such estimated liability shall be stated in Appendix A.

To the extent that Transmission Provider is a limited liability company and not a corporation, and has elected to be taxed as a partnership, then the following shall apply: Transmission Provider represents, and the Parties acknowledge, that Transmission Provider is a limited liability company

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and is treated as a partnership for federal income tax purposes. Any payment made by Affected System Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider for Affected System Network Upgrade(s) is to be treated as an upfront payment. It is anticipated by the Parties that any amounts paid by Affected System Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider for Affected System Network Upgrade(s) will be reimbursed to Affected System Interconnection Customer in accordance with the terms of this Agreement, provided Affected System Interconnection Customer fulfills its obligations under this Agreement.

- **3.3.2 Private Letter Ruling.** At Affected System Interconnection Customer's request and expense, Transmission Provider shall file with the Internal Revenue Service a request for a private letter ruling as to whether any property transferred or sums paid, or to be paid, by Affected System Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider under this Agreement are subject to federal income taxation. Affected System Interconnection Customer will prepare the initial draft of the request for a private letter ruling and will certify under penalties of perjury that all facts represented in such request are true and accurate to the best of Affected System Interconnection Customer's knowledge. Transmission Provider and Affected System Interconnection Customer shall cooperate in good faith with respect to the submission of such request.
- **3.3.3 Other Taxes.** Upon the timely request by Affected System Interconnection Customer. and at Affected System Interconnection Customer's sole expense, Transmission Provider shall appeal, protest, seek abatement of, or otherwise contest any tax (other than federal or state income tax) asserted or assessed against Transmission Provider for which Affected System Interconnection Customer may be required to reimburse Transmission Provider under the terms of this Agreement. Affected System Interconnection Customer shall pay to Transmission Provider on a periodic basis, as invoiced by Transmission Provider, Transmission Provider's documented reasonable costs of prosecuting such appeal, protest, abatement, or other contest. Affected System Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider shall cooperate in good faith with respect to any such contest. Unless the payment of such taxes is a prerequisite to an appeal or abatement or cannot be deferred, no amount shall be payable by Affected System Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider for such taxes until they are assessed by a final, nonappealable order by any court or agency of competent jurisdiction. In the event that a tax payment is withheld and ultimately due and payable after appeal, Affected System Interconnection Customer will be responsible for all taxes, interest and penalties, other than penalties attributable to any delay caused by Transmission Provider. Each Party shall cooperate with the other Party to maintain each Party's tax status. Nothing in this Agreement is intended to adversely affect any Party's tax-exempt status with respect to the issuance of bonds including, but not limited to, local furnishing bonds, as described in section 142(f) of the Internal Revenue Code.

ARTICLE 4 SECURITY, BILLING, AND PAYMENTS

4.1 Provision of Security. By the earlier of (1) thirty (30) Calendar Days prior to the due date for Affected System Interconnection Customer's first payment under the payment schedule specified in Appendix A, or (2) the first date specified in Appendix A for the ordering of equipment by Transmission Provider for installing the Affected System Network Upgrade(s), Affected System Interconnection Customer shall provide Transmission Provider, at Affected System Interconnection Customer's option, a guarantee, a surety bond, letter of credit or other form of security that is reasonably acceptable to Transmission Provider. Such security for payment shall

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be in an amount sufficient to cover the costs for constructing, procuring, and installing the applicable portion of Affected System Network Upgrade(s) and shall be reduced on a dollar-for-dollar basis for payments made to Transmission Provider for these purposes.

The guarantee must be made by an entity that meets the creditworthiness requirements of Transmission Provider and contain terms and conditions that guarantee payment of any amount that may be due from Affected System Interconnection Customer, up to an agreed-to maximum amount. The letter of credit must be issued by a financial institution reasonably acceptable to Transmission Provider and must specify a reasonable expiration date.

- **4.2 Invoice.** Each Party shall submit to the other Party, on a monthly basis, invoices of amounts due, if any, for the preceding month. Each invoice shall state the month to which the invoice applies and fully describe the services and equipment provided. The Parties may discharge mutual debts and payment obligations due and owing to each other on the same date through netting, in which case all amounts a Party owes to the other Party under this Agreement, including interest payments, shall be netted so that only the net amount remaining due shall be paid by the owing Party.
- **4.3 Payment.** Invoices shall be rendered to the paying Party at the address specified by the Parties. The Party receiving the invoice shall pay the invoice within thirty (30) Calendar Days of receipt. All payments shall be made in immediately available funds payable to the other Party, or by wire transfer to a bank named and account designated by the invoicing Party. Payment of invoices by a Party will not constitute a waiver of any rights or claims that Party may have under this Agreement.
- **4.4 Final Invoice.** Within six (6) months after completion of the construction of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s), Transmission Provider shall provide an invoice of the final cost of the construction of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) and shall set forth such costs in sufficient detail to enable Affected System Interconnection Customer to compare the actual costs with the estimates and to ascertain deviations, if any, from the cost estimates. Transmission Provider shall refund, with interest (calculated in accordance with 18 CFR 35.19a(a)(2)(iii)), to Affected System Interconnection Customer any amount by which the actual payment by Affected System Interconnection Customer for estimated costs exceeds the actual costs of construction within thirty (30) Calendar Days of the issuance of such final construction invoice.
- **4.5 Interest.** Interest on any unpaid amounts shall be calculated in accordance with 18 CFR 35.19a(a)(2)(iii).
- **4.6 Payment During Dispute.** In the event of a billing dispute among the Parties, Transmission Provider shall continue to construct the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) under this Agreement as long as Affected System Interconnection Customer: (1) continues to make all payments not in dispute; and (2) pays to Transmission Provider or into an independent escrow account the portion of the invoice in dispute, pending resolution of such dispute. If Affected System Interconnection Customer fails to meet these two requirements, then Transmission Provider may provide notice to Affected System Interconnection Customer of a Default pursuant to Article 5. Within thirty (30) Calendar Days after the resolution of the dispute, the Party that owes money to another Party shall pay the amount due with interest calculated in accordance with the methodology set forth in 18 CFR 35.19a(a)(2)(iii).

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ARTICLE 5 BREACH, CURE AND DEFAULT

- **5.1 Events of Breach.** A Breach of this Agreement shall include the:
- (a) Failure to pay any amount when due;
- (b) Failure to comply with any material term or condition of this Agreement, including but not limited to any material Breach of a representation, warranty, or covenant made in this Agreement;
- (c) Failure of a Party to provide such access rights, or a Party's attempt to revoke access or terminate such access rights, as provided under this Agreement; or
- (d) Failure of a Party to provide information or data to another Party as required under this Agreement, provided the Party entitled to the information or data under this Agreement requires such information or data to satisfy its obligations under this Agreement.
- **5.2 Definition.** Breaching Party shall mean the Party that is in Breach.
- **5.3 Notice of Breach, Cure, and Default.** Upon the occurrence of an event of Breach, the Party not in Breach, when it becomes aware of the Breach, shall give written notice of the Breach to the Breaching Party and to any other person representing a Party to this Agreement identified in writing to the other Party in advance. Such notice shall set forth, in reasonable detail, the nature of the Breach, and where known and applicable, the steps necessary to cure such Breach.
- **5.3.1** Upon receiving written notice of the Breach hereunder, the Breaching Party shall have a period to cure such Breach (hereinafter referred to as the "Cure Period") which shall be sixty (60) Calendar Days.
- **5.3.2** In the event the Breaching Party fails to cure within the Cure Period, the Breaching Party will be in Default of this Agreement, and the non--Defaulting Party may terminate this Agreement in accordance with Article 6.2 of this Agreement or take whatever action at law or in equity as may appear necessary or desirable to enforce the performance or observance of any rights, remedies, obligations, agreement, or covenants under this Agreement.
- **5.4 Rights in the Event of Default.** Notwithstanding the foregoing, upon the occurrence of a Default, the non-Defaulting Party shall be entitled to exercise all rights and remedies it may have in equity or at law.

ARTICLE 6 TERMINATION OF AGREEMENT

- **6.1 Expiration of Term.** Except as otherwise specified in this Article 6, the Parties' obligations under this Agreement shall terminate at the conclusion of the term of this Agreement.
- **6.2 Termination.** In addition to the termination provisions set forth in Article 2.2, a Party may terminate this Agreement upon the Default of the other Party in accordance with Article 5.2.2 of

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this Agreement. Subject to the limitations set forth in Article 6.3, in the event of a Default, the termination of this Agreement by the non-Defaulting Party shall require a filing at FERC of a notice of termination, which filing must be accepted for filing by FERC.

- 6.3 Disposition of Facilities Upon Termination of Agreement.
- **6.3.1 Transmission Provider Obligations.** Upon termination of this Agreement, unless otherwise agreed to by the Parties in writing, Transmission Provider:
- (a) shall, prior to the construction and installation of any portion of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) and to the extent possible, cancel any pending orders of, or return, such equipment or material for such Affected System Network Upgrade(s);
- (b) may keep in place any portion of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) already constructed and installed; and,
- (c) shall perform such work as may be necessary to ensure the safety of persons and property and to preserve the integrity of Transmission Provider's Transmission System (e.g., construction demobilization to return the system to its original state, wind-up work).
- **6.3.2 Affected System Interconnection Customer Obligations.** Upon billing by Transmission Provider, Affected System Interconnection Customer shall reimburse Transmission Provider for any costs incurred by Transmission Provider in performance of the actions required or permitted by Article 6.3.1 and for the cost of any Affected System Network Upgrade(s) described in Appendix A. Transmission Provider shall use Reasonable Efforts to minimize costs and shall offset the amounts owed by any salvage value of facilities, if applicable. Affected System Interconnection Customer shall pay these costs pursuant to Article 4.3 of this Agreement.
- **6.3.3 Pre-construction or Installation.** Upon termination of this Agreement and prior to the construction and installation of any portion of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s), Transmission Provider may, at its option, retain any portion of such Affected System Network Upgrade(s) not cancelled or returned in accordance with Article 6.3.1(a), in which case Transmission Provider shall be responsible for all costs associated with procuring such Affected System Network Upgrade(s). To the extent that Affected System Interconnection Customer has already paid Transmission Provider for any or all of such costs, Transmission Provider shall refund Affected System Interconnection Customer for those payments. If Transmission Provider elects to not retain any portion of such facilities, Transmission Provider shall convey and make available to Affected System Interconnection Customer such facilities as soon as practicable after Affected System Interconnection Customer's payment for such facilities.
- **6.4 Survival of Rights.** Termination or expiration of this Agreement shall not relieve either Party of any of its liabilities and obligations arising hereunder prior to the date termination becomes effective, and each Party may take whatever judicial or administrative actions as appear necessary or desirable to enforce its rights hereunder. The applicable provisions of this Agreement will continue in effect after expiration, or early termination hereof to the extent necessary to provide for (1) final billings, billing adjustments, and other billing procedures set forth in this Agreement; (2) the determination and enforcement of liability and indemnification

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obligations arising from acts or events that occurred while this Agreement was in effect; and (3) the confidentiality provisions set forth in Article 8.

ARTICLE 7 SUBCONTRACTORS

- **7.1 Subcontractors.** Nothing in this Agreement shall prevent a Party from utilizing the services of subcontractors, as it deems appropriate, to perform its obligations under this Agreement; provided, however, that each Party shall require its subcontractors to comply with all applicable terms and conditions of this Agreement in providing such services, and each Party shall remain primarily liable to the other Party for the performance of such subcontractor.
- **7.1.1 Responsibility of Principal.** The creation of any subcontract relationship shall not relieve the hiring Party of any of its obligations under this Agreement. In accordance with the provisions of this Agreement, each Party shall be fully responsible to the other Party for the acts or omissions of any subcontractor it hires as if no subcontract had been made. Any applicable obligation imposed by this Agreement upon a Party shall be equally binding upon, and shall be construed as having application to, any subcontractor of such Party.
- **7.1.2 No Third-Party Beneficiary.** Except as may be specifically set forth to the contrary herein, no subcontractor or any other party is intended to be, nor will it be deemed to be, a third-party beneficiary of this Agreement.
- **7.1.3 No Limitation by Insurance.** The obligations under this Article 7 will not be limited in any way by any limitation of any insurance policies or coverages, including any subcontractor's insurance.

ARTICLE 8 CONFIDENTIALITY

8.1 Confidentiality. Confidential Information shall include, without limitation, all information relating to a Party's technology, research and development, business affairs, and pricing, and any information supplied to the other Party prior to the execution of this Agreement.

Information is Confidential Information only if it is clearly designated or marked in writing as confidential on the face of the document, or, if the information is conveyed orally or by inspection, if the Party providing the information orally informs the Party receiving the information that the information is confidential. The Parties shall maintain as confidential any information that is provided and identified by a Party as Critical Energy Infrastructure Information (CEII), as that term is defined in 18 CFR 388.113(c).

Such confidentiality will be maintained in accordance with this Article 8. If requested by the receiving Party, the disclosing Party shall provide in writing, the basis for asserting that the information referred to in this Article warrants confidential treatment, and the requesting Party may disclose such writing to the appropriate Governmental Authority. Each Party shall be responsible for the costs associated with affording confidential treatment to its information.

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- **8.1.1 Term.** During the term of this Agreement, and for a period of three (3) years after the expiration or termination of this Agreement, except as otherwise provided in this Article 8 or with regard to CEII, each Party shall hold in confidence and shall not disclose to any person Confidential Information. CEII shall be treated in accordance with FERC policies and regulations.
- **8.1.2 Scope.** Confidential Information shall not include information that the receiving Party can demonstrate: (1) is generally available to the public other than as a result of a disclosure by the receiving Party; (2) was in the lawful possession of the receiving Party on a non-confidential basis before receiving it from the disclosing Party; (3) was supplied to the receiving Party without restriction by a non-Party, who, to the knowledge of the receiving Party after due inquiry, was under no obligation to the disclosing Party to keep such information confidential; (4) was independently developed by the receiving Party without reference to Confidential Information of the disclosing Party; (5) is, or becomes, publicly known, through no wrongful act or omission of the receiving Party or Breach of this Agreement; or (6) is required, in accordance with Article 8.1.6 of this Agreement, to be disclosed by any Governmental Authority or is otherwise required to be disclosed by law or subpoena, or is necessary in any legal proceeding establishing rights and obligations under this Agreement. Information designated as Confidential Information will no longer be deemed confidential if the Party that designated the information as confidential notifies the receiving Party that it no longer is confidential.
- **8.1.3** Release of Confidential Information. No Party shall release or disclose Confidential Information to any other person, except to its Affiliates (limited by the Standards of Conduct requirements), subcontractors, employees, agents, consultants, or to non-Parties that may be or are considering providing financing to or equity participation with Affected System Interconnection Customer, or to potential purchasers or assignees of Affected System Interconnection Customer, on a need-to-know basis in connection with this Agreement, unless such person has first been advised of the confidentiality provisions of this Article 8 and has agreed to comply with such provisions. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a Party providing Confidential Information to any person shall remain primarily responsible for any release of Confidential Information in contravention of this Article 8.
- **8.1.4 Rights.** Each Party shall retain all rights, title, and interest in the Confidential Information that it discloses to the receiving Party. The disclosure by a Party to the receiving Party of Confidential Information shall not be deemed a waiver by the disclosing Party or any other person or entity of the right to protect the Confidential Information from public disclosure.
- **8.1.5 Standard of Care.** Each Party shall use at least the same standard of care to protect Confidential Information it receives as it uses to protect its own Confidential Information from unauthorized disclosure, publication, or dissemination. Each Party may use Confidential Information solely to fulfill its obligations to the other Party under this Agreement or its regulatory requirements.
- **8.1.6** Order of Disclosure. If a court or a Government Authority or entity with the right, power, and apparent authority to do so requests or requires either Party, by subpoena, oral deposition, interrogatories, requests for production of documents, administrative order, or otherwise, to disclose Confidential Information, that Party shall provide the disclosing Party with prompt notice of such request(s) or requirement(s) so that the disclosing Party may seek an appropriate

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protective order or waive compliance with the terms of this Agreement. Notwithstanding the absence of a protective order or waiver, the Party may disclose such Confidential Information which, in the opinion of its counsel, the Party is legally compelled to disclose. Each Party will use Reasonable Efforts to obtain reliable assurance that confidential treatment will be accorded any Confidential Information so furnished.

- **8.1.7 Termination of Agreement.** Upon termination of this Agreement for any reason, each Party shall, within ten (10) Business Days of receipt of a written request from the other Party, use Reasonable Efforts to destroy, erase, or delete (with such destruction, erasure, and deletion certified in writing to the requesting Party) or return to the requesting Party any and all written or electronic Confidential Information received from the requesting Party, except that each Party may keep one copy for archival purposes, provided that the obligation to treat it as Confidential Information in accordance with this Article 8 shall survive such termination.
- **8.1.8 Remedies.** The Parties agree that monetary damages would be inadequate to compensate a Party for the other Party's Breach of its obligations under this Article 8. Each Party accordingly agrees that the disclosing Party shall be entitled to equitable relief, by way of injunction or otherwise, if the receiving Party Breaches or threatens to Breach its obligations under this Article 8, which equitable relief shall be granted without bond or proof of damages, and the breaching Party shall not plead in defense that there would be an adequate remedy at law. Such remedy shall not be deemed an exclusive remedy for the Breach of this Article 8, but it shall be in addition to all other remedies available at law or in equity. The Parties further acknowledge and agree that the covenants contained herein are necessary for the protection of legitimate business interests and are reasonable in scope. Neither Party, however, shall be liable for indirect, incidental, or consequential or punitive damages of any nature or kind resulting from or arising in connection with this Article 8.
- **8.1.9 Disclosure to FERC**, **its Staff**, **or a State Regulatory Body**. Notwithstanding anything in this Article 8 to the contrary, and pursuant to 18 CFR 1b.20, if FERC or its staff, during the course of an investigation or otherwise, requests information from a Party that is otherwise required to be maintained in confidence pursuant to this Agreement, the Party shall provide the requested information to FERC or its staff, within the time provided for in the request for information. In providing the information to FERC or its staff, the Party must, consistent with 18 CFR 388.112, request that the information be treated as confidential and non-public by FERC and its staff and that the information be withheld from public disclosure. Parties are prohibited from notifying the other Party to this Agreement prior to the release of the Confidential Information to FERC or its staff. The Party shall notify the other Party to the Agreement when it is notified by FERC or its staff that a request to release Confidential Information has been received by FERC, at which time either of the Parties may respond before such information would be made public, pursuant to 18 CFR 388.112. Requests from a state regulatory body conducting a confidential investigation shall be treated in a similar manner if consistent with the applicable state rules and regulations.
- **8.1.10** Subject to the exception in Article 8.1.9, any information that a disclosing Party claims is competitively sensitive, commercial, or financial information under this Agreement shall not be disclosed by the receiving Party to any person not employed or retained by the receiving Party, except to the extent disclosure is (1) required by law; (2) reasonably deemed by the disclosing Party to be required to be disclosed in connection with a dispute between or among the Parties,

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or the defense of litigation or dispute; (3) otherwise permitted by consent of the disclosing Party, such consent not to be unreasonably withheld; or (4) necessary to fulfill its obligations under this Agreement or as the Transmission Provider or a balancing authority, including disclosing the Confidential Information to a regional or national reliability organization. The Party asserting confidentiality shall notify the receiving Party in writing of the information that Party claims is confidential. Prior to any disclosures of that Party's Confidential Information under this subparagraph, or if any non-Party or Governmental Authority makes any request or demand for any of the information described in this subparagraph, the Party that received the Confidential Information from the disclosing Party agrees to promptly notify the disclosing Party in writing and agrees to assert confidentiality and cooperate with the disclosing Party in seeking to protect the Confidential Information from public disclosure by confidentiality agreement, protective order, or other reasonable measures.

ARTICLE 9 INFORMATION ACCESS AND AUDIT RIGHTS

- **9.1 Information Access.** Each Party shall make available to the other Party information necessary to verify the costs incurred by the other Party for which the requesting Party is responsible under this Agreement and carry out obligations and responsibilities under this Agreement, provided that the Parties shall not use such information for purposes other than those set forth in this Article 9.1 and to enforce their rights under this Agreement.
- **9.2** Audit Rights. Subject to the requirements of confidentiality under Article 8 of this Agreement, the accounts and records related to the design, engineering, procurement, and construction of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) shall be subject to audit during the period of this Agreement and for a period of twenty-four (24) months following Transmission Provider's issuance of a final invoice in accordance with Article 4.4. Affected System Interconnection Customer at its expense shall have the right, during normal business hours, and upon prior reasonable notice to Transmission Provider, to audit such accounts and records. Any audit authorized by this Article 9.2 shall be performed at the offices where such accounts and records are maintained and shall be limited to those portions of such accounts and records that relate to obligations under this Agreement.

ARTICLE 10 NOTICES

10.1 General. Any notice, demand, or request required or permitted to be given by a Party to the other Party, and any instrument required or permitted to be tendered or delivered by a Party in writing to another Party, may be so given, tendered, or delivered, as the case may be, by depositing the same with the United States Postal Service with postage prepaid, for transmission by certified or registered mail, addressed to the Parties, or personally delivered to the Parties, at the address set out below:

To Transmission Provider:

To Affected System Interconnection Customer:

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- **10.2 Billings and Payments.** Billings and payments shall be sent to the addresses shown in Article 10.1 unless otherwise agreed to by the Parties.
- **10.3** Alternative Forms of Notice. Any notice or request required or permitted to be given by a Party to the other Party and not required by this Agreement to be given in writing may be so given by telephone, facsimile or email to the telephone numbers and email addresses set out below:

To Transmission Provider:

To Affected System Interconnection Customer:

10.4 Execution and Filing. Affected System Interconnection Customer shall either: (i) execute two originals of this tendered Agreement and return them to Transmission Provider; or (ii) request in writing that Transmission Provider file with FERC this Agreement in unexecuted form. As soon as practicable, but not later than ten (10) Business Days after receiving either the two executed originals of this tendered Agreement (if it does not conform with a FERC-approved standard form of this Agreement) or the request to file this Agreement unexecuted, Transmission Provider shall file this Agreement with FERC, together with its explanation of any matters as to which Affected System Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider disagree and support for the costs that Transmission Provider proposes to charge to Affected System Interconnection Customer under this Agreement. An unexecuted version of this Agreement should contain terms and conditions deemed appropriate by Transmission Provider for the Affected System Interconnection Customer's generating facility. If the Parties agree to proceed with design, procurement, and construction of facilities and upgrades under the agreed-upon terms of the unexecuted version of this Agreement, they may proceed pending FERC action.

ARTICLE 11 MISCELLANEOUS

11.1 This Agreement shall include standard miscellaneous terms including, but not limited to, indemnities, representations, disclaimers, warranties, governing law, amendment, execution, waiver, enforceability and assignment, which reflect best practices in the electric industry, that are consistent with regional practices, Applicable Laws and Regulations and the organizational nature of each Party. All of these provisions, to the extent practicable, shall be consistent with the provisions of this LGIP.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have executed this Agreement electronically or in multiple originals, each of which shall constitute and be an original Agreement among the Parties.

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Appendix A to Appendix 6 Two-Party Affected System Facilities Construction Agreement

AFFECTED SYSTEM NETWORK UPGRADE(S), COST ESTIMATES AND RESPONSIBILITY, CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE AND MONTHLY PAYMENT SCHEDULE

This Appendix A is a part of the Affected System Facilities Construction Agreement between Affected System Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider.

1.1 Affected System Network Upgrade(s) to be installed by Transmission Provider.

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1.2 First Equipment Order (including permitting).

{description}

1.2.1. Permitting and Land Rights – Transmission Provider Affected System Network Upgrade(s)

{description}

1.3 Construction Schedule. Where applicable, construction of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) is scheduled as follows and will be periodically updated as necessary:

Table 1: Transmission Provider Construction Activities

| MILESTONE NUMBER | DESCRIPTION | START DATE | END DATE |
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Note: Construction schedule assumes that Transmission Provider has obtained final authorizations and security from Affected System Interconnection Customer and all necessary permits from Governmental Authorities as necessary prerequisites to commence construction of any of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s).

- 1.4 Payment Schedule.
- 1.4.1 Timing of and Adjustments to Affected System Interconnection Customer's Payments and Security.

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1.4.2 Monthly Payment Schedule. Affected System Interconnection Customer's payment schedule is as follows.

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Table 2: Affected System Interconnection Customer's Payment/Security Obligations for Affected System Network Upgrade(s).

| MILESTONE NUMBER | DESCRIPTION | DATE |
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Note: Affected System Interconnection Customer's payment or provision of security as provided in this Agreement operates as a condition precedent to Transmission Provider's obligations to construct any Affected System Network Upgrade(s), and failure to meet this schedule will constitute a Breach pursuant to Article 5.1 of this Agreement.

1.5 Permits, Licenses, and Authorizations.

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Appendix B to Appendix 6 Two-Party Affected System Facilities Construction Agreement

NOTIFICATION OF COMPLETED CONSTRUCTION

This Appendix B is a part of the Affected Systems Facilities Construction Agreement between Affected System Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider. Where applicable, when Transmission Provider has completed construction of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s), Transmission Provider shall send notice to Affected System Interconnection Customer in substantially the form following:

| Transmission Provider shall send notice to Affected System Interconnection Customer in substantially the form following: |
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| {Date} |
| {Affected System Interconnection Customer Address} |
| Re: Completion of Affected System Network Upgrade(s) |
| Dear {Name or Title}: |
| This letter is sent pursuant to the Affected System Facilities Construction Agreement between {Transmission Provider} and {Affected System Interconnection Customer}, dated, 20 |
| On {Date}, Transmission Provider completed to its satisfaction all work on the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) required to facilitate the safe and reliable interconnection and operation of Affected System Interconnection Customer's {description of generating facility}. Transmission Provider confirms that the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) are in place. |
| Thank you. |
| {Signature} {Transmission Provider Representative} |

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Appendix C to Appendix 6 Two-Party Affected System Facilities Construction Agreement

EXHIBITS

This Appendix C is a part of the Affected System Facilities Construction Agreement among Affected System Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider.

Exhibit A1 Transmission Provider Site Map

Exhibit A2 Site Plan

Exhibit A3 Affected System Network Upgrade(s) Plan & Profile

Exhibit A4 Estimated Cost of Affected System Network Upgrade(s)

| Location | Facilities to Be Constructed by Transmission Provider | Estimate in Dollars |
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| | Total: | |

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APPENDIX 7 TO LGIP MULTIPARTY AFFECTED SYSTEM FACILITIES CONSTRUCTION AGREEMENT

| THIS AGREEMENT is made and entered into this day of, 20, by and among, organized and existing under the laws of the State of (Affected System Interconnection Customer); |
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| (Transmission Provider). Affected System Interconnection Customers and Transmission Provider |
| each may be referred to as a "Party" or collectively as the "Parties." When it is not important to |
| differentiate among them, Affected System Interconnection Customers each may be referred to |
| as "Affected System Interconnection Customer" or collectively as "Affected System |
| Interconnection Customers." |
| RECITALS |
| WHEREAS, Affected System Interconnection Customers are proposing to develop {description of generating facilities or generating capacity additions to an existing generating facility}, consistent with the interconnection requests submitted by Affected System Interconnection Customers to {name of host transmission provider}, dated, for which {name of host transmission provider} found impacts on Transmission Provider's Transmission System; and |
| WHEREAS, Affected System Interconnection Customers desire to interconnect the {generating facilities} to {name of host transmission provider}'s transmission system; and |
| WHEREAS, additions, modifications, and upgrade(s) must be made to certain existing facilities of Transmission Provider's Transmission System to accommodate such interconnection; and |
| WHEREAS, Affected System Interconnection Customers have requested, and Transmission Provider has agreed, to enter into this Agreement for the purpose of facilitating the construction of necessary Affected System Network Upgrade(s); |
| NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of and subject to the mutual covenants contained herein, the Parties agree as follows: |

ARTICLE 1 DEFINITIONS

When used in this Agreement, with initial capitalization, the terms specified and not otherwise defined in this Agreement shall have the meanings indicated in this LGIP.

ARTICLE 2
TERM OF AGREEMENT

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2.1 Effective Date. This Agreement shall become effective upon execution by the Parties subject to acceptance by FERC (if applicable), or if filed unexecuted, upon the date specified by FERC.

2.2 Term.

- General. This Agreement shall become effective as provided in Article 2.1 and shall continue in full force and effect until the earlier of (1) the final repayment, where applicable, by Transmission Provider of the amount funded by Affected System Interconnection Customers for Transmission Provider's design, procurement, construction, and installation of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) provided in Appendix A; (2) the Parties agree to mutually terminate this Agreement; (3) earlier termination is permitted or provided for under Appendix A of this Agreement; or (4) Affected System Interconnection Customers terminate this Agreement after providing Transmission Provider with written notice at least sixty (60) Calendar Days prior to the proposed termination date, provided that Affected System Interconnection Customers have no outstanding contractual obligations to Transmission Provider under this Agreement. termination of this Agreement shall be effective until the Parties have complied with all Applicable Laws and Regulations applicable to such termination. The term of this Agreement may be adjusted upon mutual agreement of the Parties if the commercial operation date(s) for the {generating facilities} is adjusted in accordance with the rules and procedures established by {name of host transmission provider} or the in-service date for the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) is adjusted in accordance with the rules and procedures established by Transmission Provider.
- 2.2.2 Termination Upon Default. Default shall mean the failure of a Breaching Party to cure its Breach in accordance with Article 5 of this Agreement where Breach and Breaching Party are defined in Article 5. Defaulting Party shall mean the Party that is in Default. In the event of a Default by a Party, each non-Defaulting Party shall have the termination rights described in Articles 5 and 6; provided, however, Transmission Provider may not terminate this Agreement if an Affected System Interconnection Customer is the Defaulting Party and compensates Transmission Provider within thirty (30) Calendar Days for the amount of damages billed to Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) by Transmission Provider for any such damages. including costs and expenses incurred by Transmission Provider as a result of such Default. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Default by one or more Affected System Interconnection Customers shall not provide the other Affected System Interconnection Customer(s), either individually or in concert, with the right to terminate the entire Agreement. The non-Defaulting Party/Parties may, individually or in concert, initiate the removal of an Affected System Interconnection Customer that is a Defaulting Party from this Agreement. Transmission Provider shall not terminate this Agreement or the participation of any Affected System Interconnection Customer without provision being made for Transmission Provider to be fully reimbursed for all of its costs incurred under this Agreement.
- **2.2.3 Consequences of Termination.** In the event of a termination by a Party, other than a termination by Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) due to a Default by Transmission Provider, each Affected System Interconnection Customer whose participation in this Agreement is terminated shall be responsible for the payment to Transmission Provider of all amounts then due and payable for construction and installation of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s)

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(including, without limitation, any equipment ordered related to such construction), plus all out-of-pocket expenses incurred by Transmission Provider in connection with the construction and installation of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s), through the date of termination, and, in the event of the termination of the entire Agreement, any actual costs which Transmission Provider reasonably incurs in (1) winding up work and construction demobilization and (2) ensuring the safety of persons and property and the integrity and safe and reliable operation of Transmission Provider's Transmission System. Transmission Provider shall use Reasonable Efforts to minimize such costs. The cost responsibility of other Affected System Interconnection Customer shall be adjusted, as necessary, based on the payments by an Affected System Interconnection Customer that is terminated from the Agreement.

- **2.2.4 Reservation of Rights.** Transmission Provider shall have the right to make a unilateral filing with FERC to modify this Agreement with respect to any rates, terms and conditions, charges, classifications of service, rule or regulation under section 205 or any other applicable provision of the Federal Power Act and FERC's rules and regulations thereunder, and Affected System Interconnection Customers shall have the right to make a unilateral filing with FERC to modify this Agreement pursuant to section 206 or any other applicable provision of the Federal Power Act and FERC's rules and regulations thereunder; provided that each Party shall have the right to protest any such filing by the other Party and to participate fully in any proceeding before FERC in which such modifications may be considered. Nothing in this Agreement shall limit the rights of the Parties or of FERC under sections 205 or 206 of the Federal Power Act and FERC's rules and regulations thereunder, except to the extent that the Parties otherwise mutually agree as provided herein.
- **2.3 Filing.** Transmission Provider shall file this Agreement (and any amendment hereto) with the appropriate Governmental Authority, if required. Affected System Interconnection Customers may request that any information so provided be subject to the confidentiality provisions of Article 8. Each Affected System Interconnection Customer that has executed this Agreement, or any amendment thereto, shall reasonably cooperate with Transmission Provider with respect to such filing and to provide any information reasonably requested by Transmission Provider needed to comply with applicable regulatory requirements.
- **2.4 Survival.** This Agreement shall continue in effect after termination, to the extent necessary, to provide for final billings and payments and for costs incurred hereunder, including billings and payments pursuant to this Agreement; to permit the determination and enforcement of liability and indemnification obligations arising from acts or events that occurred while this Agreement was in effect; and to permit each Party to have access to the lands of the other Party pursuant to this Agreement or other applicable agreements, to disconnect, remove, or salvage its own facilities and equipment.
- **2.5 Termination Obligations.** Upon any termination pursuant to this Agreement or termination of the participation in this Agreement of an Affected System Interconnection Customer, each Affected System Interconnection Customer shall be responsible for the payment of its proportionate share of all costs or other contractual obligations incurred prior to the termination date, including previously incurred capital costs, penalties for early termination, and costs of removal and site restoration. The cost responsibility of the other Affected System Interconnection Customers shall be adjusted as necessary.

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ARTICLE 3 CONSTRUCTION OF AFFECTED SYSTEM NETWORK UPGRADE(S)

3.1 Construction.

3.1.1 Transmission Provider Obligations. Transmission Provider shall (or shall cause such action to) design, procure, construct, and install, and Affected System Interconnection Customers shall pay, consistent with Article 3.2, the costs of all Affected System Network Upgrade(s) identified in Appendix A. All Affected System Network Upgrade(s) designed, procured, constructed, and installed by Transmission Provider pursuant to this Agreement shall satisfy all requirements of applicable safety and/or engineering codes and comply with Good Utility Practice, and further, shall satisfy all Applicable Laws and Regulations. Transmission Provider shall not be required to undertake any action which is inconsistent with its standard safety practices, its material and equipment specifications, its design criteria and construction procedures, its labor agreements, or any Applicable Laws and Regulations.

3.1.2 Suspension of Work.

3.1.2.1 Right to Suspend. Affected System Interconnection Customers must jointly provide to Transmission Provider written notice of their request for suspension. Only the milestones described in the Appendices of this Agreement are subject to suspension under this Article 3.1.2. Affected System Network Upgrade(s) will be constructed on the schedule described in the Appendices of this Agreement unless: (1) construction is prevented by the order of a Governmental Authority; (2) the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) are not needed by any other Interconnection Customer; or (3) Transmission Provider determines that a Force Majeure event prevents construction. In the event of (1), (2), or (3), any security paid to Transmission Provider under Article 4.1 of this Agreement shall be released by Transmission Provider upon the determination by Transmission Provider that the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) will no longer be constructed. If suspension occurs, Affected System Interconnection Customers shall be responsible for the costs which Transmission Provider incurs (i) in accordance with this Agreement prior to the suspension; (ii) in suspending such work, including any costs incurred to perform such work as may be necessary to ensure the safety of persons and property and the integrity of Transmission Provider's Transmission System and, if applicable, any costs incurred in connection with the cancellation of contracts and orders for material which Transmission Provider cannot reasonably avoid; and (iii) reasonably incurs in winding up work and construction demobilization; provided, however, that, prior to canceling any such contracts or orders, Transmission Provider shall obtain Affected System Interconnection Customers' authorization. Affected System Interconnection Customers shall be responsible for all costs incurred in connection with Affected System Interconnection Customers' failure to authorize cancellation of such contracts or orders.

Interest on amounts paid by Affected System Interconnection Customers to Transmission Provider for the design, procurement, construction, and installation of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) shall not accrue during periods in which Affected System Interconnection Customers have suspended construction under this Article 3.1.2.

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Transmission Provider shall invoice Affected System Interconnection Customers pursuant to Article 4 and will use Reasonable Efforts to minimize its costs. In the event Affected System Interconnection Customers suspend work by Affected System Transmission Provider required under this Agreement pursuant to this Article 3.1.2.1, and have not requested Affected System Transmission Provider to recommence the work required under this Agreement on or before the expiration of three (3) years following commencement of such suspension, this Agreement shall be deemed terminated. The three-year period shall begin on the date the suspension is requested, or the date of the written notice to Affected System Transmission Provider, whichever is earlier, if no effective date of suspension is specified.

- **3.1.2.2 Recommencing of Work.** If Affected System Interconnection Customers request that Transmission Provider recommence construction of Affected System Network Upgrade(s), Transmission Provider shall have no obligation to afford such work the priority it would have had but for the prior actions of Affected System Interconnection Customers to suspend the work. In such event, Affected System Interconnection Customers shall be responsible for any costs incurred in recommencing the work. All recommenced work shall be completed pursuant to an amended schedule for the interconnection agreed to by the Parties. Transmission Provider has the right to conduct a restudy of the Affected System Study if conditions have materially changed subsequent to the request to suspend. Affected System Interconnection Customers shall be responsible for the costs of any studies or restudies required.
- **3.1.2.3 Right to Suspend Due to Default.** Transmission Provider reserves the right, upon written notice to Affected System Interconnection Customers, to suspend, at any time, work by Transmission Provider due to a Default by Affected System Interconnection Customer(s). Defaulting-Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) shall be responsible for any additional expenses incurred by Transmission Provider associated with the construction and installation of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) (as set forth in Article 2.2.3) upon the occurrence of a Default pursuant to Article 5. Any form of suspension by Transmission Provider shall not be barred by Articles 2.2.2, 2.2.3, or 5.2.2, nor shall it affect Transmission Provider's right to terminate the work or this Agreement pursuant to Article 6.
- **3.1.3 Construction Status.** Transmission Provider shall keep Affected System Interconnection Customers advised periodically as to the progress of its design, procurement, and construction efforts, as described in Appendix A. An Affected System Interconnection Customer may, at any time and reasonably, request a progress report from Transmission Provider. If, at any time, an Affected System Interconnection Customer determines that the completion of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) will not be required until after the specified in-service date, such Affected System Interconnection Customer will provide written notice to all other Parties of such later date for which the completion of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) would be required. Transmission Provider may delay the in-service date of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) accordingly, but only if agreed to by all other Affected System Interconnection Customers.
- **3.1.4 Timely Completion.** Transmission Provider shall use Reasonable Efforts to design, procure, construct, install, and test the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) in accordance with the schedule set forth in Appendix A, which schedule may be revised from time to time by mutual agreement of the Parties. If any event occurs that will affect the time or ability to complete the Affected System Network Upgrade(s), Transmission Provider shall promptly notify all other Parties. In such circumstances, Transmission Provider shall, within fifteen (15) Calendar Days of

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such notice, convene a meeting with Affected System Interconnection Customers to evaluate the alternatives available to Affected System Interconnection Customers. Transmission Provider shall also make available to Affected System Interconnection Customers all studies and work papers related to the event and corresponding delay, including all information that is in the possession of Transmission Provider that is reasonably needed by Affected System Interconnection Customers to evaluate alternatives, subject to confidentiality arrangements consistent with Article 8. Transmission Provider shall, at any Affected System Interconnection Customer's request and expense, use Reasonable Efforts to accelerate its work under this Agreement to meet the schedule set forth in Appendix A, provided that (1) Affected System Interconnection Customers jointly authorize such actions, such authorizations to be withheld, conditioned, or delayed by a given Affected System Interconnection Customer only if it can demonstrate that the acceleration would have a material adverse effect on it; and (2) the requesting Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) funds the costs associated therewith in advance, or all Affected System Interconnection Customers agree in advance to fund such costs based on such other allocation method as they may adopt.

3.2 Interconnection Costs.

- **3.2.1 Costs.** Affected System Interconnection Customers shall pay to Transmission Provider costs (including taxes and financing costs) associated with seeking and obtaining all necessary approvals and of designing, engineering, constructing, and testing the Affected System Network Upgrade(s), as identified in Appendix A, in accordance with the cost recovery method provided herein. Except as expressly otherwise agreed, Affected System Interconnection Customers shall be collectively responsible for these costs, based on their proportionate share of cost responsibility, as provided in Appendix A. Unless Transmission Provider elects to fund the Affected System Network Upgrade(s), they shall be initially funded by the applicable Affected System Interconnection Customer.
- **3.2.1.1 Lands of Other Property Owners.** If any part of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) is to be installed on property owned by persons other than Affected System Interconnection Customers or Transmission Provider, Transmission Provider shall, at Affected System Interconnection Customers' expense, use efforts similar in nature and extent to those that it typically undertakes on its own behalf or on behalf of its Affiliates, including use of its eminent domain authority to the extent permitted and consistent with Applicable Laws and Regulations and, to the extent consistent with such Applicable Laws and Regulations, to procure from such persons any rights of use, licenses, rights-of-way, and easements that are necessary to construct, operate, maintain, test, inspect, replace, or remove the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) upon such property.

3.2.2 Repayment.

3.2.2.1 Repayment. Consistent with articles 11.4.1 and 11.4.2 of the Transmission Provider's pro forma LGIA, each Affected System Interconnection Customer shall be entitled to a cash repayment by Transmission Provider of the amount each Affected System Interconnection Customer paid to Transmission Provider, if any, for the Affected System Network Upgrade(s), including any tax gross-up or other tax-related payments associated with the Affected System Network Upgrade(s), and not refunded to Affected System Interconnection Customer pursuant to Article 3.3.1 or otherwise. The Parties may mutually agree to a repayment schedule, to be

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outlined in Appendix A, not to exceed twenty (20) years from the commercial operation date, for the complete repayment for all applicable costs associated with the Affected System Network Upgrade(s). Any repayment shall include interest calculated in accordance with the methodology set forth in FERC's regulations at 18 CFR 35.19 a(a)(2)(iii) from the date of any payment for Affected System Network Upgrade(s) through the date on which Affected System Interconnection Customers receive a repayment of such payment pursuant to this subparagraph. Interest shall not accrue during periods in which Affected System Interconnection Customers have suspended construction pursuant to Article 3.1.2.1. Affected System Interconnection Customers may assign such repayment rights to any person.

3.2.2.2 Impact of Failure to Achieve Commercial Operation. If an Affected System Interconnection Customer's generating facility fails to achieve commercial operation, but it or another generating facility is later constructed and makes use of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s), Transmission Provider shall at that time reimburse such Affected System Interconnection Customers for the portion of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) it funded. Before any such reimbursement can occur, Affected System Interconnection Customer (or the entity that ultimately constructs the generating facility, if different), is responsible for identifying the entity to which the reimbursement must be made.

3.3 Taxes.

3.3.1 Indemnification for Contributions in Aid of Construction. With regard only to payments made by Affected System Interconnection Customers to Transmission Provider for the installation of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s), Transmission Provider shall not include a gross-up for income taxes in the amounts it charges Affected System Interconnection Customers for the installation of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) unless (1) Transmission Provider has determined, in good faith, that the payments or property transfers made by Affected System Interconnection Customers to Transmission Provider should be reported as income subject to taxation, or (2) any Governmental Authority directs Transmission Provider to report payments or property as income subject to taxation. Affected System Interconnection Customers shall reimburse Transmission Provider for such costs on a fully grossed-up basis, in accordance with this Article, within thirty (30) Calendar Days of receiving written notification from Transmission Provider of the amount due, including detail about how the amount was calculated.

The indemnification obligation shall terminate at the earlier of (1) the expiration of the ten (10)-year testing period and the applicable statute of limitation, as it may be extended by Transmission Provider upon request of the Internal Revenue Service, to keep these years open for audit or adjustment, or (2) the occurrence of a subsequent taxable event and the payment of any related indemnification obligations as contemplated by this Article. Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Article 3.3.1, and to the extent permitted by law, to the extent that the receipt of such payments by Transmission Provider is determined by any Governmental Authority to constitute income by Transmission Provider subject to taxation, Affected System Interconnection Customers shall protect, indemnify, and hold harmless Transmission Provider and its Affiliates, from all claims by any such Governmental Authority for any tax, interest, and/or penalties associated with such determination. Upon receiving written notification of such determination from the Governmental Authority, Transmission Provider shall provide Affected System Interconnection Customers with written notification within thirty (30) Calendar Days of such

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determination and notification. Transmission Provider, upon the timely written request by any one or more Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) and at the expense of such Affected System Interconnection Customer(s), shall appeal, protest, seek abatement of, or otherwise oppose such determination. Transmission Provider reserves the right to make all decisions with regard to the prosecution of such appeal, protest, abatement or other contest, including the compromise or settlement of the claim; provided that Transmission Provider shall cooperate and consult in good faith with the requesting Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) regarding the conduct of such contest. Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) shall not be required to pay Transmission Provider for the tax, interest, and/or penalties prior to the seventh (7th) Calendar Day before the date on which Transmission Provider (1) is required to pay the tax, interest, and/or penalties or other amount in lieu thereof pursuant to a compromise or settlement of the appeal, protest, abatement, or other contest; (2) is required to pay the tax, interest, and/or penalties as the result of a final, non-appealable order by a Governmental Authority; or (3) is required to pay the tax, interest, and/or penalties as a prerequisite to an appeal, protest, abatement, or other contest. In the event such appeal, protest, abatement, or other contest results in a determination that Transmission Provider is not liable for any portion of any tax, interest, and/or penalties for which any Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) has already made payment to Transmission Provider, Transmission Provider shall promptly refund to such Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) any payment attributable to the amount determined to be non-taxable, plus any interest (calculated in accordance with 18 CFR 35.19a(a)(2)(iii)) or other payments Transmission Provider receives or to which Transmission Provider may be entitled with respect to such payment. Each Affected System Interconnection Customer shall provide Transmission Provider with credit assurances sufficient to meet each Affected System Interconnection Customer's estimated liability for reimbursement of Transmission Provider for taxes, interest, and/or penalties under this Article 3.3.1. Such estimated liability shall be stated in Appendix A.

To the extent that Transmission Provider is a limited liability company and not a corporation, and has elected to be taxed as a partnership, then the following shall apply: Transmission Provider represents, and the Parties acknowledge, that Transmission Provider is a limited liability company and is treated as a partnership for federal income tax purposes. Any payment made by Affected System Interconnection Customers to Transmission Provider for Affected System Network Upgrade(s) is to be treated as an upfront payment. It is anticipated by the Parties that any amounts paid by each Affected System Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider for Affected System Network Upgrade(s) will be reimbursed to such Affected System Interconnection Customer in accordance with the terms of this Agreement, provided such Affected System Interconnection Customer fulfills its obligations under this Agreement.

3.3.2 Private Letter Ruling. At the request and expense of any Affected System Interconnection Customer(s), Transmission Provider shall file with the Internal Revenue Service a request for a private letter ruling as to whether any property transferred or sums paid, or to be paid, by such Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) to Transmission Provider under this Agreement are subject to federal income taxation. Each Affected System Interconnection Customer desiring such a request will prepare the initial draft of the request for a private letter ruling and will certify under penalties of perjury that all facts represented in such request are true and accurate to the best of such Affected System Interconnection Customer's knowledge. Transmission Provider and such Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) shall cooperate in good faith with respect to the submission of such request.

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3.3.3 Other Taxes. Upon the timely request by any one or more Affected System Interconnection Customer(s), and at such Affected System Interconnection Customer(s)' sole expense, Transmission Provider shall appeal, protest, seek abatement of, or otherwise contest any tax (other than federal or state income tax) asserted or assessed against Transmission Provider for which such Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) may be required to reimburse Transmission Provider under the terms of this Agreement. Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) who requested the action shall pay to Transmission Provider on a periodic basis, as invoiced by Transmission Provider, Transmission Provider's documented reasonable costs of prosecuting such appeal, protest, abatement, or other contest. requesting Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) and Transmission Provider shall cooperate in good faith with respect to any such contest. Unless the payment of such taxes is a prerequisite to an appeal or abatement or cannot be deferred, no amount shall be payable by Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) to Transmission Provider for such taxes until they are assessed by a final, non-appealable order by any court or agency of competent jurisdiction. In the event that a tax payment is withheld and ultimately due and payable after appeal, Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) will be responsible for all taxes, interest, and penalties, other than penalties attributable to any delay caused by Transmission Provider. Each Party shall cooperate with the other Party to maintain each Party's tax status. Nothing in this Agreement is intended to adversely affect any Party's tax-exempt status with respect to the issuance of bonds including, but not limited to, local furnishing bonds, as described in section 142(f) of the Internal Revenue Code.

ARTICLE 4 SECURITY, BILLING, AND PAYMENTS

4.1 Provision of Security. By the earlier of (1) thirty (30) Calendar Days prior to the due date for each Affected System Interconnection Customer's first payment under the payment schedule specified in Appendix A, or (2) the first date specified in Appendix A for the ordering of equipment by Transmission Provider for installing the Affected System Network Upgrade(s), each Affected System Interconnection Customer shall provide Transmission Provider, at each Affected System Interconnection Customer's option, a guarantee, a surety bond, letter TLof credit, or other form of security that is reasonably acceptable to Transmission Provider. Such security for payment shall be in an amount sufficient to cover the costs for constructing, procuring, and installing the applicable portion of Affected System Network Upgrade(s) and shall be reduced on a dollar-for-dollar basis for payments made to Transmission Provider for these purposes.

The guarantee must be made by an entity that meets the creditworthiness requirements of Transmission Provider and contain terms and conditions that guarantee payment of any amount that may be due from such Affected System Interconnection Customer, up to an agreed-to maximum amount. The letter of credit must be issued by a financial institution reasonably acceptable to Transmission Provider and must specify a reasonable expiration date.

4.2 Invoice. Each Party shall submit to the other Parties, on a monthly basis, invoices of amounts due, if any, for the preceding month. Each invoice shall state the month to which the invoice applies and fully describe the services and equipment provided. The Parties may discharge mutual debts and payment obligations due and owing to each other on the same date through netting, in which case all amounts a Party owes to another Party under this Agreement,

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including interest payments, shall be netted so that only the net amount remaining due shall be paid by the owing Party.

- **4.3 Payment.** Invoices shall be rendered to the paying Party at the address specified by the Parties. The Party receiving the invoice shall pay the invoice within thirty (30) Calendar Days of receipt. All payments shall be made in immediately available funds payable to the other Party, or by wire transfer to a bank named and account designated by the invoicing Party. Payment of invoices by a Party will not constitute a waiver of any rights or claims that Party may have under this Agreement.
- **4.4 Final Invoice.** Within six (6) months after completion of the construction of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) Transmission Provider shall provide an invoice of the final cost of the construction of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) and shall set forth such costs in sufficient detail to enable each Affected System Interconnection Customer to compare the actual costs with the estimates and to ascertain deviations, if any, from the cost estimates. Transmission Provider shall refund, with interest (calculated in accordance with 18 CFR 35.19a(a)(2)(iii)), to each Affected System Interconnection Customer any amount by which the actual payment by Affected System Interconnection Customer for estimated costs exceeds the actual costs of construction within thirty (30) Calendar Days of the issuance of such final construction invoice.
- **4.5 Interest.** Interest on any unpaid amounts shall be calculated in accordance with 18 CFR 35.19a(a)(2)(iii).
- **4.6 Payment During Dispute.** In the event of a billing dispute among the Parties, Transmission Provider shall continue to construct the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) under this Agreement as long as each Affected System Interconnection Customer: (1) continues to make all payments not in dispute; and (2) pays to Transmission Provider or into an independent escrow account the portion of the invoice in dispute, pending resolution of such dispute. If any Affected System Interconnection Customer fails to meet these two requirements, then Transmission Provider may provide notice to such Affected System Interconnection Customer of a Default pursuant to Article 5. Within thirty (30) Calendar Days after the resolution of the dispute, the Party that owes money to another Party shall pay the amount due with interest calculated in accordance with the methodology set forth in 18 CFR 35.19a(a)(2)(iii).

ARTICLE 5 BREACH, CURE, AND DEFAULT

- **5.1 Events of Breach.** A Breach of this Agreement shall include the:
- (a) Failure to pay any amount when due;
- (b) Failure to comply with any material term or condition of this Agreement, including but not limited to any material Breach of a representation, warranty, or covenant made in this Agreement;
- (c) Failure of a Party to provide such access rights, or a Party's attempt to revoke access or terminate such access rights, as provided under this Agreement; or

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- (d) Failure of a Party to provide information or data to another Party as required under this Agreement, provided the Party entitled to the information or data under this Agreement requires such information or data to satisfy its obligations under this Agreement.
- **5.2 Definition.** Breaching Party shall mean the Party that is in Breach.
- **5.3 Notice of Breach, Cure, and Default.** Upon the occurrence of an event of Breach, any Party aggrieved by the Breach, when it becomes aware of the Breach, shall give written notice of the Breach to the Breaching Party and to any other person representing a Party to this Agreement identified in writing to the other Party in advance. Such notice shall set forth, in reasonable detail, the nature of the Breach, and where known and applicable, the steps necessary to cure such Breach.
- **5.2.1** Upon receiving written notice of the Breach hereunder, the Breaching Party shall have a period to cure such Breach (hereinafter referred to as the "Cure Period") which shall be sixty (60) Calendar Days. If an Affected System Interconnection Customer is the Breaching Party and the Breach results from a failure to provide payments or security under Article 4.1 of this Agreement, the other Affected System Interconnection Customers, either individually or in concert, may cure the Breach by paying the amounts owed or by providing adequate security, without waiver of contribution rights against the breaching Affected System Interconnection Customer. Such cure for the Breach of an Affected System Interconnection Customer is subject to the reasonable consent of Transmission Provider. Transmission Provider may also cure such Breach by funding the proportionate share of the Affected System Network Upgrade costs related to the Breach of Affected System Interconnection Customer. Transmission Provider must notify all Parties that it will exercise this option within thirty (30) Calendar Days of notification that an Affected System Interconnection Customer has failed to provide payments or security under Article 4.1.
- **5.2.2** In the event the Breach is not cured within the Cure Period, the Breaching Party will be in Default of this Agreement, and the non-Defaulting Parties may (1) act in concert to amend the Agreement to remove an Affected System Interconnection Customer that is in Default from this Agreement for cause and to make other changes as necessary, or (2) either in concert or individually take whatever action at law or in equity as may appear necessary or desirable to enforce the performance or observance of any rights, remedies, obligations, agreement, or covenants under this Agreement.
- **5.3 Rights in the Event of Default.** Notwithstanding the foregoing, upon the occurrence of Default, the non-Defaulting Parties shall be entitled to exercise all rights and remedies it may have in equity or at law.

ARTICLE 6 TERMINATION OF AGREEMENT

- **6.1 Expiration of Term.** Except as otherwise specified in this Article 6, the Parties' obligations under this Agreement shall terminate at the conclusion of the term of this Agreement.
- **6.2 Termination and Removal.** Subject to the limitations set forth in Article 6.3, in the event of a Default, termination of this Agreement, as to a given Affected System Interconnection

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Customer or in its entirety, shall require a filing at FERC of a notice of termination, which filing must be accepted for filing by FERC.

- 6.3 Disposition of Facilities Upon Termination of Agreement.
- **6.3.1 Transmission Provider Obligations.** Upon termination of this Agreement, unless otherwise agreed to by the Parties in writing, Transmission Provider:
- (a) shall, prior to the construction and installation of any portion of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) and to the extent possible, cancel any pending orders of, or return, such equipment or material for such Affected System Network Upgrade(s);
- (b) may keep in place any portion of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) already constructed and installed; and,
- (c) shall perform such work as may be necessary to ensure the safety of persons and property and to preserve the integrity of Transmission Provider's Transmission System (e.g., construction demobilization to return the system to its original state, wind-up work).
- **6.3.2** Affected System Interconnection Customer Obligations. Upon billing by Transmission Provider, each Affected System Interconnection Customer shall reimburse Transmission Provider for its share of any costs incurred by Transmission Provider in performance of the actions required or permitted by Article 6.3.1 and for its share of the cost of any Affected System Network Upgrade(s) described in Appendix A. Transmission Provider shall use Reasonable Efforts to minimize costs and shall offset the amounts owed by any salvage value of facilities, if applicable. Each Affected System Interconnection Customer shall pay these costs pursuant to Article 4.3 of this Agreement.
- **6.3.3 Pre-construction or Installation.** Upon termination of this Agreement and prior to the construction and installation of any portion of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s), Transmission Provider may, at its option, retain any portion of such Affected System Network Upgrade(s) not cancelled or returned in accordance with Article 6.3.1(a), in which case Transmission Provider shall be responsible for all costs associated with procuring such Affected System Network Upgrade(s). To the extent that an Affected System Interconnection Customer has already paid Transmission Provider for any or all of such costs, Transmission Provider shall refund Affected System Interconnection Customer for those payments. If Transmission Provider elects to not retain any portion of such facilities, and one or more of Affected System Interconnection Customers wish to purchase such facilities, Transmission Provider shall convey and make available to the applicable Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) such facilities as soon as practicable after Affected System Interconnection Customer(s)' payment for such facilities.
- **6.4 Survival of Rights.** Termination or expiration of this Agreement shall not relieve any Party of any of its liabilities and obligations arising hereunder prior to the date termination becomes effective, and each Party may take whatever judicial or administrative actions as appear necessary or desirable to enforce its rights hereunder. The applicable provisions of this Agreement will continue in effect after expiration, or early termination hereof, to the extent necessary to provide for (1) final billings, billing adjustments, and other billing procedures set forth

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in this Agreement; (2) the determination and enforcement of liability and indemnification obligations arising from acts or events that occurred while this Agreement was in effect; and (3) the confidentiality provisions set forth in Article 8.

ARTICLE 7 SUBCONTRACTORS

- **7.1 Subcontractors.** Nothing in this Agreement shall prevent a Party from utilizing the services of subcontractors, as it deems appropriate, to perform its obligations under this Agreement; provided, however, that each Party shall require its subcontractors to comply with all applicable terms and conditions of this Agreement in providing such services, and each Party shall remain primarily liable to the other Parties for the performance of such subcontractor.
- **7.1.1** Responsibility of Principal. The creation of any subcontract relationship shall not relieve the hiring Party of any of its obligations under this Agreement. In accordance with the provisions of this Agreement, each Party shall be fully responsible to the other Parties for the acts or omissions of any subcontractor it hires as if no subcontract had been made. Any applicable obligation imposed by this Agreement upon a Party shall be equally binding upon, and shall be construed as having application to, any subcontractor of such Party.
- **7.1.2 No Third-Party Beneficiary.** Except as may be specifically set forth to the contrary herein, no subcontractor or any other party is intended to be, nor will it be deemed to be, a third-party beneficiary of this Agreement.
- **7.1.3 No Limitation by Insurance.** The obligations under this Article 7 will not be limited in any way by any limitation of any insurance policies or coverages, including any subcontractor's insurance.

ARTICLE 8 CONFIDENTIALITY

8.1 Confidentiality. Confidential Information shall include, without limitation, all information relating to a Party's technology, research and development, business affairs, and pricing, and any information supplied to the other Parties prior to the execution of this Agreement.

Information is Confidential Information only if it is clearly designated or marked in writing as confidential on the face of the document, or, if the information is conveyed orally or by inspection, if the Party providing the information orally informs the Party receiving the information that the information is confidential. The Parties shall maintain as confidential any information that is provided and identified by a Party as Critical Energy Infrastructure Information (CEII), as that term is defined in 18 CFR 388.113(c).

Such confidentiality will be maintained in accordance with this Article 8. If requested by the receiving Party, the disclosing Party shall provide in writing, the basis for asserting that the information referred to in this Article warrants confidential treatment, and the requesting Party may disclose such writing to the appropriate Governmental Authority. Each Party shall be responsible for the costs associated with affording confidential treatment to its information.

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- **8.1.1 Term.** During the term of this Agreement, and for a period of three (3) years after the expiration or termination of this Agreement, except as otherwise provided in this Article 8 or with regard to CEII, each Party shall hold in confidence and shall not disclose to any person Confidential Information. CEII shall be treated in accordance with FERC policies and regulations.
- **8.1.2 Scope.** Confidential Information shall not include information that the receiving Party can demonstrate: (1) is generally available to the public other than as a result of a disclosure by the receiving Party; (2) was in the lawful possession of the receiving Party on a non-confidential basis before receiving it from the disclosing Party; (3) was supplied to the receiving Party without restriction by a non-Party, who, to the knowledge of the receiving Party after due inquiry, was under no obligation to the disclosing Party to keep such information confidential; (4) was independently developed by the receiving Party without reference to Confidential Information of the disclosing Party; (5) is, or becomes, publicly known, through no wrongful act or omission of the receiving Party or Breach of this Agreement; or (6) is required, in accordance with Article 8.1.6 of this Agreement, to be disclosed by any Governmental Authority or is otherwise required to be disclosed by law or subpoena, or is necessary in any legal proceeding establishing rights and obligations under this Agreement. Information designated as Confidential Information will no longer be deemed confidential if the Party that designated the information as confidential notifies the receiving Party that it no longer is confidential.
- **8.1.3** Release of Confidential Information. No Party shall release or disclose Confidential Information to any other person, except to its Affiliates (limited by the Standards of Conduct requirements), subcontractors, employees, agents, consultants, or to non-Parties that may be or are considering providing financing to or equity participation with Affected System Interconnection Customer(s), or to potential purchasers or assignees of Affected System Interconnection Customer(s), on a need-to-know basis in connection with this Agreement, unless such person has first been advised of the confidentiality provisions of this Article 8 and has agreed to comply with such provisions. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a Party providing Confidential Information to any person shall remain primarily responsible for any release of Confidential Information in contravention of this Article 8.
- **8.1.4 Rights.** Each Party shall retain all rights, title, and interest in the Confidential Information that it discloses to the receiving Party. The disclosure by a Party to the receiving Party of Confidential Information shall not be deemed a waiver by the disclosing Party or any other person or entity of the right to protect the Confidential Information from public disclosure.
- **8.1.5 Standard of Care.** Each Party shall use at least the same standard of care to protect Confidential Information it receives as it uses to protect its own Confidential Information from unauthorized disclosure, publication, or dissemination. Each Party may use Confidential Information solely to fulfill its obligations to the other Party under this Agreement or its regulatory requirements.
- **8.1.6** Order of Disclosure. If a court or a Government Authority or entity with the right, power, and apparent authority to do so requests or requires any Party, by subpoena, oral deposition, interrogatories, requests for production of documents, administrative order, or otherwise, to disclose Confidential Information, that Party shall provide the disclosing Party with prompt notice of such request(s) or requirement(s) so that the disclosing Party may seek an appropriate protective order or waive compliance with the terms of this Agreement. Notwithstanding the

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absence of a protective order or waiver, the Party may disclose such Confidential Information which, in the opinion of its counsel, the Party is legally compelled to disclose. Each Party will use Reasonable Efforts to obtain reliable assurance that confidential treatment will be accorded any Confidential Information so furnished.

- **8.1.7 Termination of Agreement.** Upon termination of this Agreement for any reason, each Party shall, within ten (10) Business Days of receipt of a written request from the other Party, use Reasonable Efforts to destroy, erase, or delete (with such destruction, erasure, and deletion certified in writing to the requesting Party) or return to the requesting Party any and all written or electronic Confidential Information received from the requesting Party, except that each Party may keep one copy for archival purposes, provided that the obligation to treat it as Confidential Information in accordance with this Article 8 shall survive such termination.
- **8.1.8 Remedies.** The Parties agree that monetary damages would be inadequate to compensate a Party for another Party's Breach of its obligations under this Article 8. Each Party accordingly agrees that the disclosing Party shall be entitled to equitable relief, by way of injunction or otherwise, if the receiving Party Breaches or threatens to Breach its obligations under this Article 8, which equitable relief shall be granted without bond or proof of damages, and the Breaching Party shall not plead in defense that there would be an adequate remedy at law. Such remedy shall not be deemed an exclusive remedy for the Breach of this Article 8, but it shall be in addition to all other remedies available at law or in equity. The Parties further acknowledge and agree that the covenants contained herein are necessary for the protection of legitimate business interests and are reasonable in scope. No Party, however, shall be liable for indirect, incidental, or consequential or punitive damages of any nature or kind resulting from or arising in connection with this Article 8.
- **8.1.9 Disclosure to FERC, its Staff, or a State Regulatory Body.** Notwithstanding anything in this Article 8 to the contrary, and pursuant to 18 CFR 1b.20, if FERC or its staff, during the course of an investigation or otherwise, requests information from a Party that is otherwise required to be maintained in confidence pursuant to this Agreement, the Party shall provide the requested information to FERC or its staff, within the time provided for in the request for information. In providing the information to FERC or its staff, the Party must, consistent with 18 CFR 388.112, request that the information be treated as confidential and non-public by FERC and its staff and that the information be withheld from public disclosure. Parties are prohibited from notifying the other Parties to this Agreement prior to the release of the Confidential Information to FERC or its staff. The Party shall notify the other Parties to the Agreement when it is notified by FERC or its staff that a request to release Confidential Information has been received by FERC, at which time either of the Parties may respond before such information would be made public, pursuant to 18 CFR 388.112. Requests from a state regulatory body conducting a confidential investigation shall be treated in a similar manner if consistent with the applicable state rules and regulations.
- **8.1.10** Subject to the exception in Article 8.1.9, any information that a disclosing Party claims is competitively sensitive, commercial, or financial information under this Agreement shall not be disclosed by the receiving Party to any person not employed or retained by the receiving Party, except to the extent disclosure is (1) required by law; (2) reasonably deemed by the disclosing Party to be required to be disclosed in connection with a dispute between or among the Parties, or the defense of litigation or dispute; (3) otherwise permitted by consent of the disclosing Party,

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such consent not to be unreasonably withheld; or (4) necessary to fulfill its obligations under this Agreement or as Transmission Provider or a balancing authority, including disclosing the Confidential Information to a regional or national reliability organization. The Party asserting confidentiality shall notify the receiving Party in writing of the information that Party claims is confidential. Prior to any disclosures of that Party's Confidential Information under this subparagraph, or if any non-Party or Governmental Authority makes any request or demand for any of the information described in this subparagraph, the Party that received the Confidential Information from the disclosing Party agrees to promptly notify the disclosing Party in writing and agrees to assert confidentiality and cooperate with the disclosing Party in seeking to protect the Confidential Information from public disclosure by confidentiality agreement, protective order, or other reasonable measures.

ARTICLE 9 INFORMATION ACCESS AND AUDIT RIGHTS

- **9.1 Information Access.** Each Party shall make available to the other Parties information necessary to verify the costs incurred by the other Parties for which the requesting Party is responsible under this Agreement and carry out obligations and responsibilities under this Agreement, provided that the Parties shall not use such information for purposes other than those set forth in this Article 9.1 and to enforce their rights under this Agreement.
- **9.2** Audit Rights. Subject to the requirements of confidentiality under Article 8 of this Agreement, the accounts and records related to the design, engineering, procurement, and construction of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) shall be subject to audit during the period of this Agreement and for a period of twenty-four (24) months following Transmission Provider's issuance of a final invoice in accordance with Article 4.4. Affected System Interconnection Customers may, jointly or individually, at the expense of the requesting Party(ies), during normal business hours, and upon prior reasonable notice to Transmission Provider, audit such accounts and records. Any audit authorized by this Article 9.2 shall be performed at the offices where such accounts and records are maintained and shall be limited to those portions of such accounts and records that relate to obligations under this Agreement.

ARTICLE 10 NOTICES

10.1 General. Any notice, demand, or request required or permitted to be given by a Party to the other Parties, and any instrument required or permitted to be tendered or delivered by a Party in writing to another Party, may be so given, tendered, or delivered, as the case may be, by depositing the same with the United States Postal Service with postage prepaid, for transmission by certified or registered mail, addressed to the Parties, or personally delivered to the Parties, at the address set out below:

To Transmission Provider:

To Affected System Interconnection Customers:

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- **10.2 Billings and Payments.** Billings and payments shall be sent to the addresses shown in Article 10.1 unless otherwise agreed to by the Parties.
- **10.3 Alternative Forms of Notice.** Any notice or request required or permitted to be given by a Party to the other Parties and not required by this Agreement to be given in writing may be so given by telephone, facsimile, or email to the telephone numbers and email addresses set out below:

To Transmission Provider:

To Affected System Interconnection Customers:

10.4 Execution and Filing. Affected System Interconnection Customers shall either: (i) execute two originals of this tendered Agreement and return them to Transmission Provider; or (ii) request in writing that Transmission Provider file with FERC this Agreement in unexecuted form. As soon as practicable, but not later than ten (10) Business Days after receiving either the two executed originals of this tendered Agreement (if it does not conform with a FERC-approved standard form of this Agreement) or the request to file this Agreement unexecuted, Transmission Provider shall file this Agreement with FERC, together with its explanation of any matters as to which Affected System Interconnection Customers and Transmission Provider disagree and support for the costs that Transmission Provider proposes to charge to Affected System Interconnection Customers under this Agreement. An unexecuted version of this Agreement should contain terms and conditions deemed appropriate by Transmission Provider for the Affected System Interconnection Customers' generating facilities. If the Parties agree to proceed with design, procurement, and construction of facilities and upgrades under the agreed-upon terms of the unexecuted version of this Agreement, they may proceed pending FERC action.

ARTICLE 11 MISCELLANEOUS

11.1 This Agreement shall include standard miscellaneous terms including, but not limited to, indemnities, representations, disclaimers, warranties, governing law, amendment, execution, waiver, enforceability, and assignment, which reflect best practices in the electric industry, that are consistent with regional practices, Applicable Laws and Regulations, and the organizational nature of each Party. All of these provisions, to the extent practicable, shall be consistent with the provisions of this LGIP.

[Signature Page to Follow]

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have executed this Agreement electronically or in multiple originals, each of which shall constitute and be an original Agreement among the Parties.

| Transm | ission Provider |
|---------|-------------------------------------|
| {Trans | mission Provider} |
| Ву: | |
| Name: | |
| Title: | |
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| Affecte | d System Interconnection Customer |
| | ed System Interconnection Customer} |
| By: | <u> </u> |
| • | |
| Title: | |
| 1100. | _ |
| | |
| | Project No |
| | |
| | d System Interconnection Customer |
| - | ed System Interconnection Customer} |
| Ву: | |
| Name: | |
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| | Project No. |

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Appendix A to Appendix 7 Multiparty Affected System Facilities Construction Agreement

AFFECTED SYSTEM NETWORK UPGRADE(S), COST ESTIMATES AND RESPONSIBILITY, CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE, AND MONTHLY PAYMENT SCHEDULE

This Appendix A is a part of the Multiparty Affected System Facilities Construction Agreement between Affected System Interconnection Customers and Transmission Provider.

1.1 Affected System Network Upgrade(s) to be installed by Transmission Provider.

{description}

1.2 First Equipment Order (including permitting).

{description}

1.2.1. Permitting and Land Rights – Transmission Provider Affected System Network Upgrade(s)

{description}

1.3 Construction Schedule. Where applicable, construction of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) is scheduled as follows and will be periodically updated as necessary:

Table 3: Transmission Provider Construction Activities

| MILESTONE NUMBER | DESCRIPTION | START DATE | END DATE |
|---------------------|-------------|---------------|-------------|
| | | | |
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Note: Construction schedule assumes that Transmission Provider has obtained final authorizations and security from Affected System Interconnection Customers and all necessary

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permits from Governmental Authorities as necessary prerequisites to commence construction of any of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s).

- 1.4 Payment Schedule.
- 1.4.1 Timing of and Adjustments to Affected System Interconnection Customers' Payments and Security. {description}
- **1.4.2 Monthly Payment Schedule.** Affected System Interconnection Customers' payment schedule is as follows.

{description}

Table 4: Affected System Interconnection Customers' Payment/Security Obligations for Affected System Network Upgrade(s).

| MILESTONE NUMBER | DESCRIPTION | DATE |
|---------------------|-------------|------|
| | | |
| | | |
| | | |
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| | | |
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| | | |
| | | |

| * Affected System Interconnection Customers' proportionate responsibility for each payment is as follows: |
|---|
| Affected System Interconnection Customer 1% Affected System Interconnection Customer 2% Affected System Interconnection Customer N% |

Note: Affected System Interconnection Customers' payment or provision of security as provided in this Agreement operates as a condition precedent to Transmission Provider's obligations to construct any Affected System Network Upgrade(s), and failure to meet this schedule will constitute a Breach pursuant to Article 5.1 of this Agreement.

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1.5 Permits, Licenses, and Authorizations.

{description}

Appendix B to Appendix 7 Multiparty Affected System Facilities Construction Agreement

NOTIFICATION OF COMPLETED CONSTRUCTION

This Appendix B is a part of the Multiparty Affected System Facilities Construction Agreement among Affected System Interconnection Customers and Transmission Provider. Where applicable, when Transmission Provider has completed construction of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s), Transmission Provider shall send notice to Affected System Interconnection Customers in substantially the form following:

| Customers in substantially the form following: |
|---|
| {Date} |
| {Affected System Interconnection Customers Addresses} |
| Re: Completion of Affected System Network Upgrade(s) |
| Dear {Name or Title}: |
| This letter is sent pursuant to the Multiparty Affected System Facilities Construction Agreement among {Transmission Provider} and {Affected System Interconnection Customers}, dated, 20 |
| On {Date} Transmission Provider completed to its satisfaction all work on the Affected System |

On {Date}, Transmission Provider completed to its satisfaction all work on the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) required to facilitate the safe and reliable interconnection and operation of Affected System Interconnection Customer's generating facilities. Transmission Provider confirms that the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) are in place.

Thank you.

{Signature}

{Transmission Provider Representative}

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Appendix C to Appendix 7 Multiparty Affected System Facilities Construction Agreement

EXHIBITS

This Appendix C is a part of the Multiparty Affected System Facilities Construction Agreement among Affected System Interconnection Customers and Transmission Provider.

Exhibit A1 Transmission Provider Site Map

Exhibit A2 Site Plan

Exhibit A3 Affected System Network Upgrade(s) Plan & Profile

Exhibit A4 Estimated Cost of Affected System Network Upgrade(s)

| Location | Facilities to Be Constructed by Transmission Provider | Estimate in Dollars |
|----------|--|---------------------------|
| | | |
| | Total: | |

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APPENDIX 8 to LGIP PROVISIONAL INTERCONNECTION REQUEST

| 1. | prov | The undersigned Interconnection Customer submits this request to evaluate the provisional interconnection of its Generating Facility with Transmission Provider's Transmission System pursuant to the Tariff. | | |
|----|-------|---|--|--|
| 2. | The | type of interconnection service to be evaluated (check one): _Energy Resource Interconnection Service _Network Resource Interconnection Service | | |
| 3. | Inter | connection Customer provides the following information: | | |
| | a. | Address or location or the proposed new Large Generating Facility site (to the extent known) or, in the case of an existing Generating Facility, the name and specific location of the existing Generating Facility; | | |
| | b. | Maximum summer at degrees C and winter at degrees C megawatt electrical output of the proposed new Large Generating Facility or the amount of megawatt increase in the generating capacity of an existing Generating Facility; | | |
| | C. | General description of the equipment configuration; | | |
| | d. | Commercial Operation Date to be studied (Month, Day, and Year); | | |
| | e. | Name, address, telephone number, and e-mail address of Interconnection Customer's contact person; | | |
| | f. | Approximate location of the proposed Point of Interconnection; | | |
| | g. | Interconnection Customer Data (set forth in Appendix A) | | |
| | h. | Primary frequency response operating range for electric storage resources. | | |
| | i. | Requested capacity (in MW) of Interconnection Service (if lower than the Generating Facility Capacity); and | | |
| | j. | A Scope of Work including any additional information that may be reasonably required. | | |
| | k. | If applicable, (1) the requested operating assumptions (i.e., whether the interconnecting Generating Facility will or will not charge at peak load) to be used by Transmission Provider that reflect the proposed charging behavior of a Generating Facility that includes at least one electric storage resource, and (2) a description of any control technologies (software and/or hardware) that will limit the operation of the Generating Facility to its intended operation. | | |
| | | | | |

- 4. \$45,000 study deposit amount as specified in the LGIP.
- 5. For study purposes, the point of delivery to deliver within the Control Area or to adjoining Control Area if the Generating Facility is not designated a Network Resource pursuant to Section 30.2 of the Tariff.
- 6. This Provisional Interconnection Request shall be submitted to the e-mail box indicated below:

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| PSCointerconnection | n@xcelenergy.com |
|----------------------------|------------------|
| | |

7. Representative of Interconnection Customer to contact:

[To be completed by Interconnection Customer]

| 8. | This Interconnection Request is submitted by: |
|----|---|
| | Name of Interconnection Customer: |
| | By (signature): |
| | Name (type or print): |
| | Title: |
| | Date: |
| | Date. |

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Appendix A to Appendix 8 Provisional Interconnection Request

LARGE GENERATING FACILITY DATA

UNIT RATINGS

| kVA | °F | Voltage | | |
|--|--------------------------|-----------------------------|--|--|
| Power Factor | | | | |
| Speed (RPM) | Connection (e.g. Wye) | | | |
| Short Circuit Ratio | Frequency, Hertz | | | |
| Stator Amperes at Rated kVA | °F | Field Volts | | |
| Max Turbine MW | r | | | |
| Primary frequency response | onse operating range for | electric storage resources. | | |
| Minimum State of Cha Maximum State of Cha | | | | |
| COMBINED TUR | BINE-GENERATOR-EXCI | TER INERTIA DATA | | |
| Inertia Constant, H = | kW sec/kVA | | | |
| Moment-of-Inertia, WR ² = | lb. ft. ² | | | |
| REACTANCE DATA (PER UNIT-RATED KVA) | | | | |
| DIRECT AXIS QUADRATURE AXIS | | | | |
| Synchronous – saturated | X_{dv} | X _{qv} | | |
| Synchronous – unsaturated | X_{di} | X _{qi} | | |
| Transient – saturated | X' _{dv} | X' _{qv} | | |
| Transient – unsaturated | X'di | X'qi | | |
| Subtransient – saturated | X" _{dv} | X" _{qv} | | |
| Subtransient – unsaturated | X" _{di} | X" _{qi} | | |
| Negative Sequence – saturated | X2 _v | | | |
| Negative Sequence – unsaturate | ed X2 _i | | | |
| Zero Sequence – saturated | X0 _v | | | |
| Zero Sequence – unsaturated | X0 _i | | | |
| Leakage Reactance | XI_{m} | | | |

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| Open Circuit | | T' _{do} | T' _{qo} |
|---|---|--------------------------|---|
| Three-Phase Sh | ort Circuit Transient | T' _{d3} | |
| Line to Line Sho | ort Circuit Transient | T' _{d1} | _ |
| Short Circuit Su | btransient | T" _d | T" _q |
| Open Circuit Su | btransient | T' _{d2} | _ |
| Line to Neutral S | Short Circuit Transient | T" _{do} | T" _{qo} |
| | FIELD TIME ARMATURE TIM | CONSTANT I IE CONSTAN | |
| Three Phase Sh Line to Line Sho Line to Neutral S | ort Circuit T _{a2} | | |
| NOTE: If request | ed information is not app | licable, indica | te by marking "N/A." |
| | MW CAPABILITY / LARGE GENE | | |
| | ARMATURE WINDING | RESISTANC | CE DATA (PER UNIT) |
| Positive Negative Zero | R ₁ R ₂ R ₀ | | |
| Field Current at F Field Current at F Three Phase Arn Field Winding Re | Thermal Capacity I ₂ ² t = Rated kVA, Armature Voli Rated kVA and Armature nature Winding Capacitar sistance =ohm g Resistance (Per Phase | Voltage, 0 PF nce =°C | =amps |
| | | CURVES | |
| | | | acity Temperature Correction curves. sperating range for multiple curves. |
| | GENERATOR STEP-U | P TRANSFOR | MER DATA RATINGS |
| Capacity | Self-cooled/ Maximum Nameplate / kVA | 4 | |

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| Voltage Ratio(Generator Side/System side/Tertiary) | kV | |
|--|---------------------------------------|--|
| Winding Connections (Low V/High V/Tertiary V (Delta c | or Wye)) | |
| Fixed Taps Available | | |
| Present Tap Setting | | |
| If more than one transformer stage is used to deliver the Transmission System, please provide the infortransformer type. | | |
| IMPEDANCE | | |
| Positive Z ₁ (on self-cooled kVA rating) | _%X/R | |
| Zero Z_0 (on self-cooled kVA rating) | _%X/R | |
| EXCITATION SYSTEM | M DATA | |
| Identify appropriate IEEE model block diagram of excitation system and power system stabilizer (PSS) for computer representation in power system stability simulations and the corresponding excitation system and PSS constants for use in the model. | | |
| GOVERNOR SYSTEM | M DATA | |
| Identify appropriate IEEE model block diagram of governor system for computer representation in power system stability simulations and the corresponding governor system constants for use in the model. | | |
| WIND GENERATO | ORS | |
| Number of generators to be interconnected purs | uant to this Interconnection Request: | |
| Elevation: for Wind) Single Phase | seThree Phase | |
| Inverter manufacturer, model name, number, and version | on: | |
| | | |

List of adjustable setpoints for the protective equipment or software:

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Note: A completed General Electric Company Power Systems Load Flow (PSLF) data sheet or other compatible formats, such as IEEE and PTI power flow models, must be supplied with the Interconnection Request as specified in the business practice manual or other OASIS postings. If other data sheets are more appropriate to the proposed device, then they shall be provided and discussed at Scoping Meeting.

INDUCTION GENERATORS

| (*) Field Volts: | |
|---|-----------------------|
| *) Field Amperes: | |
| *) Motoring Power (kW): | |
| *) Neutral Grounding Resistor (If Applicable: | |
| (*) I ₂ ²t or K (Heating Time Constant): | |
| (*) Rotor Resistance: | |
| (*) Stator Resistance: | |
| (*) Stator Reactance: | |
| (*) Rotor Reactance: | |
| (*) Magnetizing Reactance: | _ |
| (*) Short Circuit Reactance: | _ |
| (*) Exciting Current: | |
| (*) Temperature Rise: | |
| (*) Frame Size: | |
| (*) Design Letter: | |
| (*) Reactive Power Required In Vars (No Loa | , |
| (*) Reactive Power Required In Vars (Full Lo | , |
| (*) Total Rotating Inertia, H: | _Per Unit on KVA Base |

Note: Please consult Transmission Provider prior to submitting the Provisional Interconnection Request to determine if the information designated by (*) is required.

MODELS FOR NON-SYNCHRONOUS GENERATORS For a non-synchronous Large Generating Facility, Interconnection Customer shall provide (1) a validated user-defined root mean squared (RMS) positive sequence dynamics model; (2) an appropriately parameterized generic library RMS positive sequence dynamics model, including model block diagram of the inverter control and plant control systems, as defined by the selection in Table 1 or a model otherwise approved by the Western Electricity Coordinating Council, that corresponds to Interconnection Customer's Large Generating Facility; and (3) if applicable, a validated electromagnetic transient model if Transmission Provider performs an electromagnetic transient study as part of the interconnection study process. A user-defined model is a set of programming code created by equipment manufacturers or developers that captures the latest features of controllers that are mainly software based and represents the entities' control strategies but does not necessarily correspond to any generic library model. Interconnection Customer must also demonstrate that the model is validated by providing evidence that the equipment behavior is consistent with the model behavior (e.g., an attestation from Interconnection Customer that the

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model accurately represents the entire Large Generating Facility; attestations from each equipment manufacturer that the user defined model accurately represents the component of the Large Generating Facility; or test data).

Table 1: Acceptable Generic Library RMS Positive Sequence Dynamics Models

| GE PSLF | Siemens PSS/E* | PowerWorld Simulator | Description |
|---------|--------------------|-------------------------|--|
| pvd1 | | PVD1 | Distributed PV system model |
| der_a | DERAU1 | DER_A | Distributed energy resource model |
| regc_a | REGCAU1, REGCA1 | REGC_A | Generator/converter model |
| regc_b | REGCBU1 | REGC_B | Generator/converter model |
| wt1g | WT1G1 | WT1G and WT1G1 | Wind turbine model for Type-1 wind turbines (conventional directly connected induction generator) |
| wt2g | WT2G1 | WT2G and WT2G1 | Generator model for generic Type-2 wind turbines |
| wt2e | WT2E1 | WT2E and WT2E1 | Rotor resistance control model for wound-rotor induction wind-turbine generator wt2g |
| reec_a | REECAU1, REECA1 | REEC_A | Renewable energy electrical control model |
| reec_c | REECCU1 | REEC_C | Electrical control model for battery energy storage system |
| reec_d | REECDU1 | REEC_D | Renewable energy electrical control model |
| wt1t | WT12T1 | WT1T and WT12T1 | Wind turbine model for Type-1 wind turbines (conventional directly connected induction generator) |
| wt1p_b | wt1p_b | WT12A1U_B | Generic wind turbine pitch controller for WTGs of Types 1 and 2 |
| wt2t | WT12T1 | WT2T | Wind turbine model for Type-2 wind turbines (directly connected induction generator wind turbines with an external rotor resistance) |
| wtgt_a | WTDTAU1, WTDTA1 | WTGT_A | Wind turbine drive train model |
| wtga_a | WTARAU1, WTARA1 | WTGA_A | Simple aerodynamic model |

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| GE PSLF | Siemens PSS/E* | PowerWorld Simulator | Description |
|------------|---|-------------------------|---|
| wtgp_a | WTPTAU1, WTPTA1 | WTGPT_A | Wind Turbine Generator Pitch controller |
| wtgq_a | WTTQAU1, WTTQA1 | WTGTRQ_A | Wind Turbine Generator Torque controller |
| wtgwgo_a | WTGWGOAU | WTGWGO_A | Supplementary control model for Weak Grids |
| wtgibffr_a | WTGIBFFRA | WTGIBFFR_A | Inertial-base fast frequency response control |
| wtgp_b | WTPTBU1 | WTGPT_B | Wind Turbine Generator Pitch controller |
| wtgt_b | WTDTBU1 | WTGT_B | Drive train model |
| repc_a | Type 4: REPCAU1 (v33), REPCA1 (v34) | REPC_A | Power Plant Controller |
| | Type 3: REPCTAU1 (v33), REPCTA1 (v34) | | |
| repc_b | PLNTBU1 | REPC_B | Power Plant Level Controller for controlling several plants/devices |
| | | | In regard to Siemens PSS/E*: |
| | | | Names of other models for interface with other devices: |
| | | | REA3XBU1, REAX4BU1- for interface with Type 3 and 4 renewable machines |
| | | | SWSAXBU1- for interface with SVC (modeled as switched shunt in powerflow) |
| | | | SYNAXBU1- for interface with synchronous condenser |
| | | | FCTAXBU1- for interface with FACTS device |
| repc_c | REPCCU | REPC_C | Power plant controller |

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| THIS AGREEME | NT is made and entered into this . a | day of organ | , 20 by and ized and existing under |
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| the laws of the S | State of | , ("Interconne | ection Customer,") and |
| | a | existing under | the laws of the State of |
| , ("Transmission F referred to as a "F | State of, a, a | omer and Transmissiones." | ı Provider each may be |
| | RECITA | LS | |
| generating capac | connection Customer is proposing ity addition to an existing General equest submitted by Interconnection. | rating Facility consiste | nt with the Provisional |
| WHEREAS, Interest the Transmission | connection Customer is proposing System; and | រុ to establish a provisio | nal interconnection with |
| | erconnection Customer has equest or pledges to submit such ; and | | |
| NOW, THEREFO the Parties agree | PRE , in consideration of and subjact as follows: | ect to the mutual cove | nants contained herein |
| 1.0 | When used in this Agreement, shall have the meanings indicate LGIP. | | |
| 2.0 | Interconnection Customer elect Provisional Interconnection Stud Article 5.9.2 of the LGIA. | | |
| 3.0 | The Provisional Interconnection thermal, and/or voltage issues interconnects with Provisional Inshall determine any Interconnect Upgrades, or System Protection of Electric Reliability Organization interconnection of the new, mod | s would arise if Inte terconnection Service. tion Facilities, Network Facilities necessary to on, or any applicable | rconnection Customer Transmission Provider Upgrades, Distribution meet the requirements Regional Entity for the |
| 4.0 | The Provisional Interconnection | ո Study shall determir | ne the initial maximum |

permissible output of the Generating Facility.

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- The scope of the Provisional Interconnection Study shall be subject to the assumptions set forth in Appendix A to this Agreement.
- 6.0 Interconnection Customer shall provide a deposit of \$45,000 for the performance of the Provisional Interconnection Study. Transmission Provider's good faith estimate for the time of completion of the Provisional Interconnection Service Study is [insert date].

Upon receipt of the Provisional Interconnection Study, Transmission Provider shall charge and Interconnection Customer shall pay the actual costs of the Provisional Interconnection Study.

Any difference between the initial payment and the actual cost of the study shall be paid by or refunded to Interconnection Customer, as appropriate.

7.0 Miscellaneous. The Provisional Interconnection Study Agreement shall include standard miscellaneous terms including, but not limited to, indemnities, representations, disclaimers, warranties, governing law, amendment, execution, waiver, enforceability and assignment, that reflect best practices in the electric industry, and that are consistent with regional practices, Applicable Laws and Regulations, and the organizational nature of each Party. All of these provisions, to the extent practicable, shall be consistent with the provisions of the LGIP and the LGIA.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have caused this Agreement to be duly executed by their duly authorized officers or agents on the day and year first above written.

[Insert name of Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner, if applicable]

| By: | |
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| Title: | - |
| Date: | |
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| [Insert name of Interconnection Custom | er] |
| [Insert name of Interconnection Custom | er] |
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[To be completed by Transmission Provider consistent with Article 5.9.2 of the LGIA.]

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APPENDIX 10 to LGIP SURPLUS INTERCONNECTION STUDY AGREEMENT

| THIS AGREEME between | ENT is made and entered into thisday of, 20 by and, aorganized and existing under State of, ("Interconnection Customer,") and existing under the laws of the State of Provider "). Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider each may be |
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| the laws of the | State of, (Interconnection Customer,) and existing under the laws of the State of |
| , ("Transmission referred to as a " | Provider "). Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider each may be Party," or collectively as the "Parties." |
| | RECITALS |
| | rconnection Customer is requesting to utilize Surplus Interconnection Service Section 3.3 of the LGIP; and |
| WHEREAS , Inte Transmission Sy | rconnection Customer is proposing to utilize an existing interconnection with the stem; and |
| NOW, THEREFO | DRE , in consideration of and subject to the mutual covenants contained herein as follows: |
| 1.0 | When used in this Agreement, with initial capitalization, the terms specified shall have the meanings indicated in Transmission Provider's FERC-approved LGIP. |
| 2.0 | Interconnection Customer elects and Transmission Provider shall cause an Surplus Interconnection Study consistent with Section 3.3 of this LGIP to be performed in accordance with the Tariff. |
| 3.0 | The scope of the Surplus Interconnection Study shall be subject to the assumptions set forth in Appendix A to this Agreement. |
| 4.0 | Studies for Surplus Interconnection Service shall consist of reactive power, short circuit/fault duty, stability analyses, and any other appropriate studies. Steady-state (thermal/voltage) analyses may be performed as necessary to ensure that all required reliability conditions are studied. If the Surplus Interconnection Service was not studied under off-peak conditions, off-peak steady state analyses shall be performed to the required level necessary to demonstrate reliable operation of the Surplus Interconnection Service. If the original System Impact Study is not available for the Surplus Interconnection Service, both off-peak and peak analysis may need to be performed for the |

existing Generating Facility associated with the request for Surplus Interconnection Service. The reactive power, short circuit/fault duty, stability, and steady-state analyses for Surplus Interconnection Service will identify any additional Interconnection Facilities and/or Network Upgrades. Surplus

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Interconnection Service is only available up to the amount that can be accommodated without requiring new Network Upgrades.

5.0 Interconnection Customer shall provide a deposit of \$10,000 for the performance of the Surplus Interconnection Study. Transmission Provider's good faith estimate for the time of completion of the Surplus Interconnection Study is [insert date].

Upon receipt of the Surplus Interconnection Study, Transmission Provider shall charge and Interconnection Customer shall pay the actual costs of the Surplus Interconnection Study.

Any difference between the initial payment and the actual cost of the study shall be paid by or refunded to Interconnection Customer, as appropriate.

7.0 Miscellaneous. The Surplus Interconnection Study shall include standard miscellaneous terms including, but not limited to, indemnities, representations, disclaimers, warranties, governing law, amendment, execution, waiver, enforceability and assignment, that reflect best practices in the electric industry, and that are consistent with regional practices, Applicable Laws and Regulations, and the organizational nature of each Party. All of these provisions, to the extent practicable, shall be consistent with the provisions of the LGIP and the LGIA.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have caused this Agreement to be duly executed by their duly authorized officers or agents on the day and year first above written.

[Insert name of Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner, if applicable]

| By: | | |
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[To be completed by Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider consistent with Section 3.3.1 of the LGIP.]

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| THIS AGREEM | ENT is made and entered into thisday of, 20 by and |
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| between | state of, a, organized and existing under, ("Interconnection Customer,") and, a, existing under the laws of the State of, a, a |
| the laws of the | state of, (Interconnection Customer,) and existing under the laws of the State of |
| | aexisting under the laws of the State of ransmission Provider""). Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider |
| | erred to as a "Party," or collectively as the "Parties." |
| | RECITALS |
| | rconnection Customer is evaluating replacing an Existing Generating Facility with Generating Facility and |
| | erconnection Customer is proposing to evaluate Generation Replacement in Section 3.10 of the LGIP; and |
| required under | erconnection Customer has submitted to Transmission Provider all information Section 3.10 of the LGIP, including applicable sections of Appendix 1 for the enerating Facility; and |
| NOW, THEREFOR | ORE , in consideration of and subject to the mutual covenants contained herein e as follows: |
| 1.0 | When used in this Agreement, with initial capitalization, the terms specified shall have the meanings indicated in Transmission Provider's FERC-approved LGIP. |
| 2.0 | Interconnection Customer elects and Transmission Provider shall cause a Replacement Impact Study, a Reliability Assessment Study, and a Generation Replacement Interconnection Facilities Study (if necessary) to be performed consistent with Section 3.10 of this LGIP and in accordance with the Tariff. |
| 3.0 | Interconnection Customer shall provide a deposit of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.00) for the performance of the Replacement Impact Study, Reliability Assessment Study, and any Generation Replacement Interconnection Facilities Study (if required). Transmission Provider's good faith estimate for the time of completion of the Replacement Impact Study and Reliability Assessment Study is [insert date]. |
| | Upon receipt of the final study results, Transmission Provider shall charge, and Interconnection Customer shall pay the actual costs of this Generation |

Replacement Study.

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Any difference between the initial deposit and the actual cost of the study shall be paid by or refunded to Interconnection Customer, as appropriate.

4.0 Miscellaneous. This Generation Interconnection Replacement Study Agreement shall include standard miscellaneous terms including, but not limited to, indemnities, representations, disclaimers, warranties, governing law, amendment, execution, waiver, enforceability and assignment, that reflect best practices in the electric industry, and that are consistent with regional practices, Applicable Laws and Regulations, and the organizational nature of each Party. All of these provisions, to the extent practicable, shall be consistent with the provisions of the LGIP and the LGIA.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have caused this Agreement to be duly executed by their duly authorized officers or agents on the day and year first above written.

[Insert name of Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner, if applicable] By: _____ Title: ____ Date: ____ Eliasert name of Interconnection Customer] By: _____ Title: _____ Date: _____

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STANDARD LARGE GENERATOR INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT

| THIS STANDARD LARGE GENERATOR INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT ("Agreement" or "LGIA") is made and entered into this day of, organized and existing under the laws of the State/Commonwealth of, ("Interconnection Customer" |
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| with a Large Generating Facility), and, a , organized and existing under the laws of the |
| State/Commonwealth of |
| Recitals |
| WHEREAS, Transmission Provider operates the Transmission System; and |
| WHEREAS , Interconnection Customer intends to own, lease and/or control and operate the Generating Facility identified as a Large Generating Facility in Appendix C to this Agreement; and, |
| WHEREAS , Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider have agreed to enter into this Agreement for the purpose of interconnecting the Large Generating Facility with the Transmission System; |
| NOW, THEREFORE , in consideration of and subject to the mutual covenants contained herein, it is agreed: |
| When used in this Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement, terms with initial capitalization that are not defined in Article 1 shall have the meanings specified in the Article in which they are used or the Open Access Transmission Tariff (Tariff). |
| Article 1. Definitions |
| Advance Custom Impact chall mean the manufive effects due to technical an energianal limits on |

Adverse System Impact shall mean the negative effects due to technical or operational limits on conductors or equipment being exceeded that may compromise the safety and reliability of the

electric system.

Affected System shall mean an electric system other than Transmission Provider's Transmission System that may be affected by the proposed interconnection.

Affected System Operator shall mean the entity that operates an Affected System.

Affiliate shall mean, with respect to a corporation, partnership or other entity, each such other corporation, partnership or other entity that directly or indirectly, through one or more

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intermediaries, controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with, such corporation, partnership or other entity.

Ancillary Services shall mean those services that are necessary to support the transmission of capacity and energy from resources to loads while maintaining reliable operation of the Transmission Provider's Transmission System in accordance with Good Utility Practice.

Applicable Laws and Regulations shall mean all duly promulgated applicable federal, state and local laws, regulations, rules, ordinances, codes, decrees, judgments, directives, or judicial or administrative orders, permits and other duly authorized actions of any Governmental Authority.

Applicable Reliability Standards shall mean the current requirements and guidelines of the Electric Reliability Organization and the Balancing Authority Area of the Transmission System to which the Generating Facility is directly interconnected.

Balancing Authority shall mean an entity that integrates resource plans ahead of time, maintains demand and resource balance within a Balancing Authority Area, and supports interconnection frequency in real time.

Balancing Authority Area shall mean the collection of generation, transmission, and loads within the metered boundaries of the Balancing Authority. The Balancing Authority maintains load-resource balance within this area.

Base Case shall mean the base case power flow, short circuit, and stability data bases used for the Interconnection Studies by Transmission Provider or Interconnection Customer.

Breach shall mean the failure of a Party to perform or observe any material term or condition of the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement.

Breaching Party shall mean a Party that is in Breach of the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement.

Business Day shall mean Monday through Friday, excluding Federal Holidays.

Calendar Day shall mean any day including Saturday, Sunday or a Federal Holiday. If a requirement due date lands on a Saturday, Sunday or Federal Holiday, the requirement is due the next Business Day.

Cluster shall mean a group of Interconnection Requests (one or more) that are studied together for the purpose of conducting a Cluster Study.

Cluster Restudy shall mean a restudy of a Cluster Study conducted pursuant to Section 8.5 of the LGIP.

Cluster Study shall mean the evaluation of one or more Interconnection Requests within a Cluster as described in Section 8 of the LGIP.

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Clustering shall mean the process whereby a group of Interconnection Requests (one or more) are studied together as described in Section 8 of the LGIP.

Commercial Operation shall mean the status of a Generating Facility, or Replacement Generating Facility, that has commenced generating electricity for sale, excluding electricity generated during Trial Operation.

Commercial Operation Date of a unit shall mean the date on which the Generating Facility, or Replacement Generating Facility, commences Commercial Operation as agreed to by the Parties pursuant to Appendix E to the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement.

Confidential Information shall mean any confidential, proprietary or trade secret information of a plan, specification, pattern, procedure, design, device, list, concept, policy or compilation relating to the present or planned business of a Party, which is designated as confidential by the Party supplying the information, whether conveyed orally, electronically, in writing, through inspection, or otherwise.

Contingent Facilities shall mean those unbuilt Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades upon which the Interconnection Request's costs, timing, and study findings are dependent, and if delayed or not built, could cause a need for restudies of the Interconnection Request or a reassessment of the Interconnection Facilities and/or Network Upgrades and/or costs and timing.

Default shall mean the failure of a Breaching Party to cure its Breach in accordance with Article 17 of the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement.

Dispute Resolution shall mean the procedure for resolution of a dispute between the Parties in which they will first attempt to resolve the dispute on an informal basis.

Distribution System shall mean Transmission Provider's facilities and equipment used to transmit electricity to ultimate usage points such as homes and industries directly from nearby generators or from interchanges with higher voltage transmission networks which transport bulk power over longer distances. The voltage levels at which distribution systems operate differ among areas.

Distribution Upgrades shall mean the additions, modifications, and upgrades to Transmission Provider's Distribution System at or beyond the Point of Interconnection to facilitate interconnection of the Generating Facility and render the transmission service necessary to affect Interconnection Customer's wholesale sale of electricity in interstate commerce. Distribution Upgrades do not include Interconnection Facilities.

Effective Date shall mean the date on which the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement becomes effective upon execution by the Parties subject to acceptance by FERC, or if filed unexecuted, upon the date specified by FERC.

Electric Reliability Organization shall mean the North American Electric Reliability Corporation or its successor organization.

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Emergency Condition shall mean a condition or situation: (1) that in the judgment of the Party making the claim is imminently likely to endanger life or property; or (2) that, in the case of a Transmission Provider, is imminently likely (as determined in a non-discriminatory manner) to cause a material adverse effect on the security of, or damage to Transmission Provider's Transmission System, Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities or the electric systems of others to which the Transmission Provider's Transmission System is directly connected; or (3) that, in the case of Interconnection Customer, is imminently likely (as determined in a non-discriminatory manner) to cause a material adverse effect on the security of, or damage to, the Generating Facility or Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities. System restoration and black start shall be considered Emergency Conditions; provided, that Interconnection Customer is not obligated by the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement to possess black start capability.

Energy Resource Interconnection Service shall mean an Interconnection Service that allows the Interconnection Customer to connect its Generating Facility to the Transmission Provider's Transmission System to be eligible to deliver the Generating Facility's electric output using the existing firm or non-firm capacity of the Transmission Provider's Transmission System on an as available basis. Energy Resource Interconnection Service in and of itself does not convey transmission service.

Engineering & Procurement (E&P) Agreement shall mean an agreement that authorizes the Transmission Provider to begin engineering and procurement of long lead-time items necessary for the establishment of the interconnection in order to advance the implementation of the Interconnection Request.

Environmental Law shall mean Applicable Laws or Regulations relating to pollution or protection of the environment or natural resources.

Existing Generating Facility shall mean a Generating Facility that is either in service or under construction with an unsuspended interconnection agreement.

Federal Power Act shall mean the Federal Power Act, as amended, 16 U.S.C. §§ 791a et seg.

FERC shall mean the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) or its successor.

Force Majeure shall mean any act of God, labor disturbance, act of the public enemy, war, insurrection, riot, fire, storm or flood, explosion, breakage or accident to machinery or equipment, any order, regulation or restriction imposed by governmental, military or lawfully established civilian authorities, or any other cause beyond a Party's control. A Force Majeure event does not include acts of negligence or intentional wrongdoing by the Party claiming Force Majeure.

Generating Facility shall mean Interconnection Customer's devices for the production and/or storage for later injection of electricity identified in the Interconnection Request, but shall not include Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities. A Generating Facility consists of one or more generating unit(s) and/or storage device(s) which usually can operate independently and be brought online or taken offline individually.

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Generating Facility Capacity shall mean the net capacity of the Generating Facility or the aggregate net capacity of the Generating Facility where it includes more than one device for the production and/or storage for later injection of electricity.

Generating Facility Modification shall mean modification to an Existing Generating Facility, including comparable replacement of only a portion of its equipment at the Existing Generating Facility.

Generation Replacement shall mean replacement of one or more generating units and/or storage devices at an Existing Generating Facility with one or more new generating units or storage devices at the same electrical Point of Interconnection as those being decommissioned and electrically disconnected.

Generator Replacement Interconnection Facilities Study shall mean a study to determine a list of facilities to grant an Interconnection Customer's request to interconnect a Replacement Generating Facility, the cost of those facilities, and the time required to interconnect those facilities. The scope of the study is defined in Section 3.10.4 3.9.4 of the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Procedures.

Good Utility Practice shall mean any of the practices, methods and acts engaged in or approved by a significant portion of the electric industry during the relevant time period, or any of the practices, methods and acts which, in the exercise of reasonable judgment in light of the facts known at the time the decision was made, could have been expected to accomplish the desired result at a reasonable cost consistent with good business practices, reliability, safety and expedition. Good Utility Practice is not intended to be limited to the optimum practice, method, or act to the exclusion of all others, but rather to be acceptable practices, methods, or acts generally accepted in the region.

Governmental Authority shall mean any federal, state, local or other governmental regulatory or administrative agency, court, commission, department, board, or other governmental subdivision, legislature, rulemaking board, tribunal, or other governmental authority having jurisdiction over the Parties, their respective facilities, or the respective services they provide, and exercising or entitled to exercise any administrative, executive, police, or taxing authority or power; provided, however, that such term does not include Interconnection Customer, Transmission Provider, or any Affiliate thereof.

Hazardous Substances shall mean any chemicals, materials or substances defined as or included in the definition of "hazardous substances," "hazardous wastes," "hazardous materials," "hazardous constituents," "restricted hazardous materials," "extremely hazardous substances," "toxic substances," "radioactive substances," "contaminants," "pollutants," "toxic pollutants" or words of similar meaning and regulatory effect under any applicable Environmental Law, or any other chemical, material or substance, exposure to which is prohibited, limited or regulated by any applicable Environmental Law.

Initial Synchronization Date shall mean the date upon which the Generating Facility is initially synchronized and upon which Trial Operation begins.

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In-Service Date shall mean the date upon which the Interconnection Customer reasonably expects it will be ready to begin use of the Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities to obtain back feed power.

Interconnection Customer shall mean any entity, including the Transmission Provider, Transmission Owner or any of the Affiliates or subsidiaries of either, that proposes to interconnect its Generating Facility with the Transmission Provider's Transmission System.

Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities shall mean all facilities and equipment, as identified in Appendix A of the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement, that are located between the Generating Facility and the Point of Change of Ownership, including any modification, addition, or upgrades to such facilities and equipment necessary to physically and electrically interconnect the Generating Facility to the Transmission Provider's Transmission System. Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities are sole use facilities (e.g. for generator interconnection).

Interconnection Facilities shall mean Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and the Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities. Collectively, Interconnection Facilities include all facilities and equipment between the Generating Facility and the Point of Interconnection, including any modification, additions or upgrades that are necessary to physically and electrically interconnect the Generating Facility to Transmission Provider's Transmission System. Interconnection Facilities are sole use facilities (e.g. for generator interconnection) and shall not include Distribution Upgrades, Stand Alone Network Upgrades or Network Upgrades. Interconnection Facilities may be shared by more than one Generating Facility in a Cluster.

Interconnection Facilities Study shall mean a study conducted by Transmission Provider or a third party consultant for Interconnection Customer to determine a list of facilities (including Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades as identified in the Cluster Study), the cost of those facilities, and the time required to interconnect the Generating Facility or Replacement Generating Facility with Transmission Provider's Transmission System. The scope of the study is defined in Section 9 of the LGIP.

Interconnection Facilities Study Agreement shall mean the form of agreement contained in Appendix 3 of the LGIP for conducting the Interconnection Facilities Study.

Interconnection Request shall mean an Interconnection Customer's request, in the form of Appendix 1 to the LGIP, in accordance with the Tariff, to (1) interconnect a new Generating Facility, (2) increase the capacity of, or (3) make a Material Modification to the operating characteristics of, (a) an Existing Generating Facility that is interconnected with the Transmission Provider's Transmission System or (b) a Generating Facility with an LGIA that is not yet interconnected.

Interconnection Service shall mean the service provided by the Transmission Provider associated with interconnecting the Interconnection Customer's Generating Facility to the Transmission Provider's Transmission System and enabling it to receive electric energy and capacity from the Generating Facility at the Point of Interconnection, pursuant to the terms of the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement and, if applicable, the Transmission Provider's Tariff.

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Interconnection Study shall mean any of the various interconnection studies described in the I GIP

Interconnection Study Agreement shall mean an agreement relating to the performance of any of the various interconnection studies described in the LGIP.

IRS shall mean the Internal Revenue Service.

Joint Operating Committee shall be a group made up of representatives from Interconnection Customers and Transmission Provider to coordinate operating and technical considerations of Interconnection Service.

Large Generating Facility shall mean a Generating Facility having a Generating Facility Capacity of more than 20 MW or any size Generating Facility requesting NRIS.

LGIA Deposit shall mean the deposit Interconnection Customer submits when returning the executed LGIA, or within 10 Business Days of requesting that the LGIA be filed unexecuted at the Commission, in accordance with Section 12.3 of the LGIP.

LGIA Readiness Demonstration shall mean milestones provided in Appendix B of this LGIA.

LGIP shall mean the Large Generator Interconnection Process as described in this Attachment N.

Loss shall mean any and all losses relating to injury to or death of any person or damage to property, demand, suits, recoveries, costs and expenses, court costs, attorney fees, and all other obligations by or to third parties, arising out of or resulting from the other Party's performance, or non-performance of its obligations under the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement on behalf of the indemnifying Party, except in cases of gross negligence or intentional wrongdoing by the indemnifying Party.

Material Modification shall mean: (1) modification to an Interconnection Request in the queue that has a material adverse impact on the cost or timing of any other Interconnection Request with an equal later queue priority date; or (2) planned modification to an Existing Generating Facility that is undergoing evaluation for a Generating Facility Modification or Generation Replacement, and has a material adverse impact on the Transmission System, as compared to the impacts of the Existing Generating Facility prior to the modification or replacement, with respect to: i) steady-state thermal or voltage limits, ii) dynamic system stability and response, or iii) short-circuit capability limit.

Metering Equipment shall mean all metering equipment installed or to be installed at the Generating Facility pursuant to the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement at the metering points, including but not limited to instrument transformers, MWh-meters, data acquisition equipment, transducers, remote terminal unit, communications equipment, phone lines, and fiber optics.

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Network Resource shall mean any designated generating resource owned, purchased, or leased by a Network Customer under the Network Integration Transmission Service Tariff. Network Resources do not include any resource, or any portion thereof, that is committed for sale to third parties or otherwise cannot be called upon to meet the Network Customer's Network Load on a non-interruptible basis.

Network Resource Interconnection Service shall mean an Interconnection Service that allows the Interconnection Customer to integrate its Large Generating Facility with Transmission Provider's Transmission System (1) in a manner comparable to that in which Transmission Provider integrates its generating facilities to serve native load customers; or (2) in an RTO or ISO with market based congestion management, in the same manner as Network Resources. Network Resource Interconnection Service in and of itself does not convey transmission service.

Network Upgrades shall mean the additions, modifications, and upgrades to Transmission Provider's Transmission System required at or beyond the point at which the Interconnection Facilities connect to Transmission Provider's Transmission System to accommodate the interconnection of the Large Generating Facility to Transmission Provider's Transmission System.

Notice of Dispute shall mean a written notice of a dispute or claim that arises out of or in connection with the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement or its performance.

OASIS shall mean the Transmission Provider's Open Access Same-Time Information System

Party or Parties shall mean Transmission Provider, Transmission Owner, Interconnection Customer or any combination of the above.

Point of Change of Ownership shall mean the point, as set forth in Appendix A to the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement, where Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities connect to Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities.

Point of Interconnection shall mean the point, as set forth in Appendix A to the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement, where the Interconnection Facilities connect to the Transmission Provider's Transmission System.

Proportional Impact Method shall mean a technical analysis conducted by Transmission Provider to determine the degree to which each Generating Facility in the Cluster Study contributes to the need for a specific System Network Upgrade.

Provisional Interconnection Service shall mean interconnection service provided by Transmission Provider associated with interconnecting Interconnection Customer's Generating Facility to Transmission Provider's Transmission System and enabling that Transmission System to receive electric energy and capacity from the Generating Facility at the Point of Interconnection, pursuant to the terms of the Provisional Large Generator Interconnection Agreement and, if applicable, the Tariff.

Provisional Large Generator Interconnection Agreement (PLGIA) shall mean the interconnection agreement for Provisional Interconnection Service established between Transmission Provider and/or the Transmission Owner and Interconnection Customer. The pro

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forma agreement is provided in Appendix 8 and takes the form of the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement, modified for provisional purposes.

Queue Position shall mean the order of a valid Interconnection Request, relative to all other pending valid Interconnection Requests, established pursuant to Section 4 of the LGIP.

Readiness Demonstration(s) shall have the meaning set forth in Section 8.6 of the LGIP.

Reasonable Efforts shall mean, with respect to an action required to be attempted or taken by a Party under the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement, efforts that are timely and consistent with Good Utility Practice and are otherwise substantially equivalent to those a Party would use to protect its own interests.

Reliability Assessment Study shall mean an engineering study that evaluates the impact of a proposed Generation Replacement on the reliability of the Transmission System during the time period between the date that the Existing Generating Facility ceases commercial operations and the expected Commercial Operation Date of the Replacement Generating Facility.

Replacement Generating Facility shall mean a Generating Facility that replaces an Existing Generating Facility, or a portion thereof, at the same electrical Point of Interconnection pursuant to Section 3.9 of the Large Generator Interconnection Procedures.

Replacement Impact Study shall mean an engineering study that evaluates the impact of a proposed Generation Replacement on the reliability of the Transmission System.

Resource Plan shall mean any process authorized or required by Applicable Laws and Regulations for, *inter alia*, the selection of Generating Facilities interconnected to the Transmission System of Transmission Provider

Resource Planning Entity shall mean any entity subject to or conducting a Resource Solicitation Process.

Resource Solicitation Cluster shall mean a Cluster Study associated with a Resource Planning Process.

Resource Solicitation Process shall mean any process authorized or required by Applicable Laws and Regulations for the acquisition of Network Resources by an entity interconnected to the Transmission System of Transmission Provider.

Scoping Meeting shall mean the meeting between representatives of Interconnection Customer(s) and Transmission Provider conducted for the purpose of discussing the proposed Interconnection Request and any alternative interconnection options, exchanging information including any transmission data and earlier study evaluations that would be reasonably expected to affect such interconnection options, refining information and models provided by Interconnection Customer(s), discussing Cluster Study materials posted to OASIS pursuant to Section 3.4.6 of the LGIP, and analyzing such information.

Site Control shall mean the exclusive land right to develop, construct, operate, and maintain the Generating Facility over the term of expected operation of the Generating Facility. Site Control

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shall include the right to develop, construct, operate, and maintain Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities. Site Control may be demonstrated by documentation establishing: (1) ownership of, a leasehold interest in, or a right to develop a site of sufficient size to construct and operate the Generating Facility; (2) an option to purchase or acquire a leasehold interest in a site of sufficient size to construct and operate the Generating Facility for such purpose; or (3) any other documentation that clearly demonstrates the right of the Interconnection Customer to exclusively occupy a site of sufficient size to construct and operate the Generating Facility. Transmission Provider will maintain acreage requirements for each Generating Facility type on its OASIS or public website.

Small Generating Facility shall mean a Generating Facility that has a Generating Facility Capacity of no more than 20 MW not requesting NRIS.

Stand Alone Network Upgrades shall mean Network Upgrades that are not a part of an Affected System that an Interconnection Customer may construct without affecting day-to-day operations of the Transmission System during their construction and the following conditions are met: (1) a Substation Network Upgrade must only be required for a single Interconnection Customer in the Cluster and no other Interconnection Customer in that Cluster is required to interconnect to the same Substation Network Upgrades, and (2) a System Network Upgrade must only be required for a single Interconnection Customer in the Cluster, as indicated under Transmission Provider's Proportional Impact Method. Both Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer must agree as to what constitutes Stand Alone Network Upgrades and identify them in Appendix A to the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement. If Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer disagree about whether a particular Network Upgrade is a Stand Alone Network Upgrade, Transmission Provider must provide Interconnection Customer a written technical explanation outlining why Transmission Provider does not consider the Network Upgrade to be a Stand Alone Network Upgrade within 15 Business Days of its determination.

Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement (LGIA) shall mean the form of interconnection agreement applicable to an Interconnection Request pertaining to a Large Generating Facility that is included in Transmission Provider's Tariff.

Standard Large Generator Interconnection Procedures (LGIP) shall mean the interconnection procedures applicable to an Interconnection Request pertaining to a Large Generating Facility that are included in Transmission Provider's Tariff.

Substation Network Upgrades shall mean Network Upgrades that are required at the substation located at the Point of Interconnection.

Surplus Interconnection Service shall mean any unneeded portion of Interconnection Service established in a Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement, such that if Surplus Interconnection Service is utilized the total amount of Interconnection Service at the Point of Interconnection would remain the same.

System Network Upgrades shall mean Network Upgrades that are required beyond the substation located at the Point of Interconnection.

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System Protection Facilities shall mean the equipment, including necessary protection signal communications equipment, required to protect (1) Transmission Provider's Transmission System from faults or other electrical disturbances occurring at the Generating Facility and (2) the Generating Facility from faults or other electrical system disturbances occurring on Transmission Provider's Transmission System or on other delivery systems or other generating systems to which Transmission Provider's Transmission System is directly connected.

Tariff shall mean Transmission Provider's Tariff through which open access transmission service and Interconnection Service are offered, as filed with FERC, and as amended or supplemented from time to time, or any successor tariff.

Transmission Owner shall mean an entity that owns, leases or otherwise possesses an interest in the portion of the Transmission System at the Point of Interconnection and may be a Party to the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement to the extent necessary.

Transmission Provider shall mean the public utility (or its designated agent) that owns, controls, or operates transmission or distribution facilities used for the transmission of electricity in interstate commerce and provides transmission service under the Tariff. The term Transmission Provider should be read to include the Transmission Owner when the Transmission Owner is separate from Transmission Provider.

Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities shall mean all facilities and equipment owned, controlled or operated by Transmission Provider from the Point of Change of Ownership to the Point of Interconnection as identified in Appendix A to the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement, including any modifications, additions or upgrades to such facilities and equipment. Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities are sole use facilities (e.g. for generator interconnection) and shall not include Distribution Upgrades, Stand Alone Network Upgrades or Network Upgrades. Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities may be shared by more than one Generating Facility in a given Cluster Study.

Transmission System shall mean the facilities owned, controlled or operated by Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner that are used to provide transmission service under the Tariff.

Trial Operation shall mean the period during which Interconnection Customer is engaged in onsite test operations and commissioning of the Generating Facility prior to Commercial Operation.

Variable Energy Resource shall mean a device for the production of electricity that is characterized by an energy source that: (1) is renewable; (2) cannot be stored by the facility owner or operator; and (3) has variability that is beyond the control of the facility owner or operator.

Withdrawal Penalty shall mean the penalty assessed by Transmission Provider to an Interconnection Customer that chooses to withdraw or is deemed withdrawn from Transmission Provider's interconnection queue or whose Generating Facility does not otherwise reach Commercial Operation. The calculation of the Withdrawal Penalty is set forth in Section 3.7.1 of the LGIP.

Article 2. Effective Date, Term, and Termination

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2.1 Effective Date.

This LGIA shall become effective upon execution by the Parties subject to acceptance by FERC (if applicable), or if filed unexecuted, upon the date specified by FERC. Transmission Provider shall promptly file this LGIA with FERC upon execution in accordance with Article 3.1, if required.

2.2 Term of Agreement.

Subject to the provisions of Article 2.3, this LGIA shall remain in effect for a period of ten (10) years from the Effective Date or such other longer period as Interconnection Customer may request (Term to be specified in individual agreements) and shall be automatically renewed for each successive one-year period thereafter.

2.3 Termination Procedures.

2.3.1 Written Notice.

This LGIA may be terminated by Interconnection Customer after giving Transmission Provider ninety (90) Calendar Days advance written notice, or by Transmission Provider notifying FERC after the Generating Facility permanently ceases Commercial Operation. This LGIA shall be terminated by Transmission Provider if the Generating Facility or a portion of the Generating Facility fails to achieve Commercial Operation by the Commercial Operation Date established in accordance with Section 4.4.5 of the LGIP, including any extension provided thereunder, or, having previously achieved Commercial Operation, has ceased Commercial Operation for three (3) consecutive years, beginning with the last date of Commercial Operation for the Generating Facility, after giving Interconnection Customer ninety (90) Calendar Days advance written notice. Notwithstanding the forgoing, this LGIA shall not be terminated if the Interconnection customer has been approved for replacing or modifying its Generating Facility per Section 3.10 of the LGIP until the LGIA associated with the replacement facility is in effect. When only a portion of the Generating Facility fails to achieve Commercial Operation by the Commercial Operation Date established in accordance with Section 4.4.5 of the LGIP. including any extension provided thereunder, Transmission Provider shall terminate only that portion of the LGIA. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the limited circumstance that the Interconnection Request is served by a Contingent Facility with an in-service date that is later than the Commercial Operation Date permitted under Section 4.4.5 of the LGIP, Transmission Provider shall terminate this LGIA only for failure to achieve Commercial Operation by ninety (90) Calendar Days after that later in-service date of the Contingent Facility. The Generating Facility will not be deemed to have ceased Commercial Operation for purposes of this Article 2.3.1 if Interconnection Customer can document that it has taken other significant steps to maintain or restore operational readiness of the Generating Facility for the purpose of returning the Generating Facility to Commercial Operation as soon as possible.

2.3.2 Default.

Either Party may terminate this LGIA in accordance with Article 17.

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2.3.3 Notwithstanding Articles 2.3.1 and 2.3.2, no termination shall become effective until the Parties have complied with all Applicable Laws and Regulations applicable to such termination, including the filing with FERC of a notice of termination of this LGIA, which notice has been accepted for filing by FERC.

2.4 Termination Costs.

If a Party elects to terminate this Agreement pursuant to Article 2.3 above, each Party shall pay all costs incurred (including any cancellation costs relating to orders or contracts for Interconnection Facilities and equipment) or charges assessed by the other Party, as of the date of the other Party's receipt of such notice of termination, that are the responsibility of the Terminating Party under this LGIA. In the event of termination by a Party, the Parties shall use commercially Reasonable Efforts to mitigate the costs, damages and charges arising as a consequence of termination. Upon termination of this LGIA, unless otherwise ordered or approved by FERC:

2.4.1 With respect to any portion of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities that have not yet been constructed or installed, Transmission Provider shall to the extent possible and with Interconnection Customer's authorization cancel any pending orders of, or return, any materials or equipment for, or contracts for construction of, such facilities; provided that in the event Interconnection Customer elects not to authorize such cancellation, Interconnection Customer shall assume all payment obligations with respect to such materials, equipment, and contracts, and Transmission Provider shall deliver such material and equipment, and, if necessary, assign such contracts, to Interconnection Customer as soon as practicable, at Interconnection Customer's expense. To the extent that Interconnection Customer has already paid Transmission Provider for any or all such costs of materials or equipment not taken by Interconnection Customer, Transmission Provider shall promptly refund such amounts to Interconnection Customer, less any costs, including penalties incurred by Transmission Provider to cancel any pending orders of or return such materials, equipment, or contracts.

If an Interconnection Customer terminates this LGIA, it shall be responsible for all costs incurred in association with that Interconnection Customer's interconnection, including any cancellation costs relating to orders or contracts for Interconnection Facilities and equipment, and other expenses including any Network Upgrades for which Transmission Provider has incurred expenses and has not been reimbursed by Interconnection Customer.

- 2.4.2 Transmission Provider may, at its option, retain any portion of such materials, equipment, or facilities that Interconnection Customer chooses not to accept delivery of, in which case Transmission Provider shall be responsible for all costs associated with procuring such materials, equipment, or facilities.
- 2.4.3 With respect to any portion of the Interconnection Facilities, and any other facilities already installed or constructed pursuant to the terms of this LGIA, Interconnection Customer shall be responsible for all costs associated with the

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removal, relocation or other disposition or retirement of such materials, equipment, or facilities.

Transmission Provider shall refund the security provided under Section 2.3 of the LGIP, including any accumulated interest, if applicable. Notwithstanding the foregoing, prior to remitting such security, plus accumulated interest, Transmission Provider shall offset against such security, and accumulated interest, any unpaid costs or penalties arising out of this Agreement or the LGIP. Monies due to the Interconnection Customer shall be remitted within 90 days of the later of the date of termination or completion of any restudy triggered by the LGIA termination.

2.5 Disconnection.

Upon termination of this LGIA, the Parties will take all appropriate steps to disconnect the Large Generating Facility from the Transmission System. All costs required to effectuate such disconnection shall be borne by the terminating Party, unless such termination resulted from the non-terminating Party's Default of this LGIA or such non-terminating Party otherwise is responsible for these costs under this LGIA.

2.6 Survival.

This LGIA shall continue in effect after termination to the extent necessary to provide for final billings and payments and for costs incurred hereunder, including billings and payments pursuant to this LGIA; to permit the determination and enforcement of liability and indemnification obligations arising from acts or events that occurred while this LGIA was in effect; and to permit each Party to have access to the lands of the other Party pursuant to this LGIA or other applicable agreements, to disconnect, remove or salvage its own facilities and equipment

Article 3. Regulatory Filings

3.1 Filing.

Transmission Provider shall file this LGIA (and any amendment hereto) with the appropriate Governmental Authority, if required. Interconnection Customer may request that any information so provided be subject to the confidentiality provisions of Article 22. If Interconnection Customer has executed this LGIA, or any amendment thereto, Interconnection Customer shall reasonably cooperate with Transmission Provider with respect to such filing and to provide any information reasonably requested by Transmission Provider needed to comply with applicable regulatory requirements.

Article 4. Scope of Service

4.1 Interconnection Product Options.

Interconnection Customer has selected the following (checked) type of Interconnection Service:

4.1.1 Energy Resource Interconnection Service. [Selected/Not Selected]

4.1.1.1 The Product.

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Energy Resource Interconnection Service allows Interconnection Customer to connect the Large Generating Facility to the Transmission System and be eligible to deliver the Large Generating Facility's output using the existing firm or non-firm capacity of the Transmission System on an "as available" basis. To the extent Interconnection Customer wants to receive Energy Resource Interconnection Service, Transmission Provider shall construct facilities identified in Appendix A.

4.1.1.2 Transmission Delivery Service Implications.

Under Energy Resource Interconnection Service, Interconnection Customer will be eligible to inject power from the Large Generating Facility into and deliver power across the interconnecting Transmission Provider's Transmission System on an "as available" basis up to the amount of MWs identified in the applicable studies to the extent the upgrades initially required to qualify for Energy Resource Interconnection Service have been constructed. Where eligible to do so (e.g., PJM, ISO-NE, NYISO), Interconnection Customer may place a bid to sell into the market up to the maximum identified Large Generating Facility output, subject to any conditions specified in the interconnection service approval, and the Large Generating Facility will be dispatched to the extent Interconnection Customer's bid clears. In all other instances, no transmission delivery service from the Large Generating Facility is assured, but Interconnection Customer may obtain Point-to-Point Transmission Service, Network Integration Transmission Service, or be used for secondary network transmission service, pursuant to Transmission Provider's Tariff, up to the maximum output identified in the stability and steady state studies. In those instances, in order for Interconnection Customer to obtain the right to deliver or inject energy beyond the Large Generating Facility Point of Interconnection or to improve its ability to do so, transmission delivery service must be obtained pursuant to the provisions of Transmission Provider's Tariff. The Interconnection Customer's ability to inject its Large Generating Facility output beyond the Point of Interconnection, therefore, will depend on the existing capacity of Transmission Provider's Transmission System at such time as a transmission service request is made that would accommodate such delivery. The provision of firm Point-to-Point Transmission Service or Network Integration Transmission Service may require the construction of additional Network Upgrades.

4.1.2 Network Resource Interconnection Service. [Selected/Not Selected]

4.1.2.1 The Product.

Transmission Provider must conduct the necessary studies and construct the Network Upgrades needed to integrate the Large Generating Facility (1) in a manner comparable to that in which

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Transmission Provider integrates its generating facilities to serve native load customers; or (2) in an ISO or RTO with market based congestion management, in the same manner as all Network Resources. To the extent Interconnection Customer wants to receive Network Resource Interconnection Service, Transmission Provider shall construct the facilities identified in Appendix A to this LGIA.

4.1.2.2 Transmission Delivery Service Implications.

Network Resource Interconnection Service allows Interconnection Customer's Large Generating Facility to be designated by any Network Customer under the Tariff on Transmission Provider's Transmission System as a Network Resource, up to the Large Generating Facility's full output, on the same basis as existing Network Resources interconnected to Transmission Provider's Transmission System, and to be studied as a Network Resource on the assumption that such a designation will occur. Although Network Resource Interconnection Service does not convey a reservation of transmission service, any Network Customer under the Tariff can utilize its network service under the Tariff to obtain delivery of energy from the interconnected Interconnection Customer's Large Generating Facility in the same manner as it accesses Network Resources. A Large Generating Facility receiving Network Resource Interconnection Service may also be used to provide Ancillary Services after technical studies and/or periodic analyses are performed with respect to the Large Generating Facility's ability to provide any applicable Ancillary Services, provided that such studies and analyses have been or would be required in connection with the provision of such Ancillary Services by any existing Network Resource. However, if an Interconnection Customer's Large Generating Facility has not been designated as a Network Resource by any load, it cannot be required to provide Ancillary Services except to the extent such requirements extend to all generating facilities that are similarly situated. The provision of Network Integration Transmission Service or firm Point-to-Point Transmission Service may require additional studies and the construction of additional upgrades. Because such studies and upgrades would be associated with a request for delivery service under the Tariff, cost responsibility for the studies and upgrades would be in accordance with FERC's policy for pricing transmission delivery services.

Network Resource Interconnection Service does not necessarily provide Interconnection Customer with the capability to physically deliver the output of its Large Generating Facility to any particular load on Transmission Provider's Transmission System without incurring congestion costs. In the event of transmission constraints on Transmission Provider's Transmission System, Interconnection

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Customer's Large Generating Facility shall be subject to the applicable congestion management procedures in Transmission Provider's Transmission System in the same manner as Network Resources.

There is no requirement either at the time of study or interconnection, or at any point in the future, that Interconnection Customer's Large Generating Facility be designated as a Network Resource by a Network Service Customer under the Tariff or that Interconnection Customer identify a specific buyer (or sink). To the extent a Network Customer does designate the Large Generating Facility as a Network Resource, it must do so pursuant to Transmission Provider's Tariff.

Once an Interconnection Customer satisfies the requirements for obtaining Network Resource Interconnection Service, any future transmission service request for delivery from the Large Generating Facility within Transmission Provider's Transmission System of any amount of capacity and/or energy, up to the amount initially studied, will not require that any additional studies be performed or that any further upgrades associated with such Large Generating Facility be undertaken, regardless of whether or not such Large Generating Facility is ever designated by a Network Customer as a Network Resource and regardless of changes in ownership of the Large Generating Facility. However, the reduction or elimination of congestion or redispatch costs may require additional studies and the construction of additional upgrades.

To the extent Interconnection Customer enters into an arrangement for long term transmission service for deliveries from the Large Generating Facility outside Transmission Provider's Transmission System, such request may require additional studies and upgrades in order for Transmission Provider to grant such request.

4.2 Provision of Service.

Transmission Provider shall provide Interconnection Service for the Large Generating Facility at the Point of Interconnection.

4.3 Performance Standards.

Each Party shall perform all of its obligations under this LGIA in accordance with Applicable Laws and Regulations, Applicable Reliability Standards, and Good Utility Practice, and to the extent a Party is required or prevented or limited in taking any action by such regulations and standards, such Party shall not be deemed to be in Breach of this LGIA for its compliance therewith. If such Party is a Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner, then that Party shall amend the LGIA and submit the amendment to FERC for approval.

4.4 No Transmission Delivery Service.

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The execution of this LGIA does not constitute a request for, nor the provision of, any transmission delivery service under Transmission Provider's Tariff and does not convey any right to deliver electricity to any specific customer or Point of Delivery.

4.5 Interconnection Customer Provided Services.

The services provided by Interconnection Customer under this LGIA are set forth in Article 9.6 and Article 13.5.1. Interconnection Customer shall be paid for such services in accordance with Article 11.6.

Article 5. Interconnection Facilities Engineering, Procurement, and Construction

5.1 Options.

Unless otherwise mutually agreed to between the Parties, Interconnection Customer shall select the In-Service Date, Initial Synchronization Date, and Commercial Operation Date; and either the Standard Option or Alternate Option set forth below for completion of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades as set forth in Appendix A, Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades, and such dates and selected option shall be set forth in Appendix B, Milestones. At the same time, Interconnection Customer shall indicate whether it elects to exercise the Option to Build set forth in Article 5.1.3 below. If the dates designated by Interconnection Customer are not acceptable to Transmission Provider, Transmission Provider shall so notify Interconnection Customer within thirty (30) Calendar Days. Upon receipt of the notification that Interconnection Customer's designated dates are not acceptable to Transmission Provider, the Interconnection Customer shall notify Transmission Provider within thirty (30) Calendar Days whether it elects to exercise the Option to Build if it has not already elected to exercise the Option to Build.

5.1.1 Standard Option. [Selected/Not Selected]

Transmission Provider shall design, procure, and construct Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades, using Reasonable Efforts to complete Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades by the dates set forth in Appendix B, LGIA Milestones. Transmission Provider shall not be required to undertake any action which is inconsistent with its standard safety practices, its material and equipment specifications, its design criteria and construction procedures, its labor agreements, and Applicable Laws and Regulations. In the event Transmission Provider reasonably expects that it will not be able to complete Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades by the specified dates, Transmission Provider shall promptly provide written notice to Interconnection Customer and shall undertake Reasonable Efforts to meet the earliest dates thereafter.

5.1.2 Alternate Option.

If the dates designated by Interconnection Customer are acceptable to Transmission Provider, Transmission Provider shall so notify Interconnection Customer within thirty (30) Calendar Days, and shall assume responsibility for the design, procurement and construction of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities by the designated dates.

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If Transmission Provider subsequently fails to complete Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities by the In-Service Date, to the extent necessary to provide back feed power; or fails to complete Network Upgrades by the Initial Synchronization Date to the extent necessary to allow for Trial Operation at full power output, unless other arrangements are made by the Parties for such Trial Operation; or fails to complete the Network Upgrades by the Commercial Operation Date, as such dates are reflected in Appendix B, LGIA Milestones; Transmission Provider shall pay Interconnection Customer liquidated damages in accordance with Article 5.3, Liquidated Damages, provided, however, the dates designated by Interconnection Customer shall be extended day for day for each day that the applicable RTO or ISO refuses to grant clearances to install equipment.

5.1.3 Option to Build. [Selected/Not Selected]

Individual or Multiple Interconnection Customer(s) shall have the option to assume responsibility for the design, procurement and construction of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades on the dates specified in Article 5.1.2, if the requirements of this Article 5.1.3 are met. When multiple Interconnection Customers exercise this option, multiple Interconnection Customers may agree to exercise this option provided (1) all Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network upgrades constructed under this option are only required for Interconnection Customers in a single Cluster and (2) all impacted Interconnection Customers execute and provide to Transmission Provider an agreement regarding responsibilities and payment for the construction of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades planned to be built under this option. Transmission Provider and the individual Interconnection Customer or each of the multiple Interconnection Customers must agree as to what constitutes Stand Alone Network Upgrades and identify such Stand Alone Network Upgrades in Appendix A. Except for Stand Alone Network Upgrades, Interconnection Customer shall have no right to construct Network Upgrades under this option.

5.1.4 Negotiated Option.

If the dates designated by Interconnection Customer are not acceptable to Transmission Provider, the Parties shall in good faith attempt to negotiate terms and conditions (including revision of the specified dates and liquidated damages, the provision of incentives, or the procurement and construction of all facilities other than Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades if the Interconnection Customer elects to exercise the Option to Build under Article 5.1.3) If the Parties are unable to reach agreement on such terms and conditions, then, pursuant to Article 5.1.1 (Standard Option), Transmission Provider shall assume responsibility for the design, procurement and construction of all facilities other than Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades if the Interconnection Customer elects to exercise the Option to Build.

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5.2 General Conditions Applicable to Option to Build.

If Interconnection Customer assumes responsibility for the design, procurement and construction of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades,

- (1) Interconnection Customer shall engineer, procure equipment, and construct Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades (or portions thereof) using Good Utility Practice and using standards and specifications provided in advance by Transmission Provider;
- (2) Interconnection Customer's engineering, procurement and construction of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades shall comply with all requirements of law to which Transmission Provider would be subject in the engineering, procurement or construction of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades;
- (3) Transmission Provider shall review and approve the engineering design, equipment acceptance tests, and the construction of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades;
- (4) Prior to commencement of construction, Interconnection Customer shall provide to Transmission Provider a schedule for construction of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades, and shall promptly respond to requests for information from Transmission Provider;
- (5) At any time during construction, Transmission Provider shall have the right to gain unrestricted access to Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades and to conduct inspections of the same;
- (6) At any time during construction, should any phase of the engineering, equipment procurement, or construction of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades not meet the standards and specifications provided by Transmission Provider, Interconnection Customer shall be obligated to remedy deficiencies in that portion of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades;
- (7) Interconnection Customer shall indemnify Transmission Provider for claims arising from Interconnection Customer's construction of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades under the terms and procedures applicable to Article 18.1 Indemnity;

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- (8) Interconnection Customer shall transfer control of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades to Transmission Provider;
- (9) Unless Parties otherwise agree, Interconnection Customer shall transfer ownership of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand-Alone Network Upgrades to Transmission Provider;
- (10) Transmission Provider shall approve and accept for operation and maintenance Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades to the extent engineered, procured, and constructed in accordance with this Article 5.2; and
- (11) Interconnection Customer shall deliver to Transmission Provider "asbuilt" drawings, information, and any other documents that are reasonably required by Transmission Provider to assure that the Interconnection Facilities and Stand-Alone Network Upgrades are built to the standards and specifications required by Transmission Provider.
- (12) If Interconnection Customer exercises the Option to Build pursuant to Article 5.1.3, Interconnection Customer shall pay Transmission Provider the agreed upon amount of [\$ PLACEHOLDER] for Transmission Provider to execute the responsibilities enumerated to Transmission Provider under Article 5.2. Transmission Provider shall invoice Interconnection Customer for this total amount to be divided on a monthly basis pursuant to Article 12.

5.3 Liquidated Damages.

The actual damages to Interconnection Customer, in the event Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities or Network Upgrades are not completed by the dates designated by Interconnection Customer and accepted by Transmission Provider pursuant to subparagraphs 5.1.2 or 5.1.4, above, may include Interconnection Customer's fixed operation and maintenance costs and lost opportunity costs. Such actual damages are uncertain and impossible to determine at this time. Because of such uncertainty, any liquidated damages paid by Transmission Provider to Interconnection Customer in the event that Transmission Provider does not complete any portion of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities or Network Upgrades by the applicable dates, shall be an amount equal to ½ of 1 percent per day of the actual cost of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades, in the aggregate, for which Transmission Provider has assumed responsibility to design, procure and construct.

However, in no event shall the total liquidated damages exceed 20 percent of the actual cost of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades for which Transmission Provider has assumed responsibility to design, procure, and construct. The foregoing payments will be made by Transmission Provider to Interconnection Customer as just compensation for the damages caused to Interconnection Customer, which actual damages are uncertain and impossible to determine at this time, and as reasonable

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liquidated damages, but not as a penalty or a method to secure performance of this LGIA. Liquidated damages, when the Parties agree to them, are the exclusive remedy for the Transmission Provider's failure to meet its schedule.

No liquidated damages shall be paid to Interconnection Customer if: (1) Interconnection Customer is not ready to commence use of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities or Network Upgrades to take the delivery of power for the Large Generating Facility's Trial Operation or to export power from the Large Generating Facility on the specified dates, unless Interconnection Customer would have been able to commence use of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities or Network Upgrades to take the delivery of power for Large Generating Facility's Trial Operation or to export power from the Large Generating Facility, but for Transmission Provider's delay; (2) Transmission Provider's failure to meet the specified dates is the result of the action or inaction of Interconnection Customer or any other Interconnection Customer who has entered into an LGIA with Transmission Provider or any cause beyond Transmission Provider's reasonable control or reasonable ability to cure; (3) the Interconnection Customer has assumed responsibility for the design, procurement and construction of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades; or (4) the Parties have otherwise agreed.

5.4 Power System Stabilizers.

Interconnection Customer shall procure, install, maintain and operate Power System Stabilizers in accordance with the guidelines and procedures established by the Applicable Electric Reliability Organization. Transmission Provider reserves the right to reasonably establish minimum acceptable settings for any installed Power System Stabilizers, subject to the design and operating limitations of the Large Generating Facility. If the Large Generating Facility's Power System Stabilizers are removed from service or not capable of automatic operation, Interconnection Customer shall immediately notify Transmission Provider's system operator, or its designated representative. The requirements of this paragraph shall not apply to wind generators.

5.5 Equipment Procurement.

If responsibility for construction of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities or Network Upgrades is to be borne by Transmission Provider, then Transmission Provider shall commence design of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities or Network Upgrades and procure necessary equipment as soon as practicable after all of the following conditions are satisfied, unless the Parties otherwise agree in writing:

- **5.5.1** Transmission Provider has completed the Interconnection Facilities Study pursuant to the Interconnection Facilities Study Agreement;
- Transmission Provider has received written authorization to proceed with design and procurement from Interconnection Customer by the date specified in Appendix B, LGIA Milestones; and
- 5.5.3 Interconnection Customer has provided security to Transmission Provider in accordance with Article 11.5 by the dates specified in Appendix B, LGIA Milestones.

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5.6 Construction Commencement.

Transmission Provider shall commence construction of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades for which it is responsible as soon as practicable after the following additional conditions are satisfied:

- **5.6.1** Approval of the appropriate Governmental Authority has been obtained for any facilities requiring regulatory approval;
- Necessary real property rights and rights-of-way have been obtained, to the extent required for the construction of a discrete aspect of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades;
- 5.6.3 Transmission Provider has received written authorization to proceed with construction from Interconnection Customer by the date specified in Appendix B, LGIA Milestones; and
- 5.6.4 Interconnection Customer has provided security to Transmission Provider in accordance with Article 11.5 by the dates specified in Appendix B, LGIA Milestones.

5.7 Work Progress.

The Parties will keep each other advised periodically as to the progress of their respective design, procurement and construction efforts. Either Party may, at any time, request a progress report from the other Party. If, at any time, Interconnection Customer determines that the completion of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities will not be required until after the specified In-Service Date, Interconnection Customer will provide written notice to Transmission Provider of such later date upon which the completion of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities will be required.

5.8 Information Exchange.

As soon as reasonably practicable after the Effective Date, the Parties shall exchange information regarding the design and compatibility of the Parties' Interconnection Facilities and compatibility of the Interconnection Facilities with Transmission Provider's Transmission System, and shall work diligently and in good faith to make any necessary design changes.

5.9 Other Interconnection Options

5.9.1 Limited Operation.

If any of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities or Network Upgrades are not reasonably expected to be completed prior to the Commercial Operation Date of the Large Generating Facility, Transmission Provider shall, upon the request and at the expense of Interconnection Customer, perform operating studies on a timely basis to determine the extent to which the Large Generating Facility and Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities may operate prior to the completion of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities or Network Upgrades consistent with

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Applicable Laws and Regulations, Applicable Reliability Standards, Good Utility Practice, and this LGIA. Transmission Provider shall permit Interconnection Customer to operate the Large Generating Facility and Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities in accordance with the results of such studies.

5.9.2 Provisional Interconnection Service.

Upon the request of Interconnection Customer, and prior to completion of requisite Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades, Distribution Upgrades, or System Protection Facilities Transmission Provider may execute a Provisional Large Generator Interconnection Agreement or Interconnection Customer may request the filing of an unexecuted Provisional Large Generator Interconnection Agreement with the Interconnection Customer for limited Interconnection Service at the discretion of Transmission Provider based upon an evaluation that will consider the results of available studies. Transmission Provider shall determine, through available studies or additional studies as necessary, whether stability, short circuit, thermal, and/or voltage issues would arise if Interconnection Customer interconnects without modifications to the Generating Facility or Transmission System. Transmission Provider shall determine whether any Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades, Distribution Upgrades, or System Protection Facilities that are necessary to meet the requirements of the Electric Reliability Organization, or any applicable Regional Entity for the interconnection of a new, modified and/or expanded Generating Facility are in place prior to the commencement of Interconnection Service from the Generating Facility. Where available studies indicate that such, Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades, Distribution Upgrades, and/or System Protection Facilities that are required for the interconnection of a new, modified and/or expanded Generating Facility are not currently in place, Transmission Provider will perform a study, at the Interconnection Customer's expense, to confirm the facilities that are required for Provisional Interconnection Service. The maximum permissible output of the Generating Facility in the Provisional Large Generator Interconnection Agreement shall be reviewed quarterly and updated if there are changes to system conditions compared to the system conditions previously used to determine of the maximum permissible output. Any necessary study is conducted at the Interconnection Customer's expense. Interconnection Customer assumes all risk and liabilities with respect to changes between the Provisional Large Interconnection Agreement and the Large Generator Interconnection Agreement, including changes in output limits and Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades, Distribution Upgrades, and/or System Protection Facilities cost responsibilities.

5.10 Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities ("ICIF").

Interconnection Customer shall, at its expense, design, procure, construct, own and install the ICIF, as set forth in Appendix A, Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades and Distribution Upgrades.

5.10.1 Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facility Specifications.

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Interconnection Customer shall submit initial specifications for the ICIF, including System Protection Facilities, to Transmission Provider at least one-hundred eighty (180) Calendar Days prior to the Initial Synchronization Date; and final specifications for review and comment at least ninety (90) Calendar Days prior to the Initial Synchronization Date. Transmission Provider shall review such specifications to ensure that the ICIF are compatible with the technical specifications, operational control, and safety requirements of Transmission Provider and comment on such specifications within thirty (30) Calendar Days of Interconnection Customer's submission. All specifications provided hereunder shall be deemed confidential.

5.10.2 Transmission Provider's Review.

Transmission Provider's review of Interconnection Customer's final specifications shall not be construed as confirming, endorsing, or providing a warranty as to the design, fitness, safety, durability or reliability of the Large Generating Facility, or the ICIF. Interconnection Customer shall make such changes to the ICIF as may reasonably be required by Transmission Provider, in accordance with Good Utility Practice, to ensure that the ICIF are compatible with the technical specifications, operational control, and safety requirements of Transmission Provider.

5.10.3 ICIF Construction.

The ICIF shall be designed and constructed in accordance with Good Utility Practice. Within one-hundred twenty (120) Calendar Days after the Commercial Operation Date, unless the Parties agree on another mutually acceptable deadline, Interconnection Customer shall deliver to Transmission Provider "as-built" drawings, information and documents for the ICIF, such as: a one-line diagram, a site plan showing the Large Generating Facility and the ICIF, plan and elevation drawings showing the layout of the ICIF, a relay functional diagram, relaying AC and DC schematic wiring diagrams and relay settings for all facilities associated with Interconnection Customer's step-up transformers, the facilities connecting the Large Generating Facility to the stepup transformers and the ICIF, and the impedances (determined by factory tests) for the associated step-up transformers and the Large Generating Facility. The Interconnection Customer shall provide Transmission Provider specifications for the excitation system, automatic voltage regulator, Large Generating Facility control and protection settings, transformer tap settings, and communications, if applicable.

5.11 Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities Construction.

Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities shall be designed and constructed in accordance with Good Utility Practice. Upon request, within one-hundred twenty (120) Calendar Days after the Commercial Operation Date, unless the Parties agree on another mutually acceptable deadline, Transmission Provider shall deliver to Interconnection Customer the following "as-built" drawings, information and documents for Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities [include appropriate drawings and relay diagrams]. Transmission Provider will obtain control of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades upon completion of such facilities.

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5.12 Access Rights.

Upon reasonable notice and supervision by a Party, and subject to any required or necessary regulatory approvals, a Party ("Granting Party") shall furnish at no cost to the other Party ("Access Party") any rights of use, licenses, rights of way and easements with respect to lands owned or controlled by the Granting Party, its agents (if allowed under the applicable agency agreement), or any Affiliate, that are necessary to enable the Access Party to obtain ingress and egress to construct, operate, maintain, repair, test (or witness testing), inspect, replace or remove facilities and equipment to: (i) interconnect the Large Generating Facility with the Transmission System; (ii) operate and maintain the Large Generating Facility, the Interconnection Facilities and the Transmission System; and (iii) disconnect or remove the Access Party's facilities and equipment upon termination of this LGIA. In exercising such licenses, rights of way and easements, the Access Party shall not unreasonably disrupt or interfere with normal operation of the Granting Party's business and shall adhere to the safety rules and procedures established in advance, as may be changed from time to time, by the Granting Party and provided to the Access Party.

5.13 Lands of Other Property Owners.

If any part of Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities and/or Network Upgrades is to be installed on property owned by persons other than Interconnection Customer or Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner, Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner shall at Interconnection Customer's expense use efforts, similar in nature and extent to those that it typically undertakes on its own behalf or on behalf of its Affiliates, including use of its eminent domain authority, and to the extent consistent with state law, to procure from such persons any rights of use, licenses, rights of way and easements that are necessary to construct, operate, maintain, test, inspect, replace or remove Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities and/or Network Upgrades upon such property.

5.14 Permits.

Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner and Interconnection Customer shall cooperate with each other in good faith in obtaining all permits, licenses, and authorizations that are necessary to accomplish the interconnection in compliance with Applicable Laws and Regulations. With respect to this paragraph, Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner shall provide permitting assistance to Interconnection Customer comparable to that provided to Transmission Provider's own, or an Affiliate's generation.

5.15 Early Construction of Base Case Facilities.

Interconnection Customer may request Transmission Provider to construct, and Transmission Provider shall construct, using Reasonable Efforts to accommodate Interconnection Customer's In-Service Date, all or any portion of any Network Upgrades required for Interconnection Customer to be interconnected to the Transmission System which are included in the Base Case of the Interconnection Facilities Study for Interconnection Customer, and which also are required to be constructed for another Interconnection Customer, but where such construction is not scheduled to be completed in time to achieve Interconnection Customer's In-Service Date.

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5.16 Suspension.

Interconnection Customer reserves the right, upon written notice to Transmission Provider, to suspend at any time all work by Transmission Provider associated with the construction and installation of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and/or Network Upgrades required under this LGIA with the condition that Transmission System shall be left in a safe and reliable condition in accordance with Good Utility Practice and Transmission Provider's safety and reliability criteria. In such event, Interconnection Customer shall be responsible for all reasonable and necessary costs which Transmission Provider (i) has incurred pursuant to this LGIA prior to the suspension and (ii) incurs in suspending such work, including any costs incurred to perform such work as may be necessary to ensure the safety of persons and property and the integrity of the Transmission System during such suspension and, if applicable, any costs incurred in connection with the cancellation or suspension of material, equipment and labor contracts which Transmission Provider cannot reasonably avoid; provided, however, that prior to canceling or suspending any such material, equipment or labor contract, Transmission Provider shall obtain Interconnection Customer's authorization to do so.

Transmission Provider shall invoice Interconnection Customer for such costs pursuant to Article 12 and shall use due diligence to minimize its costs. In the event Interconnection Customer suspends work by Transmission Provider required under this LGIA pursuant to this Article 5.16, and has not requested Transmission Provider to recommence the work required under this LGIA on or before the expiration of three (3) years following commencement of such suspension, this LGIA shall be deemed terminated. The three-year period shall begin on the date the suspension is requested, or the date of the written notice to Transmission Provider, if no effective date is specified.

5.16.1 Effect of Missed Interconnection Customer LGIA Milestones.

If Interconnection Customer fails to provide notice of suspension pursuant to Article 5.16, and Interconnection Customer fails to fulfill or complete any Interconnection Customer LGIA Milestone provided in Appendix B ("LGIA Milestone"), this constitutes a Breach under this LGIA. Depending upon the consequences of the Breach and effectiveness of the cure pursuant to Article 17, Transmission Provider's LGIA Milestones may be revised, following consultation with Interconnection Customer, consistent with Reasonable Efforts, and in consideration of all relevant circumstances. Parties shall employ Reasonable Efforts to maintain their remaining respective LGIA Milestones.

5.16.2 Effect of Suspension; Parties Obligations.

In the event that Interconnection Customer suspends work pursuant to this Article 5.16, the applicable construction duration, timelines and schedules set forth in Appendix B shall be suspended during the period of suspension. Should Interconnection Customer thereafter request that work be recommenced, Appendix A and Appendix B may be revised to account for construction sequencing and modified milestones. If the Commercial Operation Date is extended beyond three (3) cumulative years described in Section 4.4.5 of the LGIP and Article 2.3.1 of this LGIA, such an extension may be considered a Material Modification and result in the termination of the LGIA under Article 2.3.1.

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Interconnection Customer is required to maintain Site Control while this LGIA is in effect, including during suspension.

5.17 Taxes

5.17.1 Interconnection Customer Payments Not Taxable.

The Parties intend that all payments or property transfers made by Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider for the installation of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and the Network Upgrades shall be non-taxable, either as contributions to capital, or as an advance, in accordance with the Internal Revenue Code and any applicable state income tax laws and shall not be taxable as contributions in aid of construction or otherwise under the Internal Revenue Code and any applicable state income tax laws.

5.17.2 Representations and Covenants.

In accordance with IRS Notice 2001-82 and IRS Notice 88-129. Interconnection Customer represents and covenants that (i) ownership of the electricity generated at the Large Generating Facility will pass to another party prior to the transmission of the electricity on the Transmission System, (ii) for income tax purposes, the amount of any payments and the cost of any property transferred to Transmission Provider for Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities will be capitalized by Interconnection Customer as an intangible asset and recovered using the straight-line method over a useful life of twenty (20) years, and (iii) any portion of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities that is a "dual-use intertie," within the meaning of IRS Notice 88-129, is reasonably expected to carry only a de minimis amount of electricity in the direction of the Large Generating Facility. For this purpose, "de minimis amount" means no more than percent of the total power flows in both directions, calculated in accordance with the "5 percent test" set forth in IRS Notice 88-129. This is not intended to be an exclusive list of the relevant conditions that must be met to conform to IRS requirements for nontaxable treatment.

At Transmission Provider's request, Interconnection Customer shall provide Transmission Provider with a report from an independent engineer confirming its representation in clause (iii), above. Transmission Provider represents and covenants that the cost of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities paid for by Interconnection Customer will have no net effect on the base upon which rates are determined.

5.17.3 Indemnification for the Cost Consequences of Current Tax Liability Imposed Upon the Transmission Provider.

Notwithstanding Article 5.17.1, Interconnection Customer shall protect, indemnify and hold harmless Transmission Provider from the cost consequences of any current tax liability imposed against Transmission Provider as the result of payments or property transfers made by Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider under this LGIA for Interconnection Facilities, as well as any interest and penalties, other than interest and penalties attributable to any delay caused by Transmission Provider.

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Transmission Provider shall not include a gross-up for the cost consequences of any current tax liability in the amounts it charges Interconnection Customer under this LGIA unless (i) Transmission Provider has determined, in good faith, that the payments or property transfers made by Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider should be reported as income subject to taxation or (ii) any Governmental Authority directs Transmission Provider to report payments or property as income subject to taxation; provided, however, that Transmission Provider may require Interconnection Customer to provide security for Interconnection Facilities, in a form reasonably acceptable to Transmission Provider (such as a parental guarantee or a letter of credit), in an amount equal to the cost consequences of any current tax liability under this Article 5.17. Interconnection Customer shall reimburse Transmission Provider for such costs on a fully grossed-up basis, in accordance with Article 5.17.4, within thirty (30) Calendar Days of receiving written notification from Transmission Provider of the amount due, including detail about how the amount was calculated.

The indemnification obligation shall terminate at the earlier of (1) the expiration of the ten-year testing period and the applicable statute of limitation, as it may be extended by Transmission Provider upon request of the IRS, to keep these years open for audit or adjustment, or (2) the occurrence of a subsequent taxable event and the payment of any related indemnification obligations as contemplated by this Article 5.17.

5.17.4 Tax Gross-Up Amount.

Interconnection Customer's liability for the cost consequences of any current tax liability under this Article 5.17 shall be calculated on a fully grossed-up basis. Except as may otherwise be agreed to by the parties, this means that Interconnection Customer will pay Transmission Provider, in addition to the amount paid for the Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades, an amount equal to (1) the current taxes imposed on Transmission Provider ("Current Taxes") on the excess of (a) the gross income realized by Transmission Provider as a result of payments or property transfers made by Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider under this LGIA (without regard to any payments under this Article 5.17) (the "Gross Income Amount") over (b) the present value of future tax deductions for depreciation that will be available as a result of such payments or property transfers (the "Present Value Depreciation Amount"), plus (2) an additional amount sufficient to permit Transmission Provider to receive and retain, after the payment of all Current Taxes, an amount equal to the net amount described in clause (1).

For this purpose, (i) Current Taxes shall be computed based on Transmission Provider's composite federal and state tax rates at the time the payments or property transfers are received and Transmission Provider will be treated as being subject to tax at the highest marginal rates in effect at that time (the "Current Tax Rate"), and (ii) the Present Value Depreciation Amount shall be computed by discounting Transmission Provider's anticipated tax depreciation deductions as a result of such payments or property transfers by Transmission Provider's current

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weighted average cost of capital. Thus, the formula for calculating Interconnection Customer's liability to Transmission Owner pursuant to this Article 5.17.4 can be expressed as follows: (Current Tax Rate x (Gross Income Amount – Present Value of Tax Depreciation))/(1-Current Tax Rate). Interconnection Customer's estimated tax liability in the event taxes are imposed shall be stated in Appendix A, Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades and Distribution Upgrades.

5.17.5 Private Letter Ruling or Change or Clarification of Law.

At Interconnection Customer's request and expense, Transmission Provider shall file with the IRS a request for a private letter ruling as to whether any property transferred or sums paid, or to be paid, by Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider under this LGIA are subject to federal income taxation. Interconnection Customer will prepare the initial draft of the request for a private letter ruling, and will certify under penalties of perjury that all facts represented in such request are true and accurate to the best of Interconnection Customer's knowledge. Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer shall cooperate in good faith with respect to the submission of such request. Transmission Provider shall keep Interconnection Customer fully informed of the status of such request for a private letter ruling and shall execute either a privacy act waiver or a limited power of attorney, in a form acceptable to the IRS that authorizes Interconnection Customer to participate in all discussions with the IRS regarding such request for a private letter ruling. Transmission Provider shall allow Interconnection Customer to attend all meetings with IRS officials about the request and shall permit Interconnection Customer to prepare the initial drafts of any follow-up letters in connection with the request.

5.17.6 Subsequent Taxable Events.

If, within ten (10) years from the date on which the relevant Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities are placed in service, (i) Interconnection Customer Breaches the covenants contained in Article 5.17.2, (ii) a "disqualification event" occurs within the meaning of IRS Notice 88-129, or (iii) this LGIA terminates and Transmission Provider retains ownership of the Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades, Interconnection Customer shall pay a tax gross-up for the cost consequences of any current tax liability imposed on Transmission Provider, calculated using the methodology described in Article 5.17.4 and in accordance with IRS Notice 90-60.

5.17.7 Contests.

In the event any Governmental Authority determines that Transmission Provider's receipt of payments or property constitutes income that is subject to taxation, Transmission Provider shall notify Interconnection Customer, in writing, within thirty (30) Calendar Days of receiving notification of such determination by a Governmental Authority. Upon the timely written request by Interconnection Customer and at Interconnection Customer's sole expense, Transmission Provider may appeal, protest, seek abatement of, or otherwise oppose such determination. Upon Interconnection Customer's written request and sole expense, Transmission Provider may file a claim for refund with respect to any taxes paid under this Article 5.17, whether or not it has received such a determination. Transmission Provider

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reserves the right to make all decisions with regard to the prosecution of such appeal, protest, abatement or other contest, including the selection of counsel and compromise or settlement of the claim, but Transmission Provider shall keep Interconnection Customer informed, shall consider in good faith suggestions from Interconnection Customer about the conduct of the contest, and shall reasonably permit Interconnection Customer or an Interconnection Customer representative to attend contest proceedings.

Interconnection Customer shall pay to Transmission Provider on a periodic basis. as invoiced by Transmission Provider, Transmission Provider's documented reasonable costs of prosecuting such appeal, protest, abatement or other contest. At any time during the contest, Transmission Provider may agree to a settlement either with Interconnection Customer's consent or after obtaining written advice from nationally-recognized tax counsel, selected by Transmission Provider, but reasonably acceptable to Interconnection Customer, that the proposed settlement represents a reasonable settlement given the hazards of litigation. Interconnection Customer's obligation shall be based on the amount of the settlement agreed to by Interconnection Customer, or if a higher amount, so much of the settlement that is supported by the written advice from nationally-recognized tax counsel selected under the terms of the preceding sentence. The settlement amount shall be calculated on a fully grossed-up basis to cover any related cost consequences of the current tax liability. Any settlement without Interconnection Customer's consent or such written advice will relieve Interconnection Customer from any obligation to indemnify Transmission Provider for the tax at issue in the contest.

5.17.8 Refund.

In the event that (a) a private letter ruling is issued to Transmission Provider which holds that any amount paid or the value of any property transferred by Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider under the terms of this LGIA is not subject to federal income taxation, (b) any legislative change or administrative announcement, notice, ruling or other determination makes it reasonably clear to Transmission Provider in good faith that any amount paid or the value of any property transferred by Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider under the terms of this LGIA is not taxable to Transmission Provider, (c) any abatement, appeal, protest, or other contest results in a determination that any payments or transfers made by Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider are not subject to federal income tax, or (d) if Transmission Provider receives a refund from any taxing authority for any overpayment of tax attributable to any payment or property transfer made by Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider pursuant to this LGIA, Transmission Provider shall promptly refund to Interconnection Customer the following:

- (i) any payment made by Interconnection Customer under this Article 5.17 for taxes that is attributable to the amount determined to be non-taxable, together with interest thereon,
- (ii) interest on any amount paid by Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider for such taxes which Transmission Provider did

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not submit to the taxing authority, calculated in accordance with the methodology set forth in FERC's regulations at 18 CFR § 35.19a(a)(2)(iii) from the date payment was made by Interconnection Customer to the date Transmission Provider refunds such payment to Interconnection Customer, and

(iii) with respect to any such taxes paid by Transmission Provider, any refund or credit Transmission Provider receives or to which it may be entitled from any Governmental Authority, interest (or that portion thereof attributable to the payment described in clause (i), above) owed to Transmission Provider for such overpayment of taxes (including any reduction in interest otherwise payable by Transmission Provider to any Governmental Authority resulting from an offset or credit); provided, however, that Transmission Provider will remit such amount promptly to Interconnection Customer only after and to the extent that Transmission Provider has received a tax refund, credit or offset from any Governmental Authority for any applicable overpayment of income tax related to Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities.

The intent of this provision is to leave the Parties, to the extent practicable, in the event that no taxes are due with respect to any payment for Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades hereunder, in the same position they would have been in had no such tax payments been made.

5.17.9 Taxes Other Than Income Taxes.

Upon the timely request by Interconnection Customer, and at Interconnection Customer's sole expense, Transmission Provider may appeal, protest, seek abatement of, or otherwise contest any tax (other than federal or state income tax) asserted or assessed against Transmission Provider for which Interconnection Customer may be required to reimburse Transmission Provider under the terms of this LGIA. Interconnection Customer shall pay to Transmission Provider on a periodic basis, as invoiced by Transmission Provider, Transmission Provider's documented reasonable costs of prosecuting such appeal, protest, abatement, or other contest. Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider shall cooperate in good faith with respect to any such contest. Unless the payment of such taxes is a prerequisite to an appeal or abatement or cannot be deferred, no amount shall be payable by Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider for such taxes until they are assessed by a final, non-appealable order by any court or agency of competent jurisdiction. In the event that a tax payment is withheld and ultimately due and payable after appeal, Interconnection Customer will be responsible for all taxes, interest and penalties, other than penalties attributable to any delay caused by Transmission Provider.

5.17.10 Transmission Owners Who Are Not Transmission Providers.

If Transmission Provider is not the same entity as the Transmission Owner, then (i) all references in this Article 5.17 to Transmission Provider shall be deemed also to refer to and to include the Transmission Owner, as appropriate, and (ii) this LGIA shall not become effective until such Transmission Owner shall have agreed

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in writing to assume all of the duties and obligations of Transmission Provider under this Article 5.17 of this LGIA.

5.18 Tax Status.

Each Party shall cooperate with the other to maintain the other Party's tax status. Nothing in this LGIA is intended to adversely affect any Transmission Provider's tax exempt status with respect to the issuance of bonds including, but not limited to, Local Furnishing Bonds.

5.19 Modification.

5.19.1 General.

Either Party may undertake modifications to its facilities. If a Party plans to undertake a modification that reasonably may be expected to affect the other Party's facilities, that Party shall provide to the other Party sufficient information regarding such modification so that the other Party may evaluate the potential impact of such modification prior to commencement of the work. Such information shall be deemed to be confidential hereunder and shall include information concerning the timing of such modifications and whether such modifications are expected to interrupt the flow of electricity from the Large Generating Facility. The Party desiring to perform such work shall provide the relevant drawings, plans, and specifications to the other Party at least ninety (90) Calendar Days in advance of the commencement of the work or such shorter period upon which the Parties may agree, which agreement shall not unreasonably be withheld, conditioned or delayed.

In the case of a proposed Generating Facility Modification to an Existing Generating Facility that is not a Material Modification and does not require Interconnection Customer to submit an Interconnection Request, Transmission Provider shall provide, within thirty (30) Calendar Days (or such other time as the Parties may agree), an estimate of any additional modifications to the Transmission System, Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities or Network Upgrades necessitated by such Interconnection Customer modification and a good faith estimate of the costs thereof.

5.19.2 Standards.

Any additions, modifications, or replacements made to a Party's facilities shall be designed, constructed, and operated in accordance with this LGIA and Good Utility Practice.

5.19.3 Modification Costs.

Interconnection Customer shall not be directly assigned for the costs of any additions, modifications, or replacements that Transmission Provider makes to Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities or the Transmission System to facilitate the interconnection of a third party to Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities or the Transmission System, or to provide transmission service to a third party under Transmission Provider's Tariff. Interconnection Customer shall be responsible for the costs of any additions, modifications, or replacements to Interconnection Customer's Interconnection

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Facilities that may be necessary to maintain or upgrade such Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities consistent with Applicable Laws and Regulations, Applicable Reliability Standards or Good Utility Practice.

Article 6. Testing and Inspection

6.1 Pre-Commercial Operation Date Testing and Modifications.

Prior to the Commercial Operation Date, Transmission Provider shall test Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades and Interconnection Customer shall test the Large Generating Facility and Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities to ensure their safe and reliable operation. Similar testing may be required after initial operation. Each Party shall make any modifications to its facilities that are found to be necessary as a result of such testing. Interconnection Customer shall bear the cost of all such testing and modifications. Interconnection Customer shall generate test energy at the Large Generating Facility only if it has arranged for the delivery of such test energy.

6.2 Post-Commercial Operation Date Testing and Modifications.

Each Party shall at its own expense perform routine inspection and testing of its facilities and equipment in accordance with Good Utility Practice as may be necessary to ensure the continued interconnection of the Large Generating Facility with the Transmission System in a safe and reliable manner. Each Party shall have the right, upon advance written notice, to require reasonable additional testing of the other Party's facilities, at the requesting Party's expense, as may be in accordance with Good Utility Practice.

6.3 Right to Observe Testing.

Each Party shall notify the other Party in advance of its performance of tests of its Interconnection Facilities. The other Party has the right, at its own expense, to observe such testing.

6.4 Right to Inspect.

Each Party shall have the right, but shall have no obligation to: (i) observe the other Party's tests and/or inspection of any of its System Protection Facilities and other protective equipment, including Power System Stabilizers; (ii) review the settings of the other Party's System Protection Facilities and other protective equipment; and (iii) review the other Party's maintenance records relative to the Interconnection Facilities, the System Protection Facilities and other protective equipment. A Party may exercise these rights from time to time as it deems necessary upon reasonable notice to the other Party. The exercise or non-exercise by a Party of any such rights shall not be construed as an endorsement or confirmation of any element or condition of the Interconnection Facilities or the System Protection Facilities or other protective equipment or the operation thereof, or as a warranty as to the fitness, safety, desirability, or reliability of same. Any information that a Party obtains through the exercise of any of its rights under this Article 6.4 shall be deemed to be Confidential Information and treated pursuant to Article 22 of this LGIA.

Article 7. Metering

7.1 General.

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Each Party shall comply with the Electric Reliability Organization requirements. Unless otherwise agreed by the Parties, Transmission Provider shall install Metering Equipment at the Point of Interconnection prior to any operation of the Large Generating Facility and shall own, operate, test and maintain such Metering Equipment. Power flows to and from the Large Generating Facility shall be measured at or, at Transmission Provider's option, compensated to, the Point of Interconnection. Transmission Provider shall provide metering quantities, in analog and/or digital form, to Interconnection Customer upon request. Interconnection Customer shall bear all reasonable documented costs associated with the purchase, installation, operation, testing and maintenance of the Metering Equipment.

7.2 Check Meters.

Interconnection Customer, at its option and expense, may install and operate, on its premises and on its side of the Point of Interconnection, one or more check meters to check Transmission Provider's meters. Such check meters shall be for check purposes only and shall not be used for the measurement of power flows for purposes of this LGIA, except as provided in Article 7.4 below. The check meters shall be subject at all reasonable times to inspection and examination by Transmission Provider or its designee. The installation, operation and maintenance thereof shall be performed entirely by Interconnection Customer in accordance with Good Utility Practice.

7.3 Standards.

Transmission Provider shall install, calibrate, and test revenue quality Metering Equipment in accordance with applicable ANSI standards.

7.4 Testing of Metering Equipment.

Transmission Provider shall inspect and test all Transmission Provider-owned Metering Equipment upon installation and at least once every two (2) years thereafter. If requested to do so by Interconnection Customer, Transmission Provider shall, at Interconnection Customer's expense, inspect or test Metering Equipment more frequently than every two (2) years. Transmission Provider shall give reasonable notice of the time when any inspection or test shall take place, and Interconnection Customer may have representatives present at the test or inspection. If at any time Metering Equipment is found to be inaccurate or defective, it shall be adjusted, repaired or replaced at Interconnection Customer's expense, in order to provide accurate metering, unless the inaccuracy or defect is due to Transmission Provider's failure to maintain, then Transmission Provider shall pay. If Metering Equipment fails to register, or if the measurement made by Metering Equipment during a test varies by more than two percent from the measurement made by the standard meter used in the test, Transmission Provider shall adjust the measurements by correcting all measurements for the period during which Metering Equipment was in error by using Interconnection Customer's check meters, if installed. If no such check meters are installed or if the period cannot be reasonably ascertained, the adjustment shall be for the period immediately preceding the test of the Metering Equipment equal to one-half the time from the date of the last previous test of the Metering Equipment.

7.5 Metering Data.

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At Interconnection Customer's expense, the metered data shall be telemetered to one or more locations designated by Transmission Provider and one or more locations designated by Interconnection Customer. Such telemetered data shall be used, under normal operating conditions, as the official measurement of the amount of energy delivered from the Large Generating Facility to the Point of Interconnection.

Article 8. Communications

8.1 Interconnection Customer Obligations.

Interconnection Customer shall maintain satisfactory operating communications with Transmission Provider's Transmission System dispatcher or representative designated by Transmission Provider. Interconnection Customer shall provide standard voice line, dedicated voice line and facsimile communications at its Large Generating Facility control room or central dispatch facility through use of either the public telephone system, or a voice communications system that does not rely on the public telephone system. Interconnection Customer shall also provide the dedicated data circuit(s) necessary to provide Interconnection Customer data to Transmission Provider as set forth in Appendix D, Security Arrangements Details. The data circuit(s) shall extend from the Large Generating Facility to the location(s) specified by Transmission Provider. Any required maintenance of such communications equipment shall be performed by Interconnection Customer. Operational communications shall be activated and maintained under, but not be limited to, the following events: system paralleling or separation, scheduled and unscheduled shutdowns, equipment clearances, and hourly and daily load data

8.2 Remote Terminal Unit.

Prior to the Initial Synchronization Date of the Large Generating Facility, a Remote Terminal Unit, or equivalent data collection and transfer equipment acceptable to the Parties, shall be installed by Interconnection Customer, or by Transmission Provider at Interconnection Customer's expense, to gather accumulated and instantaneous data to be telemetered to the location(s) designated by Transmission Provider through use of a dedicated point-to-point data circuit(s) as indicated in Article 8.1. The communication protocol for the data circuit(s) shall be specified by Transmission Provider. Instantaneous bi-directional analog real power and reactive power flow information must be telemetered directly to the location(s) specified by Transmission Provider.

Each Party will promptly advise the other Party if it detects or otherwise learns of any metering, telemetry or communications equipment errors or malfunctions that require the attention and/or correction by the other Party. The Party owning such equipment shall correct such error or malfunction as soon as reasonably feasible.

8.3 No Annexation.

Any and all equipment placed on the premises of a Party shall be and remain the property of the Party providing such equipment regardless of the mode and manner of annexation or attachment to real property, unless otherwise mutually agreed by the Parties.

8.4 Provision of Data from a Variable Energy Resource.

The Interconnection Customer whose Generating Facility contains at least one a Variable Energy Resource shall provide meteorological and forced outage data to the Transmission

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Provider to the extent necessary for the Transmission Provider's development and deployment of power production forecasts for that class of Variable Energy Resources.

The Interconnection Customer with a Variable Energy Resource having wind as the energy source, at a minimum, will be required to provide the Transmission Provider with site-specific meteorological data including: manufacturer, model, and year of all wind turbines and meteorological instrumentation, latitude, longitude and hub height at every wind turbine and meteorological tower, real-time data including turbine generation (kW), wind speed (mph), turbine availability, wind direction (in degrees relative to true north), temperature (Celsius and F), pressure (mb), air density and turbine manufacturer power curve. The information provided shall be refreshed in approximately four-ten (4-10) second intervals with regard to its generation of Renewable Energy at the Facility.

The Interconnection Customer with a Variable Energy Resource having solar as the energy source, at a minimum, will be required to provide the Transmission Provider with site-specific meteorological data including: manufacturer, model and year of all panels, inverters and meteorological instrumentation, latitude and longitude of the center of the solar panels for every inverter and every meteorological tower, real-time data including inverter generation (kW), inverter availability, direct normal solar insolation (solar intensity), temperature, barometric pressure, wind speed (mph), wind direction (degrees relative to true north) and solar panel manufacturer power curve. The information provided shall be refreshed as frequently as allowed by the SCADA System, not to exceed sixty (60) second intervals.

The Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer whose Generating Facility contains a Variable Energy Resource shall mutually agree to any additional meteorological data that are required for the development and deployment of a power production forecast. The Interconnection Customer whose Generating Facility contains a Variable Energy Resource also shall submit data to the Transmission Provider regarding all forced outages to the extent necessary for the Transmission Provider's development and deployment of power production forecasts for that class of Variable Energy Resources. The exact specifications of the meteorological and forced outage data to be provided by the Interconnection Customer to the Transmission Provider including the frequency and timing of data submittals shall be made taking into account the size and configuration of the Variable Energy Resource, its characteristics, location, and its importance in maintaining generation resource adequacy and transmission system reliability in its area. requirements for meteorological and forced outage data must be commensurate with the power production forecasting employed by the Transmission Provider. Such requirements for meteorological and forced outage data are set forth in Appendix C, Interconnection Details, of this LGIA, as they may change from time to time.

Article 9. Operations

9.1 General. Each Party shall comply with the Electric Reliability Organization requirements. Each Party shall provide to the other Party all information that may reasonably be required by the other Party to comply with Applicable Laws and Regulations and Applicable Reliability Standards.

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- 9.2 Balancing Authority Area Notification. At least three months before Initial Synchronization Date, Interconnection Customer shall notify Transmission Provider in writing of the Balancing Authority Area in which the Large Generating Facility will be located. If Interconnection Customer elects to locate the Large Generating Facility in a Balancing Authority Area other than the Balancing Authority Area in which the Large Generating Facility is physically located, and if permitted to do so by the relevant transmission tariffs, all necessary arrangements, including but not limited to those set forth in Article 7 and Article 8 of this LGIA, and remote Balancing Authority Area generator interchange agreements, if applicable, and the appropriate measures under such agreements, shall be executed and implemented prior to the placement of the Large Generating Facility in the other Balancing Authority Area.
- **9.3 Transmission Provider Obligations**. Transmission Provider shall cause the Transmission System and Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities to be operated, maintained and controlled in a safe and reliable manner and in accordance with this LGIA. Transmission Provider may provide operating instructions to Interconnection Customer consistent with this LGIA and Transmission Provider's operating protocols and procedures as they may change from time to time. Transmission Provider will consider changes to its operating protocols and procedures proposed by Interconnection Customer.
- 9.4 Interconnection Customer Obligations. Interconnection Customer shall at its own expense operate, maintain and control the Large Generating Facility and Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities in a safe and reliable manner and in accordance with this LGIA. Interconnection Customer shall operate the Large Generating Facility and Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities in accordance with all applicable requirements of the Balancing Authority Area of which it is part, as such requirements are set forth in Appendix C, Interconnection Details, of this LGIA. Appendix C, Interconnection Details, will be modified to reflect changes to the requirements as they may change from time to time. Either Party may request that the other Party provide copies of the requirements set forth in Appendix C, Interconnection Details, of this LGIA.
- **9.5 Start-Up and Synchronization**. Consistent with the Parties' mutually acceptable procedures, Interconnection Customer is responsible for the proper synchronization of the Large Generating Facility to Transmission Provider's Transmission System.
- 9.6 Reactive Power and Primary Frequency Response.
 - 9.6.1 Power Factor Design Criteria.
 - 9.6.1.1 Synchronous Generation. Interconnection Customer shall design the Large Generating Facility to maintain a composite power delivery at continuous rated power output at the Point of Interconnection at a power factor within the range of 0.95 leading to 0.95 lagging, unless Transmission Provider has established different requirements that apply to all synchronous generators in the Balancing Authority Area on a comparable basis.

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- 9.6.1.2 Non-Synchronous Generation. Interconnection Customer shall design the Large Generating Facility to maintain a composite power delivery at continuous rated power output at the high-side of the generator substation at a power factor within the range of 0.95 leading to 0.95 lagging, unless Transmission Provider has established a different power factor range that applies to all nonsynchronous generators in the Balancing Authority Area on a comparable basis. This power factor range standard shall be dynamic and can be met using, for example, power electronics designed to supply this level of reactive capability (taking into account any limitations due to voltage level, real power output, etc.) or fixed and switched capacitors, or a combination of the two. This requirement shall only apply to newly interconnecting nonsynchronous generators that have not yet executed a Facilities Study Agreement as of the effective date of the Final Rule establishing this requirement (Order No. 827).1 This requirement also applies to existing non-synchronous generators making upgrades that require a new Generator Interconnection Agreement where the System Impact Study shows the need for reactive power as a result of an upgrade.
- [1] The effective date of Order 827 is October 14, 2016.
- 9.6.2 Voltage Schedules. Once Interconnection Customer has synchronized the Large Generating Facility with the Transmission System, Transmission Provider shall require Interconnection Customer to operate the Large Generating Facility to produce or absorb reactive power within the design limitations of the Large Generating Facility set forth in Article 9.6.1 (Power Factor Design Criteria). Transmission Provider's voltage schedules shall treat all sources of reactive power in the Balancing Authority Area in an equitable and not unduly discriminatory manner. Transmission Provider shall exercise Reasonable Efforts to provide Interconnection Customer with such schedules at least one (1) day in advance, and may make changes to such schedules as necessary to maintain the reliability of the Transmission System. Interconnection Customer shall operate the Large Generating Facility to maintain the specified output voltage or power factor at the Point of Interconnection within the design limitations of the Large Generating Facility set forth in Article 9.6.1 (Power Factor Design Criteria). If Interconnection Customer is unable to maintain the specified voltage or power factor, it shall promptly notify the System Operator.

9.6.2.1 Voltage Regulators.

Whenever the Large Generating Facility is operated in parallel with the Transmission System and voltage regulators are capable of operation, Interconnection Customer shall operate the Large Generating Facility with its voltage regulators in automatic operation. If the Large Generating Facility's voltage regulators are not capable of such automatic operation, Interconnection Customer

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shall immediately notify Transmission Provider's system operator, or its designated representative, and ensure that such Large Generating Facility's reactive power production or absorption (measured in MVARs) are within the design capability of the Large Generating Facility's generating unit(s) and steady state stability limits. Interconnection Customer shall not cause its Large Generating Facility to disconnect automatically or instantaneously from the Transmission System or trip any generating unit comprising the Large Generating Facility for an under or over frequency condition unless the abnormal frequency condition persists for a time period beyond the limits set forth in ANSI/IEEE Standard C37.106, or such other standard as applied to other generators in the Balancing Authority Area on a comparable basis.

9.6.3 Payment for Reactive Power.

Transmission Provider is required to pay Interconnection Customer for reactive power that Interconnection Customer provides or absorbs from the Large Generating Facility when Transmission Provider requests Interconnection Customer to operate its Large Generating Facility outside the range specified in Article 9.6.1, provided that if Transmission Provider pays its own or affiliated generators for reactive power service within the specified range, it must also pay Interconnection Customer. Payments shall be pursuant to Article 11.6 or such other agreement to which the Parties have otherwise agreed.

9.6.4 Primary Frequency Response.

Interconnection Customer shall ensure the primary frequency response capability of its Large Generating Facility by installing, maintaining, and operating a functioning governor or equivalent controls. The term "functioning governor or equivalent controls" as used herein shall mean the required hardware and/or software that provides frequency responsive real power control with the ability to sense changes in system frequency and autonomously adjust the Large Generating Facility's real power output in accordance with the droop and deadband parameters and in the direction needed to correct frequency deviations. Interconnection Customer is required to install a governor or equivalent controls with the capability of operating: (1) with a maximum 5 percent droop and ±0.036 Hz deadband; or (2) in accordance with the relevant droop, deadband, and timely and sustained response settings from an approved Electric Reliability Organization Reliability Standard providing for equivalent or more stringent parameters. The droop characteristic shall be: (1) based on the nameplate capacity of the Large Generating Facility, and shall be linear in the range of frequencies between 59 to 61 Hz that are outside of the deadband parameter; or (2) based on an approved Electric Reliability Organization Reliability Standard providing for an equivalent or more stringent parameter. The deadband parameter shall be: the range of frequencies above and below nominal (60 Hz) in which the governor or equivalent controls is not expected to

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adjust the Large Generating Facility's real power output in response to frequency deviations. The deadband shall be implemented: (1) without a step to the droop curve, that is, once the frequency deviation exceeds the deadband parameter, the expected change in the Large Generating Facility's real power output in response to frequency deviations shall start from zero and then increase (for under-frequency deviations) or decrease (for over-frequency deviations) linearly in proportion to the magnitude of the frequency deviation; or (2) in accordance with an approved Electric Reliability Organization Reliability Standard providing for an equivalent or more stringent parameter. Interconnection Customer shall notify Transmission Provider that the primary frequency response capability of the Large Generating Facility has been tested and confirmed during commissioning. Once Interconnection Customer has synchronized the Large Generating Facility with the Transmission System, Interconnection Customer shall operate the Large Generating Facility consistent with the provisions specified in Articles 9.6.4.1 and 9.6.4.2 of this Agreement. The primary frequency response requirements contained herein shall apply to both synchronous and non-synchronous Large Generating Facilities.

9.6.4.1 Governor or Equivalent Controls.

Whenever the Large Generating Facility is operated in parallel with the Transmission System. Interconnection Customer shall operate the Large Generating Facility with its governor or equivalent controls in service and responsive to frequency. Interconnection Customer shall: (1) in coordination with Transmission Provider and/or the relevant balancing authority, set the deadband parameter to: (1) a maximum of ±0.036 Hz and set the droop parameter to a maximum of 5 percent or (2) implement the relevant droop and deadband settings from an approved Electric Reliability Organization Reliability Standard that provides for equivalent or more stringent parameters. Interconnection Customer shall be required to provide the status and settings of the governor or equivalent controls to Transmission Provider and/or the relevant balancing authority upon request. If Interconnection Customer needs to operate the Large Generating Facility with its governor or equivalent controls not in service, Interconnection Customer shall immediately notify Transmission Provider and the relevant balancing authority, and provide both with the following information: (1) the operating status of the governor or equivalent controls (i.e., whether it is currently out of service or when it will be taken out of service); (2) the reasons for removing the governor or equivalent controls from service; and (3) a reasonable estimate of when the governor or equivalent controls will be returned to service. Interconnection Customer shall make Reasonable Efforts to return its governor or equivalent controls into service as soon as practicable. Interconnection Customer shall make Reasonable Efforts to keep outages of the Large Generating Facility's governor

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or equivalent controls to a minimum whenever the Large Generating Facility is operated in parallel with the Transmission System.

9.6.4.2 Timely and Sustained Response.

Interconnection Customer shall ensure that the Large Generating Facility's real power response to sustained frequency deviations outside of the deadband setting is automatically provided and shall begin immediately after frequency deviates outside of the deadband, and to the extent the Large Generating Facility has operating capability in the direction needed to correct the frequency deviation. Interconnection Customer shall not block or otherwise inhibit the ability of the governor or equivalent controls to respond and shall ensure that the response is not inhibited, except under certain operational constraints including, but not limited to, ambient temperature limitations, physical energy limitations, outages of mechanical equipment, or regulatory requirements. The Large Generating Facility shall sustain the real power response at least until system frequency returns to a value within the deadband setting of the governor or equivalent controls. A Commissionapproved Reliability Standard with equivalent or more stringent requirements shall supersede the above requirements.

9.6.4.3 Exemptions.

Large Generating Facilities that are regulated by the United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission shall be exempt from Articles 9.6.4, 9.6.4.1, and 9.6.4.2 of this Agreement. Large Generating Facilities that are behind the meter generation that is sized-to-load (i.e., the thermal load and the generation are near-balanced in real-time operation and the generation is primarily controlled to maintain the unique thermal, chemical, or mechanical output necessary for the operating requirements of its host facility) shall be required to install primary frequency response capability in accordance with the droop and deadband capability requirements specified in Article 9.6.4, but shall be otherwise exempt from the operating requirements in Articles 9.6.4, 9.6.4.1, 9.6.4.2, and 9.6.4.4 of this Agreement.

9.6.4.4 Electric Storage Resources.

Interconnection Customer interconnecting a Generating Facility that contains an electric storage resource shall establish an operating range in Appendix C of its LGIA that specifies a minimum state of charge and a maximum state of charge between which the electric storage resource will be required to provide primary frequency response consistent with the conditions set forth in Articles 9.6.4, 9.6.4.1, 9.6.4.2, and 9.6.4.3 of this Agreement. Appendix C shall specify whether the operating range is static or dynamic, and shall consider (1) the expected magnitude of

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frequency deviations in the interconnection; (2) the expected duration that system frequency will remain outside of the deadband parameter in the interconnection; (3) the expected incidence of frequency deviations outside of the deadband parameter in the interconnection; (4) the physical capabilities of the electric storage resource; (5) operational limitations of the electric storage resource due to manufacturer specifications; and (6) any other relevant factors agreed to by Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer, and in consultation with the relevant transmission owner or balancing authority as appropriate. If the operating range is dynamic, then Appendix C must establish how frequently the operating range will be reevaluated and the factors that may be considered during its reevaluation.

Interconnection Customer's electric storage resource is required to provide timely and sustained primary frequency response consistent with Article 9.6.4.2 of this Agreement when it is online and dispatched to inject electricity to the Transmission System and/or receive electricity from the Transmission System. This excludes circumstances when the electric storage resource is not dispatched to inject electricity to the Transmission System and/or dispatched to receive electricity from the Transmission System. If Interconnection Customer's electric storage resource is charging at the time of a frequency deviation outside of its deadband parameter, it is to increase (for over-frequency deviations) or decrease (for under-frequency deviations) the rate at which it is charging in accordance with its droop parameter. Interconnection Customer's electric storage resource is not required to change from charging to discharging, or vice versa, unless the response necessitated by the droop and deadband settings requires it to do so and it is technically capable of making such a transition.

9.7 Outages and Interruptions.

9.7.1 Outages.

9.7.1.1 Outage Authority and Coordination.

Each Party may in accordance with Good Utility Practice in coordination with the other Party remove from service any of its respective Interconnection Facilities or Network Upgrades that may impact the other Party's facilities as necessary to perform maintenance or testing or to install or replace equipment. Absent an Emergency Condition, the Party scheduling a removal of such facility(ies) from service will use Reasonable Efforts to schedule such removal on a date and time mutually acceptable to the Parties. In all circumstances, any Party planning to remove such facility(ies)

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from service shall use Reasonable Efforts to minimize the effect on the other Party of such removal.

9.7.1.2 Outage Schedules.

Transmission Provider shall post scheduled outages of its transmission facilities on the OASIS. Interconnection Customer shall submit its planned maintenance schedules for the Large Generating Facility to Transmission Provider for a minimum of a rolling twenty-four month period. Interconnection Customer shall update its planned maintenance schedules as necessary. Transmission Provider may request Interconnection Customer to reschedule its maintenance as necessary to maintain the reliability of the Transmission System; provided, however, adequacy of generation supply shall not be a criterion in determining Transmission System reliability. Transmission Provider shall compensate Interconnection Customer for any additional direct costs that Interconnection Customer incurs as a result of having to reschedule maintenance, including any additional overtime, breaking of maintenance contracts or other costs above and beyond the cost Interconnection Customer would have incurred Transmission Provider's request to maintenance. Interconnection Customer will not be eligible to receive compensation, if during the twelve (12) months prior to the date of the scheduled maintenance, Interconnection Customer had modified its schedule of maintenance activities.

9.7.1.3 Outage Restoration.

If an outage on a Party's Interconnection Facilities or Network Upgrades adversely affects the other Party's operations or facilities, the Party that owns or controls the facility that is out of service shall use Reasonable Efforts to promptly restore such facility(ies) to a normal operating condition consistent with the nature of the outage. The Party that owns or controls the facility that is out of service shall provide the other Party, to the extent such information is known, information on the nature of the Emergency Condition, an estimated time of restoration, and any corrective actions required. Initial verbal notice shall be followed up as soon as practicable with written notice explaining the nature of the outage.

9.7.2 Interruption of Service.

If required by Good Utility Practice to do so, Transmission Provider may require Interconnection Customer to interrupt or reduce deliveries of electricity if such delivery of electricity could adversely affect Transmission Provider's ability to perform such activities as are necessary to safely and reliably operate and maintain the Transmission System. The following provisions shall apply to any interruption or reduction permitted under this Article 9.7.2:

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- **9.7.2.1** The interruption or reduction shall continue only for so long as reasonably necessary under Good Utility Practice;
- 9.7.2.2 Any such interruption or reduction shall be made on an equitable, non-discriminatory basis with respect to all generating facilities directly connected to the Transmission System;
- 9.7.2.3 When the interruption or reduction must be made under circumstances which do not allow for advance notice, Transmission Provider shall notify Interconnection Customer by telephone as soon as practicable of the reasons for the curtailment, interruption, or reduction, and, if known, its expected duration. Telephone notification shall be followed by written notification as soon as practicable;
- 9.7.2.4 Except during the existence of an Emergency Condition, when the interruption or reduction can be scheduled without advance notice, Transmission Provider shall notify Interconnection Customer in advance regarding the timing of such scheduling and further notify Interconnection Customer of the expected duration. Transmission Provider shall coordinate with Interconnection Customer using Good Utility Practice to schedule the interruption or reduction during periods of least impact to Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider; and
- 9.7.2.5 The Parties shall cooperate and coordinate with each other to the extent necessary in order to restore the Large Generating Facility, Interconnection Facilities, and the Transmission System to their normal operating state, consistent with system conditions and Good Utility Practice.

9.7.3 Ride Through Capability and Performance

The Transmission System is designed to automatically activate a load-shed program as required by the Applicable Electric Reliability Organization in the event of an under-frequency system disturbance. Interconnection Customer shall implement under-frequency and over-frequency relay set points for the Large Generating Facility as required by the Applicable Electric Reliability Organization to ensure frequency "ride through" capability of the Transmission System. Large Generating Facility response to frequency deviations of predetermined magnitudes, both under-frequency and over-frequency deviations, shall be studied and coordinated with Transmission Provider in accordance with Good Utility Practice. Interconnection Customer shall also implement under-voltage and over-voltage relay set points, or equivalent electronic controls, as required by the Electric Reliability Organization to ensure voltage "ride through" capability of the Transmission System. The term "ride through" as used herein shall mean the ability of a Generating Facility to stay connected to and synchronized with the Transmission System during system disturbances within a range of under-frequency, over-frequency, under-voltage and over-

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voltage conditions, in accordance with Good Utility Practice and consistent with any standards and guidelines that are applied to other Generating Facilities in the Balancing Authority Area on a comparable basis. For abnormal frequency conditions and voltage conditions within the "no trip zone" defined by Reliability Standard PRC-024-3 or successor mandatory ride through reliability standards, the non-synchronous Large Generating Facility must ensure that, within any physical limitations of the Large Generating Facility, its control and protection settings are configured or set to (1) continue active power production during disturbance and post disturbance periods at pre-disturbance levels. unless reactive power priority mode is enabled or unless providing primary frequency response or fast frequency response; (2) minimize reductions in active power and remain within dynamic voltage and current limits, if reactive power priority mode is enabled, unless providing primary frequency response or fast frequency response; (3) not artificially limit dynamic reactive power capability during disturbances; and (4) return to pre-disturbance active power levels without artificial ramp rate limits if active power is reduced, unless providing primary frequency response or fast frequency response.

9.7.4 System Protection and Other Control Requirements.

- 9.7.4.1 System Protection Facilities. Interconnection Customer shall, at its expense, install, operate and maintain System Protection Facilities as a part of the Large Generating Facility or Interconnection Interconnection Customer's Facilities. Transmission Provider shall install at Interconnection Customer's expense any System Protection Facilities that may be required on Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities Transmission System as a result of the interconnection of the Large Generating Facility and Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities.
- **9.7.4.2** Each Party's protection facilities shall be designed and coordinated with other systems in accordance with Good Utility Practice.
- **9.7.4.3** Each Party shall be responsible for protection of its facilities consistent with Good Utility Practice.
- 9.7.4.4 Each Party's protective relay design shall incorporate the necessary test switches to perform the tests required in Article 6. The required test switches will be placed such that they allow operation of lockout relays while preventing breaker failure schemes from operating and causing unnecessary breaker operations and/or the tripping of Interconnection Customer's units.
- **9.7.4.5** Each Party will test, operate and maintain System Protection Facilities in accordance with Good Utility Practice.

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9.7.4.6 Prior to the In-Service Date, and again prior to the Commercial Operation Date, each Party or its agent shall perform a complete calibration test and functional trip test of the System Protection Facilities. At intervals suggested by Good Utility Practice and following any apparent malfunction of the System Protection Facilities, each Party shall perform both calibration and functional trip tests of its System Protection Facilities. These tests do not require the tripping of any in-service generation unit. These tests do, however, require that all protective relays and lockout contacts be activated

9.7.5 Requirements for Protection.

In compliance with Good Utility Practice, Interconnection Customer shall provide, install, own, and maintain relays, circuit breakers and all other devices necessary to remove any fault contribution of the Large Generating Facility to any short circuit occurring on the Transmission System not otherwise isolated by Transmission Provider's equipment, such that the removal of the fault contribution shall be coordinated with the protective requirements of the Transmission System. Such protective equipment shall include, without limitation, a disconnecting device or switch with load-interrupting capability located between the Large Generating Facility and the Transmission System at a site selected upon mutual agreement (not to be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed) of the Parties. Interconnection Customer shall be responsible for protection of the Large Generating Facility and Interconnection Customer's other equipment from such conditions as negative sequence currents, over- or under-frequency, sudden load rejection, over- or undervoltage, and generator loss-of-field. Interconnection Customer shall be solely responsible to disconnect the Large Generating Facility and Interconnection Customer's other equipment if conditions on the Transmission System could adversely affect the Large Generating Facility.

9.7.6 Power Quality.

Neither Party's facilities shall cause excessive voltage flicker nor introduce excessive distortion to the sinusoidal voltage or current waves as defined by ANSI Standard C84.1-1989, in accordance with IEEE Standard 519, or any applicable superseding electric industry standard. In the event of a conflict between ANSI Standard C84.1-1989, or any applicable superseding electric industry standard, ANSI Standard C84.1-1989, or the applicable superseding electric industry standard, shall control.

9.8 Switching and Tagging Rules.

Each Party shall provide the other Party a copy of its switching and tagging rules that are applicable to the other Party's activities. Such switching and tagging rules shall be developed on a non-discriminatory basis. The Parties shall comply with applicable switching and tagging rules, as amended from time to time, in obtaining clearances for work or for switching operations on equipment.

9.9 Use of Interconnection Facilities by Third Parties.

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9.9.1 Purpose of Interconnection Facilities.

Except as may be required by Applicable Laws and Regulations, or as otherwise agreed to among the Parties, the Interconnection Facilities shall be constructed for the sole purpose of interconnecting the Large Generating Facility to the Transmission System and shall be used for no other purpose.

9.9.2 Third Party Users.

If required by Applicable Laws and Regulations or if the Parties mutually agree. such agreement not to be unreasonably withheld, to allow one or more third parties to use Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities, or any part thereof, Interconnection Customer will be entitled to compensation for the capital expenses it incurred in connection with the Interconnection Facilities based upon the pro rata use of the Interconnection Facilities by Transmission Provider, all third party users, and Interconnection Customer, in accordance with Applicable Laws and Regulations or upon some other mutually-agreed upon methodology. In addition, cost responsibility for ongoing costs, including operation and maintenance costs associated with the Interconnection Facilities, will be allocated between Interconnection Customer and any third party users based upon the pro rata use of the Interconnection Facilities by Transmission Provider, all third party users, and Interconnection Customer, in accordance with Applicable Laws and Regulations or upon some other mutually agreed upon methodology. If the issue of such compensation or allocation cannot be resolved through such negotiations, it shall be submitted to FERC for resolution.

9.10 Disturbance Analysis Data Exchange.

The Parties will cooperate with one another in the analysis of disturbances to either the Large Generating Facility or Transmission Provider's Transmission System by gathering and providing access to any information relating to any disturbance, including information from oscillography, protective relay targets, breaker operations and sequence of events records, and any disturbance information required by Good Utility Practice

Article 10. Maintenance.

10.1 Transmission Provider Obligations.

Transmission Provider shall maintain the Transmission System and Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities in a safe and reliable manner and in accordance with this LGIA.

10.2 Interconnection Customer Obligations.

Interconnection Customer shall maintain the Large Generating Facility and Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities in a safe and reliable manner and in accordance with this LGIA.

10.3 Coordination.

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The Parties shall confer regularly to coordinate the planning, scheduling and performance of preventive and corrective maintenance on the Large Generating Facility and the Interconnection Facilities.

10.4 Secondary Systems.

Each Party shall cooperate with the other in the inspection, maintenance, and testing of control or power circuits that operate below 600 volts, AC or DC, including, but not limited to, any hardware, control or protective devices, cables, conductors, electric raceways, secondary equipment panels, transducers, batteries, chargers, and voltage and current transformers that directly affect the operation of a Party's facilities and equipment which may reasonably be expected to impact the other Party. Each Party shall provide advance notice to the other Party before undertaking any work on such circuits, especially on electrical circuits involving circuit breaker trip and close contacts, current transformers, or potential transformers.

10.5 Operating and Maintenance Expenses.

Subject to the provisions herein addressing the use of facilities by others, and except for operations and maintenance expenses associated with modifications made for providing interconnection or transmission service to a third party and such third party pays for such expenses, Interconnection Customer shall be responsible for all reasonable expenses including overheads, associated with: (1) owning, operating, maintaining, repairing, and replacing Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities; and (2) operation, maintenance, repair and replacement of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities.

Article 11. Performance Obligation.

11.1 Interconnection Customer Interconnection Facilities.

Interconnection Customer shall design, procure, construct, install, own and/or control Interconnection Customer Interconnection Facilities described in Appendix A, Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades and Distribution Upgrades, at its sole expense.

11.2 Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities.

Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner shall design, procure, construct, install, own and/or control the Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities described in Appendix A, Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades and Distribution Upgrades, at the sole expense of the Interconnection Customer.

11.3 Network Upgrades and Distribution Upgrades.

Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner shall design, procure, construct, install, and own the Network Upgrades and Distribution Upgrades described in Appendix A, Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades and Distribution Upgrades. The Interconnection Customer shall be responsible for all costs related to Distribution Upgrades. Unless Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner elects to fund the capital for the Network Upgrades, they shall be solely funded by Interconnection Customer.

11.4 Transmission Credits.

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11.4.1 Repayment of Amounts Advanced for Network Upgrades.

Interconnection Customer shall be entitled to a cash repayment, equal to the total amount paid to Transmission Provider and Affected System Operator, if any, for the Network Upgrades, including any tax gross-up or other tax-related payments associated with Network Upgrades, and not refunded to Interconnection Customer pursuant to Article 5.17.8 or otherwise, to be paid to Interconnection Customer on a dollar-for-dollar basis for the non-usage sensitive portion of transmission charges, as payments are made under Transmission Provider's Tariff and Affected System's Tariff for transmission services with respect to the Large Generating Facility. Any repayment shall include interest calculated in accordance with the methodology set forth in FERC's regulations at 18 CFR § 35.19a(a)(2)(iii) from the date of any cash payment for Network Upgrades through the date on which the Interconnection Customer receives a repayment of such payment pursuant to this subparagraph. Interconnection Customer may assign such repayment rights to any person.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, Interconnection Customer, Transmission Provider, and Affected System Operator may adopt any alternative payment schedule that is mutually agreeable so long as Transmission Provider and Affected System Operator take one of the following actions no later than five years from the Commercial Operation Date: (1) return to Interconnection Customer any amounts advanced for Network Upgrades not previously repaid, or (2) declare in writing that Transmission Provider or Affected System Operator will continue to provide payments to Interconnection Customer on a dollar-for-dollar basis for the non-usage sensitive portion of transmission charges, or develop an alternative schedule that is mutually agreeable and provides for the return of all amounts advanced for Network Upgrades not previously repaid; however, full reimbursement shall not extend beyond twenty (20) years from the Commercial Operation Date.

If the Large Generating Facility fails to achieve Commercial Operation, but it or another Generating Facility is later constructed and makes use of the Network Upgrades, Transmission Provider and Affected System Operator shall at that time reimburse Interconnection Customer for the amounts advanced for the Network Upgrades. Before any such reimbursement can occur, the Interconnection Customer, or the entity that ultimately constructs the Generating Facility, if different, is responsible for identifying the entity to which reimbursement must be made.

11.4.2 Special Provisions for Affected Systems.

Unless Transmission Provider provides, under the LGIA, for the repayment of amounts advanced to Affected System Operator for Network Upgrades, Interconnection Customer and Affected System Operator shall enter into an agreement that provides for such repayment. The agreement shall specify the terms governing payments to be made by Interconnection Customer to the

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Affected System Operator as well as the repayment by the Affected System Operator.

11.4.3 Notwithstanding any other provision of this LGIA, nothing herein shall be construed as relinquishing or foreclosing any rights, including but not limited to firm transmission rights, capacity rights, transmission congestion rights, or transmission credits, that Interconnection Customer, shall be entitled to, now or in the future under any other agreement or tariff as a result of, or otherwise associated with, the transmission capacity, if any, created by the Network Upgrades, including the right to obtain cash reimbursements or transmission credits for transmission service that is not associated with the Large Generating Facility.

11.5 Provision of Security.

At least thirty (30) Calendar Days prior to the commencement of the procurement, installation, or construction of a discrete portion of a Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades, or Distribution Upgrades, Interconnection Customer shall provide Transmission Provider, at Interconnection Customer's option, a quarantee, a surety bond, letter of credit or other form of security that is reasonably acceptable to Transmission Provider and is consistent with the Uniform Commercial Code of the jurisdiction identified in Article 14.2.1. Such security for payment, as specified in Appendix B of this LGIA, shall be in an amount sufficient to cover the costs for constructing, procuring and installing the applicable portion of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades, or Distribution Upgrades and shall be reduced on a dollar-for-dollar basis for payments made to Transmission Provider for these purposes. Transmission Provider must use the LGIA Deposit required in Section 12.3 of the LGIP before requiring Interconnection Customer to submit security in addition to that LGIA Deposit. Transmission Provider must specify, in Appendix B of this LGIA, the dates for which Interconnection Customer must provide additional security for construction of each discrete portion of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades, or Distribution Upgrades and Interconnection Customer must provide such additional security.

In addition:

- The guarantee must be made by an entity that meets the creditworthiness requirements of Transmission Provider, and contain terms and conditions that guarantee payment of any amount that may be due from Interconnection Customer, up to an agreed-to maximum amount.
- 11.5.2 The letter of credit must be issued by a financial institution reasonably acceptable to Transmission Provider and must specify a reasonable expiration date.
- 11.5.3 The surety bond must be issued by an insurer reasonably acceptable to Transmission Provider and must specify a reasonable expiration date.

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11.6 Interconnection Customer Compensation.

If Transmission Provider requests or directs Interconnection Customer to provide a service pursuant to Articles 9.6.3 (Payment for Reactive Power), or 13.5.1 of this LGIA, Transmission Provider shall compensate Interconnection Customer in accordance with Interconnection Customer's applicable rate schedule then in effect unless the provision of such service(s) is subject to an RTO or ISO FERC-approved rate schedule. Interconnection Customer shall serve Transmission Provider or RTO or ISO with any filing of a proposed rate schedule at the time of such filing with FERC. To the extent that no rate schedule is in effect at the time the Interconnection Customer is required to provide or absorb any Reactive Power under this LGIA, Transmission Provider agrees to compensate Interconnection Customer in such amount as would have been due Interconnection Customer had the rate schedule been in effect at the time service commenced; provided, however, that such rate schedule must be filed at FERC or other appropriate Governmental Authority within sixty (60) Calendar Days of the commencement of service

11.6.1 Interconnection Customer Compensation for Actions During Emergency Condition.

Transmission Provider or RTO or ISO shall compensate Interconnection Customer for its provision of real and reactive power and other Emergency Condition services that Interconnection Customer provides to support the Transmission System during an Emergency Condition in accordance with Article 11.6.

Article 12. Invoice.

12.1 General.

Each Party shall submit to the other Party, on a monthly basis, invoices of amounts due for the preceding month. Each invoice shall state the month to which the invoice applies and fully describe the services and equipment provided. The Parties may discharge mutual debts and payment obligations due and owing to each other on the same date through netting, in which case all amounts a Party owes to the other Party under this LGIA, including interest payments or credits, shall be netted so that only the net amount remaining due shall be paid by the owing Party.

12.2 Final Invoice.

Within six months after completion of the construction of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and the Network Upgrades, Transmission Provider shall provide an invoice of the final cost of the construction of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and the Network Upgrades and shall set forth such costs in sufficient detail to enable Interconnection Customer to compare the actual costs with the estimates and to ascertain deviations, if any, from the cost estimates. Transmission Provider shall refund to Interconnection Customer any amount by which the actual payment by Interconnection Customer for estimated costs exceeds the actual costs of construction within thirty (30) Calendar Days of the issuance of such final construction invoice.

12.3 Payment.

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Invoices shall be rendered to the paying Party at the address specified in Appendix F. The Party receiving the invoice shall pay the invoice within thirty (30) Calendar Days of receipt. All payments shall be made in immediately available funds payable to the other Party, or by wire transfer to a bank named and account designated by the invoicing Party. Payment of invoices by either Party will not constitute a waiver of any rights or claims either Party may have under this LGIA. If Interconnection Customer has not paid the final invoice following a withdrawal within thirty (30) Calendar Days, Transmission Provider shall draw upon the security provided under this LGIA to settle all accounts, which shall include any offsets of amounts due and owing by Transmission Provider. After the final invoice is paid and all accounts are settled, Transmission Provider shall refund all remaining security.

12.4 Disputes.

In the event of a billing dispute between Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer, Transmission Provider shall continue to provide Interconnection Service under this LGIA as long as Interconnection Customer: (i) continues to make all payments not in dispute; and (ii) pays to Transmission Provider or into an independent escrow account the portion of the invoice in dispute, pending resolution of such dispute. If Interconnection Customer fails to meet these two requirements for continuation of service, then Transmission Provider may provide notice to Interconnection Customer of a Default pursuant to Article 17. Within thirty (30) Calendar Days after the resolution of the dispute, the Party that owes money to the other Party shall pay the amount due with interest calculated in accord with the methodology set forth in FERC's regulations at 18 CFR § 35.19a(a)(2)(iii)

Article 13. Emergencies

13.1 Definition.

Emergency Condition" shall mean a condition or situation: (i) that in the judgment of the Party making the claim is imminently likely to endanger life or property; (ii) that, in the case of Transmission Provider, is imminently likely (as determined in a non-discriminatory manner) to cause a material adverse effect on the security of, or damage to the Transmission System, Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities or the Transmission Systems of others to which the Transmission System is directly connected; or (iii) that, in the case of Interconnection Customer, is imminently likely (as determined in a non-discriminatory manner) to cause a material adverse effect on the security of, or damage to, the Large Generating Facility or Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities. System restoration and black start shall be considered Emergency Conditions; provided, that Interconnection Customer is not obligated by this LGIA to possess black start capability.

13.2 Obligations.

Each Party shall comply with the Emergency Condition procedures of the applicable ISO/RTO, the Applicable Electric Reliability Organization, Applicable Laws and Regulations, and any emergency procedures agreed to by the Joint Operating Committee.

13.3 Notice.

Transmission Provider shall notify Interconnection Customer promptly when it becomes aware of an Emergency Condition that affects Transmission Provider's Interconnection

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Facilities or the Transmission System that may reasonably be expected to affect Interconnection Customer's operation of the Large Generating Facility or Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities. Interconnection Customer shall notify Transmission Provider promptly when it becomes aware of an Emergency Condition that affects the Large Generating Facility or Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities that may reasonably be expected to affect the Transmission System or Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities. To the extent information is known, the notification shall describe the Emergency Condition, the extent of the damage or deficiency, the expected effect on the operation of Interconnection Customer's or Transmission Provider's facilities and operations, its anticipated duration and the corrective action taken and/or to be taken. The initial notice shall be followed as soon as practicable with written notice.

13.4 Immediate Action.

Unless, in Interconnection Customer's reasonable judgment, immediate action is required, Interconnection Customer shall obtain the consent of Transmission Provider, such consent to not be unreasonably withheld, prior to performing any manual switching operations at the Large Generating Facility or Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities in response to an Emergency Condition either declared by Transmission Provider or otherwise regarding the Transmission System.

13.5 Transmission Provider Authority.

13.5.1 **General.**

Transmission Provider may take whatever actions or inactions with regard to the Transmission System or Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities it deems necessary during an Emergency Condition in order to (i) preserve public health and safety, (ii) preserve the reliability of the Transmission System or Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities, (iii) limit or prevent damage, and (iv) expedite restoration of service.

Transmission Provider shall use Reasonable Efforts to minimize the effect of such actions or inactions on the Large Generating Facility or Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities. Transmission Provider may, on the basis of technical considerations, require the Large Generating Facility to mitigate an Emergency Condition by taking actions necessary and limited in scope to remedy the Emergency Condition, including, but not limited to, directing Interconnection Customer to shut-down, start-up, increase or decrease the real or reactive power output of the Large Generating Facility; implementing a reduction or disconnection pursuant to Article 13.5.2; directing Interconnection Customer to assist with blackstart (if available) or restoration efforts; or altering the outage schedules of the Large Generating Facility and Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities. Interconnection Customer shall comply with all of Transmission Provider's operating instructions concerning Large Generating Facility real power and reactive power output within the manufacturer's design limitations of the Large Generating Facility's equipment that is in service and physically available for operation at the time, in compliance with Applicable Laws and Regulations.

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13.5.2 Reduction and Disconnection.

Transmission Provider may reduce Interconnection Service or disconnect the Large Generating Facility or Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities, when such, reduction or disconnection is necessary under Good Utility Practice due to Emergency Conditions. These rights are separate and distinct from any right of curtailment of Transmission Provider pursuant to Transmission Provider's Tariff. When Transmission Provider can schedule the reduction or disconnection in advance, Transmission Provider shall notify Interconnection Customer of the reasons, timing and expected duration of the reduction or disconnection. Transmission Provider shall coordinate with Interconnection Customer using Good Utility Practice to schedule the reduction or disconnection during periods of least impact to Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider. Any reduction or disconnection shall continue only for so long as reasonably necessary under Good Utility Practice. The Parties shall cooperate with each other to restore the Large Generating Facility, the Interconnection Facilities, and the Transmission System to their normal operating state as soon as practicable consistent with Good Utility Practice.

13.6 Interconnection Customer Authority.

Consistent with Good Utility Practice and the LGIA and the LGIP, Interconnection Customer may take actions or inactions with regard to the Large Generating Facility or Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities during an Emergency Condition in order to (i) preserve public health and safety, (ii) preserve the reliability of the Large Generating Facility or Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities, (iii) limit or prevent damage, and (iv) expedite restoration of service. Interconnection Customer shall use Reasonable Efforts to minimize the effect of such actions or inactions on the Transmission System and Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities. Transmission Provider shall use Reasonable Efforts to assist Interconnection Customer in such actions.

13.7 Limited Liability.

Except as otherwise provided in Article 11.6.1 of this LGIA, neither Party shall be liable to the other for any action it takes in responding to an Emergency Condition so long as such action is made in good faith and is consistent with Good Utility Practice.

Article 14. Regulatory Requirements and Governing Law

14.1 Regulatory Requirements.

Each Party's obligations under this LGIA shall be subject to its receipt of any required approval or certificate from one or more Governmental Authorities in the form and substance satisfactory to the applying Party, or the Party making any required filings with, or providing notice to, such Governmental Authorities, and the expiration of any time period associated therewith. Each Party shall in good faith seek and use its Reasonable Efforts to obtain such other approvals. Nothing in this LGIA shall require Interconnection Customer to take any action that could result in its inability to obtain, or its loss of, status or exemption under the Federal Power Act, the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935, as amended, or the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1978.

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14.2 Governing Law.

- 14.2.1 The validity, interpretation and performance of this LGIA and each of its provisions shall be governed by the laws of the state where the Point of Interconnection is located, without regard to its conflicts of law principles.
- **14.2.2** This LGIA is subject to all Applicable Laws and Regulations.
- **14.2.3** Each Party expressly reserves the right to seek changes in, appeal, or otherwise contest any laws, orders, rules, or regulations of a Governmental Authority.

Article 15. Notices

15.1 General.

Unless otherwise provided in this LGIA, any notice, demand or request required or permitted to be given by either Party to the other and any instrument required or permitted to be tendered or delivered by either Party in writing to the other shall be effective when delivered and may be so given, tendered or delivered, by recognized national courier, or by depositing the same with the United States Postal Service with postage prepaid, for delivery by certified or registered mail, addressed to the Party, or personally delivered to the Party, at the address set out in Appendix F, Addresses for Delivery of Notices and Billings.

Either Party may change the notice information in this LGIA by giving five (5) Business Days written notice prior to the effective date of the change.

15.2 Billings and Payments.

Billings and payments shall be sent to the addresses set out in Appendix F.

15.3 Alternative Forms of Notice.

Any notice or request required or permitted to be given by a Party to the other and not required by this Agreement to be given in writing may be so given by telephone, facsimile or email to the telephone numbers and email addresses set out in Appendix F.

15.4 Operations and Maintenance Notice.

Each Party shall notify the other Party in writing of the identity of the person(s) that it designates as the point(s) of contact with respect to the implementation of Articles 9 and 10.

Article 16. Force Majeure

16.1 Force Majeure.

16.1.1 Economic hardship is not considered a Force Majeure event.

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Neither Party shall be considered to be in Default with respect to any obligation hereunder, (including obligations under Article 4), other than the obligation to pay money when due, if prevented from fulfilling such obligation by Force Majeure. A Party unable to fulfill any obligation hereunder (other than an obligation to pay money when due) by reason of Force Majeure shall give notice and the full particulars of such Force Majeure to the other Party in writing or by telephone as soon as reasonably possible after the occurrence of the cause relied upon. Telephone notices given pursuant to this article shall be confirmed in writing as soon as reasonably possible and shall specifically state full particulars of the Force Majeure, the time and date when the Force Majeure occurred and when the Force Majeure is reasonably expected to cease. The Party affected shall exercise due diligence to remove such disability with reasonable dispatch, but shall not be required to accede or agree to any provision not satisfactory to it in order to settle and terminate a strike or other labor disturbance.

Article 17. Default

17.1 Default.

17.1.1 General.

No Default shall exist where such failure to discharge an obligation (other than the payment of money) is the result of Force Majeure as defined in this LGIA or the result of an act of omission of the other Party. Upon a Breach, the non-breaching Party shall give written notice of such Breach to the breaching Party. Except as provided in Article 17.1.2, the breaching Party shall have thirty (30) Calendar Days from receipt of the Default notice within which to cure such Breach; provided however, if such Breach is not capable of cure within thirty (30) Calendar Days, the breaching Party shall commence such cure within thirty (30) Calendar Days after notice and continuously and diligently complete such cure within ninety (90) Calendar Days from receipt of the Default notice; and, if cured within such time, the Breach specified in such notice shall cease to exist.

17.1.2 Right to Terminate.

If a Breach is not cured as provided in this article, or if a Breach is not capable of being cured within the period provided for herein, the non-breaching Party shall have the right to declare a Default and terminate this LGIA by written notice at any time until cure occurs, and be relieved of any further obligation hereunder and, whether or not that Party terminates this LGIA, to recover from the breaching Party all amounts due hereunder, plus all other damages and remedies to which it is entitled at law or in equity. The provisions of this article will survive termination of this LGIA.

17.2 Violation of Operating Assumptions for Generating Facilities. If Transmission Provider requires Interconnection Customer to memorialize the operating assumptions for the charging behavior of a Generating Facility that includes at least one electric storage resource in Appendix H of this LGIA, Transmission Provider may consider Interconnection

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Customer to be in Breach of the LGIA if Interconnection Customer fails to operate the Generating Facility in accordance with those operating assumptions for charging behavior. However, if Interconnection Customer operates contrary to the operating assumptions for charging behavior specified in Appendix H of this LGIA at the direction of Transmission Provider, Transmission Provider shall not consider Interconnection Customer in Breach of this LGIA.

Article 18. Indemnity, Consequential Damages and Insurance

18.1 Indemnity.

The Parties shall at all times indemnify, defend, and hold the other Party harmless from, any and all damages, losses, claims, including claims and actions relating to injury to or death of any person or damage to property, demand, suits, recoveries, costs and expenses, court costs, attorney fees, and all other obligations by or to third parties, arising out of or resulting from the other Party's action or inactions of its obligations under this LGIA on behalf of the Indemnifying Party, except in cases of gross negligence or intentional wrongdoing by the Indemnified Party.

18.1.1 Indemnified Person.

If an Indemnified Person is entitled to indemnification under this Article 18 as a result of a claim by a third party, and the Indemnifying Party fails, after notice and reasonable opportunity to proceed under Article 18.1, to assume the defense of such claim, such Indemnified Person may at the expense of the Indemnifying Party contest, settle or consent to the entry of any judgment with respect to, or pay in full, such claim.

18.1.2 Indemnifying Party.

If an Indemnifying Party is obligated to indemnify and hold any Indemnified Person harmless under this Article 18, the amount owing to the Indemnified Person shall be the amount of such Indemnified Person's actual Loss, net of any insurance or other recovery.

18.1.3 Indemnity Procedures.

Promptly after receipt by an Indemnified Person of any claim or notice of the commencement of any action or administrative or legal proceeding or investigation as to which the indemnity provided for in Article 18.1 may apply, the Indemnified Person shall notify the Indemnifying Party of such fact. Any failure of or delay in such notification shall not affect a Party's indemnification obligation unless such failure or delay is materially prejudicial to the Indemnifying Party.

The Indemnifying Party shall have the right to assume the defense thereof with counsel designated by such Indemnifying Party and reasonably satisfactory to the Indemnified Person. If the defendants in any such action include one or more Indemnified Persons and the Indemnifying Party and if the Indemnified Person reasonably concludes that there may be legal defenses available to it and/or other Indemnified Persons which are different from or additional to those

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available to the Indemnifying Party, the Indemnified Person shall have the right to select separate counsel to assert such legal defenses and to otherwise participate in the defense of such action on its own behalf. In such instances, the Indemnifying Party shall only be required to pay the fees and expenses of one additional attorney to represent an Indemnified Person or Indemnified Persons having such differing or additional legal defenses.

The Indemnified Person shall be entitled, at its expense, to participate in any such action, suit or proceeding, the defense of which has been assumed by the Indemnifying Party. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Indemnifying Party (i) shall not be entitled to assume and control the defense of any such action, suit or proceedings if and to the extent that, in the opinion of the Indemnified Person and its counsel, such action, suit or proceeding involves the potential imposition of criminal liability on the Indemnified Person, or there exists a conflict or adversity of interest between the Indemnified Person and the Indemnifying Party, in such event the Indemnifying Party shall pay the reasonable expenses of the Indemnified Person, and (ii) shall not settle or consent to the entry of any judgment in any action, suit or proceeding without the consent of the Indemnified Person, which shall not be reasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed.

18.2 Consequential Damages.

Other than the Liquidated Damages heretofore described, in no event shall either Party be liable under any provision of this LGIA for any losses, damages, costs or expenses for any special, indirect, incidental, consequential, or punitive damages, including but not limited to loss of profit or revenue, loss of the use of equipment, cost of capital, cost of temporary equipment or services, whether based in whole or in part in contract, in tort, including negligence, strict liability, or any other theory of liability; provided, however, that damages for which a Party may be liable to the other Party under another agreement will not be considered to be special, indirect, incidental, or consequential damages hereunder.

18.3 Insurance.

Each party shall, at its own expense, maintain in force throughout the period of this LGIA, and until released by the other Party, the following minimum insurance coverages, with insurers authorized to do business in the state where the Point of Interconnection is located:

- 18.3.1 Employers' Liability and Workers' Compensation Insurance providing statutory benefits in accordance with the laws and regulations of the state in which the Point of Interconnection is located.
- 18.3.2 Commercial General Liability Insurance including premises and operations, personal injury, broad form property damage, broad form blanket contractual liability coverage (including coverage for the contractual indemnification) products and completed operations coverage, coverage for explosion, collapse and underground hazards, independent contractors coverage, coverage for pollution to the extent normally available and punitive damages to the extent normally available and a cross liability endorsement, with minimum limits of

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One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000) per occurrence/One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000) aggregate combined single limit for personal injury, bodily injury, including death and property damage.

- 18.3.3 Comprehensive Automobile Liability Insurance for coverage of owned and non-owned and hired vehicles, trailers or semi-trailers designed for travel on public roads, with a minimum, combined single limit of One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000) per occurrence for bodily injury, including death, and property damage.
- 18.3.4 Excess Public Liability Insurance over and above the Employers' Liability Commercial General Liability and Comprehensive Automobile Liability Insurance coverage, with a minimum combined single limit of Twenty Million Dollars (\$20,000,000) per occurrence/Twenty Million Dollars (\$20,000,000) aggregate.
- 18.3.5 The Commercial General Liability Insurance, Comprehensive Automobile Insurance and Excess Public Liability Insurance policies shall name the other Party, its parent, associated and Affiliate companies and their respective directors, officers, agents, servants and employees ("Other Party Group") as additional insured. All policies shall contain provisions whereby the insurers waive all rights of subrogation in accordance with the provisions of this LGIA against the Other Party Group and provide thirty (30) Calendar Days advance written notice to the Other Party Group prior to anniversary date of cancellation or any material change in coverage or condition.
- 18.3.6 The Commercial General Liability Insurance, Comprehensive Automobile Liability Insurance and Excess Public Liability Insurance policies shall contain provisions that specify that the policies are primary and shall apply to such extent without consideration for other policies separately carried and shall state that each insured is provided coverage as though a separate policy had been issued to each, except the insurer's liability shall not be increased beyond the amount for which the insurer would have been liable had only one insured been covered. Each Party shall be responsible for its respective deductibles or retentions.
- The Commercial General Liability Insurance, Comprehensive Automobile Liability Insurance and Excess Public Liability Insurance policies, if written on a Claims First Made Basis, shall be maintained in full force and effect for two (2) years after termination of this LGIA, which coverage may be in the form of tail coverage or extended reporting period coverage if agreed by the Parties.
- 18.3.8 The requirements contained herein as to the types and limits of all insurance to be maintained by the Parties are not intended to and shall not in any manner, limit or qualify the liabilities and obligations assumed by the Parties under this LGIA.

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- 18.3.9 Within ten (10) Business Days following execution of this LGIA, and as soon as practicable after the end of each fiscal year or at the renewal of the insurance policy and in any event within ninety (90) Calendar Days thereafter, each Party shall provide certification of all insurance required in this LGIA, executed by each insurer or by an authorized representative of each insurer.
- In addition to the foregoing, each Party may self-insure to meet the minimum insurance requirements of Articles 18.3.2 through 18.3.8 to the extent it maintains a self-insurance program; provided that, such Party's self-insurance program meets the minimum insurance requirements of Articles 18.3.2 through 18.3.8. In the event that a Party is permitted to self-insure pursuant to this article, it shall certify to the other Party with a letter of self-insurance that it meets the requirements to self-insure and that its self-insurance program meets the minimum insurance requirements in a manner consistent with that specified in Article 18.3.9.
- 18.3.11 The Parties agree to report to each other in writing as soon as practical all accidents or occurrences resulting in injuries to any person, including death, and any property damage arising out of this LGIA.

Article 19. Assignment

19.1 Assignment.

This LGIA may be assigned by either Party only with the written consent of the other; provided that either Party may assign this LGIA without the consent of the other Party to any Affiliate of the assigning Party with an equal or greater credit rating and with the legal authority and operational ability to satisfy the obligations of the assigning Party under this LGIA; and provided further that Interconnection Customer shall have the right to assign this LGIA, without the consent of Transmission Provider, for collateral security purposes to aid in providing financing for the Large Generating Facility, provided that Interconnection Customer will promptly notify Transmission Provider of any such assignment. Any financing arrangement entered into by Interconnection Customer pursuant to this article will provide that prior to or upon the exercise of the secured party's, trustee's or mortgagee's assignment rights pursuant to said arrangement, the secured creditor, the trustee or mortgagee will notify Transmission Provider of the date and particulars of any such exercise of assignment right(s), including providing the Transmission Provider with proof that it meets the requirements of Articles 11.5 and 18.3. Any attempted assignment that violates this article is void and ineffective. Any assignment under this LGIA shall not relieve a Party of its obligations, nor shall a Party's obligations be enlarged, in whole or in part, by reason thereof. Where required, consent to assignment will not be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed.

Article 20. Severability

20.1 Severability. If any provision in this LGIA is finally determined to be invalid, void or unenforceable by any court or other Governmental Authority having jurisdiction, such determination shall not invalidate, void or make unenforceable any other provision, agreement or covenant of this LGIA; provided that if Interconnection Customer (or any

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third party, but only if such third party is not acting at the direction of Transmission Provider) seeks and obtains such a final determination with respect to any provision of the Alternate Option (Article 5.1.2), or the Negotiated Option (Article 5.1.4), then none of these provisions shall thereafter have any force or effect and the Parties' rights and obligations shall be governed solely by the Standard Option (Article 5.1.1)

Article 21. Comparability

21.1 Comparability.

The Parties will comply with all applicable comparability and code of conduct laws, rules and regulations, as amended from time to time.

Article 22. Confidentiality

22.1 Confidentiality.

Confidential Information shall include, without limitation, all information relating to a Party's technology, research and development, business affairs, and pricing, and any information supplied by either of the Parties to the other prior to the execution of this LGIA.

Information is Confidential Information only if it is clearly designated or marked in writing as confidential on the face of the document, or, if the information is conveyed orally or by inspection, if the Party providing the information orally informs the Party receiving the information that the information is confidential.

If requested by either Party, the other Party shall provide in writing, the basis for asserting that the information referred to in this Article 22 warrants confidential treatment, and the requesting Party may disclose such writing to the appropriate Governmental Authority. Each Party shall be responsible for the costs associated with affording confidential treatment to its information.

22.1.1 Term.

During the term of this LGIA, and for a period of three (3) years after the expiration or termination of this LGIA, except as otherwise provided in this Article 22, each Party shall hold in confidence and shall not disclose to any person Confidential Information.

22.1.2 Scope.

Confidential Information shall not include information that the receiving Party can demonstrate: (1) is generally available to the public other than as a result of a disclosure by the receiving Party; (2) was in the lawful possession of the receiving Party on a non-confidential basis before receiving it from the disclosing Party; (3) was supplied to the receiving Party without restriction by a third party, who, to the knowledge of the receiving Party after due inquiry, was under no obligation to the disclosing Party to keep such information confidential; (4) was independently developed by the receiving Party without reference to Confidential Information of the disclosing Party; (5) is, or becomes, publicly known, through no wrongful act or omission of the receiving Party or Breach of this LGIA; or (6) is required, in accordance with Article

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22.1.7 of the LGIA, Order of Disclosure, to be disclosed by any Governmental Authority or is otherwise required to be disclosed by law or subpoena, or is necessary in any legal proceeding establishing rights and obligations under this LGIA. Information designated as Confidential Information will no longer be deemed confidential if the Party that designated the information as confidential notifies the other Party that it no longer is confidential.

22.1.3 Release of Confidential Information.

Neither Party shall release or disclose Confidential Information to any other person, except to its Affiliates (limited by the Standards of Conduct requirements), subcontractors, employees, consultants, or to parties who may be or considering providing financing to or equity participation with Interconnection Customer, or to potential purchasers or assignees of Interconnection Customer, on a need-to-know basis in connection with this LGIA, unless such person has first been advised of the confidentiality provisions of this Article 22 and has agreed to comply with such provisions. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a Party providing Confidential Information to any person shall remain primarily responsible for any release of Confidential Information in contravention of this Article 22.

22.1.4 Rights.

Each Party retains all rights, title, and interest in the Confidential Information that each Party discloses to the other Party. The disclosure by each Party to the other Party of Confidential Information shall not be deemed a waiver by either Party or any other person or entity of the right to protect the Confidential Information from public disclosure.

22.1.5 No Warranties.

By providing Confidential Information, neither Party makes any warranties or representations as to its accuracy or completeness. In addition, by supplying Confidential Information, neither Party obligates itself to provide any particular information or Confidential Information to the other Party nor to enter into any further agreements or proceed with any other relationship or joint venture.

22.1.6 Standard of Care.

Each Party shall use at least the same standard of care to protect Confidential Information it receives as it uses to protect its own Confidential Information from unauthorized disclosure, publication or dissemination. Each Party may use Confidential Information solely to fulfill its obligations to the other Party under this LGIA or its regulatory requirements.

22.1.7 Order of Disclosure.

If a court or a Government Authority or entity with the right, power, and apparent authority to do so requests or requires either Party, by subpoena, oral deposition, interrogatories, requests for production of documents, administrative order, or otherwise, to disclose Confidential Information, that Party shall provide the other Party with prompt notice of such request(s) or requirement(s) so that the other Party may seek an appropriate protective

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order or waive compliance with the terms of this LGIA. Notwithstanding the absence of a protective order or waiver, the Party may disclose such Confidential Information which, in the opinion of its counsel, the Party is legally compelled to disclose. Each Party will use Reasonable Efforts to obtain reliable assurance that confidential treatment will be accorded any Confidential Information so furnished.

22.1.8 Termination of Agreement.

Upon termination of this LGIA for any reason, each Party shall, within ten (10) Calendar Days of receipt of a written request from the other Party, use Reasonable Efforts to destroy, erase, or delete (with such destruction, erasure, and deletion certified in writing to the other Party) or return to the other Party, without retaining copies thereof, any and all written or electronic Confidential Information received from the other Party.

22.1.9 Remedies.

The Parties agree that monetary damages would be inadequate to compensate a Party for the other Party's Breach of its obligations under this Article 22. Each Party accordingly agrees that the other Party shall be entitled to equitable relief, by way of injunction or otherwise, if the first Party Breaches or threatens to Breach its obligations under this Article 22, which equitable relief shall be granted without bond or proof of damages, and the receiving Party shall not plead in defense that there would be an adequate remedy at law. Such remedy shall not be deemed an exclusive remedy for the Breach of this Article 22, but shall be in addition to all other remedies available at law or in equity. The Parties further acknowledge and agree that the covenants contained herein are necessary for the protection of legitimate business interests and are reasonable in scope. No Party, however, shall be liable for indirect, incidental, or consequential or punitive damages of any nature or kind resulting from or arising in connection with this Article 22.

22.1.10 Disclosure to FERC, its Staff, or a State.

Notwithstanding anything in this Article 22 to the contrary, and pursuant to 18 CFR section 1b.20, if FERC or its staff, during the course of an investigation or otherwise, requests information from one of the Parties that is otherwise required to be maintained in confidence pursuant to this LGIA, the Party shall provide the requested information to FERC or its staff, within the time provided for in the request for information. In providing the information to FERC or its staff, the Party must, consistent with 18 CFR section 388.112, request that the information be treated as confidential and non-public by FERC and its staff and that the information be withheld from public disclosure. Parties are prohibited from notifying the other Party to this LGIA prior to the release of the Confidential Information to FERC or its staff. The Party shall notify the other Party to the LGIA when it is notified by FERC or its staff that a request to release Confidential Information has been received by FERC, at which time either of the Parties may respond before such information would be made public, pursuant to 18 CFR section 388.112. Requests from a state regulatory body

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conducting a confidential investigation shall be treated in a similar manner if consistent with the applicable state rules and regulations.

22.1.11 Subject to the exception in Article 22.1.10, any information that a Party claims is competitively sensitive, commercial or financial information under this LGIA ("Confidential Information") shall not be disclosed by the other Party to any person not employed or retained by the other Party, except to the extent disclosure is (i) required by law; (ii) reasonably deemed by the disclosing Party to be required to be disclosed in connection with a dispute between or among the Parties, or the defense of litigation or dispute; (iii) otherwise permitted by consent of the other Party, such consent not to be unreasonably withheld; or (iv) necessary to fulfill its obligations under this LGIA or as a transmission service provider or a Balancing Authority Area operator including disclosing the Confidential Information to an RTO or ISO or to a regional or national reliability organization. The Party asserting confidentiality shall notify the other Party in writing of the information it claims is confidential. Prior to any disclosures of the other Party's Confidential Information under this subparagraph, or if any third party or Governmental Authority makes any request or demand for any of the information described in this subparagraph, the disclosing Party agrees to promptly notify the other Party in writing and agrees to assert confidentiality and cooperate with the other Party in seeking to protect the Confidential Information from public disclosure by confidentiality agreement, protective order or other reasonable measures.

Article 23. Environmental Releases

23.1 Each Party shall notify the other Party, first orally and then in writing, of the release of any Hazardous Substances, any asbestos or lead abatement activities, or any type of remediation activities related to the Large Generating Facility or the Interconnection Facilities, each of which may reasonably be expected to affect the other Party. The notifying Party shall: (i) provide the notice as soon as practicable, provided such Party makes a good faith effort to provide the notice no later than twenty-four hours after such Party becomes aware of the occurrence; and (ii) promptly furnish to the other Party copies of any publicly available reports filed with any Governmental Authorities addressing such events.

Article 24. Information Requirements

24.1 Information Acquisition.

Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer shall submit specific information regarding the electrical characteristics of their respective facilities to each other as described below and in accordance with Applicable Reliability Standards.

24.2 Information Submission by Transmission Provider.

The initial information submission by Transmission Provider shall occur no later than one hundred eighty (180) Calendar Days prior to Trial Operation and shall include Transmission System information necessary to allow Interconnection Customer to select equipment and meet any system protection and stability requirements, unless otherwise

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agreed to by the Parties. On a monthly basis Transmission Provider shall provide Interconnection Customer a status report on the construction and installation of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades, including, but not limited to, the following information: (1) progress to date; (2) a description of the activities since the last report (3) a description of the action items for the next period; and (4) the delivery status of equipment ordered.

24.3 Updated Information Submission by Interconnection Customer.

The updated information submission by Interconnection Customer, including manufacturer information, shall occur no later than one-hundred eighty (180) Calendar Days prior to the Trial Operation. Interconnection Customer shall submit a completed copy of the Large Generating Facility data requirements contained in Appendix 1 to the LGIP. It shall also include any additional information provided to Transmission Provider for the Cluster Study and Interconnection Facilities Study. Information in this submission shall be the most current Large Generating Facility design or expected performance data. Information submitted for stability models shall be compatible with Transmission Provider standard models. If there is no compatible model, Interconnection Customer will work with a consultant mutually agreed to by the Parties to develop and supply a standard model and associated information.

If Interconnection Customer's data is materially different from what was originally provided to Transmission Provider pursuant to the Interconnection Study Agreement between Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer, then Transmission Provider will conduct appropriate studies to determine the impact on Transmission Provider Transmission System based on the actual data submitted pursuant to this Article 24.3. Interconnection Customer shall not begin Trial Operation until such studies are completed.

24.4 Information Supplementation.

Prior to the Operation Date, the Parties shall supplement their information submissions described above in this Article 24 with any and all "as-built" Large Generating Facility information or "as-tested" performance information that differs from the initial submissions or, alternatively, written confirmation that no such differences exist. The Interconnection Customer shall conduct tests on the Large Generating Facility as required by Good Utility Practice such as an open circuit "step voltage" test on the Large Generating Facility to verify proper operation of the Large Generating Facility's automatic voltage regulator.

Unless otherwise agreed, the test conditions shall include: (1) Large Generating Facility at synchronous speed; (2) automatic voltage regulator on and in voltage control mode; and (3) a five percent change in Large Generating Facility terminal voltage initiated by a change in the voltage regulators reference voltage. Interconnection Customer shall provide validated test recordings showing the responses of Large Generating Facility terminal and field voltages. In the event that direct recordings of these voltages is impractical, recordings of other voltages or currents that mirror the response of the Large Generating Facility's terminal or field voltage are acceptable if information necessary to translate these alternate quantities to actual Large Generating Facility terminal or field voltages is provided. Large Generating Facility testing shall be conducted and results provided to Transmission Provider for each individual generating unit in a station.

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Subsequent to the Operation Date, Interconnection Customer shall provide Transmission Provider any information changes due to equipment replacement, repair, or adjustment. Transmission Provider shall provide Interconnection Customer any information changes due to equipment replacement, repair or adjustment in the directly connected substation or any adjacent Transmission Provider-owned substation that may affect Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities equipment ratings, protection or operating requirements. The Parties shall provide such information no later than thirty (30) Calendar Days after the date of the equipment replacement, repair or adjustment.

Article 25. Information Access and Audit Rights

25.1 Information Access.

Each Party (the "disclosing Party") shall make available to the other Party information that is in the possession of the disclosing Party and is necessary in order for the other Party to: (i) verify the costs incurred by the disclosing Party for which the other Party is responsible under this LGIA; and (ii) carry out its obligations and responsibilities under this LGIA. The Parties shall not use such information for purposes other than those set forth in this Article 25.1 and to enforce their rights under this LGIA.

25.2 Reporting of Non-Force Majeure Events.

Each Party (the "notifying Party") shall notify the other Party when the notifying Party becomes aware of its inability to comply with the provisions of this LGIA for a reason other than a Force Majeure event. The Parties agree to cooperate with each other and provide necessary information regarding such inability to comply, including the date, duration, reason for the inability to comply, and corrective actions taken or planned to be taken with respect to such inability to comply. Notwithstanding the foregoing, notification, cooperation or information provided under this article shall not entitle the Party receiving such notification to allege a cause for anticipatory breach of this LGIA.

25.3 Audit Rights.

Subject to the requirements of confidentiality under Article 22 of this LGIA, each Party shall have the right, during normal business hours, and upon prior reasonable notice to the other Party, to audit at its own expense the other Party's accounts and records pertaining to either Party's performance or either Party's satisfaction of obligations under this LGIA. Such audit rights shall include audits of the other Party's costs, calculation of invoiced amounts, Transmission Provider's efforts to allocate responsibility for the provision of reactive support to the Transmission System, Transmission Provider's efforts to allocate responsibility for interruption or reduction of generation on the Transmission System, and each Party's actions in an Emergency Condition. Any audit authorized by this article shall be performed at the offices where such accounts and records are maintained and shall be limited to those portions of such accounts and records that relate to each Party's performance and satisfaction of obligations under this LGIA. Each Party shall keep such accounts and records for a period equivalent to the audit rights periods described in Article 25.4.

25.4 Audit Rights Periods.

25.4.1 Audit Rights Period for Construction-Related Accounts and Records.

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Accounts and records related to the design, engineering, procurement, and construction of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades shall be subject to audit for a period of twenty-four months following Transmission Provider's issuance of a final invoice in accordance with Article 12.2.

25.4.2 Audit Rights Period for All Other Accounts and Records.

Accounts and records related to either Party's performance or satisfaction of all obligations under this LGIA other than those described in Article 25.4.1 shall be subject to audit as follows: (i) for an audit relating to cost obligations, the applicable audit rights period shall be twenty-four months after the auditing Party's receipt of an invoice giving rise to such cost obligations; and (ii) for an audit relating to all other obligations, the applicable audit rights period shall be twenty-four months after the event for which the audit is sought.

25.5 Audit Results.

If an audit by a Party determines that an overpayment or an underpayment has occurred, a notice of such overpayment or underpayment shall be given to the other Party together with those records from the audit which support such determination.

Article 26. Subcontractors

26.1 General.

Nothing in this LGIA shall prevent a Party from utilizing the services of any subcontractor as it deems appropriate to perform its obligations under this LGIA; provided, however, that each Party shall require its subcontractors to comply with all applicable terms and conditions of this LGIA in providing such services and each Party shall remain primarily liable to the other Party for the performance of such subcontractor.

26.2 Responsibility of Principal.

The creation of any subcontract relationship shall not relieve the hiring Party of any of its obligations under this LGIA. The hiring Party shall be fully responsible to the other Party for the acts or omissions of any subcontractor the hiring Party hires as if no subcontract had been made; provided, however, that in no event shall Transmission Provider be liable for the actions or inactions of Interconnection Customer or its subcontractors with respect to obligations of Interconnection Customer under Article 5 of this LGIA. Any applicable obligation imposed by this LGIA upon the hiring Party shall be equally binding upon, and shall be construed as having application to, any subcontractor of such Party.

26.3 No Limitation by Insurance.

The obligations under this Article 26 will not be limited in any way by any limitation of subcontractor's insurance.

Article 27. Disputes

27.1 Submission.

In the event either Party has a dispute, or asserts a claim, that arises out of or in connection with this LGIA or its performance, such Party (the "disputing Party") shall provide the other

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Party with written notice of the dispute or claim ("Notice of Dispute"). Such dispute or claim shall be referred to a designated senior representative of each Party for resolution on an informal basis as promptly as practicable after receipt of the Notice of Dispute by the other Party. In the event the designated representatives are unable to resolve the claim or dispute through unassisted or assisted negotiations within thirty (30) Calendar Days of the other Party's receipt of the Notice of Dispute, such claim or dispute may, upon mutual agreement of the Parties, be submitted to arbitration and resolved in accordance with the arbitration procedures set forth below. In the event the Parties do not agree to submit such claim or dispute to arbitration, each Party may exercise whatever rights and remedies it may have in equity or at law consistent with the terms of this LGIA.

27.2 External Arbitration Procedures.

Any arbitration initiated under this LGIA shall be conducted before a single neutral arbitrator appointed by the Parties. If the Parties fail to agree upon a single arbitrator within ten (10) Calendar Days of the submission of the dispute to arbitration, each Party shall choose one arbitrator who shall sit on a three-member arbitration panel. The two arbitrators so chosen shall within twenty (20) Calendar Days select a third arbitrator to chair the arbitration panel. In either case, the arbitrators shall be knowledgeable in electric utility matters, including electric transmission and bulk power issues, and shall not have any current or past substantial business or financial relationships with any party to the arbitration (except prior arbitration). The arbitrator(s) shall provide each of the Parties an opportunity to be heard and, except as otherwise provided herein, shall conduct the arbitration ascordance with the Commercial Arbitration Rules of the American Arbitration Association ("Arbitration Rules") and any applicable FERC regulations or RTO rules; provided, however, in the event of a conflict between the Arbitration Rules and the terms of this Article 27, the terms of this Article 27 shall prevail.

27.3 Arbitration Decisions.

Unless otherwise agreed by the Parties, the arbitrator(s) shall render a decision within ninety (90) Calendar Days of appointment and shall notify the Parties in writing of such decision and the reasons therefor. The arbitrator(s) shall be authorized only to interpret and apply the provisions of this LGIA and shall have no power to modify or change any provision of this Agreement in any manner. The decision of the arbitrator(s) shall be final and binding upon the Parties, and judgment on the award may be entered in any court having jurisdiction. The decision of the arbitrator(s) may be appealed solely on the grounds that the conduct of the arbitrator(s), or the decision itself, violated the standards set forth in the Federal Arbitration Act or the Administrative Dispute Resolution Act. The final decision of the arbitrator must also be filed with FERC if it affects jurisdictional rates, terms and conditions of service, Interconnection Facilities, or Network Upgrades.

27.4 Costs.

Each Party shall be responsible for its own costs incurred during the arbitration process and for the following costs, if applicable: (1) the cost of the arbitrator chosen by the Party to sit on the three member panel and one half of the cost of the third arbitrator chosen; or (2) one-half the cost of the single arbitrator jointly chosen by the Parties.

Article 28. Representations, Warranties, and Covenants

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28.1 General.

Each Party makes the following representations, warranties and covenants:

28.1.1 Good Standing.

Such Party is duly organized, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the state in which it is organized, formed, or incorporated, as applicable; that it is qualified to do business in the state or states in which the Large Generating Facility, Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades owned by such Party, as applicable, are located; and that it has the corporate power and authority to own its properties, to carry on its business as now being conducted and to enter into this LGIA and carry out the transactions contemplated hereby and perform and carry out all covenants and obligations on its part to be performed under and pursuant to this LGIA.

28.1.2 Authority.

Such Party has the right, power and authority to enter into this LGIA, to become a Party hereto and to perform its obligations hereunder. This LGIA is a legal, valid and binding obligation of such Party, enforceable against such Party in accordance with its terms, except as the enforceability thereof may be limited by applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization or other similar laws affecting creditors' rights generally and by general equitable principles (regardless of whether enforceability is sought in a proceeding in equity or at law).

28.1.3 No Conflict.

The execution, delivery and performance of this LGIA does not violate or conflict with the organizational or formation documents, or bylaws or operating agreement, of such Party, or any judgment, license, permit, order, material agreement or instrument applicable to or binding upon such Party or any of its assets.

28.1.4 Consent and Approval.

Such Party has sought or obtained, or, in accordance with this LGIA will seek or obtain, each consent, approval, authorization, order, or acceptance by any Governmental Authority in connection with the execution, delivery and performance of this LGIA, and it will provide to any Governmental Authority notice of any actions under this LGIA that are required by Applicable Laws and Regulations

Article 29. Joint Operating Committee

29.1 Joint Operating Committee.

Except in the case of ISOs and RTOs, Transmission Provider shall constitute a Joint Operating Committee to coordinate operating and technical considerations of Interconnection Service. At least six (6) months prior to the expected Initial Synchronization Date, Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider shall each appoint one representative and one alternate to the Joint Operating Committee. Each Interconnection Customer shall notify Transmission Provider of its appointment in writing.

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Such appointments may be changed at any time by similar notice. The Joint Operating Committee shall meet as necessary, but not less than once each calendar year, to carry out the duties set forth herein. The Joint Operating Committee shall hold a meeting at the request of either Party, at a time and place agreed upon by the representatives. The Joint Operating Committee shall perform all of its duties consistent with the provisions of this LGIA. Each Party shall cooperate in providing to the Joint Operating Committee all information required in the performance of the Joint Operating Committee's duties. All decisions and agreements, if any, made by the Joint Operating Committee, shall be evidenced in writing. The duties of the Joint Operating Committee shall include the following:

- **29.1.1** Establish data requirements and operating record requirements.
- **29.1.2** Review the requirements, standards, and procedures for data acquisition equipment, protective equipment, and any other equipment or software.
- 29.1.3 Annually review the one (1) year forecast of maintenance and planned outage schedules of Transmission Provider's and Interconnection Customer's facilities at the Point of Interconnection.
- 29.1.4 Coordinate the scheduling of maintenance and planned outages on the Interconnection Facilities, the Large Generating Facility and other facilities that impact the normal operation of the interconnection of the Large Generating Facility to the Transmission System.
- **29.1.5** Ensure that information is being provided by each Party regarding equipment availability.
- **29.1.6** Perform such other duties as may be conferred upon it by mutual agreement of the Parties.

Article 30. Miscellaneous

30.1 Binding Effect.

This LGIA and the rights and obligations hereof, shall be binding upon and shall inure to the benefit of the successors and assigns of the Parties hereto.

30.2 Conflicts.

In the event of a conflict between the body of this LGIA and any attachment, appendices or exhibits hereto, the terms and provisions of the body of this LGIA shall prevail and be deemed the final intent of the Parties.

30.3 Rules of Interpretation.

This LGIA, unless a clear contrary intention appears, shall be construed and interpreted as follows: (1) the singular number includes the plural number and vice versa; (2) reference to any person includes such person's successors and assigns but, in the case of a Party, only if such successors and assigns are permitted by this LGIA, and reference to a person in a particular capacity excludes such person in any other capacity

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or individually; (3) reference to any agreement (including this LGIA), document, instrument or tariff means such agreement, document, instrument, or tariff as amended or modified and in effect from time to time in accordance with the terms thereof and, if applicable, the terms hereof; (4) reference to any Applicable Laws and Regulations means such Applicable Laws and Regulations as amended, modified, codified, or reenacted, in whole or in part, and in effect from time to time, including, if applicable, rules and regulations promulgated thereunder; (5) unless expressly stated otherwise, reference to any Article, Section or Appendix means such Article of this LGIA or such Appendix to this LGIA, or such Section to the Revised LGIP or such Appendix to the LGIP, as the case may be; (6) "hereunder", "hereof", "herein", "hereto" and words of similar import shall be deemed references to this LGIA as a whole and not to any particular Article or other provision hereof or thereof; (7) "including" (and with correlative meaning "include") means including without limiting the generality of any description preceding such term; and (8) relative to the determination of any period of time, "from" means "from and including", "to" means "to but excluding" and "through" means "through and including".

30.4 Entire Agreement.

This LGIA, including all Appendices and Schedules attached hereto, constitutes the entire agreement between the Parties with reference to the subject matter hereof, and supersedes all prior and contemporaneous understandings or agreements, oral or written, between the Parties with respect to the subject matter of this LGIA. There are no other agreements, representations, warranties, or covenants which constitute any part of the consideration for, or any condition to, either Party's compliance with its obligations under this LGIA.

30.5 No Third Party Beneficiaries.

This LGIA is not intended to and does not create rights, remedies, or benefits of any character whatsoever in favor of any persons, corporations, associations, or entities other than the Parties, and the obligations herein assumed are solely for the use and benefit of the Parties, their successors in interest and, where permitted, their assigns.

30.6 Waiver.

The failure of a Party to this LGIA to insist, on any occasion, upon strict performance of any provision of this LGIA will not be considered a waiver of any obligation, right, or duty of, or imposed upon, such Party.

Any waiver at any time by either Party of its rights with respect to this LGIA shall not be deemed a continuing waiver or a waiver with respect to any other failure to comply with any other obligation, right, duty of this LGIA. Termination or Default of this LGIA for any reason by Interconnection Customer shall not constitute a waiver of Interconnection Customer's legal rights to obtain an interconnection from Transmission Provider. Any waiver of this LGIA shall, if requested, be provided in writing.

30.7 Headings.

The descriptive headings of the various Articles of this LGIA have been inserted for convenience of reference only and are of no significance in the interpretation or construction of this LGIA.

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30.8 Multiple Counterparts.

This LGIA may be executed in two or more counterparts, each of which is deemed an original but all constitute one and the same instrument.

30.9 Amendment.

The Parties may by mutual agreement amend this LGIA by a written instrument duly executed by the Parties.

30.10 Modification by the Parties.

The Parties may by mutual agreement amend the Appendices to this LGIA by a written instrument duly executed by the Parties. Such amendment shall become effective and a part of this LGIA upon satisfaction of all Applicable Laws and Regulations.

30.11 Reservation of Rights.

Transmission Provider shall have the right to make a unilateral filing with FERC to modify this LGIA with respect to any rates, terms and conditions, charges, classifications of service, rule or regulation under section 205 or any other applicable provision of the Federal Power Act and FERC's rules and regulations thereunder, and Interconnection Customer shall have the right to make a unilateral filing with FERC to modify this LGIA pursuant to section 206 or any other applicable provision of the Federal Power Act and FERC's rules and regulations thereunder; provided that each Party shall have the right to protest any such filing by the other Party and to participate fully in any proceeding before FERC in which such modifications may be considered. Nothing in this LGIA shall limit the rights of the Parties or of FERC under sections 205 or 206 of the Federal Power Act and FERC's rules and regulations thereunder, except to the extent that the Parties otherwise mutually agree as provided herein.

30.12 No Partnership.

This LGIA shall not be interpreted or construed to create an association, joint venture, agency relationship, or partnership between the Parties or to impose any partnership obligation or partnership liability upon either Party. Neither Party shall have any right, power or authority to enter into any agreement or undertaking for, or act on behalf of, or to act as or be an agent or representative of, or to otherwise bind, the other Party.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have executed this LGIA electronically or in duplicate originals, each of which shall constitute and be an original effective Agreement between the Parties.

[Insert name of Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner, if applicable]

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[Insert name of Interconnection Customer]

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Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades and Distribution Upgrades

- A. Description of Generating Facility, Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades and Distribution Upgrades
 - 1. Description of Generating Facility: [Insert description of Generating Facility]
 - 2. Interconnection Facilities:
 - a. Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities [insert Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities]:
 - b. Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities [insert Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities]:
 - 3. Network Upgrades
 - a. Standalone Network Upgrades [insert Standalone Network Upgrades]:
 - b. Station Network Upgrades [insert Station Network Upgrades]:
 - c. Other Network Upgrades [insert Other Network Upgrades]:
 - d. Distribution Upgrades [insert Distribution Upgrades]:
- B. Interconnection Customer's Payment for Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades
- C. Contingent Facilities

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LGIA Milestones

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Interconnection Customer with qualifying regulatory limitations must demonstrate 100% Site Control by {Transmission Provider to insert date 180 days from the effective date of this LGIA} or the LGIA may be terminated per Article 17 (Default) of this LGIA and the Interconnection Customer may be subject to Withdrawal Penalties per Section 3.7.1.1 of the Transmission Provider's LGIP (Calculation of the Withdrawal Penalty).

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Interconnection Details

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Security Arrangements Details

Infrastructure security of Transmission System equipment and operations and control hardware and software is essential to ensure day-to-day Transmission System reliability and operational security. FERC will expect all Transmission Providers, market participants, and Interconnection Customers interconnected to the Transmission System to comply with the recommendations offered by the President's Critical Infrastructure Protection Board and, eventually, best practice recommendations from the electric reliability authority. All public utilities will be expected to meet basic standards for system infrastructure and operational security, including physical, operational, and cyber-security practices.

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Commercial Operation Date

This Appendix E is a part of the LGIA between Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer.

| [Date] | |
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| [Transmission Provi | ider Address] |
| Re: | Large Generating Facility |
| Dear: | |
| confirms that [Interconnection | Customer] has completed Trial Operation of Unit No This letter n Customer] commenced Commercial Operation of Unit No at y, effective as of [Date plus one day]. |
| Thank you. | |
| [Signature] | |
| Interconnection Cu | stomer Representative |

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Addresses for Delivery of Notices and Billings

| Notices:. |
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| Transmission Provider: |
| [To be supplied.] |
| Interconnection Customer: |
| [To be supplied.] |
| Billings and Payments: |
| Transmission Provider: |
| [To be supplied.] |
| Interconnection Customer: [To be supplied.] |
| Alternative Forms of Delivery of Notices (telephone, facsimile or email): |
| Transmission Provider: |
| [To be supplied.] |
| Interconnection Customer: [To be supplied.] |

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INTERCONNECTION REQUIREMENTS FOR A WIND GENERATING PLANT

This Appendix G sets forth requirements and provisions specific to a wind generating plant or a Generating Facility that contains a wind generating plant. All other requirements of this LGIA continue to apply to wind generating plant interconnections.

A. Technical Standards Applicable to a Wind Generating Plant

i. Low Voltage Ride-Through (LVRT) Capability

A wind generating plant shall be able to remain online during voltage disturbances up to the time periods and associated voltage levels set forth in the standard below. The LVRT standard provides for a transition period standard and a post-transition period standard.

Transition Period LVRT Standard

The transition period standard applies to wind generating plants subject to FERC Order 661 that have either: (i) interconnection agreements signed and filed with the Commission, filed with the Commission in unexecuted form, or filed with the Commission as non-conforming agreements between January 1, 2006 and December 31, 2006, with a scheduled in-service date no later than December 31, 2007, or (ii) wind generating turbines subject to a wind turbine procurement contract executed prior to December 31, 2005, for delivery through 2007.

- 1. Wind generating plants are required to remain in-service during three-phase faults with normal clearing (which is a time period of approximately 4 9 cycles) and single line to ground faults with delayed clearing, and subsequent post-fault voltage recovery to prefault voltage unless clearing the fault effectively disconnects the generator from the system. The clearing time requirement for a three-phase fault will be specific to the wind generating plant substation location, as determined by and documented by Transmission Provider. The maximum clearing time the wind generating plant shall be required to withstand for a three-phase fault shall be 9 cycles at a voltage as low as 0.15 p.u., as measured at the high side of the wind generating plant step-up transformer (i.e. the transformer that steps the voltage up to the transmission interconnection voltage or "GSU"), after which, if the fault remains following the location-specific normal clearing time for three-phase faults, the wind generating plant may disconnect from the transmission system.
- 2. This requirement does not apply to faults that would occur between the wind generator terminals and the high side of the GSU or to faults that would result in a voltage lower than 0.15 per unit on the high side of the GSU serving the facility.
- 3. Wind generating plants may be tripped after the fault period if this action is intended as part of a special protection system.
- 4. Wind generating plants may meet the LVRT requirements of this standard by the performance of the generators or by installing additional equipment (<u>e.g.</u>, Static Var Compensator, etc.) within the wind generating plant or by a combination of generator performance and additional equipment.

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5. Existing individual generator units that are, or have been, interconnected to the network at the same location at the effective date of the Appendix G LVRT Standard are exempt from meeting the Appendix G LVRT Standard for the remaining life of the existing generation equipment. Existing individual generator units that are replaced are required to meet the Appendix G LVRT Standard.

Post-transition Period LVRT Standard

All wind generating plants subject to FERC Order No. 661 and not covered by the transition period described above must meet the following requirements:

- 1. Wind generating plants are required to remain in-service during three-phase faults with normal clearing (which is a time period of approximately 4 9 cycles) and single line to ground faults with delayed clearing, and subsequent post-fault voltage recovery to prefault voltage unless clearing the fault effectively disconnects the generator from the system. The clearing time requirement for a three-phase fault will be specific to the wind generating plant substation location, as determined by and documented by Transmission Provider. The maximum clearing time the wind generating plant shall be required to withstand for a three-phase fault shall be nine (9) cycles after which, if the fault remains following the location-specific normal clearing time for three-phase faults, the wind generating plant may disconnect from the transmission system. A wind generating plant shall remain interconnected during such a fault on the transmission system for a voltage level as low as zero (0) volts, as measured at the high voltage side of the wind GSU.
- 2. This requirement does not apply to faults that would occur between the wind generator terminals and the high side of the GSU.
- 3. Wind generating plants may be tripped after the fault period if this action is intended as part of a special protection system.
- 4. Wind generating plants may meet the LVRT requirements of this standard by the performance of the generators or by installing additional equipment (<u>e.g.</u>, Static Var Compensator) within the wind generating plant or by a combination of generator performance and additional equipment.
- 5. Existing individual generator units that are, or have been, interconnected to the network at the same location at the effective date of the Appendix G LVRT Standard are exempt from meeting the Appendix G LVRT Standard for the remaining life of the existing generation equipment. Existing individual generator units that are replaced are required to meet the Appendix G LVRT Standard.

ii. Power Factor Design Criteria (Reactive Power)

The following reactive power requirements apply only to a newly interconnecting wind generating plant that has executed a Facilities Study Agreement as of the effective date of the Final Rule establishing the reactive power requirements for non-synchronous generators in Article 9.6.1 of this LGIA (Order No. 827).² A wind generating plant to which

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this provision applies shall maintain a power factor within the range of 0.95 leading to 0.95 lagging, measured at the Point of Interconnection as defined in this LGIA, if Transmission Provider's Cluster Study shows that such a requirement is necessary to ensure safety or reliability. The power factor range standard can be met by using, for example, power electronics designed to supply this level of reactive capability (taking into account any limitations due to voltage level, real power output, etc.) or fixed and switched capacitors if agreed to by Transmission Provider, or a combination of the two. Interconnection Customer shall not disable power factor equipment while the wind plant is in operation. Wind plants shall also be able to provide sufficient dynamic voltage support in lieu of the power system stabilizer and automatic voltage regulation at the generator excitation system if the Cluster Study shows this to be required for system safety or reliability.

[2] If identified in the System Impact Study as necessary to ensure safety or reliability, existing Generating Facilities being upgraded that require a new interconnection request are subject to this reactive power requirement.

iii. Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) Capability

The wind plant shall provide SCADA capability to transmit data and receive instructions from Transmission Provider to protect system reliability. Transmission Provider and the wind plant Interconnection Customer shall determine what SCADA information is essential for the proposed wind plant, taking into account the size of the plant and its characteristics, location, and importance in maintaining generation resource adequacy and transmission system reliability in its area.

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Operating Assumptions for Generating Facility

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TESTING PROCEDURES

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APPENDIX 13 Generator Replacement Coordinator

1. OVERVIEW

1.1 Purposes and Objectives

This Appendix 13 sets forth a framework whereby objective and verifiable assurance is provided to Interconnection Customers and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission ("Commission") that Transmission Provider's Generation Replacement process under Attachment N – Revised Large Generator Interconnection Procedures of the Tariff ("LGIP") is administered in a nondiscriminatory manner consistent with reliability and Good Utility Practice. To achieve these objectives, the Transmission Provider will contract with a third party that meets the independence requirements described in this Appendix. This party, referred to herein as the Generator Replacement Coordinator ("GRC"), will implement the provisions of this Appendix by performing the functions set forth herein.

1.2 **Applicability**

The Transmission Provider, the GRC, and any Interconnection Customer that submits a Generation Replacement request shall be subject to the terms, conditions, and obligations of this Appendix.

1.3 **Effective Date and Term**

This Appendix 13 shall remain in effect for an Initial Term of three (3) years and shall continue in effect thereafter until terminated by an order of the Commission. After the Initial Term, Transmission Provider shall have the right to request termination of this Appendix 13 pursuant to Federal Power Act Section 205.

If, during the period of effectiveness of this Appendix 13, the agreement between the Transmission Provider and the GRC is terminated, Transmission Provider shall select a replacement GRC and provide notice to the Commission that such replacement GRC meets the qualifications of Section 2 of this Appendix.

1.4 Definitions

The capitalized terms used herein shall have the meaning ascribed to them in Section 1 of the LGIP. Capitalized terms not included in Section 1 of the LGIP shall be defined as follows:

Generation Replacement Coordinator ("GRC"): the party that meets the independence criteria of Section 2 and contracts with the Transmission Provider to implement the provisions of this Appendix 13.

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Replacement Interconnection Studies: Collectively refers to Replacement Impact Studies, Reliability Assessment Studies, Generator Replacement Facility Studies.

2. GENERATION REPLACEMENT COORDINATOR

2.1 Retention of the Generation Replacement Coordinator

The Transmission Provider shall contract with an independent qualified party to be known as the Generation Replacement Coordinator (GRC). The GRC shall have experience and expertise appropriate to process and conduct Replacement Interconnection Studies. The Transmission Provider and the GRC shall negotiate the terms and conditions upon which the GRC will contract with the Transmission Provider. Nothing in this Appendix 13 shall be interpreted or construed as creating a partnership, joint venture, or fiduciary or agency relationship between the Transmission Provider and the GRC.

2.2 Independence of the GRC

- 2.2.1. To maintain independence, the GRC will satisfy and maintain compliance with the following criteria: (i) the GRC will not be an Interconnection Customer; (ii) the GRC, its employees and its board of directors will be prohibited from having a direct financial interest in any Interconnection Customer, the Transmission Provider, or their Affiliates; (iii) the GRC will not own any transmission, generation or distribution facilities in the region consisting of the Transmission Provider's Balancing Area and first tier Balancing Areas or any of the Transmission Provider's Affiliates; and (iv) the GRC's decision making process will be independent of control by an Interconnection Customer, the Transmission Provider, or their Affiliates. The GRC shall exercise independent decision-making in performing all activities associated with its responsibilities under this Appendix 13. The GRC shall maintain its offices separate from the offices of the Transmission Provider and its Affiliates. No employees of the GRC shall share office space with any employee of an Interconnection Customer, the Transmission Provider, or their Affiliates.
- **2.2.2.** To further ensure the independence of the GRC and meet the objectives established in this Appendix, the GRC will have the authority to collect and analyze data relevant to its responsibilities and submit reports directly to the Commission. In response to the GRC's reports to the Commission that fall within the scope of this Appendix 13, the Transmission Provider may submit comments on the report to the Commission.

2.3 Standards of Conduct and Conflicts of Interest

2.3.1. All employees of the GRC performing functions under this Appendix 13 shall be treated, for purposes of the Commission's Standards of Conduct

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set forth in 18 C.F.R. § 358 as the equivalent of transmission function employees of the Transmission Provider.

2.3.2. The GRC shall adopt a policy on conflicts of interest establishing appropriate standards for the professional and financial independence of the GRC from Transmission Provider and its Affiliates, consistent with Commission policies and regulations. In addition, the GRC shall adopt ethics policies and standards for its employees and subcontractors working on the Transmission Provider's Generator Replacement process. The GRC, including each employee performing functions under this Appendix 13, shall comply at all times with the conflicts of interest and ethics policies. The GRC shall certify such compliance to the Commission and the Transmission Provider prior to issuing its first Replacement Interconnection Study and upon request by the Commission.

3. GENERATION REPLACEMENT FUNCTIONS

3.1 The GRC's Administration of the Generation Replacement Process

The GRC shall administer the Generation Replacement process included as LGIP Section 3.9.

3.2 The GRC's Specific Generation Replacement Responsibilities

The GRC will process and evaluate all Generation Replacement requests on a nondiscriminatory basis consistent with LGIP Section 3.9. In processing and evaluating Generation Replacement requests, the GRC's responsibilities include the following:

- (1) Collecting from the Interconnection Customer and the Transmission Provider all information necessary for the processing and evaluation of a Generation Replacement request.
- (2) Determining that all preconditions necessary for a valid Generation Replacement request have been met;
- (3) Determining whether some or all of the service subject to a Generation Replacement request must be processed as a new request for Interconnection Service.
- (4) Maintaining a queue for Generation Replacement requests;
- (5) Performing the necessary Replacement Interconnection Studies;
- (6) Providing to the Transmission Provider for the Transmission Provider to post on its OASIS in a timely fashion (and without modification by the Transmission Provider) for each Generation Replacement, information

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- regarding the expected Commercial Operation Date of the Replacement Generating Facility, and the type of requested Interconnection Service;
- (7) Providing all notices related to the processing and evaluation of a Generation Replacement request to the Interconnection Customer;
- (8) Independently reviewing and validating data, information, and analyses provided by Transmission Provider to GRC in connection with Generator Replacement process;
- (9) Responding to inquiries from an Interconnection Customer in connection with its Generator Replacement request; and
- (10) Providing a copy of each final study report, along with the underlying study, to the Transmission Provider.

3.3 The Transmission Provider's Duties and Responsibilities

Other than the functions pursuant to LGIP Section 3.9 performed by the GRC, as described in Section 3.2 above, Transmission Provider will continue to administer, and perform all Transmission Provider functions pursuant to, its Tariff. In addition, Transmission Provider shall perform the following functions referenced in LGIP Section 3.9:

- (1) Providing the data, information, and analyses (as well as updates, changes, or additions to such data, information, and analyses) required by the GRC to perform Replacement Interconnection Studies and to process Generator Replacement requests, ("Required Information");
- (2) Posting to OASIS (as provided by the GRC and without modification by the Transmission Provider) for each Generation Replacement, information regarding the expected Commercial Operation Date of the Replacement Generating Facility and the type of requested Interconnection Service; and
- (3) Whenever the GRC determines that some or all of a Generation Replacement request must be processed as a new request for Interconnection Service, Transmission Provider shall process the new request for Interconnection Service pursuant to the LGIP provisions applicable to a new request for Interconnection Service.

4. COORDINATION BETWEEN TRANSMISSION PROVIDER AND THE GRC

4.1 General

- **4.1.1.** Transmission Provider and the GRC will coordinate as necessary for the GRC to perform its functions.
- **4.1.2.** Whenever Transmission Provider provides Required Information to the GRC, the Transmission Provider shall supply such Required Information

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using Good Utility Practice and its knowledge of the Transmission System to provide the Required Information in a manner consistent with its obligation to respond to Generation Replacement requests on a nondiscriminatory basis. Upon receiving Required Information, the GRC shall use its independent judgment to review the information and determine whether the information satisfies applicable Tariff requirements and is otherwise consistent with the requirement to respond to Generation Replacement requests on a nondiscriminatory basis.

4.1.3. The GRC shall use its independent judgment to determine whether additional, updated, or modified Required Information is required by the GRC to perform Replacement Interconnection Studies and to process Generator Replacement requests.

4.2 <u>Dispute Resolution</u>

- **4.2.1.** If (i) the GRC believes that the Required Information provided by the Transmission Provider is insufficient, and (ii) the Transmission Provider disagrees, then GRC and Transmission Provider shall meet and confer in an effort to resolve the matter. Both parties shall have an obligation to use reasonable efforts to resolve the dispute expeditiously.
- **4.2.2.** If the dispute cannot be resolved informally and relates to a matter that affects multiple current or future Interconnection Customers, then the GRC shall take all reasonable steps, on an expeditious basis, to refer the dispute to the Commission's Dispute Resolution Service or its successor entity.
- **4.2.3.** If the dispute cannot be resolved informally and relates to a specific Generator Replacement request, then the GRC shall seek to resolve the matter expeditiously by meeting with the affected Interconnection Customer and the Transmission Provider. Following this meeting, if the matter cannot be resolved informally, then any of the Interconnection Customer, Transmission Provider, or the GRC may refer the dispute to the Commission's Dispute Resolution Service.
- **4.2.4.** Nothing in this Section 4.2 shall restrict the right of an Interconnection Customer to (i) request that the Commission's Dispute Resolution Service attempt to resolve a dispute, or (ii) submit a complaint pursuant to FPA Section 206.

5. ERO COMPLIANCE

The GRC will perform its functions under this Appendix 13 in accordance with the Electric Reliability OrganizationTPL-001 Reliability Standard (or subsequent standards), the Transmission Provider's Long-Range Planning Criteria, and the Transmission Provider's Generator Interconnection Guidelines. These documents specify the criteria used by the Transmission Provider to assess the reliability of all proposed interconnection requests to ensure compliance with required Electric Reliability Organization Reliability Standards and

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6. DATA COLLECTION AND DISCLOSURE

6.1 Access to Transmission Provider's Data and Information

- **6.1.1.** To the extent the GRC requests access to Required Information from the Transmission Provider that was originally provided to the Transmission Provider by a third-party, then that Required Information shall be treated as Confidential Information, unless the information already is available from a public source or is otherwise subject to disclosure pursuant to any tariff or agreement administered by the Transmission Provider.
- **6.2.2.** To the extent Transmission Provider considers Required Information requested by the GRC to be Confidential Information, Transmission Provider shall provide the Required Information to the GRC but may designate the data or other information to be Confidential Information pursuant to Section 12.1 of this Appendix 13.
- **6.1.3.** To the extent Transmission Provider considers Required Information requested by the GRC to be subject to a legal privilege, the Transmission Provider may notify the GRC of the applicable legal privilege and may withhold the data or other information from the GRC.
- **6.1.4.** In the event that a dispute arises over access to data or information, either the Transmission Provider or GRC may refer the matter to the Commission's Dispute Resolution Service.

6.2 Access to Data and Information of Interconnection Customers

6.2.1. Data Requests

If the GRC determines that additional data or other information is required to accomplish the objectives of this Appendix 13, the GRC may request such information from the Interconnection Customer. Any such request shall be accompanied by an explanation of the need for such data or other information, and, to the extent the data qualifies as Confidential Information, an acknowledgment of the obligation of the GRC to maintain the confidentiality of the data. All information provided to the GRC by Interconnection Customers that has been labeled as confidential by an Interconnection Customer, shall be treated as Confidential Information, unless already available from a public source or otherwise subject to

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6.2.2. Enforcement of Data Requests

Any Interconnection Customer receiving an information request from the GRC shall furnish all information, in the requested form or format that is reasonably necessary to achieve the purposes or objectives of this Appendix 13, whenever the requested information is not readily available from some other source that is more convenient, less burdensome and less expensive, and not subject to a legal privilege. No party that is the subject of a data request shall be required to produce any summaries, analyses, or reports of the data that do not exist at the time of the data request. In the event that a dispute arises over access to data or information, either the Interconnection Customer or the GRC may refer the dispute to the Commission's Dispute Resolution Service.

6.3 <u>Confidentiality</u>

The GRC shall use all reasonable procedures necessary to protect and to preserve the confidentiality of Confidential Information obtained pursuant to this Appendix 13. Except as may be required by subpoena or other compulsory process, the GRC shall not disclose Confidential Information to any person or entity without prior written consent of the party supplying the Confidential Information. To the extent the GRC requires access to Confidential Information obtained by Transmission Provider from third parties, the GRC shall not disclose the Confidential Information to any person or entity without prior written consent of the party supplying the Confidential Information to the Transmission Provider, except as may be required by subpoena or other compulsory process. Upon receipt of a subpoena or other compulsory process for the disclosure of Confidential Information, the GRC shall promptly notify the party that provided the data and shall provide all reasonable assistance requested by the party to prevent disclosure, and shall not release the data until the party provides written consent or until the party's legal avenues are exhausted. The confidentiality of data and information provided to the Commission shall be maintained with a protective order or other procedures of the agency for protecting Confidential Information.

6.4 Access to Data by the Commission

The GRC shall provide data, information, or reports relating to Transmission Provider's Generator Replacement process to the Commission upon request, with a copy provided to the Transmission Provider. Notwithstanding anything in this Section 6 to the contrary, if the Commission or its staff, during the course of an investigation or otherwise, request information from the GRC that the GRC is otherwise required to maintain in confidence pursuant to this Appendix, the GRC shall provide the requested information to the Commission or its staff, within the time provided for in the request for information. In providing the information to the Commission or its staff, the GRC may, consistent with 18 C.F.R. § 388.112,

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request that the information be treated as confidential and non-public by the Commission and its staff and that the information be withheld from public disclosure. The GRC shall notify the party from whom the information was obtained when the GRC is notified by Commission or its staff that a request for public disclosure of, or decision to publicly disclose, confidential information has been received, at which time either the GRC or the party may respond before such information is made public, pursuant to 18 C.F.R. § 388.112.

6.5 Collection and Retention of Information

The GRC shall regularly collect and maintain the information necessary for implementing this Appendix. The GRC shall ensure that data and information necessary to carry out its duties is retained in usable form and shall be turned over to any successor GRC consistent with Section 6.3 above. The GRC shall adopt policies and procedures for the retention of information provided by Interconnection Customers. At the end of the applicable retention period, the GRC shall provide the data and information to the Transmission Provider. The Transmission Provider shall retain that information consistent with the applicable Commission and Electric Reliability Organization document retention requirements.

7. BUDGETING AND FUNDING

The GRC and the Transmission Provider shall reach agreement on budgeting and funding the GRC's functions under this Appendix 13 to ensure, among other things, that the GRC has sufficient funding to discharge its responsibilities and obligations as GRC and that the terms of payment of the GRC by the Transmission Provider do not result in inappropriate incentives to favor the Transmission Provider or any Interconnection Customer over the interests of another. If a dispute arises over the budgeting or funding of the GRC, either party may refer the matter to the Commission's Dispute Resolution Service.

8. RIGHTS AND REMEDIES

- 8.1 With the exception of the limitation of liability provisions agreed to by the GRC and the Transmission Provider, nothing herein shall prevent the Transmission Provider or any other person or entity from asserting any rights it may have under the Federal Power Act or any other applicable law, statute, or regulation, including the filing of a petition with or otherwise initiating a proceeding before the Commission regarding any matter that is the subject of this Appendix 13.
- **8.2** An Interconnection Customer may submit a complaint under Section 206 of the Federal Power Act if it believes that the GRC or Transmission Provider is performing its functions in a manner inconsistent with this Appendix or is otherwise acting in manner inconsistent with any rule, regulation or policy adopted by the Commission.

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between

Public Service Company of Colorado, a Colorado Corporation and wholly-owned subsidiary of Xcel Energy Inc.

and

[Interconnection Customer]

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| THIS PROVISIONAL LARGE GENERATOR INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT ("Agreement" or "PLGIA") is made and entered into this day of 20, by and between, a, organized and existing under the laws of the State/Commonwealth of, ("Interconnection Customer" with a Large Generating Facility), and, a, organized and existing under the laws of the State/Commonwealth of, ("Transmission Provider and/or Transmission Owner") to provide, MW of Provisional Interconnection Service. Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider each may be referred to as a "Party" or collectively as the "Parties." |
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| Recitals |
| WHEREAS, Transmission Provider operates the Transmission System; and |
| WHEREAS , Interconnection Customer intends to own, lease and/or control and operate the Generating Facility identified as a Large Generating Facility in Appendix C to this Agreement; and, |
| WHEREAS , Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider have agreed to enter into this Agreement for the purpose of interconnecting the Large Generating Facility with the Transmission System; |
| NOW, THEREFORE , in consideration of and subject to the mutual covenants contained herein, it is agreed: |
| When used in this Provisional Large Generator Interconnection Agreement, terms with initial capitalization that are not defined in Article 1 shall have the meanings specified in the Article in which they are used or the Open Access Transmission Tariff (Tariff). |
| Article 1. Definitions |
| Adverse System Impact shall mean the negative effects due to technical or operational limits on conductors or equipment being exceeded that may compromise the safety and reliability of the |

Affected System shall mean an electric system other than the Transmission Provider's Transmission System that may be affected by the proposed interconnection.

Affected System Operator shall mean the entity that operates an Affected System.

Affiliate shall mean, with respect to a corporation, partnership or other entity, each such other corporation, partnership or other entity that directly or indirectly, through one or more

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intermediaries, controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with, such corporation, partnership or other entity.

Ancillary Services shall mean those services that are necessary to support the transmission of capacity and energy from resources to loads while maintaining reliable operation of the Transmission Provider's Transmission System in accordance with Good Utility Practice.

Applicable Laws and Regulations shall mean all duly promulgated applicable federal, state and local laws, regulations, rules, ordinances, codes, decrees, judgments, directives, or judicial or administrative orders, permits and other duly authorized actions of any Governmental Authority.

Applicable Reliability Standards shall mean the requirements and guidelines of the Electric Reliability Organization, and the Balancing Authority Area of the Transmission System to which the Generating Facility is directly interconnected.

Balancing Authority shall mean an entity that integrates resource plans ahead of time, maintains demand and resource balance within a Balancing Authority Area, and supports interconnection frequency in real time.

Balancing Authority Area shall mean the collection of generation, transmission, and loads within the metered boundaries of the Balancing Authority. The Balancing Authority maintains load-resource balance within this area.

Base Case shall mean the base case power flow, short circuit, and stability data bases used for the Interconnection Studies by the Transmission Provider or Interconnection Customer.

Breach shall mean the failure of a Party to perform or observe any material term or condition of the PLGIA.

Breaching Party shall mean a Party that is in Breach of the PLGIA.

Business Day shall mean Monday through Friday, excluding Federal Holidays.

Calendar Day shall mean any day including Saturday, Sunday or a Federal Holiday. If a requirement due date lands on a Saturday, Sunday or Federal Holiday, the requirement is due the next Business Day.

Cluster shall mean a group of Interconnection Requests (one or more) that are studied together for the purpose of conducting a Cluster Study.

Cluster Restudy shall mean a restudy of a Cluster Study conducted pursuant to Section 7.5 of the LGIP.

Cluster Study shall mean the evaluation of one or more Interconnection Requests within a Cluster as described in Section 7 of the LGIP.

Clustering shall mean a group of Interconnection Requests (one or more) that are studied together as described in Section 7 of the LGIP.

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Cluster Request Window shall have the meaning set forth in Section 3.4.1 of the LGIP.

Commercial Operation shall mean the status of a Generating Facility, or Replacement Generating Facility, that has commenced generating electricity for sale, excluding electricity generated during Trial Operation.

Commercial Operation Date of a unit shall mean the date on which the Generating Facility, commences Commercial Operation as agreed to by the Parties pursuant to Appendix E to the PLGIA.

Confidential Information shall mean any confidential, proprietary or trade secret information of a plan, specification, pattern, procedure, design, device, list, concept, policy or compilation relating to the present or planned business of a Party, which is designated as confidential by the Party supplying the information, whether conveyed orally, electronically, in writing, through inspection, or otherwise.

Default shall mean the failure of a Breaching Party to cure its Breach in accordance with Article 17 of the PLGIA.

Dispute Resolution shall mean the procedure for resolution of a dispute between the Parties in which they will first attempt to resolve the dispute on an informal basis.

Distribution System shall mean the Transmission Provider's facilities and equipment used to transmit electricity to ultimate usage points such as homes and industries directly from nearby generators or from interchanges with higher voltage transmission networks which transport bulk power over longer distances. The voltage levels at which distribution systems operate differ among areas.

Distribution Upgrades shall mean the additions, modifications, and upgrades to the Transmission Provider's Distribution System at or beyond the Point of Interconnection to facilitate interconnection of the Generating Facility and render the transmission service necessary to affect Interconnection Customer's wholesale sale of electricity in interstate commerce. Distribution Upgrades do not include Interconnection Facilities.

Effective Date shall mean the date on which the PLGIA becomes effective upon execution by the Parties subject to acceptance by FERC, or if filed unexecuted, upon the date specified by FERC.

Electric Reliability Organization shall mean the North American Electric Reliability Corporation or its successor organization.

Emergency Condition shall mean a condition or situation: (1) that in the judgment of the Party making the claim is imminently likely to endanger life or property; or (2) that, in the case of a Transmission Provider, is imminently likely (as determined in a non-discriminatory manner) to

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cause a material adverse effect on the security of, or damage to Transmission Provider's Transmission System, Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities or the electric systems of others to which the Transmission Provider's Transmission System is directly connected; or (3) that, in the case of Interconnection Customer, is imminently likely (as determined in a non-discriminatory manner) to cause a material adverse effect on the security of, or damage to, the Generating Facility or Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities. System restoration and black start shall be considered Emergency Conditions; provided, that Interconnection Customer is not obligated by the PLGIA to possess black start capability.

Energy Resource Interconnection Service shall mean an Interconnection Service that allows the Interconnection Customer to connect its Generating Facility to the Transmission Provider's Transmission System to be eligible to deliver the Generating Facility's electric output using the existing firm or non-firm capacity of the Transmission Provider's Transmission System on an as available basis. Energy Resource Interconnection Service in and of itself does not convey transmission service.

Engineering & Procurement (E&P) Agreement shall mean an agreement that authorizes the Transmission Provider to begin engineering and procurement of long lead-time items necessary for the establishment of the interconnection in order to advance the implementation of the Interconnection Request.

Environmental Law shall mean Applicable Laws or Regulations relating to pollution or protection of the environment or natural resources.

Existing Generating Facility shall mean a Generating Facility that is either in service or under construction with an unsuspended interconnection agreement.

Federal Power Act shall mean the Federal Power Act, as amended, 16 U.S.C. §§ 791a et seg.

FERC shall mean the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) or its successor.

Force Majeure shall mean any act of God, labor disturbance, act of the public enemy, war, insurrection, riot, fire, storm or flood, explosion, breakage or accident to machinery or equipment, any order, regulation or restriction imposed by governmental, military or lawfully established civilian authorities, or any other cause beyond a Party's control. A Force Majeure event does not include acts of negligence or intentional wrongdoing by the Party claiming Force Majeure.

Generating Facility shall mean Interconnection Customer's device for the production and/or storage for later injection of electricity identified in the Interconnection Request, but shall not include Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities.

Generating Facility Capacity shall mean the net capacity of the Generating Facility or the aggregate net capacity of the Generating Facility where it includes more than one device for the production and/or storage for later injection of electricity.

Good Utility Practice shall mean any of the practices, methods and acts engaged in or approved by a significant portion of the electric industry during the relevant time period, or any of the practices, methods and acts which, in the exercise of reasonable judgment in light of the facts

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known at the time the decision was made, could have been expected to accomplish the desired result at a reasonable cost consistent with good business practices, reliability, safety and expedition. Good Utility Practice is not intended to be limited to the optimum practice, method, or act to the exclusion of all others, but rather to be acceptable practices, methods, or acts generally accepted in the region.

Governmental Authority shall mean any federal, state, local or other governmental regulatory or administrative agency, court, commission, department, board, or other governmental subdivision, legislature, rulemaking board, tribunal, or other governmental authority having jurisdiction over the Parties, their respective facilities, or the respective services they provide, and exercising or entitled to exercise any administrative, executive, police, or taxing authority or power; provided, however, that such term does not include Interconnection Customer, Transmission Provider, or any Affiliate thereof.

Hazardous Substances shall mean any chemicals, materials or substances defined as or included in the definition of "hazardous substances," "hazardous wastes," "hazardous materials," "hazardous constituents," "restricted hazardous materials," "extremely hazardous substances," "toxic substances," "radioactive substances," "contaminants," "pollutants," "toxic pollutants" or words of similar meaning and regulatory effect under any applicable Environmental Law, or any other chemical, material or substance, exposure to which is prohibited, limited or regulated by any applicable Environmental Law.

Initial Synchronization Date shall mean the date upon which the Generating Facility is initially synchronized and upon which Trial Operation begins.

In-Service Date shall mean the date upon which the Interconnection Customer reasonably expects it will be ready to begin use of the Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities to obtain back feed power.

Interconnection Customer shall mean any entity, including the Transmission Provider, Transmission Owner or any of the Affiliates or subsidiaries of either, that proposes to interconnect its Generating Facility with the Transmission Provider's Transmission System.

Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities shall mean all facilities and equipment, as identified in Appendix A of the PLGIA, that are located between the Generating Facility and the Point of Change of Ownership, including any modification, addition, or upgrades to such facilities and equipment necessary to physically and electrically interconnect the Generating Facility to the Transmission Provider's Transmission System. Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities are sole use facilities (e.g. for generator interconnection).

Interconnection Facilities shall mean Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities. Collectively, Interconnection Facilities include all facilities and equipment between the Generating Facility and the Point of Interconnection, including any modification, additions or upgrades that are necessary to physically and electrically interconnect the Generating Facility to Transmission Provider's Transmission System. Interconnection Facilities are sole use facilities (e.g. for generator interconnection) and shall not include Distribution Upgrades, Stand Alone Network Upgrades or Network Upgrades. Interconnection Facilities may be shared by more than one Generating Facility in a Cluster.

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Interconnection Facilities Study shall mean a study conducted by Transmission Provider or a third party consultant for Interconnection Customer to determine a list of facilities (including Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades as identified in the Cluster Study), the cost of those facilities, and the time required to interconnect the Generating Facility or Replacement Generating Facility with the Transmission Provider's Transmission System. The scope of the study is defined in Section 8 of the LGIP.

Interconnection Facilities Study Agreement shall mean the form of agreement contained in Appendix 3 of the LGIP for conducting the Interconnection Facilities Study.

Interconnection Request shall mean an Interconnection Customer's request, in the form of Appendix 1 to the LGIP, in accordance with the Tariff, to interconnect a new Generating Facility, or to increase the capacity of, or make a Material Modification to the operating characteristics of, an Existing Generating Facility that is interconnected with the Transmission Provider's Transmission System or a Generating Facility with an LGIA that is not yet interconnected.

Interconnection Service shall mean the service provided by the Transmission Provider associated with interconnecting the Interconnection Customer's Generating Facility to the Transmission Provider's Transmission System and enabling it to receive electric energy and capacity from the Generating Facility at the Point of Interconnection, pursuant to the terms of the PLGIA and, if applicable, the Transmission Provider's Tariff.

Interconnection Study shall mean any of the various interconnection studies described in this the LGIP

Interconnection Study Agreement shall mean an agreement relating to the performance of any of the various interconnection studies identified in the LGIP.

IRS shall mean the Internal Revenue Service.

Joint Operating Committee shall be a group made up of representatives from Interconnection Customers and the Transmission Provider to coordinate operating and technical considerations of Interconnection Service.

Large Generating Facility shall mean a Generating Facility having a Generating Facility Capacity of more than 20 MW or any size Generating Facility requesting NRIS.

LGIP shall mean the Large Generator Interconnection Process as described in this Attachment N.

Loss shall mean any and all losses relating to injury to or death of any person or damage to property, demand, suits, recoveries, costs and expenses, court costs, attorney fees, and all other obligations by or to third parties, arising out of or resulting from the other Party's performance, or non-performance of its obligations under the PLGIA on behalf of the indemnifying Party, except in cases of gross negligence or intentional wrongdoing by the indemnifying Party.

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Material Modification shall mean those modification: that have a material impact on the cost or timing of any Interconnection Request with a later or equal Queue Position.

Metering Equipment shall mean all metering equipment installed or to be installed at the Generating Facility pursuant to the PLGIA at the metering points, including but not limited to instrument transformers, MWh-meters, data acquisition equipment, transducers, remote terminal unit, communications equipment, phone lines, and fiber optics.

Network Resource shall mean any designated generating resource owned, purchased, or leased by a Network Customer under the Network Integration Transmission Service Tariff. Network Resources do not include any resource, or any portion thereof, that is committed for sale to third parties or otherwise cannot be called upon to meet the Network Customer's Network Load on a non-interruptible basis.

Network Resource Interconnection Service shall mean an Interconnection Service that allows the Interconnection Customer to integrate its Large Generating Facility with the Transmission Provider's Transmission System (1) in a manner comparable to that in which the Transmission Provider integrates its generating facilities to serve native load customers; or (2) in an RTO or ISO with market based congestion management, in the same manner as Network Resources. Network Resource Interconnection Service in and of itself does not convey transmission service.

Network Upgrades shall mean the additions, modifications, and upgrades to the Transmission Provider's Transmission System required at or beyond the point at which the Interconnection Facilities connect to the Transmission Provider's Transmission System to accommodate the interconnection of the Large Generating Facility to the Transmission Provider's Transmission System.

Notice of Dispute shall mean a written notice of a dispute or claim that arises out of or in connection with the PLGIA or its performance by the Parties.

OASIS shall mean the Transmission Provider's Open Access Same-Time Information System

Party or Parties shall mean Transmission Provider, Transmission Owner, Interconnection Customer or any combination of the above.

PLGIA Milestone shall mean milestones provided in Appendix B of this PLGIA

Point of Change of Ownership shall mean the point, as set forth in Appendix A to the PLGIA, where the Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities connect to the Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities.

Point of Interconnection shall mean the point, as set forth in Appendix A to the PLGIA, where the Interconnection Facilities connect to the Transmission Provider's Transmission System.

Provisional Interconnection Service shall mean interconnection service provided by Transmission Provider associated with interconnecting the Interconnection Customer's

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Generating Facility to Transmission Provider's Transmission System and enabling that Transmission System to receive electric energy and capacity from the Generating Facility at the Point of Interconnection, pursuant to the terms of the PLGIA and, if applicable, the Tariff.

Provisional Large Generator Interconnection Agreement (PLGIA) shall mean the interconnection agreement for Provisional Interconnection Service established between Transmission Provider and/or the Transmission Owner and the Interconnection Customer. This agreement shall take the form of the Large Generator Interconnection Agreement, modified for provisional purposes. PLGIAs are not eligible for suspension.

Queue Position shall mean the order of a valid Interconnection Request, relative to all other pending valid Interconnection Requests, established pursuant to Section 4.1 of the LGIP.

Readiness Milestone(s) shall have the meaning set forth in Section 8.6 of the LGIP.

Reasonable Efforts shall mean, with respect to an action required to be attempted or taken by a Party under the PLGIA, efforts that are timely and consistent with Good Utility Practice and are otherwise substantially equivalent to those a Party would use to protect its own interests.

Resource Plan shall mean any process authorized or required by Applicable Laws and Regulations for, *inter alia*, the selection of Generating Facilities interconnected to the Transmission System of Transmission Provider

Resource Planning Entity shall mean any entity subject to or conducting a Resource Solicitation Process.

Resource Solicitation Cluster shall mean a Cluster Study associated with a Resource Planning Process.

Resource Solicitation Process shall mean any process authorized or required by Applicable Laws and Regulations for the acquisition of Network Resources by an entity interconnected to the Transmission System of Transmission Provider.

Scoping Meeting shall mean the meeting between representatives of Interconnection Customer(s) and Transmission Provider conducted for the purpose of discussing the proposed Interconnection Request and any alternative interconnection options, to exchange information including any transmission data and earlier study evaluations that would be reasonably expected to affect such interconnection options, refining information and models provided by Interconnection Customer(s), discussing the Cluster Study materials posted to OASIS pursuant to Section 3.5 of the LGIP, and analyzing such information.

Site Control shall mean the exclusive land right to develop, construct, operate, and maintain the Generating Facility over the term of expected operation of the Generating Facility. Site Control shall include the right to develop, construct, operate, and maintain Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities. Site Control may be demonstrated by documentation establishing: (1) ownership of, a leasehold interest in, or a right to develop a site of sufficient size to construct and operate the Generating Facility and associated Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities; (2) an option to purchase or acquire a leasehold interest in a site of sufficient size to

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construct and operate the Generating Facility and associated Interconnection Facilities; or (3) any other documentation that clearly demonstrates the right of the Interconnection Customer to exclusively occupy a site of sufficient size to construct and operate the Generating Facility. Acceptable demonstration of Site Control of land subject to regulatory limitations is described in Section 3.4.2(c) of this LGIP. Site Control for any co-located project is demonstrated by a contract or other agreement demonstrating shared land use for all co-located projects that meet the aforementioned provisions of this Site Control definition.

Small Generating Facility shall mean a Generating Facility that has a Generating Facility Capacity of no more than 20 MW not requesting NRIS.

Stand Alone Network Upgrades shall mean Network Upgrades that are not a part of an Affected System that an Interconnection Customer may construct without affecting day-to-day operations of the Transmission System during their construction. Both the Transmission Provider and the Interconnection Customer must agree as to what constitutes Stand Alone Network Upgrades and identify them in Appendix A to the PLGIA. If the Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer disagree about whether a particular Network Upgrade is a Stand Alone Network Upgrade, the Transmission Provider must provide the Interconnection Customer a written technical explanation outlining why the Transmission Provider does not consider the Network Upgrade to be a Stand Alone Network Upgrade within 15 days of its determination.

Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement (LGIA) shall mean the form of interconnection agreement applicable to an Interconnection Request pertaining to a Large Generating Facility that is included in the Transmission Provider's Tariff.

Standard Large Generator Interconnection Procedures (LGIP) shall mean the interconnection procedures applicable to an Interconnection Request pertaining to a Large Generating Facility that are included in the Transmission Provider's Tariff.

Surplus Interconnection Service shall mean any unneeded portion of Interconnection Service established in a Large Generator Interconnection Agreement, such that if Surplus Interconnection Service is utilized the total amount of Interconnection Service at the Point of Interconnection would remain the same.

System Protection Facilities shall mean the equipment, including necessary protection signal communications equipment, required to protect (1) the Transmission Provider's Transmission System from faults or other electrical disturbances occurring at the Generating Facility and (2) the Generating Facility from faults or other electrical system disturbances occurring on the Transmission Provider's Transmission System or on other delivery systems or other generating systems to which the Transmission Provider's Transmission System is directly connected.

Tariff shall mean the Transmission Provider's Tariff through which open access transmission service and Interconnection Service are offered, as filed with FERC, and as amended or supplemented from time to time, or any successor tariff.

Transmission Owner shall mean an entity that owns, leases or otherwise possesses an interest in the portion of the Transmission System at the Point of Interconnection and may be a Party to the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement to the extent necessary.

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Transmission Provider shall mean the public utility (or its designated agent) that owns, controls, or operates transmission or distribution facilities used for the transmission of electricity in interstate commerce and provides transmission service under the Tariff. The term Transmission Provider should be read to include the Transmission Owner when the Transmission Owner is separate from the Transmission Provider.

Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities shall mean all facilities and equipment owned, controlled or operated by Transmission Provider from the Point of Change of Ownership to the Point of Interconnection as identified in Appendix A to the PLGIA, including any modifications, additions or upgrades to such facilities and equipment. Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities are sole use facilities (e.g. for generator interconnection) and shall not include Distribution Upgrades, Stand Alone Network Upgrades or Network Upgrades. Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities may be shared by more than one Generating Facility in a given Cluster Study.

Transmission System shall mean the facilities owned, controlled or operated by the Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner that are used to provide transmission service under the Tariff.

Trial Operation shall mean the period during which Interconnection Customer is engaged in onsite test operations and commissioning of the Generating Facility prior to Commercial Operation.

Variable Energy Resource shall mean a device for the production of electricity that is characterized by an energy source that: (1) is renewable; (2) cannot be stored by the facility owner or operator; and (3) has variability that is beyond the control of the facility owner or operator.

Withdrawal Penalty shall have the meaning set forth in Section 3.7.1 of the LGIP.

Article 2. Effective Date, Term, and Termination

2.1 Effective Date.

This PLGIA shall become effective upon execution by the Parties subject to acceptance by FERC (if applicable), or if filed unexecuted, upon the date specified by FERC. Transmission Provider shall promptly file this PLGIA with FERC upon execution in accordance with Article 3.1, if required.

2.2 Term of Agreement.

Subject to the provisions of Article 2.2, this PLGIA shall remain in effect until the later of execution of a LGIA or the date of acceptance of a LGIA by FERC, or (2) the withdrawal of the underlying Interconnection Request if the request is withdrawn prior to execution of a LGIA.

2.3 Termination Procedures.

2.3.1 Written Notice.

This PLGIA may be terminated by Interconnection Customer after giving Transmission Provider ninety (90) Calendar Days advance written notice, or

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by Transmission Provider notifying FERC after the Generating Facility permanently ceases Commercial Operation of if the underlying Generation Interconnection Request withdraws from the Queue. This PLGIA shall be terminated by Transmission Provider if the Generating Facility or a portion of the Generating Facility fails to achieve Commercial Operation by the Commercial Operation Date established in accordance with Section 4.4.5 of the LGIP, including any extension provided thereunder, or, having previously achieved Commercial Operation, has ceased Commercial Operation for three (3) consecutive years, beginning with the last date of Commercial Operation for the Generating Facility, after giving Interconnection Customer ninety (90) Calendar Days advance written notice. When only a portion of the Generating Facility fails to achieve Commercial Operation by the Commercial Operation Date established in accordance with Section 4.4.5 of the LGIP, including any extension provided thereunder, Transmission Provider shall terminate only that portion of the PLGIA. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the limited circumstance that the Interconnection Request is served by a Contingent Facility with an in-service date that is later than the Commercial Operation Date permitted under Section 4.4.5 of the LGIP, Transmission Provider shall terminate this PLGIA only for failure to achieve Commercial Operation by ninety (90) Calendar Days after that later in-service date of the Contingent Facility. The Generating Facility will not be deemed to have ceased Commercial Operation for purposes of this Article 2.3.1 if Interconnection Customer can document that it has taken other significant steps to maintain or restore operational readiness of the Generating Facility for the purpose of returning the Generating Facility to Commercial Operation as soon as possible.

2.3.2 Default.

Either Party may terminate this PLGIA in accordance with Article 17.

2.3.3 Notwithstanding Articles 2.3.1 and 2.3.2, no termination shall become effective until the Parties have complied with all Applicable Laws and Regulations applicable to such termination, including the filing with FERC of a notice of termination of this PLGIA, which notice has been accepted for filing by FERC.

2.4 Termination Costs.

If a Party elects to terminate this Agreement pursuant to Article 2.3 above, each Party shall pay all costs incurred (including any cancellation costs relating to orders or contracts for Interconnection Facilities and equipment) or charges assessed by the other Party, as of the date of the other Party's receipt of such notice of termination, that are the responsibility of the Terminating Party under this PLGIA. In the event of termination by a Party, the Parties shall use commercially Reasonable Efforts to mitigate the costs, damages and charges arising as a consequence of termination. Upon termination of this PLGIA, unless otherwise ordered or approved by FERC:

2.4.1 With respect to any portion of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities that have not yet been constructed or installed, Transmission Provider shall to the extent possible and with Interconnection Customer's authorization cancel any pending orders of, or return, any materials or

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equipment for, or contracts for construction of, such facilities; provided that in the event Interconnection Customer elects not to authorize such cancellation, Interconnection Customer shall assume all payment obligations with respect to such materials, equipment, and contracts, and Transmission Provider shall deliver such material and equipment, and, if necessary, assign such contracts, to Interconnection Customer as soon as practicable, at Interconnection Customer's expense. To the extent that Interconnection Customer has already paid Transmission Provider for any or all such costs of materials or equipment not taken by Interconnection Customer, Transmission Provider shall promptly refund such amounts to Interconnection Customer, less any costs, including penalties incurred by Transmission Provider to cancel any pending orders of or return such materials, equipment, or contracts.

If an Interconnection Customer terminates this PLGIA, it shall be responsible for all costs incurred in association with that Interconnection Customer's interconnection, including any cancellation costs relating to orders or contracts for Interconnection Facilities and equipment, and other expenses including any Network Upgrades for which Transmission Provider has incurred expenses and has not been reimbursed by Interconnection Customer.

- 2.4.2 Transmission Provider may, at its option, retain any portion of such materials, equipment, or facilities that Interconnection Customer chooses not to accept delivery of, in which case Transmission Provider shall be responsible for all costs associated with procuring such materials, equipment, or facilities.
- 2.4.3 With respect to any portion of the Interconnection Facilities, and any other facilities already installed or constructed pursuant to the terms of this PLGIA, Interconnection Customer shall be responsible for all costs associated with the removal, relocation or other disposition or retirement of such materials, equipment, or facilities.
- 2.4.4 Transmission Provider shall refund the security provided under Section 12.3 of the LGIP and the Appendices of this PLGIA, including any accumulated interest, if applicable. Notwithstanding the foregoing, prior to remitting such security, plus accumulated interest, Transmission Provider shall offset against such security, and accumulated interest, any unpaid costs or penalties arising out of this Agreement or the LGIP. Monies due the Interconnection Customer shall be remitted within 90 days of termination.
- Notwithstanding anything in this Article 2.4, within thirty (30) Calendar Days of termination of this Agreement, Interconnection Customer shall be entitled to refund of the [\$____] security deposit which was provided by Interconnection Customer prior to execution of this PLGIA, but only to the extent that all costs due to the Transmission Provider, including the Withdrawal Penalty, and costs due to other Interconnection Customers harmed by termination of the PLGIA, have been reimbursed from such security.

2.5 Disconnection.

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Upon termination of this PLGIA, the Parties will take all appropriate steps to disconnect the Large Generating Facility from the Transmission System. All costs required to effectuate such disconnection shall be borne by the terminating Party, unless such termination resulted from the non-terminating Party's Default of this PLGIA or such non-terminating Party otherwise is responsible for these costs under this PLGIA.

2.6 Survival.

This PLGIA shall continue in effect after termination to the extent necessary to provide for final billings and payments and for costs incurred hereunder, including billings and payments pursuant to this PLGIA; to permit the determination and enforcement of liability and indemnification obligations arising from acts or events that occurred while this PLGIA was in effect; and to permit each Party to have access to the lands of the other Party pursuant to this PLGIA or other applicable agreements, to disconnect, remove or salvage its own facilities and equipment

Article 3. Regulatory Filings

3.1 Filing.

Transmission Provider shall file this PLGIA (and any amendment hereto) with the appropriate Governmental Authority, if required. Interconnection Customer may request that any information so provided be subject to the confidentiality provisions of Article 22. If Interconnection Customer has executed this PLGIA, or any amendment thereto, Interconnection Customer shall reasonably cooperate with Transmission Provider with respect to such filing and to provide any information reasonably requested by Transmission Provider needed to comply with applicable regulatory requirements.

Article 4. Scope of Service

4.1 Interconnection Product Options.

Interconnection Customer has selected Provisional Interconnection Service:

4.1.1 Energy Resource Interconnection Service. [Not Selected under this PLGIA, but ERIS will be selected in the LGIA or Not Selected]

4.1.1.1 The Product.

Energy Resource Interconnection Service allows Interconnection Customer to connect the Large Generating Facility to the Transmission System and be eligible to deliver the Large Generating Facility's output using the existing firm or non-firm capacity of the Transmission System on an "as available" basis. To the extent Interconnection Customer wants to receive Energy Resource Interconnection Service, Transmission Provider shall construct facilities identified in Appendix A.

4.1.1.2 Transmission Delivery Service Implications.

Under Energy Resource Interconnection Service, Interconnection Customer will be eligible to inject power from the Large Generating Facility into and deliver power across the interconnecting

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Transmission Provider's Transmission System on an "as available" basis up to the amount of MWs identified in the applicable stability and steady state studies to the extent the upgrades initially required to qualify for Energy Resource Interconnection Service have been constructed. Where eligible to do so (e.g., PJM, ISO-NE, NYISO), Interconnection Customer may place a bid to sell into the market up to the maximum identified Large Generating Facility output, subject to any conditions specified in the interconnection service approval, and the Large Generating Facility will be dispatched to the extent Interconnection Customer's bid clears. In all other instances, no transmission delivery service from the Large Generating Facility is assured, but Interconnection Customer may obtain Point-to-Point Transmission Service, Network Integration Transmission Service, or be used for secondary network transmission service, pursuant to Transmission Provider's Tariff, up to the maximum output identified in the stability and steady state studies. In those instances, in order for Interconnection Customer to obtain the right to deliver or inject beyond the Large Generating Facility Point of Interconnection or to improve its ability to do so, transmission delivery service must be obtained pursuant to the provisions of Transmission Provider's Tariff. The Interconnection Customer's ability to inject its Large Generating Facility output beyond the Point of Interconnection, therefore, will depend on the existing capacity of Transmission Provider's Transmission System at such time as a transmission service request is made that would accommodate such delivery. The provision of firm Point-to-Point Transmission Service or Network Integration Transmission Service may require the construction of additional Network Upgrades.

4.1.2 Network Resource Interconnection Service. [Not Selected under this PLGIA, but NRIS will be selected in the LGIA or Not Selected]

4.1.2.1 The Product.

Transmission Provider must conduct the necessary studies and construct the Network Upgrades needed to integrate the Large Generating Facility (1) in a manner comparable to that in which Transmission Provider integrates its generating facilities to serve native load customers; or (2) in an ISO or RTO with market based congestion management, in the same manner as all Network Resources. To the extent Interconnection Customer wants to receive Network Resource Interconnection Service, Transmission Provider shall construct the facilities identified in Appendix A to this PLGIA.

4.1.2.2 Transmission Delivery Service Implications.

Network Resource Interconnection Service allows Interconnection Customer's Large Generating Facility to be designated by any Network Customer under the Tariff on Transmission Provider's

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Transmission System as a Network Resource, up to the Large Generating Facility's full output, on the same basis as existing Network Resources interconnected to Transmission Provider's Transmission System, and to be studied as a Network Resource on the assumption that such a designation will occur. Although Network Resource Interconnection Service does not convey a reservation of transmission service, any Network Customer under the Tariff can utilize its network service under the Tariff to obtain delivery of energy from the interconnected Interconnection Customer's Large Generating Facility in the same manner as it accesses Network Resources. A Large Generating Facility receiving Network Resource Interconnection Service may also be used to provide Ancillary Services after technical studies and/or periodic analyses are performed with respect to the Large Generating Facility's ability to provide any applicable Ancillary Services, provided that such studies and analyses have been or would be required in connection with the provision of such Ancillary Services by any existing Network Resource. However, if an Interconnection Customer's Large Generating Facility has not been designated as a Network Resource by any load, it cannot be required to provide Ancillary Services except to the extent such requirements extend to all generating facilities that are similarly situated. The provision of Network Integration Transmission Service or firm Point-to-Point Transmission Service may require additional studies and the construction of additional upgrades. Because such studies and upgrades would be associated with a request for delivery service under the Tariff, cost responsibility for the studies and upgrades would be in accordance with FERC's policy for pricing transmission delivery services.

Network Resource Interconnection Service does not necessarily provide Interconnection Customer with the capability to physically deliver the output of its Large Generating Facility to any particular load on Transmission Provider's Transmission System without incurring congestion costs. In the event of transmission constraints on Transmission Provider's Transmission System, Interconnection Customer's Large Generating Facility shall be subject to the applicable congestion management procedures in Transmission Provider's Transmission System in the same manner as Network Resources.

There is no requirement either at the time of study or interconnection, or at any point in the future, that Interconnection Customer's Large Generating Facility be designated as a Network Resource by a Network Service Customer under the Tariff or that Interconnection Customer identify a specific buyer (or sink). To the extent a Network Customer does designate the Large Generating

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Facility as a Network Resource, it must do so pursuant to Transmission Provider's Tariff.

Once an Interconnection Customer satisfies the requirements for obtaining Network Resource Interconnection Service, any future transmission service request for delivery from the Large Generating Facility within Transmission Provider's Transmission System of any amount of capacity and/or energy, up to the amount initially studied, will not require that any additional studies be performed or that any further upgrades associated with such Large Generating Facility be undertaken, regardless of whether or not such Large Generating Facility is ever designated by a Network Customer as a Network Resource and regardless of changes in ownership of the Large Generating Facility. However, the reduction or elimination of congestion or redispatch costs may require additional studies and the construction of additional upgrades.

To the extent Interconnection Customer enters into an arrangement for long term transmission service for deliveries from the Large Generating Facility outside Transmission Provider's Transmission System, such request may require additional studies and upgrades in order for Transmission Provider to grant such request.

4.2 Provision of Service.

Transmission Provider shall provide Interconnection Service for the Large Generating Facility at the Point of Interconnection.

4.3 Performance Standards.

Each Party shall perform all of its obligations under this PLGIA in accordance with Applicable Laws and Regulations, Applicable Reliability Standards, and Good Utility Practice, and to the extent a Party is required or prevented or limited in taking any action by such regulations and standards, such Party shall not be deemed to be in Breach of this PLGIA for its compliance therewith. If such Party is a Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner, then that Party shall amend the PLGIA and submit the amendment to FERC for approval.

4.4 No Transmission Delivery Service.

The execution of this PLGIA does not constitute a request for, nor the provision of, any transmission delivery service under Transmission Provider's Tariff, and does not convey any right to deliver electricity to any specific customer or Point of Delivery.

4.5 Interconnection Customer Provided Services.

The services provided by Interconnection Customer under this PLGIA are set forth in Article 9.6 and Article 13.5.1. Interconnection Customer shall be paid for such services in accordance with Article 11.6.

Article 5. Interconnection Facilities Engineering, Procurement, and Construction

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5.1 Options.

Unless otherwise mutually agreed to between the Parties, Interconnection Customer shall select the In-Service Date, Initial Synchronization Date, and Commercial Operation Date; and either the Standard Option or Alternate Option set forth below for completion of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades as set forth in Appendix A, Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades, and such dates and selected option shall be set forth in Appendix B, Milestones. At the same time, Interconnection Customer shall indicate whether it elects to exercise the Option to Build set forth in Article 5.1.3 below. If the dates designated by Interconnection Customer are not acceptable to Transmission Provider, Transmission Provider shall so notify Interconnection Customer within thirty (30) Calendar Days. Upon receipt of the notification that Interconnection Customer's designated dates are not acceptable to Transmission Provider, the Interconnection Customer shall notify Transmission Provider within thirty (30) Calendar Days whether it elects to exercise the Option to Build if it has not already elected to exercise the Option to Build.

5.1.1 Standard Option.

Transmission Provider shall design, procure, and construct Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades, using Reasonable Efforts to complete Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades by the dates set forth in Appendix B, PLGIA Milestones. Transmission Provider shall not be required to undertake any action which is inconsistent with its standard safety practices, its material and equipment specifications, its design criteria and construction procedures, its labor agreements, and Applicable Laws and Regulations. In the event Transmission Provider reasonably expects that it will not be able to complete Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades by the specified dates in Appendix B, Transmission Provider shall promptly provide written notice to Interconnection Customer and shall undertake Reasonable Efforts to meet the earliest dates thereafter.

5.1.2 Alternate Option.

If the dates designated by Interconnection Customer are acceptable to Transmission Provider, Transmission Provider shall so notify Interconnection Customer within thirty (30) Calendar Days, and shall assume responsibility for the design, procurement and construction of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities by the designated dates.

If Transmission Provider subsequently fails to complete Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities by the In-Service Date, to the extent necessary to provide back feed power; or fails to complete Network Upgrades by the Initial Synchronization Date to the extent necessary to allow for Trial Operation at full power output, unless other arrangements are made by the Parties for such Trial Operation; or fails to complete the Network Upgrades by the Commercial Operation Date, as such dates are reflected in Appendix B, PLGIA Milestones; Transmission Provider shall pay Interconnection Customer liquidated damages in accordance with Article 5.3, Liquidated Damages, provided, however, the dates designated by Interconnection Customer shall be

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extended day for day for each day that the applicable RTO or ISO refuses to grant clearances to install equipment.

5.1.3 Option to Build.

Interconnection Customer shall have the option to assume responsibility for the design, procurement and construction of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades on the dates specified in Article 5.1.2. Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer must agree as to what constitutes Stand Alone Network Upgrades and identify such Stand Alone Network Upgrades in Appendix A. Except for Stand Alone Network Upgrades, Interconnection Customer shall have no right to construct Network Upgrades under this option.

5.1.4 Negotiated Option.

If the dates designated by Interconnection Customer are not acceptable to Transmission Provider, the Parties shall in good faith attempt to negotiate terms and conditions (including revision of the specified dates and liquidated damages, the provision of incentives, or the procurement and construction of all facilities other than Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades if the Interconnection Customer elects to exercise the Option to Build under Article 5.1.3) If the Parties are unable to reach agreement on such terms and conditions, then, pursuant to Article 5.1.1 (Standard Option), Transmission Provider shall assume responsibility for the design, procurement and construction of all facilities other than Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades if the Interconnection Customer elects to exercise the Option to Build.

5.2 General Conditions Applicable to Option to Build.

If Interconnection Customer assumes responsibility for the design, procurement and construction of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades,

- (1) Interconnection Customer shall engineer, procure equipment, and construct Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades (or portions thereof) using Good Utility Practice and using standards and specifications provided in advance by Transmission Provider;
- (2) Interconnection Customer's engineering, procurement and construction of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades shall comply with all requirements of law to which Transmission Provider would be subject in the engineering, procurement or construction of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades;
- (3) Transmission Provider shall review and approve the engineering design, equipment acceptance tests, and the construction of

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Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades;

- (4) Prior to commencement of construction, Interconnection Customer shall provide to Transmission Provider a schedule for construction of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades, and shall promptly respond to requests for information from Transmission Provider;
- (5) At any time during construction, Transmission Provider shall have the right to gain unrestricted access to Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades and to conduct inspections of the same;
- (6) At any time during construction, should any phase of the engineering, equipment procurement, or construction of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades not meet the standards and specifications provided by Transmission Provider, Interconnection Customer shall be obligated to remedy deficiencies in that portion of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades;
- (7) Interconnection Customer shall indemnify Transmission Provider for claims arising from Interconnection Customer's construction of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades under the terms and procedures applicable to Article 18.1 Indemnity;
- (8) Interconnection Customer shall transfer control of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades to Transmission Provider;
- (9) Unless Parties otherwise agree, Interconnection Customer shall transfer ownership of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand-Alone Network Upgrades to Transmission Provider:
- (10) Transmission Provider shall approve and accept for operation and maintenance Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades to the extent engineered, procured, and constructed in accordance with this Article 5.2; and
- (11) Interconnection Customer shall deliver to Transmission Provider "asbuilt" drawings, information, and any other documents that are reasonably required by Transmission Provider to assure that the Interconnection Facilities and Stand-Alone Network Upgrades are built to the standards and specifications required by Transmission Provider.

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(12) If Interconnection Customer exercises the Option to Build pursuant to Article 5.1.3, Interconnection Customer shall pay Transmission Provider the agreed upon amount of [\$ PLACEHOLDER] for Transmission Provider to execute the responsibilities enumerated to Transmission Provider under Article 5.2. Transmission Provider shall invoice Interconnection Customer for this total amount to be divided on a monthly basis pursuant to Article 12.

5.3 Liquidated Damages.

The actual damages to Interconnection Customer, in the event Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities or Network Upgrades are not completed by the dates designated by Interconnection Customer and accepted by Transmission Provider pursuant to subparagraphs 5.1.2 or 5.1.4, above, may include Interconnection Customer's fixed operation and maintenance costs and lost opportunity costs. Such actual damages are uncertain and impossible to determine at this time. Because of such uncertainty, any liquidated damages paid by Transmission Provider to Interconnection Customer in the event that Transmission Provider does not complete any portion of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities or Network Upgrades by the applicable dates, shall be an amount equal to ½ of 1 percent per day of the actual cost of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades, in the aggregate, for which Transmission Provider has assumed responsibility to design, procure and construct.

However, in no event shall the total liquidated damages exceed 20 percent of the actual cost of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades for which Transmission Provider has assumed responsibility to design, procure, and construct. The foregoing payments will be made by Transmission Provider to Interconnection Customer as just compensation for the damages caused to Interconnection Customer, which actual damages are uncertain and impossible to determine at this time, and as reasonable liquidated damages, but not as a penalty or a method to secure performance of this PLGIA. Liquidated damages, when the Parties agree to them, are the exclusive remedy for the Transmission Provider's failure to meet its schedule.

No liquidated damages shall be paid to Interconnection Customer if: (1) Interconnection Customer is not ready to commence use of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities or Network Upgrades to take the delivery of power for the Large Generating Facility's Trial Operation or to export power from the Large Generating Facility on the specified dates, unless Interconnection Customer would have been able to commence use of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities or Network Upgrades to take the delivery of power for Large Generating Facility's Trial Operation or to export power from the Large Generating Facility, but for Transmission Provider's delay; (2) Transmission Provider's failure to meet the specified dates is the result of the action or inaction of Interconnection Customer or any other Interconnection Customer who has entered into an PLGIA with Transmission Provider or any cause beyond Transmission Provider's reasonable control or reasonable ability to cure; (3) the Interconnection Customer has assumed responsibility for the design, procurement and construction of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades; or (4) the Parties have otherwise agreed.

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5.4 Power System Stabilizers.

The Interconnection Customer shall procure, install, maintain and operate Power System Stabilizers in accordance with the guidelines and procedures established by the Electric Reliability Organization. Transmission Provider reserves the right to reasonably establish minimum acceptable settings for any installed Power System Stabilizers, subject to the design and operating limitations of the Large Generating Facility. If the Large Generating Facility's Power System Stabilizers are removed from service or not capable of automatic operation, Interconnection Customer shall immediately notify Transmission Provider's system operator, or its designated representative. The requirements of this paragraph shall not apply to wind generators.

5.5 Equipment Procurement.

If responsibility for construction of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities or Network Upgrades is to be borne by Transmission Provider, then Transmission Provider shall commence design of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities or Network Upgrades and procure necessary equipment as soon as practicable after all of the following conditions are satisfied, unless the Parties otherwise agree in writing:

- Transmission Provider has completed the Interconnection Facilities Study pursuant to the Interconnection Facilities Study Agreement;
- Transmission Provider has received written authorization to proceed with design and procurement from Interconnection Customer by the date specified in Appendix B, PLGIA Milestones; and
- 5.5.3 Interconnection Customer has provided security to Transmission Provider in accordance with Article 11.5 by the dates specified in Appendix B, PLGIA Milestones.

5.6 Construction Commencement.

Transmission Provider shall commence construction of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades for which it is responsible as soon as practicable after the following additional conditions are satisfied:

- **5.6.1** Approval of the appropriate Governmental Authority has been obtained for any facilities requiring regulatory approval;
- Necessary real property rights and rights-of-way have been obtained, to the extent required for the construction of a discrete aspect of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades;
- Transmission Provider has received written authorization to proceed with construction from Interconnection Customer by the date specified in Appendix B, PLGIA Milestones; and
- 5.6.4 Interconnection Customer has provided security to Transmission Provider in accordance with Article 11.5 by the dates specified in Appendix B, PLGIA Milestones.

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5.7 Work Progress.

The Parties will keep each other advised periodically as to the progress of their respective design, procurement and construction efforts. Either Party may, at any time, request a progress report from the other Party. If, at any time, Interconnection Customer determines that the completion of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities will not be required until after the specified In-Service Date, Interconnection Customer will provide written notice to Transmission Provider of such later date upon which the completion of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities will be required.

5.8 Information Exchange.

As soon as reasonably practicable after the Effective Date, the Parties shall exchange information regarding the design and compatibility of the Parties' Interconnection Facilities and compatibility of the Interconnection Facilities with Transmission Provider's Transmission System, and shall work diligently and in good faith to make any necessary design changes.

5.9 Other Interconnection Options

5.9.1 Limited Operation.

If any of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities or Network Upgrades are not reasonably expected to be completed prior to the Commercial Operation Date of the Large Generating Facility, Transmission Provider shall, upon the request and at the expense of Interconnection Customer, perform operating studies on a timely basis to determine the extent to which the Large Generating Facility and Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities may operate prior to the completion of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities or Network Upgrades consistent with Applicable Laws and Regulations, Applicable Reliability Standards, Good Utility Practice, and this PLGIA. Transmission Provider shall permit Interconnection Customer to operate the Large Generating Facility and Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities in accordance with the results of such studies.

5.9.2 Provisional Interconnection Service. [SELECTED]

Upon the request of Interconnection Customer, and prior to completion of requisite Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades, Distribution Upgrades, or System Protection Facilities Transmission Provider may execute a PLGIA or Interconnection Customer may request the filing of an unexecuted PLGIA with the Interconnection Customer for limited Interconnection Service at the discretion of Transmission Provider based upon an evaluation that will consider the results of available studies. Transmission Provider shall determine, through available studies or additional studies as necessary, whether stability, short circuit, thermal, and/or voltage issues would arise if Interconnection Customer interconnects without modifications to the Generating Facility or Transmission System. Transmission Provider shall determine whether any Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades, Distribution Upgrades, or System Protection Facilities that are necessary to meet the requirements of

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the Electric Reliability Organization, or any applicable Regional Entity for the interconnection of a new, modified and/or expanded Generating Facility are in place prior to the commencement of Interconnection Service from the Generating Facility. Where available studies indicate that such, Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades, Distribution Upgrades, and/or System Protection Facilities that are required for the interconnection of a new, modified and/or expanded Generating Facility are not currently in place, Transmission Provider will perform a study, at the Interconnection Customer's expense, to confirm the facilities that are required for Provisional Interconnection Service. The maximum permissible output of the Generating Facility in the PLGIA shall be reviewed quarterly and updated if there are changes to system conditions compared to the system conditions previously used to determine of the maximum permissible output. Any necessary study is conducted at the Interconnection Customer's expense. Interconnection Customer assumes all risk and liabilities with respect to changes between the PLGIA and the Large Generator Interconnection Agreement, including changes in output limits and Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades, Distribution Upgrades, and/or System Protection Facilities cost responsibilities.

5.10 Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities ("ICIF").

Interconnection Customer shall, at its expense, design, procure, construct, own and install the ICIF, as set forth in Appendix A, Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades and Distribution Upgrades.

5.10.1 Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facility Specifications.

Interconnection Customer shall submit initial specifications for the ICIF, including System Protection Facilities, to Transmission Provider at least one-hundred eighty (180) Calendar Days prior to the Initial Synchronization Date; and final specifications for review and comment at least ninety (90) Calendar Days prior to the Initial Synchronization Date. Transmission Provider shall review such specifications to ensure that the ICIF are compatible with the technical specifications, operational control, and safety requirements of Transmission Provider and comment on such specifications within thirty (30) Calendar Days of Interconnection Customer's submission. All specifications provided hereunder shall be deemed confidential.

5.10.2 Transmission Provider's Review.

Transmission Provider's review of Interconnection Customer's final specifications shall not be construed as confirming, endorsing, or providing a warranty as to the design, fitness, safety, durability or reliability of the Large Generating Facility, or the ICIF. Interconnection Customer shall make such changes to the ICIF as may reasonably be required by Transmission Provider, in accordance with Good Utility Practice, to ensure that the ICIF are compatible with the technical specifications, operational control, and safety requirements of Transmission Provider.

5.10.3 ICIF Construction.

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The ICIF shall be designed and constructed in accordance with Good Utility Practice. Within one-hundred twenty (120) Calendar Days after the Commercial Operation Date, unless the Parties agree on another mutually acceptable deadline, Interconnection Customer shall deliver to Transmission Provider "as-built" drawings, information and documents for the ICIF, such as: a one-line diagram, a site plan showing the Large Generating Facility and the ICIF, plan and elevation drawings showing the layout of the ICIF, a relay functional diagram, relaying AC and DC schematic wiring diagrams and relay settings for all facilities associated with Interconnection Customer's step-up transformers, the facilities connecting the Large Generating Facility to the stepup transformers and the ICIF, and the impedances (determined by factory tests) for the associated step-up transformers and the Large Generating Facility. The Interconnection Customer shall provide Transmission Provider specifications for the excitation system, automatic voltage regulator, Large Generating Facility control and protection settings, transformer tap settings, and communications, if applicable.

5.11 Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities Construction.

Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities shall be designed and constructed in accordance with Good Utility Practice. Upon request, within one-hundred twenty (120) Calendar Days after the Commercial Operation Date, unless the Parties agree on another mutually acceptable deadline, Transmission Provider shall deliver to Interconnection Customer the following "as-built" drawings, information and documents for Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities [include appropriate drawings and relay diagrams]. Transmission Provider will obtain control of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades upon completion of such facilities.

5.12 Access Rights.

Upon reasonable notice and supervision by a Party, and subject to any required or necessary regulatory approvals, a Party ("Granting Party") shall furnish at no cost to the other Party ("Access Party") any rights of use, licenses, rights of way and easements with respect to lands owned or controlled by the Granting Party, its agents (if allowed under the applicable agency agreement), or any Affiliate, that are necessary to enable the Access Party to obtain ingress and egress to construct, operate, maintain, repair, test (or witness testing), inspect, replace or remove facilities and equipment to: (i) interconnect the Large Generating Facility with the Transmission System; (ii) operate and maintain the Large Generating Facility, the Interconnection Facilities and the Transmission System; and (iii) disconnect or remove the Access Party's facilities and equipment upon termination of this PLGIA. In exercising such licenses, rights of way and easements, the Access Party shall not unreasonably disrupt or interfere with normal operation of the Granting Party's business and shall adhere to the safety rules and procedures established in advance, as may be changed from time to time, by the Granting Party and provided to the Access Party.

5.13 Lands of Other Property Owners.

If any part of Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities and/or Network Upgrades is to be installed on property owned by persons other than Interconnection Customer or Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner,

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Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner shall at Interconnection Customer's expense use efforts, similar in nature and extent to those that it typically undertakes on its own behalf or on behalf of its Affiliates, including use of its eminent domain authority, and to the extent consistent with state law, to procure from such persons any rights of use, licenses, rights of way and easements that are necessary to construct, operate, maintain, test, inspect, replace or remove Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities and/or Network Upgrades upon such property.

5.14 Permits.

Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner and Interconnection Customer shall cooperate with each other in good faith in obtaining all permits, licenses, and authorizations that are necessary to accomplish the interconnection in compliance with Applicable Laws and Regulations. With respect to this paragraph, Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner shall provide permitting assistance to Interconnection Customer comparable to that provided to Transmission Provider's own, or an Affiliate's generation.

5.15 Early Construction of Base Case Facilities.

Interconnection Customer may request Transmission Provider to construct, and Transmission Provider shall construct, using Reasonable Efforts to accommodate Interconnection Customer's In-Service Date, all or any portion of any Network Upgrades required for Interconnection Customer to be interconnected to the Transmission System which are included in the Base Case of the Facilities Study for Interconnection Customer, and which also are required to be constructed for another Interconnection Customer, but where such construction is not scheduled to be completed in time to achieve Interconnection Customer's In-Service Date.

5.16 Suspension.

Interconnection Customer reserves the right, upon written notice to Transmission Provider, to suspend at any time all work by Transmission Provider associated with the construction and installation of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and/or Network Upgrades required under this PLGIA with the condition that Transmission System shall be left in a safe and reliable condition in accordance with Good Utility Practice and Transmission Provider's safety and reliability criteria. In such event, Interconnection Customer shall be responsible for all reasonable and necessary costs which Transmission Provider (i) has incurred pursuant to this PLGIA prior to the suspension and (ii) incurs in suspending such work, including any costs incurred to perform such work as may be necessary to ensure the safety of persons and property and the integrity of the Transmission System during such suspension and, if applicable, any costs incurred in connection with the cancellation or suspension of material, equipment and labor contracts which Transmission Provider cannot reasonably avoid; provided, however, that prior to canceling or suspending any such material, equipment or labor contract, Transmission Provider shall obtain Interconnection Customer's authorization to do so.

Transmission Provider shall invoice Interconnection Customer for such costs pursuant to Article 12 and shall use due diligence to minimize its costs. In the event Interconnection Customer suspends work by Transmission Provider required under this PLGIA pursuant to this Article 5.16, and has not requested Transmission Provider to recommence the work required under this PLGIA on or before the expiration of three (3) years following

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commencement of such suspension, this PLGIA shall be deemed terminated. The three-year period shall begin on the date the suspension is requested, or the date of the written notice to Transmission Provider, if no effective date is specified.

5.16.1 Effect of Missed Interconnection Customer PLGIA Milestones.

If Interconnection Customer fails to provide notice of suspension pursuant to Article 5.16, and Interconnection Customer fails to fulfill or complete any Interconnection Customer PLGIA Milestone provided in Appendix B ("PLGIA Milestone"), this constitutes a Breach under this PLGIA. Depending upon the consequences of the Breach and effectiveness of the cure pursuant to Article 17, Transmission Provider's PLGIA Milestones may be revised, following consultation with Interconnection Customer, consistent with Reasonable Efforts, and in consideration of all relevant circumstances. Parties shall employ Reasonable Efforts to maintain their remaining respective PLGIA Milestones.

5.16.2 Effect of Suspension; Parties Obligations.

In the event that Interconnection Customer suspends work pursuant to this Article 5.16, the applicable construction duration, timelines and schedules set forth in Appendix B shall be suspended during the period of suspension. Should Interconnection Customer thereafter request that work be recommenced, Appendix A and Appendix B may be revised to account for construction sequencing and modified milestones. If the Commercial Operation Date is extended beyond three (3) cumulative years described in Section 4.4.5 of the Revised LGIP and Article 2.3.1 of this PLGIA, such an extension may be considered a Material Modification and result in the termination of the PLGIA under Article 2.3.1. Interconnection Customer is required to maintain Site Control while this PLGIA is in effect, including during suspension.

5.17 Taxes

5.17.1 Interconnection Customer Payments Not Taxable.

The Parties intend that all payments or property transfers made by Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider for the installation of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and the Network Upgrades shall be non-taxable, either as contributions to capital, or as an advance, in accordance with the Internal Revenue Code and any applicable state income tax laws and shall not be taxable as contributions in aid of construction or otherwise under the Internal Revenue Code and any applicable state income tax laws.

5.17.2 Representations and Covenants.

In accordance with IRS Notice 2001-82 and IRS Notice 88-129, Interconnection Customer represents and covenants that (i) ownership of the electricity generated at the Large Generating Facility will pass to another party prior to the transmission of the electricity on the Transmission System, (ii) for income tax purposes, the amount of any payments and the cost of any property transferred to Transmission Provider for Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities will be capitalized by Interconnection Customer as an intangible asset and recovered using the straight-line method over a useful life of twenty (20) years, and (iii) any portion of

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Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities that is a "dual-use intertie," within the meaning of IRS Notice 88-129, is reasonably expected to carry only a de minimis amount of electricity in the direction of the Large Generating Facility. For this purpose, "de minimis amount" means no more than percent of the total power flows in both directions, calculated in accordance with the "5 percent test" set forth in IRS Notice 88-129. This is not intended to be an exclusive list of the relevant conditions that must be met to conform to IRS requirements for non-taxable treatment.

At Transmission Provider's request, Interconnection Customer shall provide Transmission Provider with a report from an independent engineer confirming its representation in clause (iii), above. Transmission Provider represents and covenants that the cost of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities paid for by Interconnection Customer will have no net effect on the base upon which rates are determined.

5.17.3 Indemnification for the Cost Consequences of Current Tax Liability Imposed Upon the Transmission Provider.

Notwithstanding Article 5.17.1, Interconnection Customer shall protect, indemnify and hold harmless Transmission Provider from the cost consequences of any current tax liability imposed against Transmission Provider as the result of payments or property transfers made by Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider under this PLGIA for Interconnection Facilities, as well as any interest and penalties, other than interest and penalties attributable to any delay caused by Transmission Provider.

Transmission Provider shall not include a gross-up for the cost consequences of any current tax liability in the amounts it charges Interconnection Customer under this PLGIA unless (i) Transmission Provider has determined, in good faith, that the payments or property transfers made by Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider should be reported as income subject to taxation or (ii) any Governmental Authority directs Transmission Provider to report payments or property as income subject to taxation; provided, however, that Transmission Provider may require Interconnection Customer to provide security for Interconnection Facilities, in a form reasonably acceptable to Transmission Provider (such as a parental guarantee or a letter of credit), in an amount equal to the cost consequences of any current tax liability under this Article 5.17. Interconnection Customer shall reimburse Transmission Provider for such costs on a fully grossed-up basis, in accordance with Article 5.17.4, within thirty (30) Calendar Days of receiving written notification from Transmission Provider of the amount due, including detail about how the amount was calculated.

The indemnification obligation shall terminate at the earlier of (1) the expiration of the ten-year testing period and the applicable statute of limitation, as it may be extended by Transmission Provider upon request of the IRS, to keep these years open for audit or adjustment, or (2) the occurrence of a subsequent taxable event and the payment of any related indemnification obligations as contemplated by this Article 5.17.

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5.17.4 Tax Gross-Up Amount.

Interconnection Customer's liability for the cost consequences of any current tax liability under this Article 5.17 shall be calculated on a fully grossed-up basis. Except as may otherwise be agreed to by the parties, this means that Interconnection Customer will pay Transmission Provider, in addition to the amount paid for the Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades, an amount equal to (1) the current taxes imposed on Transmission Provider ("Current Taxes") on the excess of (a) the gross income realized by Transmission Provider as a result of payments or property transfers made by Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider under this PLGIA (without regard to any payments under this Article 5.17) (the "Gross Income Amount") over (b) the present value of future tax deductions for depreciation that will be available as a result of such payments or property transfers (the "Present Value Depreciation Amount"), plus (2) an additional amount sufficient to permit Transmission Provider to receive and retain, after the payment of all Current Taxes, an amount equal to the net amount described in clause (1).

For this purpose, (i) Current Taxes shall be computed based on Transmission Provider's composite federal and state tax rates at the time the payments or property transfers are received and Transmission Provider will be treated as being subject to tax at the highest marginal rates in effect at that time (the "Current Tax Rate"), and (ii) the Present Value Depreciation Amount shall be computed by discounting Transmission Provider's anticipated tax depreciation deductions as a result of such payments or property transfers by Transmission Provider's current weighted average cost of capital. Thus, the formula for calculating Interconnection Customer's liability to Transmission Owner pursuant to this Article 5.17.4 can be expressed as follows: (Current Tax Rate x (Gross Income Amount – Present Value of Tax Depreciation))/(1-Current Tax Rate). Interconnection Customer's estimated tax liability in the event taxes are imposed shall be stated in Appendix A, Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades and Distribution Upgrades.

5.17.5 Private Letter Ruling or Change or Clarification of Law.

At Interconnection Customer's request and expense, Transmission Provider shall file with the IRS a request for a private letter ruling as to whether any property transferred or sums paid, or to be paid, by Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider under this PLGIA are subject to federal income taxation. Interconnection Customer will prepare the initial draft of the request for a private letter ruling, and will certify under penalties of perjury that all facts represented in such request are true and accurate to the best of Interconnection Customer's knowledge. Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer shall cooperate in good faith with respect to the submission of such request. Transmission Provider shall keep Interconnection Customer fully informed of the status of such request for a private letter ruling and shall execute either a privacy act waiver or a limited power of attorney, in a form acceptable to the IRS that authorizes Interconnection Customer to participate in all discussions with the IRS regarding such request for a private letter ruling. Transmission Provider shall allow Interconnection Customer to attend all meetings with IRS officials about the request and shall permit

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Interconnection Customer to prepare the initial drafts of any follow-up letters in connection with the request.

5.17.6 Subsequent Taxable Events.

If, within ten (10) years from the date on which the relevant Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities are placed in service, (i) Interconnection Customer Breaches the covenants contained in Article 5.17.2, (ii) a "disqualification event" occurs within the meaning of IRS Notice 88-129, or (iii) this PLGIA terminates and Transmission Provider retains ownership of the Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades, Interconnection Customer shall pay a tax gross-up for the cost consequences of any current tax liability imposed on Transmission Provider, calculated using the methodology described in Article 5.17.4 and in accordance with IRS Notice 90-60.

5.17.7 Contests.

In the event any Governmental Authority determines that Transmission Provider's receipt of payments or property constitutes income that is subject to taxation, Transmission Provider shall notify Interconnection Customer, in writing, within thirty (30) Calendar Days of receiving notification of such determination by a Governmental Authority. Upon the timely written request by Interconnection Customer and at Interconnection Customer's sole expense, Transmission Provider may appeal, protest, seek abatement of, or otherwise oppose such determination. Upon Interconnection Customer's written request and sole expense, Transmission Provider may file a claim for refund with respect to any taxes paid under this Article 5.17, whether or not it has received such a determination. Transmission Provider reserves the right to make all decisions with regard to the prosecution of such appeal, protest, abatement or other contest, including the selection of counsel and compromise or settlement of the claim, but Transmission Provider shall keep Interconnection Customer informed, shall consider in good faith suggestions from Interconnection Customer about the conduct of the contest, and shall reasonably permit Interconnection Customer or an Interconnection Customer representative to attend contest proceedings.

Interconnection Customer shall pay to Transmission Provider on a periodic basis, as invoiced by Transmission Provider, Transmission Provider's documented reasonable costs of prosecuting such appeal, protest, abatement or other contest. At any time during the contest, Transmission Provider may agree to a settlement either with Interconnection Customer's consent or after obtaining written advice from nationally-recognized tax counsel, selected by Transmission Provider, but reasonably acceptable to Interconnection Customer, that the proposed settlement represents a reasonable settlement given the hazards of litigation. Interconnection Customer's obligation shall be based on the amount of the settlement agreed to by Interconnection Customer, or if a higher amount, so much of the settlement that is supported by the written advice from nationally-recognized tax counsel selected under the terms of the preceding sentence. The settlement amount shall be calculated on a fully grossed-up basis to cover any related cost consequences of the current tax liability. Any settlement without Interconnection Customer's consent

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or such written advice will relieve Interconnection Customer from any obligation to indemnify Transmission Provider for the tax at issue in the contest.

5.17.8 Refund.

In the event that (a) a private letter ruling is issued to Transmission Provider which holds that any amount paid or the value of any property transferred by Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider under the terms of this PLGIA is not subject to federal income taxation, (b) any legislative change or administrative announcement, notice, ruling or other determination makes it reasonably clear to Transmission Provider in good faith that any amount paid or the value of any property transferred by Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider under the terms of this PLGIA is not taxable to Transmission Provider, (c) any abatement, appeal, protest, or other contest results in a determination that any payments or transfers made by Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider are not subject to federal income tax, or (d) if Transmission Provider receives a refund from any taxing authority for any overpayment of tax attributable to any payment or property transfer made by Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider pursuant to this PLGIA, Transmission Provider shall promptly refund to Interconnection Customer the following:

- (i) any payment made by Interconnection Customer under this Article 5.17 for taxes that is attributable to the amount determined to be non-taxable, together with interest thereon,
- (ii) interest on any amount paid by Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider for such taxes which Transmission Provider did not submit to the taxing authority, calculated in accordance with the methodology set forth in FERC's regulations at 18 CFR § 35.19a(a)(2)(iii) from the date payment was made by Interconnection Customer to the date Transmission Provider refunds such payment to Interconnection Customer, and
- with respect to any such taxes paid by Transmission Provider, any (iii) refund or credit Transmission Provider receives or to which it may be entitled from any Governmental Authority, interest (or that portion thereof attributable to the payment described in clause (i), above) owed to Transmission Provider for such overpayment of taxes (including any reduction in interest otherwise payable by Transmission Provider to any Governmental Authority resulting from an offset or credit); provided, however, that Transmission Provider will remit such amount promptly to Interconnection Customer only after and to the extent that Transmission Provider has received a tax refund, credit or offset from any Governmental Authority for any applicable overpayment of income tax related to Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities. The intent of this provision is to leave the Parties, to the extent practicable, in the event that no taxes are due with respect to any payment for Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades hereunder, in the

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same position they would have been in had no such tax payments been made.

5.17.9 Taxes Other Than Income Taxes.

Upon the timely request by Interconnection Customer, and at Interconnection Customer's sole expense, Transmission Provider may appeal, protest, seek abatement of, or otherwise contest any tax (other than federal or state income tax) asserted or assessed against Transmission Provider for which Interconnection Customer may be required to reimburse Transmission Provider under the terms of this PLGIA. Interconnection Customer shall pay to Transmission Provider on a periodic basis, as invoiced by Transmission Provider, Transmission Provider's documented reasonable costs of prosecuting such appeal, protest, abatement, or other contest. Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider shall cooperate in good faith with respect to any such contest. Unless the payment of such taxes is a prerequisite to an appeal or abatement or cannot be deferred, no amount shall be payable by Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider for such taxes until they are assessed by a final, non-appealable order by any court or agency of competent jurisdiction. In the event that a tax payment is withheld and ultimately due and payable after appeal. Interconnection Customer will be responsible for all taxes, interest and penalties, other than penalties attributable to any delay caused by Transmission Provider.

5.17.10 Transmission Owners Who Are Not Transmission Providers.

If Transmission Provider is not the same entity as the Transmission Owner, then (i) all references in this Article 5.17 to Transmission Provider shall be deemed also to refer to and to include the Transmission Owner, as appropriate, and (ii) this PLGIA shall not become effective until such Transmission Owner shall have agreed in writing to assume all of the duties and obligations of Transmission Provider under this Article 5.17 of this PLGIA.

5.18 Tax Status.

Each Party shall cooperate with the other to maintain the other Party's tax status. Nothing in this PLGIA is intended to adversely affect any Transmission Provider's tax exempt status with respect to the issuance of bonds including, but not limited to, Local Furnishing Bonds.

5.19 Modification.

5.19.1 General.

Either Party may undertake modifications to its facilities. If a Party plans to undertake a modification that reasonably may be expected to affect the other Party's facilities, that Party shall provide to the other Party sufficient information regarding such modification so that the other Party may evaluate the potential impact of such modification prior to commencement of the work. Such information shall be deemed to be confidential hereunder and shall include information concerning the timing of such modifications and whether such modifications are expected to interrupt the flow of electricity from the Large Generating Facility. The Party desiring to perform such work shall provide the

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relevant drawings, plans, and specifications to the other Party at least ninety (90) Calendar Days in advance of the commencement of the work or such shorter period upon which the Parties may agree, which agreement shall not unreasonably be withheld, conditioned or delayed.

In the case of Large Generating Facility modification that is not a Material Modification and do no require Interconnection Customer to submit an Interconnection Request, Transmission Provider shall provide, within thirty (30) Calendar Days (or such other time as the Parties may agree), an estimate of any additional modifications to the Transmission System, Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities or Network Upgrades necessitated by such Interconnection Customer modification and a good faith estimate of the costs thereof.

5.19.2 Standards.

Any additions, modifications, or replacements made to a Party's facilities shall be designed, constructed, and operated in accordance with this PLGIA and Good Utility Practice.

5.19.3 Modification Costs.

Interconnection Customer shall not be directly assigned for the costs of any additions, modifications, or replacements that Transmission Provider makes to Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities or the Transmission System to facilitate the interconnection of a third party to Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities or the Transmission System, or to provide transmission service to a third party under Transmission Provider's Tariff. Interconnection Customer shall be responsible for the costs of any additions, modifications, or replacements to Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities that may be necessary to maintain or upgrade such Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities consistent with Applicable Laws and Regulations, Applicable Reliability Standards or Good Utility Practice.

Article 6. Testing and Inspection

6.1 Pre-Commercial Operation Date Testing and Modifications.

Prior to the Commercial Operation Date, Transmission Provider shall test Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades and Interconnection Customer shall test the Large Generating Facility and Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities to ensure their safe and reliable operation. Similar testing may be required after initial operation. Each Party shall make any modifications to its facilities that are found to be necessary as a result of such testing. Interconnection Customer shall bear the cost of all such testing and modifications. Interconnection Customer shall generate test energy at the Large Generating Facility only if it has arranged for the delivery of such test energy.

6.2 Post-Commercial Operation Date Testing and Modifications.

Each Party shall at its own expense perform routine inspection and testing of its facilities and equipment in accordance with Good Utility Practice as may be necessary to ensure

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the continued interconnection of the Large Generating Facility with the Transmission System in a safe and reliable manner. Each Party shall have the right, upon advance written notice, to require reasonable additional testing of the other Party's facilities, at the requesting Party's expense, as may be in accordance with Good Utility Practice.

6.3 Right to Observe Testing.

Each Party shall notify the other Party in advance of its performance of tests of its Interconnection Facilities. The other Party has the right, at its own expense, to observe such testing.

6.4 Right to Inspect.

Each Party shall have the right, but shall have no obligation to: (i) observe the other Party's tests and/or inspection of any of its System Protection Facilities and other protective equipment, including Power System Stabilizers; (ii) review the settings of the other Party's System Protection Facilities and other protective equipment; and (iii) review the other Party's maintenance records relative to the Interconnection Facilities, the System Protection Facilities and other protective equipment. A Party may exercise these rights from time to time as it deems necessary upon reasonable notice to the other Party. The exercise or non-exercise by a Party of any such rights shall not be construed as an endorsement or confirmation of any element or condition of the Interconnection Facilities or the System Protection Facilities or other protective equipment or the operation thereof, or as a warranty as to the fitness, safety, desirability, or reliability of same. Any information that a Party obtains through the exercise of any of its rights under this Article 6.4 shall be deemed to be Confidential Information and treated pursuant to Article 22 of this PLGIA.

Article 7. Metering

7.1 General.

Each Party shall comply with the Electric Reliability Organization requirements. Unless otherwise agreed by the Parties, Transmission Provider shall install Metering Equipment at the Point of Interconnection prior to any operation of the Large Generating Facility and shall own, operate, test and maintain such Metering Equipment. Power flows to and from the Large Generating Facility shall be measured at or, at Transmission Provider's option, compensated to, the Point of Interconnection. Transmission Provider shall provide metering quantities, in analog and/or digital form, to Interconnection Customer upon request. Interconnection Customer shall bear all reasonable documented costs associated with the purchase, installation, operation, testing and maintenance of the Metering Equipment.

7.2 Check Meters.

Interconnection Customer, at its option and expense, may install and operate, on its premises and on its side of the Point of Interconnection, one or more check meters to check Transmission Provider's meters. Such check meters shall be for check purposes only and shall not be used for the measurement of power flows for purposes of this PLGIA, except as provided in Article 7.4 below. The check meters shall be subject at all reasonable times to inspection and examination by Transmission Provider or its designee. The installation, operation and maintenance thereof shall be performed entirely by Interconnection Customer in accordance with Good Utility Practice.

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7.3 Standards.

Transmission Provider shall install, calibrate, and test revenue quality Metering Equipment in accordance with applicable ANSI standards.

7.4 Testing of Metering Equipment.

Transmission Provider shall inspect and test all Transmission Provider-owned Metering Equipment upon installation and at least once every two (2) years thereafter. If requested to do so by Interconnection Customer, Transmission Provider shall, at Interconnection Customer's expense, inspect or test Metering Equipment more frequently than every two (2) years. Transmission Provider shall give reasonable notice of the time when any inspection or test shall take place, and Interconnection Customer may have representatives present at the test or inspection. If at any time Metering Equipment is found to be inaccurate or defective, it shall be adjusted, repaired or replaced at Interconnection Customer's expense, in order to provide accurate metering, unless the inaccuracy or defect is due to Transmission Provider's failure to maintain, then Transmission Provider shall pay. If Metering Equipment fails to register, or if the measurement made by Metering Equipment during a test varies by more than two percent from the measurement made by the standard meter used in the test, Transmission Provider shall adjust the measurements by correcting all measurements for the period during which Metering Equipment was in error by using Interconnection Customer's check meters, if installed. If no such check meters are installed or if the period cannot be reasonably ascertained, the adjustment shall be for the period immediately preceding the test of the Metering Equipment equal to one-half the time from the date of the last previous test of the Metering Equipment.

7.5 Metering Data.

At Interconnection Customer's expense, the metered data shall be telemetered to one or more locations designated by Transmission Provider and one or more locations designated by Interconnection Customer. Such telemetered data shall be used, under normal operating conditions, as the official measurement of the amount of energy delivered from the Large Generating Facility to the Point of Interconnection.

Article 8. Communications

8.1 Interconnection Customer Obligations.

Interconnection Customer shall maintain satisfactory operating communications with Transmission Provider's Transmission System dispatcher or representative designated by Transmission Provider. Interconnection Customer shall provide standard voice line, dedicated voice line and facsimile communications at its Large Generating Facility control room or central dispatch facility through use of either the public telephone system, or a voice communications system that does not rely on the public telephone system. Interconnection Customer shall also provide the dedicated data circuit(s) necessary to provide Interconnection Customer data to Transmission Provider as set forth in Appendix D, Security Arrangements Details. The data circuit(s) shall extend from the Large Generating Facility to the location(s) specified by Transmission Provider. Any required maintenance of such communications equipment shall be performed by Interconnection Customer. Operational communications shall be activated and maintained under, but not

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be limited to, the following events: system paralleling or separation, scheduled and unscheduled shutdowns, equipment clearances, and hourly and daily load data

8.2 Remote Terminal Unit.

Prior to the Initial Synchronization Date of the Large Generating Facility, a Remote Terminal Unit, or equivalent data collection and transfer equipment acceptable to the Parties, shall be installed by Interconnection Customer, or by Transmission Provider at Interconnection Customer's expense, to gather accumulated and instantaneous data to be telemetered to the location(s) designated by Transmission Provider through use of a dedicated point-to-point data circuit(s) as indicated in Article 8.1. The communication protocol for the data circuit(s) shall be specified by Transmission Provider. Instantaneous bi-directional analog real power and reactive power flow information must be telemetered directly to the location(s) specified by Transmission Provider.

Each Party will promptly advise the other Party if it detects or otherwise learns of any metering, telemetry or communications equipment errors or malfunctions that require the attention and/or correction by the other Party. The Party owning such equipment shall correct such error or malfunction as soon as reasonably feasible.

8.3 No Annexation.

Any and all equipment placed on the premises of a Party shall be and remain the property of the Party providing such equipment regardless of the mode and manner of annexation or attachment to real property, unless otherwise mutually agreed by the Parties.

8.4 Provision of Data from a Variable Energy Resource.

The Interconnection Customer whose Generating facility Is a Variable Energy Resource shall provide meteorological and forced outage data to the Transmission Provider to the extent necessary for the Transmission Provider's development and deployment of power production forecasts for that class of Variable Energy Resources.

The Interconnection Customer with a Variable Energy Resource having wind as the energy source, at a minimum, will be required to provide the Transmission Provider with site-specific meteorological data including: manufacturer, model, and year of all wind turbines and meteorological instrumentation, latitude, longitude and hub height at every wind turbine and meteorological tower, real-time data including turbine generation (kW), wind speed (mph), turbine availability, wind direction (in degrees relative to true north), temperature (Celsius and F), pressure (mb), air density and turbine manufacturer power curve. The information provided shall be refreshed in approximately four-ten (4-10) second intervals with regard to its generation of Renewable Energy at the Facility.

The Interconnection Customer with a Variable Energy Resource having solar as the energy source, at a minimum, will be required to provide the Transmission Provider with site-specific meteorological data including: manufacturer, model and year of all panels, inverters and meteorological instrumentation, latitude and longitude of the center of the solar panels for every inverter and every meteorological tower, real-time data including inverter generation (kW), inverter availability, direct normal solar insolation (solar intensity), temperature, barometric pressure, wind speed (mph), wind direction (degrees relative to true north) and solar panel manufacturer power curve. The information provided

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shall be refreshed as frequently as allowed by the SCADA System, not to exceed sixty (60) second intervals.

The Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer whose Generating Facility is a Variable Energy Resource shall mutually agree to any additional meteorological data that are required for the development and deployment of a power production forecast. The Interconnection Customer whose Generating Facility is a Variable Energy Resource also shall submit data to the Transmission Provider regarding all forced outages to the extent necessary for the Transmission Provider's development and deployment of power production forecasts for that class of Variable Energy Resources. The exact specifications of the meteorological and forced outage data to be provided by the Interconnection Customer to the Transmission Provider including the frequency and timing of data submittals shall be made taking into account the size and configuration of the Variable Energy Resource, its characteristics, location, and its importance in maintaining generation resource adequacy and transmission system reliability in its area. requirements for meteorological and forced outage data must be commensurate with the power production forecasting employed by the Transmission Provider. Such requirements for meteorological and forced outage data are set forth in Appendix C, Interconnection Details, of this PLGIA, as they may change from time to time.

Article 9. Operations

- **9.1 General**. Each Party shall comply with the Electric Reliability Organization requirements. Each Party shall provide to the other Party all information that may reasonably be required by the other Party to comply with Applicable Laws and Regulations and Applicable Reliability Standards.
- 9.2 Balancing Authority Area Notification. At least three months before Initial Synchronization Date, Interconnection Customer shall notify Transmission Provider in writing of the Balancing Authority Area in which the Large Generating Facility will be located. If Interconnection Customer elects to locate the Large Generating Facility in a Balancing Authority Area other than the Balancing Authority Area in which the Large Generating Facility is physically located, and if permitted to do so by the relevant transmission tariffs, all necessary arrangements, including but not limited to those set forth in Article 7 and Article 8 of this PLGIA, and remote Balancing Authority Area generator interchange agreements, if applicable, and the appropriate measures under such agreements, shall be executed and implemented prior to the placement of the Large Generating Facility in the other Balancing Authority Area.
- 9.3 Transmission Provider Obligations. Transmission Provider shall cause the Transmission System and Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities to be operated, maintained and controlled in a safe and reliable manner and in accordance with this PLGIA. Transmission Provider may provide operating instructions to Interconnection Customer consistent with this PLGIA and Transmission Provider's operating protocols and procedures as they may change from time to time. Transmission Provider will consider changes to its operating protocols and procedures proposed by Interconnection Customer.

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- 9.4 Interconnection Customer Obligations. Interconnection Customer shall at its own expense operate, maintain and control the Large Generating Facility and Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities in a safe and reliable manner and in accordance with this PLGIA. Interconnection Customer shall operate the Large Generating Facility and Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities in accordance with all applicable requirements of the Balancing Authority Area of which it is part, as such requirements are set forth in Appendix C, Interconnection Details, of this PLGIA. Appendix C, Interconnection Details, will be modified to reflect changes to the requirements as they may change from time to time. Either Party may request that the other Party provide copies of the requirements set forth in Appendix C, Interconnection Details, of this PLGIA.
- **9.5 Start-Up and Synchronization**. Consistent with the Parties' mutually acceptable procedures, Interconnection Customer is responsible for the proper synchronization of the Large Generating Facility to Transmission Provider's Transmission System.
- 9.6 Reactive Power and Primary Frequency Response.
 - 9.6.1 Power Factor Design Criteria.
 - 9.6.1.1 Synchronous Generation. Interconnection Customer shall design the Large Generating Facility to maintain a composite power delivery at continuous rated power output at the Point of Interconnection at a power factor within the range of 0.95 leading to 0.95 lagging, unless Transmission Provider has established different requirements that apply to all synchronous generators in the Balancing Authority Area on a comparable basis.
 - 9.6.1.2 Non-Synchronous Generation. Interconnection Customer shall design the Large Generating Facility to maintain a composite power delivery at continuous rated power output at the high-side of the generator substation at a power factor within the range of 0.95 leading to 0.95 lagging, unless Transmission Provider has established a different power factor range that applies to all nonsynchronous generators in the Balancing Authority Area on a comparable basis. This power factor range standard shall be dynamic and can be met using, for example, power electronics designed to supply this level of reactive capability (taking into account any limitations due to voltage level, real power output, etc.) or fixed and switched capacitors, or a combination of the two. This requirement shall only apply to newly interconnecting nonsynchronous generators that have not yet executed a Facilities Study Agreement as of the effective date of the Final Rule establishing this requirement (Order No. 827).1 This requirement also applies to existing non-synchronous generators making upgrades that require a new Generator Interconnection Agreement where the System Impact Study shows the need for reactive power as a result of an upgrade.

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- [1] The effective date of Order 827 is October 14, 2016.
- 9.6.2 Voltage Schedules. Once Interconnection Customer has synchronized the Large Generating Facility with the Transmission System, Transmission Provider shall require Interconnection Customer to operate the Large Generating Facility to produce or absorb reactive power within the design limitations of the Large Generating Facility set forth in Article 9.6.1 (Power Factor Design Criteria). Transmission Provider's voltage schedules shall treat all sources of reactive power in the Balancing Authority Area in an equitable and not unduly discriminatory manner. Transmission Provider shall exercise Reasonable Efforts to provide Interconnection Customer with such schedules at least one (1) day in advance, and may make changes to such schedules as necessary to maintain the reliability of the Transmission System. Interconnection Customer shall operate the Large Generating Facility to maintain the specified output voltage or power factor at the Point of Interconnection within the design limitations of the Large Generating Facility set forth in Article 9.6.1 (Power Factor Design Criteria). If Interconnection Customer is unable to maintain the specified voltage or power factor, it shall promptly notify the System Operator.

9.6.2.1 Voltage Regulators.

Whenever the Large Generating Facility is operated in parallel with the Transmission System and voltage regulators are capable of operation, Interconnection Customer shall operate the Large Generating Facility with its voltage regulators in automatic operation. If the Large Generating Facility's voltage regulators are not capable of such automatic operation, Interconnection Customer shall immediately notify Transmission Provider's system operator, or its designated representative, and ensure that such Large Generating Facility's reactive power production or absorption (measured in MVARs) are within the design capability of the Large Generating Facility's generating unit(s) and steady state stability limits. Interconnection Customer shall not cause its Large Generating Facility to disconnect automatically or instantaneously from the Transmission System or trip any generating unit comprising the Large Generating Facility for an under or over frequency condition unless the abnormal frequency condition persists for a time period beyond the limits set forth in ANSI/IEEE Standard C37.106, or such other standard as applied to other generators in the Balancing Authority Area on a comparable basis.

9.6.3 Payment for Reactive Power.

Transmission Provider is required to pay Interconnection Customer for reactive power that Interconnection Customer provides or absorbs from the Large Generating Facility when Transmission Provider requests Interconnection Customer to operate its Large Generating Facility outside the range specified in Article 9.6.1, provided that if Transmission Provider pays its own or affiliated generators for reactive

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power service within the specified range, it must also pay Interconnection Customer. Payments shall be pursuant to Article 11.6 or such other agreement to which the Parties have otherwise agreed.

9.6.4 Primary Frequency Response.

Interconnection Customer shall ensure the primary frequency response capability of its Large Generating Facility by installing, maintaining, and operating a functioning governor or equivalent controls. The term "functioning governor or equivalent controls" as used herein shall mean the required hardware and/or software that provides frequency responsive real power control with the ability to sense changes in system frequency and autonomously adjust the Large Generating Facility's real power output in accordance with the droop and deadband parameters and in the direction needed to correct frequency deviations. Interconnection Customer is required to install a governor or equivalent controls with the capability of operating: (1) with a maximum 5 percent droop and ±0.036 Hz deadband; or (2) in accordance with the relevant droop, deadband, and timely and sustained response settings from an Electric Reliability Organization reliability approved sproviding for equivalent or more stringent parameters. The droop characteristic shall be: (1) based on the nameplate capacity of the Large Generating Facility, and shall be linear in the range of frequencies between 59 to 61 Hz that are outside of the deadband parameter; or (2) based on an approved Electric Reliability Organization reliability standard providing for an equivalent or more stringent parameter. The deadband parameter shall be: the range of frequencies above and below nominal (60 Hz) in which the governor or equivalent controls is not expected to adjust the Large Generating Facility's real power output in response to frequency deviations. The deadband shall be implemented: (1) without a step to the droop curve, that is, once the frequency deviation exceeds the deadband parameter, the expected change in the Large Generating Facility's real power output in response to frequency deviations shall start from zero and then increase (for under-frequency deviations) or decrease (for overfrequency deviations) linearly in proportion to the magnitude of the frequency deviation; or (2) in accordance with an approved Electric Reliability Organization reliability standard providing for an equivalent or more stringent parameter. Interconnection Customer shall notify Transmission Provider that the primary frequency response capability of the Large Generating Facility has been tested and confirmed during commissioning. Once Interconnection Customer has synchronized the Large Generating Facility with the Transmission Interconnection Customer shall operate the Large Generating Facility consistent with the provisions specified in Articles 9.6.4.1 and 9.6.4.2 of this Agreement. The primary frequency response requirements contained herein shall apply to both synchronous and non-synchronous Large Generating Facilities.

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9.6.4.1 Governor or Equivalent Controls.

Whenever the Large Generating Facility is operated in parallel with the Transmission System, Interconnection Customer shall operate the Large Generating Facility with its governor or equivalent controls in service and responsive to frequency. Interconnection Customer shall: (1) in coordination with Transmission Provider and/or the relevant balancing authority, set the deadband parameter to: (1) a maximum of ±0.036 Hz and set the droop parameter to a maximum of 5 percent or (2) implement the relevant droop and deadband settings from an approved Electric Reliability Organization reliability standard that provides for equivalent or more stringent parameters. Interconnection Customer shall be required to provide the status and settings of the governor or equivalent controls to Transmission Provider and/or the relevant balancing authority upon request. If Interconnection Customer needs to operate the Large Generating Facility with its governor or equivalent controls not in service, Interconnection Customer shall immediately notify Transmission Provider and the relevant balancing authority, and provide both with the following information: (1) the operating status of the governor or equivalent controls (i.e., whether it is currently out of service or when it will be taken out of service); (2) the reasons for removing the governor or equivalent controls from service; and (3) a reasonable estimate of when the governor or equivalent controls will be returned to service. Interconnection Customer shall make Reasonable Efforts to return its governor or equivalent controls into service as soon as practicable. Interconnection Customer shall make Reasonable Efforts to keep outages of the Large Generating Facility's governor or equivalent controls to a minimum whenever the Large Generating Facility is operated in parallel with the Transmission System.

9.6.4.2 Timely and Sustained Response.

Interconnection Customer shall ensure that the Large Generating Facility's real power response to sustained frequency deviations outside of the deadband setting is automatically provided and shall begin immediately after frequency deviates outside of the deadband, and to the extent the Large Generating Facility has operating capability in the direction needed to correct the frequency deviation. Interconnection Customer shall not block or otherwise inhibit the ability of the governor or equivalent controls to respond and shall ensure that the response is not inhibited, except under certain operational constraints including, but not limited to, ambient temperature limitations, physical energy limitations, outages of mechanical equipment, or regulatory requirements. The Large Generating Facility shall sustain the real power response at least until system frequency returns to a value within the deadband setting of the governor or equivalent controls. A Commission-

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approved reliability standard with equivalent or more stringent requirements shall supersede the above requirements.

9.6.4.3 Exemptions.

Large Generating Facilities that are regulated by the United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission shall be exempt from Articles 9.6.4, 9.6.4.1, and 9.6.4.2 of this Agreement. Large Generating Facilities that are behind the meter generation that is sized-to-load (i.e., the thermal load and the generation are near-balanced in real-time operation and the generation is primarily controlled to maintain the unique thermal, chemical, or mechanical output necessary for the operating requirements of its host facility) shall be required to install primary frequency response capability in accordance with the droop and deadband capability requirements specified in Article 9.6.4, but shall be otherwise exempt from the operating requirements in Articles 9.6.4, 9.6.4.1, 9.6.4.2, and 9.6.4.4 of this Agreement.

9.6.4.4 Electric Storage Resources.

Interconnection Customer interconnecting a Generating Facility that contains an electric storage resource shall establish an operating range in Appendix C of its PLGIA that specifies a minimum state of charge and a maximum state of charge between which the electric storage resource will be required to provide primary frequency response consistent with the conditions set forth in Articles 9.6.4, 9.6.4.1, 9.6.4.2, and 9.6.4.3 of this Agreement. Appendix C shall specify whether the operating range is static or dynamic, and shall consider (1) the expected magnitude of frequency deviations in the interconnection; (2) the expected duration that system frequency will remain outside of the deadband parameter in the interconnection; (3) the expected incidence of frequency deviations outside of the deadband parameter in the interconnection; (4) the physical capabilities of the electric storage resource; (5) operational limitations of the electric storage resource due to manufacturer specifications; and (6) any other relevant factors agreed to by Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer, and in consultation with the relevant transmission owner or balancing authority as appropriate. If the operating range is dynamic, then Appendix C must establish how frequently the operating range will be reevaluated and the factors that may be considered during its reevaluation.

Interconnection Customer's electric storage resource is required to provide timely and sustained primary frequency response consistent with Article 9.6.4.2 of this Agreement when it is online and dispatched to inject electricity to the Transmission System and/or receive electricity from the Transmission System. This excludes circumstances when the electric storage resource is not

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dispatched to inject electricity to the Transmission System and/or dispatched to receive electricity from the Transmission System. If Interconnection Customer's electric storage resource is charging at the time of a frequency deviation outside of its deadband parameter, it is to increase (for over-frequency deviations) or decrease (for under-frequency deviations) the rate at which it is charging in accordance with its droop parameter. Interconnection Customer's electric storage resource is not required to change from charging to discharging, or vice versa, unless the response necessitated by the droop and deadband settings requires it to do so and it is technically capable of making such a transition.

9.7 Outages and Interruptions.

9.7.1 Outages.

9.7.1.1 Outage Authority and Coordination.

Each Party may in accordance with Good Utility Practice in coordination with the other Party remove from service any of its respective Interconnection Facilities or Network Upgrades that may impact the other Party's facilities as necessary to perform maintenance or testing or to install or replace equipment. Absent an Emergency Condition, the Party scheduling a removal of such facility(ies) from service will use Reasonable Efforts to schedule such removal on a date and time mutually acceptable to the Parties. In all circumstances, any Party planning to remove such facility(ies) from service shall use Reasonable Efforts to minimize the effect on the other Party of such removal.

9.7.1.2 Outage Schedules.

Transmission Provider shall post scheduled outages of its transmission facilities on the OASIS. Interconnection Customer shall submit its planned maintenance schedules for the Large Generating Facility to Transmission Provider for a minimum of a rolling twenty-four month period. Interconnection Customer shall update its planned maintenance schedules as necessary. Transmission Provider may request Interconnection Customer to reschedule its maintenance as necessary to maintain the reliability of the Transmission System; provided, however, adequacy of generation supply shall not be a criterion in determining Transmission System reliability. Transmission Provider shall compensate Interconnection Customer for any additional direct costs that Interconnection Customer incurs as a result of having to reschedule maintenance, including any additional overtime, breaking of maintenance contracts or other costs above and beyond the cost Interconnection Customer would have incurred Provider's absent Transmission request to reschedule maintenance. Interconnection Customer will not be eligible to

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receive compensation, if during the twelve (12) months prior to the date of the scheduled maintenance, Interconnection Customer had modified its schedule of maintenance activities.

9.7.1.3 Outage Restoration.

If an outage on a Party's Interconnection Facilities or Network Upgrades adversely affects the other Party's operations or facilities, the Party that owns or controls the facility that is out of service shall use Reasonable Efforts to promptly restore such facility(ies) to a normal operating condition consistent with the nature of the outage. The Party that owns or controls the facility that is out of service shall provide the other Party, to the extent such information is known, information on the nature of the Emergency Condition, an estimated time of restoration, and any corrective actions required. Initial verbal notice shall be followed up as soon as practicable with written notice explaining the nature of the outage.

9.7.2 Interruption of Service.

If required by Good Utility Practice to do so, Transmission Provider may require Interconnection Customer to interrupt or reduce deliveries of electricity if such delivery of electricity could adversely affect Transmission Provider's ability to perform such activities as are necessary to safely and reliably operate and maintain the Transmission System. The following provisions shall apply to any interruption or reduction permitted under this Article 9.7.2:

- **9.7.2.1** The interruption or reduction shall continue only for so long as reasonably necessary under Good Utility Practice;
- 9.7.2.2 Any such interruption or reduction shall be made on an equitable, non-discriminatory basis with respect to all generating facilities directly connected to the Transmission System;
- 9.7.2.3 When the interruption or reduction must be made under circumstances which do not allow for advance notice, Transmission Provider shall notify Interconnection Customer by telephone as soon as practicable of the reasons for the curtailment, interruption, or reduction, and, if known, its expected duration. Telephone notification shall be followed by written notification as soon as practicable;
- 9.7.2.4 Except during the existence of an Emergency Condition, when the interruption or reduction can be scheduled without advance notice, Transmission Provider shall notify Interconnection Customer in advance regarding the timing of such scheduling and further notify Interconnection Customer of the expected duration. Transmission Provider shall coordinate with Interconnection Customer using Good Utility Practice to schedule the interruption or reduction during

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periods of least impact to Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider; and

9.7.2.5 The Parties shall cooperate and coordinate with each other to the extent necessary in order to restore the Large Generating Facility, Interconnection Facilities, and the Transmission System to their normal operating state, consistent with system conditions and Good Utility Practice.

9.7.3 Ride Through Capability and Performance

The Transmission System is designed to automatically activate a load-shed program as required by the Electric Reliability Organization in the event of an under-frequency system disturbance. Interconnection Customer shall implement under-frequency and over-frequency relay set points for the Large Generating Facility as required by the Electric Reliability Organization to ensure frequency "ride through" capability of the Transmission System. Large Generating Facility response to frequency deviations of pre-determined magnitudes, both under-frequency and over-frequency deviations, shall be studied and coordinated with Transmission Provider in accordance with Good Utility Practice. Interconnection Customer shall also implement under-voltage and over-voltage relay set points, or equivalent electronic controls, as required by the Electric Reliability Organization to ensure voltage "ride through" capability of the Transmission System. The term "ride through" as used herein shall mean the ability of a Generating Facility to stay connected to and synchronized with the Transmission System during system disturbances within a range of under-frequency, over-frequency, undervoltagef and over-voltage conditions, in accordance with Good Utility Practice and consistent with any standards and guidelines that are applied to other Generating Facilities in the Balancing Authority Area on a comparable basis. For abnormal frequency conditions and voltage conditions within the "no trip zone" defined by Reliability Standard PRC-024-3 or successor mandatory ride through reliability standards, the nonsynchronous Large Generating Facility must ensure that, within any physical limitations of the Large Generating Facility, its control and protection settings are configured or set to (1) continue active power production during disturbance and post disturbance periods at predisturbance levels, unless providing primary frequency response or fast frequency response; (2) minimize reductions in active power and remain within dynamic voltage and current limits, if reactive power priority mode is enabled, unless providing primary frequency response or fast frequency response; (3) not artificially limit dynamic reactive power capability during disturbances; and (4) return to pre-disturbance active power levels without artificial ramp rate limits if active power is reduced, unless providing primary frequency response or fast frequency response.

9.7.4 System Protection and Other Control Requirements.

9.7.4.1 System Protection Facilities. Interconnection Customer shall, at its expense, install, operate and maintain System Protection

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Facilities as a part of the Large Generating Facility or Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities. Transmission Provider shall install at Interconnection Customer's expense any System Protection Facilities that may be required on Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities Transmission System as a result of the interconnection of the Large Generating **Facility** and Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities.

- **9.7.4.2** Each Party's protection facilities shall be designed and coordinated with other systems in accordance with Good Utility Practice.
- **9.7.4.3** Each Party shall be responsible for protection of its facilities consistent with Good Utility Practice.
- 9.7.4.4 Each Party's protective relay design shall incorporate the necessary test switches to perform the tests required in Article 6. The required test switches will be placed such that they allow operation of lockout relays while preventing breaker failure schemes from operating and causing unnecessary breaker operations and/or the tripping of Interconnection Customer's units.
- **9.7.4.5** Each Party will test, operate and maintain System Protection Facilities in accordance with Good Utility Practice.
- 9.7.4.6 Prior to the In-Service Date, and again prior to the Commercial Operation Date, each Party or its agent shall perform a complete calibration test and functional trip test of the System Protection Facilities. At intervals suggested by Good Utility Practice and following any apparent malfunction of the System Protection Facilities, each Party shall perform both calibration and functional trip tests of its System Protection Facilities. These tests do not require the tripping of any in-service generation unit. These tests do, however, require that all protective relays and lockout contacts be activated

9.7.5 Requirements for Protection.

In compliance with Good Utility Practice, Interconnection Customer shall provide, install, own, and maintain relays, circuit breakers and all other devices necessary to remove any fault contribution of the Large Generating Facility to any short circuit occurring on the Transmission System not otherwise isolated by Transmission Provider's equipment, such that the removal of the fault contribution shall be coordinated with the protective requirements of the Transmission System. Such protective equipment shall include, without limitation, a disconnecting device or switch with load-interrupting capability located between the Large Generating Facility and the Transmission System at a site selected upon mutual agreement (not to be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed) of the Parties. Interconnection Customer shall be

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responsible for protection of the Large Generating Facility and Interconnection Customer's other equipment from such conditions as negative sequence currents, over- or under-frequency, sudden load rejection, over- or under-voltage, and generator loss-of-field. Interconnection Customer shall be solely responsible to disconnect the Large Generating Facility and Interconnection Customer's other equipment if conditions on the Transmission System could adversely affect the Large Generating Facility.

9.7.6 Power Quality.

Neither Party's facilities shall cause excessive voltage flicker nor introduce excessive distortion to the sinusoidal voltage or current waves as defined by ANSI Standard C84.1-1989, in accordance with IEEE Standard 519, or any applicable superseding electric industry standard. In the event of a conflict between ANSI Standard C84.1-1989, or any applicable superseding electric industry standard, ANSI Standard C84.1-1989, or the applicable superseding electric industry standard, shall control.

9.8 Switching and Tagging Rules.

Each Party shall provide the other Party a copy of its switching and tagging rules that are applicable to the other Party's activities. Such switching and tagging rules shall be developed on a non-discriminatory basis. The Parties shall comply with applicable switching and tagging rules, as amended from time to time, in obtaining clearances for work or for switching operations on equipment.

9.9 Use of Interconnection Facilities by Third Parties.

9.9.1 Purpose of Interconnection Facilities.

Except as may be required by Applicable Laws and Regulations, or as otherwise agreed to among the Parties, the Interconnection Facilities shall be constructed for the sole purpose of interconnecting the Large Generating Facility to the Transmission System and shall be used for no other purpose.

9.9.2 Third Party Users.

If required by Applicable Laws and Regulations or if the Parties mutually agree, such agreement not to be unreasonably withheld, to allow one or more third parties to use Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities, or any part thereof, Interconnection Customer will be entitled to compensation for the capital expenses it incurred in connection with the Interconnection Facilities based upon the pro rata use of the Interconnection Facilities by Transmission Provider, all third party users, and Interconnection Customer, in accordance with Applicable Laws and Regulations or upon some other mutually-agreed upon methodology. In addition, cost responsibility for ongoing costs, including operation and maintenance costs associated with the Interconnection Facilities, will be allocated between Interconnection Customer and any third party users based upon the pro rata use of the Interconnection Facilities by Transmission Provider, all third party users, and Interconnection Customer, in accordance with Applicable Laws and Regulations or upon some other mutually agreed upon methodology. If the issue of such compensation or

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allocation cannot be resolved through such negotiations, it shall be submitted to FERC for resolution.

9.10 Disturbance Analysis Data Exchange.

The Parties will cooperate with one another in the analysis of disturbances to either the Large Generating Facility or Transmission Provider's Transmission System by gathering and providing access to any information relating to any disturbance, including information from oscillography, protective relay targets, breaker operations and sequence of events records, and any disturbance information required by Good Utility Practice

Article 10. Maintenance.

10.1 Transmission Provider Obligations.

Transmission Provider shall maintain the Transmission System and Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities in a safe and reliable manner and in accordance with this PLGIA.

10.2 Interconnection Customer Obligations.

Interconnection Customer shall maintain the Large Generating Facility and Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities in a safe and reliable manner and in accordance with this PLGIA.

10.3 Coordination.

The Parties shall confer regularly to coordinate the planning, scheduling and performance of preventive and corrective maintenance on the Large Generating Facility and the Interconnection Facilities.

10.4 Secondary Systems.

Each Party shall cooperate with the other in the inspection, maintenance, and testing of control or power circuits that operate below 600 volts, AC or DC, including, but not limited to, any hardware, control or protective devices, cables, conductors, electric raceways, secondary equipment panels, transducers, batteries, chargers, and voltage and current transformers that directly affect the operation of a Party's facilities and equipment which may reasonably be expected to impact the other Party. Each Party shall provide advance notice to the other Party before undertaking any work on such circuits, especially on electrical circuits involving circuit breaker trip and close contacts, current transformers, or potential transformers.

10.5 Operating and Maintenance Expenses.

Subject to the provisions herein addressing the use of facilities by others, and except for operations and maintenance expenses associated with modifications made for providing interconnection or transmission service to a third party and such third party pays for such expenses, Interconnection Customer shall be responsible for all reasonable expenses including overheads, associated with: (1) owning, operating, maintaining, repairing, and replacing Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities; and (2) operation, maintenance, repair and replacement of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities.

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Article 11. Performance Obligation.

11.1 Interconnection Customer Interconnection Facilities.

Interconnection Customer shall design, procure, construct, install, own and/or control Interconnection Customer Interconnection Facilities described in Appendix A, Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades and Distribution Upgrades, at its sole expense.

11.2 Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities.

Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner shall design, procure, construct, install, own and/or control the Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities described in Appendix A, Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades and Distribution Upgrades, at the sole expense of the Interconnection Customer.

11.3 Network Upgrades and Distribution Upgrades.

Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner shall design, procure, construct, install, and own the Network Upgrades and Distribution Upgrades described in Appendix A, Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades and Distribution Upgrades. The Interconnection Customer shall be responsible for all costs related to Distribution Upgrades. Unless Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner elects to fund the capital for the Network Upgrades, they shall be solely funded by Interconnection Customer.

11.4 Transmission Credits.

11.4.1 Repayment of Amounts Advanced for Network Upgrades.

Interconnection Customer shall be entitled to a cash repayment, equal to the total amount paid to Transmission Provider and Affected System Operator, if any, for the Network Upgrades, including any tax gross-up or other tax-related payments associated with Network Upgrades, and not refunded to Interconnection Customer pursuant to Article 5.17.8 or otherwise, to be paid to Interconnection Customer on a dollar-for-dollar basis for the non-usage sensitive portion of transmission charges, as payments are made under Transmission Provider's Tariff and Affected System's Tariff for transmission services with respect to the Large Generating Facility. Any repayment shall include interest calculated in accordance with the methodology set forth in FERC's regulations at 18 CFR § 35.19a(a)(2)(iii) from the date of any cash payment for Network Upgrades through the date on which the Interconnection Customer receives a repayment of such payment pursuant to this subparagraph. Interconnection Customer may assign such repayment rights to any person.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, Interconnection Customer, Transmission Provider, and Affected System Operator may adopt any alternative payment schedule that is mutually agreeable so long as Transmission Provider and Affected System Operator take one of the following actions no later than five years from the Commercial Operation Date: (1) return to Interconnection Customer any amounts advanced for Network Upgrades not previously repaid, or (2) declare in writing that Transmission Provider or Affected System

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Operator will continue to provide payments to Interconnection Customer on a dollar-for-dollar basis for the non-usage sensitive portion of transmission charges, or develop an alternative schedule that is mutually agreeable and provides for the return of all amounts advanced for Network Upgrades not previously repaid; however, full reimbursement shall not extend beyond twenty (20) years from the Commercial Operation Date.

If the Large Generating Facility fails to achieve Commercial Operation, but it or another Generating Facility is later constructed and makes use of the Network Upgrades, Transmission Provider and Affected System Operator shall at that time reimburse Interconnection Customer for the amounts advanced for the Network Upgrades. Before any such reimbursement can occur, the Interconnection Customer, or the entity that ultimately constructs the Generating Facility, if different, is responsible for identifying the entity to which reimbursement must be made.

11.4.2 Special Provisions for Affected Systems.

Unless Transmission Provider provides, under the PLGIA, for the repayment of amounts advanced to Affected System Operator for Network Upgrades, Interconnection Customer and Affected System Operator shall enter into an agreement that provides for such repayment. The agreement shall specify the terms governing payments to be made by Interconnection Customer to the Affected System Operator as well as the repayment by the Affected System Operator.

11.4.3 Notwithstanding any other provision of this PLGIA, nothing herein shall be construed as relinquishing or foreclosing any rights, including but not limited to firm transmission rights, capacity rights, transmission congestion rights, or transmission credits, that Interconnection Customer, shall be entitled to, now or in the future under any other agreement or tariff as a result of, or otherwise associated with, the transmission capacity, if any, created by the Network Upgrades, including the right to obtain cash reimbursements or transmission credits for transmission service that is not associated with the Large Generating Facility.

11.5 Provision of Security.

At least thirty (30) Calendar Days prior to the commencement of the procurement, installation, or construction of a discrete portion of a Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades, or Distribution Upgrades, Interconnection Customer shall provide Transmission Provider, at Interconnection Customer's option, a guarantee, a surety bond, letter of credit or other form of security that is reasonably acceptable to Transmission Provider and is consistent with the Uniform Commercial Code of the jurisdiction identified in Article 14.2.1. Such security for payment, as specified in Appendix B of this PLGIA, shall be in an amount sufficient to cover the costs for constructing, procuring and installing the applicable portion of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades, or Distribution Upgrades and shall be reduced on a dollar-for-dollar basis for payments made to Transmission Provider for these purposes. Security is also required for Provisional Interconnection Service, where the

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| additional security is associated with the potential (1) | increased interconnection costs |
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| identified through the full interconnection study and | (2) costs if the Interconnection |
| Customer does not complete the full interconnection pro- | cess. Additional security required |
| for Provisional Interconnection Service is [\$ |] and shall be in the form of an |
| irrevocable letter of credit upon which Transmission Prov | vider may draw. |

In addition:

- The guarantee must be made by an entity that meets the creditworthiness requirements of Transmission Provider, and contain terms and conditions that guarantee payment of any amount that may be due from Interconnection Customer, up to an agreed-to maximum amount.
- 11.5.2 The letter of credit must be issued by a financial institution reasonably acceptable to Transmission Provider and must specify a reasonable expiration date.
- The surety bond must be issued by an insurer reasonably acceptable to Transmission Provider and must specify a reasonable expiration date, such date to be no earlier than one year after the Commercial Operation Date set forth in Appendix B, PLGIA Milestones.

11.6 Interconnection Customer Compensation.

If Transmission Provider requests or directs Interconnection Customer to provide a service pursuant to Articles 9.6.3 (Payment for Reactive Power), or 13.5.1 of this PLGIA, Transmission Provider shall compensate Interconnection Customer in accordance with Interconnection Customer's applicable rate schedule then in effect unless the provision of such service(s) is subject to an RTO or ISO FERC-approved rate schedule. Interconnection Customer shall serve Transmission Provider or RTO or ISO with any filing of a proposed rate schedule at the time of such filing with FERC. To the extent that no rate schedule is in effect at the time the Interconnection Customer is required to provide or absorb any Reactive Power under this PLGIA, Transmission Provider agrees to compensate Interconnection Customer in such amount as would have been due Interconnection Customer had the rate schedule been in effect at the time service commenced; provided, however, that such rate schedule must be filed at FERC or other appropriate Governmental Authority within sixty (60) Calendar Days of the commencement of service

11.6.1 Interconnection Customer Compensation for Actions During Emergency Condition.

Transmission Provider or RTO or ISO shall compensate Interconnection Customer for its provision of real and reactive power and other Emergency Condition services that Interconnection Customer provides to support the Transmission System during an Emergency Condition in accordance with Article 11.6.

Article 12. Invoice.

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12.1 General.

Each Party shall submit to the other Party, on a monthly basis, invoices of amounts due for the preceding month. Each invoice shall state the month to which the invoice applies and fully describe the services and equipment provided. The Parties may discharge mutual debts and payment obligations due and owing to each other on the same date through netting, in which case all amounts a Party owes to the other Party under this PLGIA, including interest payments or credits, shall be netted so that only the net amount remaining due shall be paid by the owing Party.

12.2 Final Invoice.

Within six months after completion of the construction of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and the Network Upgrades, Transmission Provider shall provide an invoice of the final cost of the construction of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and the Network Upgrades and shall set forth such costs in sufficient detail to enable Interconnection Customer to compare the actual costs with the estimates and to ascertain deviations, if any, from the cost estimates. Transmission Provider shall refund to Interconnection Customer any amount by which the actual payment by Interconnection Customer for estimated costs exceeds the actual costs of construction within thirty (30) Calendar Days of the issuance of such final construction invoice.

12.3 Payment.

Invoices shall be rendered to the paying Party at the address specified in Appendix F. The Party receiving the invoice shall pay the invoice within thirty (30) Calendar Days of receipt. All payments shall be made in immediately available funds payable to the other Party, or by wire transfer to a bank named and account designated by the invoicing Party. Payment of invoices by either Party will not constitute a waiver of any rights or claims either Party may have under this PLGIA. If Interconnection Customer has not paid the final invoice following a withdrawal within thirty (30) Calendar Days, Transmission Provider shall draw upon the security provided under this PLGIA to settle all accounts, which shall include any offsets of amounts due and owing by Transmission Provider. After the final invoice is paid and all accounts are settled, Transmission Provider shall refund all remaining security.

12.4 Disputes.

In the event of a billing dispute between Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer, Transmission Provider shall continue to provide Interconnection Service under this PLGIA as long as Interconnection Customer: (i) continues to make all payments not in dispute; and (ii) pays to Transmission Provider or into an independent escrow account the portion of the invoice in dispute, pending resolution of such dispute. If Interconnection Customer fails to meet these two requirements for continuation of service, then Transmission Provider may provide notice to Interconnection Customer of a Default pursuant to Article 17. Within thirty (30) Calendar Days after the resolution of the dispute, the Party that owes money to the other Party shall pay the amount due with interest calculated in accord with the methodology set forth in FERC's regulations at 18 CFR § 35.19a(a)(2)(iii)

Article 13. Emergencies

13.1 Definition.

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Emergency Condition" shall mean a condition or situation: (i) that in the judgment of the Party making the claim is imminently likely to endanger life or property; (ii) that, in the case of Transmission Provider, is imminently likely (as determined in a non-discriminatory manner) to cause a material adverse effect on the security of, or damage to the Transmission System, Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities or the Transmission Systems of others to which the Transmission System is directly connected; or (iii) that, in the case of Interconnection Customer, is imminently likely (as determined in a non-discriminatory manner) to cause a material adverse effect on the security of, or damage to, the Large Generating Facility or Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities. System restoration and black start shall be considered Emergency Conditions; provided, that Interconnection Customer is not obligated by this PLGIA to possess black start capability.

13.2 Obligations.

Each Party shall comply with the Emergency Condition procedures of the applicable ISO/RTO, the Electric Reliability Organization, Applicable Laws and Regulations, and any emergency procedures agreed to by the Joint Operating Committee.

13.3 Notice.

Transmission Provider shall notify Interconnection Customer promptly when it becomes aware of an Emergency Condition that affects Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities or the Transmission System that may reasonably be expected to affect Interconnection Customer's operation of the Large Generating Facility or Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities. Interconnection Customer shall notify Transmission Provider promptly when it becomes aware of an Emergency Condition that affects the Large Generating Facility or Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities that may reasonably be expected to affect the Transmission System or Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities. To the extent information is known, the notification shall describe the Emergency Condition, the extent of the damage or deficiency, the expected effect on the operation of Interconnection Customer's or Transmission Provider's facilities and operations, its anticipated duration and the corrective action taken and/or to be taken. The initial notice shall be followed as soon as practicable with written notice.

13.4 Immediate Action.

Unless, in Interconnection Customer's reasonable judgment, immediate action is required, Interconnection Customer shall obtain the consent of Transmission Provider, such consent to not be unreasonably withheld, prior to performing any manual switching operations at the Large Generating Facility or Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities in response to an Emergency Condition either declared by Transmission Provider or otherwise regarding the Transmission System.

13.5 Transmission Provider Authority.

13.5.1 General.

Transmission Provider may take whatever actions or inactions with regard to the Transmission System or Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities it deems necessary during an Emergency Condition in order to (i) preserve public health and safety, (ii) preserve the reliability of the Transmission System

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or Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities, (iii) limit or prevent damage, and (iv) expedite restoration of service.

Transmission Provider shall use Reasonable Efforts to minimize the effect of such actions or inactions on the Large Generating Facility or Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities. Transmission Provider may, on the basis of technical considerations, require the Large Generating Facility to mitigate an Emergency Condition by taking actions necessary and limited in scope to remedy the Emergency Condition, including, but not limited to, directing Interconnection Customer to shut-down, start-up, increase or decrease the real or reactive power output of the Large Generating Facility; implementing a reduction or disconnection pursuant to Article 13.5.2; directing Interconnection Customer to assist with blackstart (if available) or restoration efforts; or altering the outage schedules of the Large Generating Facility and Customer's Interconnection Facilities. Interconnection Interconnection Customer shall comply with all of Transmission Provider's operating instructions concerning Large Generating Facility real power and reactive power output within the manufacturer's design limitations of the Large Generating Facility's equipment that is in service and physically available for operation at the time, in compliance with Applicable Laws and Regulations.

13.5.2 Reduction and Disconnection.

Transmission Provider may reduce Interconnection Service or disconnect the Large Generating Facility or Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities, when such, reduction or disconnection is necessary under Good Utility Practice due to Emergency Conditions. These rights are separate and distinct from any right of curtailment of Transmission Provider pursuant to Transmission Provider's Tariff. When Transmission Provider can schedule the reduction or disconnection in advance, Transmission Provider shall notify Interconnection Customer of the reasons, timing and expected duration of the reduction or disconnection. Transmission Provider shall coordinate with Interconnection Customer using Good Utility Practice to schedule the reduction or disconnection during periods of least impact to Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider. Any reduction or disconnection shall continue only for so long as reasonably necessary under Good Utility Practice. The Parties shall cooperate with each other to restore the Large Generating Facility, the Interconnection Facilities, and the Transmission System to their normal operating state as soon as practicable consistent with Good Utility Practice.

13.6 Interconnection Customer Authority.

Consistent with Good Utility Practice and the PLGIA and the LGIP, Interconnection Customer may take actions or inactions with regard to the Large Generating Facility or Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities during an Emergency Condition in order to (i) preserve public health and safety, (ii) preserve the reliability of the Large Generating Facility or Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities, (iii) limit or prevent damage, and (iv) expedite restoration of service. Interconnection Customer shall use Reasonable Efforts to minimize the effect of such actions or inactions on the Transmission System and Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities.

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Transmission Provider shall use Reasonable Efforts to assist Interconnection Customer in such actions.

13.7 Limited Liability.

Except as otherwise provided in Article 11.6.1 of this PLGIA, neither Party shall be liable to the other for any action it takes in responding to an Emergency Condition so long as such action is made in good faith and is consistent with Good Utility Practice.

Article 14. Regulatory Requirements and Governing Law

14.1 Regulatory Requirements.

Each Party's obligations under this PLGIA shall be subject to its receipt of any required approval or certificate from one or more Governmental Authorities in the form and substance satisfactory to the applying Party, or the Party making any required filings with, or providing notice to, such Governmental Authorities, and the expiration of any time period associated therewith. Each Party shall in good faith seek and use its Reasonable Efforts to obtain such other approvals. Nothing in this PLGIA shall require Interconnection Customer to take any action that could result in its inability to obtain, or its loss of, status or exemption under the Federal Power Act, the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935, as amended, or the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1978.

14.2 Governing Law.

- 14.2.1 The validity, interpretation and performance of this PLGIA and each of its provisions shall be governed by the laws of the state where the Point of Interconnection is located, without regard to its conflicts of law principles.
- **14.2.2** This PLGIA is subject to all Applicable Laws and Regulations.
- **14.2.3** Each Party expressly reserves the right to seek changes in, appeal, or otherwise contest any laws, orders, rules, or regulations of a Governmental Authority.

Article 15. Notices

15.1 General.

Unless otherwise provided in this PLGIA, any notice, demand or request required or permitted to be given by either Party to the other and any instrument required or permitted to be tendered or delivered by either Party in writing to the other shall be effective when delivered and may be so given, tendered or delivered, by recognized national courier, or by depositing the same with the United States Postal Service with postage prepaid, for delivery by certified or registered mail, addressed to the Party, or personally delivered to the Party, at the address set out in Appendix F, Addresses for Delivery of Notices and Billings.

Either Party may change the notice information in this PLGIA by giving five (5) Business Days written notice prior to the effective date of the change.

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15.2 Billings and Payments.

Billings and payments shall be sent to the addresses set out in Appendix F.

15.3 Alternative Forms of Notice.

Any notice or request required or permitted to be given by a Party to the other and not required by this Agreement to be given in writing may be so given by telephone, facsimile or email to the telephone numbers and email addresses set out in Appendix F.

15.4 Operations and Maintenance Notice.

Each Party shall notify the other Party in writing of the identity of the person(s) that it designates as the point(s) of contact with respect to the implementation of Articles 9 and 10

Article 16. Force Majeure

16.1 Force Majeure.

16.1.1 Economic hardship is not considered a Force Majeure event.

16.1.2 Neither Party shall be considered to be in Default with respect to any obligation hereunder, (including obligations under Article 4), other than the obligation to pay money when due, if prevented from fulfilling such obligation by Force Majeure. A Party unable to fulfill any obligation hereunder (other than an obligation to pay money when due) by reason of Force Majeure shall give notice and the full particulars of such Force Majeure to the other Party in writing or by telephone as soon as reasonably possible after the occurrence of the cause relied upon. Telephone notices given pursuant to this article shall be confirmed in writing as soon as reasonably possible and shall specifically state full particulars of the Force Majeure, the time and date when the Force Majeure occurred and when the Force Majeure is reasonably expected to cease. The Party affected shall exercise due diligence to remove such disability with reasonable dispatch, but shall not be required to accede or agree to any provision not satisfactory to it in order to settle and terminate a strike or other labor disturbance.

Article 17. Default

17.1 Default.

17.1.1 General.

No Default shall exist where such failure to discharge an obligation (other than the payment of money) is the result of Force Majeure as defined in this PLGIA or the result of an act of omission of the other Party. Upon a Breach, the non-breaching Party shall give written notice of such Breach to the breaching Party. Except as provided in Article 17.1.2, the breaching Party shall have thirty (30) Calendar Days from receipt of the Default notice within which to cure such Breach; provided however, if such Breach is not capable of cure within thirty

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(30) Calendar Days, the breaching Party shall commence such cure within thirty (30) Calendar Days after notice and continuously and diligently complete such cure within ninety (90) Calendar Days from receipt of the Default notice; and, if cured within such time, the Breach specified in such notice shall cease to exist.

17.1.2 Right to Terminate.

If a Breach is not cured as provided in this article, or if a Breach is not capable of being cured within the period provided for herein, the non-breaching Party shall have the right to declare a Default and terminate this PLGIA by written notice at any time until cure occurs, and be relieved of any further obligation hereunder and, whether or not that Party terminates this PLGIA, to recover from the breaching Party all amounts due hereunder, plus all other damages and remedies to which it is entitled at law or in equity. The provisions of this article will survive termination of this PLGIA.

17.2 Violation of Operating Assumptions for Generating Facilities. If Transmission Provider requires Interconnection Customer to memorialize the operating assumptions for the charging behavior of a Generating Facility that includes at least one electric storage resource in Appendix H of this PLGIA, Transmission Provider may consider Interconnection Customer to be in Breach of the PLGIA if Interconnection Customer fails to operate the Generating Facility in accordance with those operating assumptions for charging behavior. However, if Interconnection Customer operates contrary to the operating assumptions for charging behavior specified in Appendix H of this PLGIA at the direction of Transmission Provider, Transmission Provider shall not consider Interconnection Customer in Breach of this PLGIA.

Article 18. Indemnity, Consequential Damages and Insurance

18.1 Indemnity.

The Parties shall at all times indemnify, defend, and hold the other Party harmless from, any and all damages, losses, claims, including claims and actions relating to injury to or death of any person or damage to property, demand, suits, recoveries, costs and expenses, court costs, attorney fees, and all other obligations by or to third parties, arising out of or resulting from the other Party's action or inactions of its obligations under this PLGIA on behalf of the Indemnifying Party, except in cases of gross negligence or intentional wrongdoing by the Indemnified Party.

18.1.1 Indemnified Person.

If an Indemnified Person is entitled to indemnification under this Article 18 as a result of a claim by a third party, and the Indemnifying Party fails, after notice and reasonable opportunity to proceed under Article 18.1, to assume the defense of such claim, such Indemnified Person may at the expense of the Indemnifying Party contest, settle or consent to the entry of any judgment with respect to, or pay in full, such claim.

18.1.2 Indemnifying Party.

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If an Indemnifying Party is obligated to indemnify and hold any Indemnified Person harmless under this Article 18, the amount owing to the Indemnified Person shall be the amount of such Indemnified Person's actual Loss, net of any insurance or other recovery.

18.1.3 Indemnity Procedures.

Promptly after receipt by an Indemnified Person of any claim or notice of the commencement of any action or administrative or legal proceeding or investigation as to which the indemnity provided for in Article 18.1 may apply, the Indemnified Person shall notify the Indemnifying Party of such fact. Any failure of or delay in such notification shall not affect a Party's indemnification obligation unless such failure or delay is materially prejudicial to the Indemnifying Party.

The Indemnifying Party shall have the right to assume the defense thereof with counsel designated by such Indemnifying Party and reasonably satisfactory to the Indemnified Person. If the defendants in any such action include one or more Indemnified Persons and the Indemnifying Party and if the Indemnified Person reasonably concludes that there may be legal defenses available to it and/or other Indemnified Persons which are different from or additional to those available to the Indemnifying Party, the Indemnified Person shall have the right to select separate counsel to assert such legal defenses and to otherwise participate in the defense of such action on its own behalf. In such instances, the Indemnifying Party shall only be required to pay the fees and expenses of one additional attorney to represent an Indemnified Person or Indemnified Persons having such differing or additional legal defenses.

The Indemnified Person shall be entitled, at its expense, to participate in any such action, suit or proceeding, the defense of which has been assumed by the Indemnifying Party. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Indemnifying Party (i) shall not be entitled to assume and control the defense of any such action, suit or proceedings if and to the extent that, in the opinion of the Indemnified Person and its counsel, such action, suit or proceeding involves the potential imposition of criminal liability on the Indemnified Person, or there exists a conflict or adversity of interest between the Indemnified Person and the Indemnifying Party, in such event the Indemnifying Party shall pay the reasonable expenses of the Indemnified Person, and (ii) shall not settle or consent to the entry of any judgment in any action, suit or proceeding without the consent of the Indemnified Person, which shall not be reasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed.

18.2 Consequential Damages.

Other than the Liquidated Damages heretofore described, in no event shall either Party be liable under any provision of this PLGIA for any losses, damages, costs or expenses for any special, indirect, incidental, consequential, or punitive damages, including but not limited to loss of profit or revenue, loss of the use of equipment, cost of capital, cost of temporary equipment or services, whether based in whole or in part in contract, in tort, including negligence, strict liability, or any other theory of liability; provided, however, that

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damages for which a Party may be liable to the other Party under another agreement will not be considered to be special, indirect, incidental, or consequential damages hereunder.

18.3 Insurance.

Each party shall, at its own expense, maintain in force throughout the period of this PLGIA, and until released by the other Party, the following minimum insurance coverages, with insurers authorized to do business in the state where the Point of Interconnection is located:

- 18.3.1 Employers' Liability and Workers' Compensation Insurance providing statutory benefits in accordance with the laws and regulations of the state in which the Point of Interconnection is located.
- 18.3.2 Commercial General Liability Insurance including premises and operations, personal injury, broad form property damage, broad form blanket contractual liability coverage (including coverage for the contractual indemnification) products and completed operations coverage, coverage for explosion, collapse and underground hazards, independent contractors coverage, coverage for pollution to the extent normally available and punitive damages to the extent normally available and a cross liability endorsement, with minimum limits of One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000) per occurrence/One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000) aggregate combined single limit for personal injury, bodily injury, including death and property damage.
- 18.3.3 Comprehensive Automobile Liability Insurance for coverage of owned and non-owned and hired vehicles, trailers or semi-trailers designed for travel on public roads, with a minimum, combined single limit of One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000) per occurrence for bodily injury, including death, and property damage.
- 18.3.4 Excess Public Liability Insurance over and above the Employers' Liability Commercial General Liability and Comprehensive Automobile Liability Insurance coverage, with a minimum combined single limit of Twenty Million Dollars (\$20,000,000) per occurrence/Twenty Million Dollars (\$20,000,000) aggregate.
- 18.3.5 The Commercial General Liability Insurance, Comprehensive Automobile Insurance and Excess Public Liability Insurance policies shall name the other Party, its parent, associated and Affiliate companies and their respective directors, officers, agents, servants and employees ("Other Party Group") as additional insured. All policies shall contain provisions whereby the insurers waive all rights of subrogation in accordance with the provisions of this PLGIA against the Other Party Group and provide thirty (30) Calendar Days advance written notice to the Other Party Group prior to anniversary date of cancellation or any material change in coverage or condition.
- **18.3.6** The Commercial General Liability Insurance, Comprehensive Automobile Liability Insurance and Excess Public Liability Insurance policies shall contain

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provisions that specify that the policies are primary and shall apply to such extent without consideration for other policies separately carried and shall state that each insured is provided coverage as though a separate policy had been issued to each, except the insurer's liability shall not be increased beyond the amount for which the insurer would have been liable had only one insured been covered. Each Party shall be responsible for its respective deductibles or retentions.

- The Commercial General Liability Insurance, Comprehensive Automobile Liability Insurance and Excess Public Liability Insurance policies, if written on a Claims First Made Basis, shall be maintained in full force and effect for two (2) years after termination of this PLGIA, which coverage may be in the form of tail coverage or extended reporting period coverage if agreed by the Parties.
- 18.3.8 The requirements contained herein as to the types and limits of all insurance to be maintained by the Parties are not intended to and shall not in any manner, limit or qualify the liabilities and obligations assumed by the Parties under this PLGIA.
- 18.3.9 Within ten (10) Calendar Days following execution of this PLGIA, and as soon as practicable after the end of each fiscal year or at the renewal of the insurance policy and in any event within ninety (90) Calendar Days thereafter, each Party shall provide certification of all insurance required in this PLGIA, executed by each insurer or by an authorized representative of each insurer.
- 18.3.10 In addition to the foregoing, each Party may self-insure to meet the minimum insurance requirements of Articles 18.3.2 through 18.3.8 to the extent it maintains a self-insurance program; provided that, such Party's self-insurance program meets the minimum insurance requirements of Articles 18.3.2 through 18.3.8. In the event that a Party is permitted to self-insure pursuant to this article, it shall certify to the other Party with a letter of self-insurance that it meets the requirements to self-insure and that its self-insurance program meets the minimum insurance requirements in a manner consistent with that specified in Article 18.3.9.
- 18.3.11 The Parties agree to report to each other in writing as soon as practical all accidents or occurrences resulting in injuries to any person, including death, and any property damage arising out of this PLGIA.

Article 19. Assignment

19.1 Assignment.

This PLGIA may be assigned by either Party only with the written consent of the other; provided that either Party may assign this PLGIA without the consent of the other Party to any Affiliate of the assigning Party with an equal or greater credit rating and with the legal authority and operational ability to satisfy the obligations of the assigning Party under this PLGIA; and provided further that Interconnection Customer shall have the right to assign this PLGIA, without the consent of Transmission Provider, for collateral security purposes

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to aid in providing financing for the Large Generating Facility, provided that Interconnection Customer will promptly notify Transmission Provider of any such assignment. Any financing arrangement entered into by Interconnection Customer pursuant to this article will provide that prior to or upon the exercise of the secured party's, trustee's or mortgagee's assignment rights pursuant to said arrangement, the secured creditor, the trustee or mortgagee will notify Transmission Provider of the date and particulars of any such exercise of assignment right(s), including providing the Transmission Provider with proof that it meets the requirements of Articles 11.5 and 18.3. Any attempted assignment that violates this article is void and ineffective. Any assignment under this PLGIA shall not relieve a Party of its obligations, nor shall a Party's obligations be enlarged, in whole or in part, by reason thereof. Where required, consent to assignment will not be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed.

Article 20. Severability

20.1 Severability. If any provision in this PLGIA is finally determined to be invalid, void or unenforceable by any court or other Governmental Authority having jurisdiction, such determination shall not invalidate, void or make unenforceable any other provision, agreement or covenant of this PLGIA; provided that if Interconnection Customer (or any third party, but only if such third party is not acting at the direction of Transmission Provider) seeks and obtains such a final determination with respect to any provision of the Alternate Option (Article 5.1.2), or the Negotiated Option (Article 5.1.4), then none of these provisions shall thereafter have any force or effect and the Parties' rights and obligations shall be governed solely by the Standard Option (Article 5.1.1)

Article 21. Comparability

21.1 Comparability.

The Parties will comply with all applicable comparability and code of conduct laws, rules and regulations, as amended from time to time.

Article 22. Confidentiality

22.1 Confidentiality.

Confidential Information shall include, without limitation, all information relating to a Party's technology, research and development, business affairs, and pricing, and any information supplied by either of the Parties to the other prior to the execution of this PLGIA.

Information is Confidential Information only if it is clearly designated or marked in writing as confidential on the face of the document, or, if the information is conveyed orally or by inspection, if the Party providing the information orally informs the Party receiving the information that the information is confidential.

If requested by either Party, the other Party shall provide in writing, the basis for asserting that the information referred to in this Article 22 warrants confidential treatment, and the requesting Party may disclose such writing to the appropriate Governmental Authority. Each Party shall be responsible for the costs associated with affording confidential treatment to its information.

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22.1.1 Term.

During the term of this PLGIA, and for a period of three (3) years after the expiration or termination of this PLGIA, except as otherwise provided in this Article 22, each Party shall hold in confidence and shall not disclose to any person Confidential Information.

22.1.2 Scope.

Confidential Information shall not include information that the receiving Party can demonstrate: (1) is generally available to the public other than as a result of a disclosure by the receiving Party; (2) was in the lawful possession of the receiving Party on a non-confidential basis before receiving it from the disclosing Party; (3) was supplied to the receiving Party without restriction by a third party, who, to the knowledge of the receiving Party after due inquiry, was under no obligation to the disclosing Party to keep such information confidential; (4) was independently developed by the receiving Party without reference to Confidential Information of the disclosing Party; (5) is, or becomes, publicly known, through no wrongful act or omission of the receiving Party or Breach of this PLGIA; or (6) is required, in accordance with Article 22.1.7 of the PLGIA, Order of Disclosure, to be disclosed by any Governmental Authority or is otherwise required to be disclosed by law or subpoena, or is necessary in any legal proceeding establishing rights and obligations under this PLGIA. Information designated as Confidential Information will no longer be deemed confidential if the Party that designated the information as confidential notifies the other Party that it no longer is confidential.

22.1.3 Release of Confidential Information.

Neither Party shall release or disclose Confidential Information to any other person, except to its Affiliates (limited by the Standards of Conduct requirements), subcontractors, employees, consultants, or to parties who may be or considering providing financing to or equity participation with Interconnection Customer, or to potential purchasers or assignees of Interconnection Customer, on a need-to-know basis in connection with this PLGIA, unless such person has first been advised of the confidentiality provisions of this Article 22 and has agreed to comply with such provisions. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a Party providing Confidential Information to any person shall remain primarily responsible for any release of Confidential Information in contravention of this Article 22.

22.1.4 Rights.

Each Party retains all rights, title, and interest in the Confidential Information that each Party discloses to the other Party. The disclosure by each Party to the other Party of Confidential Information shall not be deemed a waiver by either Party or any other person or entity of the right to protect the Confidential Information from public disclosure.

22.1.5 No Warranties.

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By providing Confidential Information, neither Party makes any warranties or representations as to its accuracy or completeness. In addition, by supplying Confidential Information, neither Party obligates itself to provide any particular information or Confidential Information to the other Party nor to enter into any further agreements or proceed with any other relationship or joint venture.

22.1.6 Standard of Care.

Each Party shall use at least the same standard of care to protect Confidential Information it receives as it uses to protect its own Confidential Information from unauthorized disclosure, publication or dissemination. Each Party may use Confidential Information solely to fulfill its obligations to the other Party under this PLGIA or its regulatory requirements.

22.1.7 Order of Disclosure.

If a court or a Government Authority or entity with the right, power, and apparent authority to do so requests or requires either Party, by subpoena, oral deposition, interrogatories, requests for production of documents, administrative order, or otherwise, to disclose Confidential Information, that Party shall provide the other Party with prompt notice of such request(s) or requirement(s) so that the other Party may seek an appropriate protective order or waive compliance with the terms of this PLGIA. Notwithstanding the absence of a protective order or waiver, the Party may disclose such Confidential Information which, in the opinion of its counsel, the Party is legally compelled to disclose. Each Party will use Reasonable Efforts to obtain reliable assurance that confidential treatment will be accorded any Confidential Information so furnished.

22.1.8 Termination of Agreement.

Upon termination of this PLGIA for any reason, each Party shall, within ten (10) Calendar Days of receipt of a written request from the other Party, use Reasonable Efforts to destroy, erase, or delete (with such destruction, erasure, and deletion certified in writing to the other Party) or return to the other Party, without retaining copies thereof, any and all written or electronic Confidential Information received from the other Party.

22.1.9 Remedies.

The Parties agree that monetary damages would be inadequate to compensate a Party for the other Party's Breach of its obligations under this Article 22. Each Party accordingly agrees that the other Party shall be entitled to equitable relief, by way of injunction or otherwise, if the first Party Breaches or threatens to Breach its obligations under this Article 22, which equitable relief shall be granted without bond or proof of damages, and the receiving Party shall not plead in defense that there would be an adequate remedy at law. Such remedy shall not be deemed an exclusive remedy for the Breach of this Article 22, but shall be in addition to all other remedies available at law or in equity. The Parties further acknowledge and agree that the covenants contained herein are necessary for the protection of legitimate business interests and are reasonable in scope. No Party, however, shall be liable for

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indirect, incidental, or consequential or punitive damages of any nature or kind resulting from or arising in connection with this Article 22.

22.1.10 Disclosure to FERC, its Staff, or a State.

Notwithstanding anything in this Article 22 to the contrary, and pursuant to 18 CFR section 1b.20, if FERC or its staff, during the course of an investigation or otherwise, requests information from one of the Parties that is otherwise required to be maintained in confidence pursuant to this PLGIA, the Party shall provide the requested information to FERC or its staff, within the time provided for in the request for information. In providing the information to FERC or its staff, the Party must, consistent with 18 CFR section 388.112, request that the information be treated as confidential and non-public by FERC and its staff and that the information be withheld from public disclosure. Parties are prohibited from notifying the other Party to this PLGIA prior to the release of the Confidential Information to FERC or its staff. The Party shall notify the other Party to the PLGIA when it is notified by FERC or its staff that a request to release Confidential Information has been received by FERC, at which time either of the Parties may respond before such information would be made public, pursuant to 18 CFR section 388.112. Requests from a state regulatory body conducting a confidential investigation shall be treated in a similar manner if consistent with the applicable state rules and regulations.

22.1.11 Subject to the exception in Article 22.1.10, any information that a Party claims is competitively sensitive, commercial or financial information under this PLGIA ("Confidential Information") shall not be disclosed by the other Party to any person not employed or retained by the other Party, except to the extent disclosure is (i) required by law; (ii) reasonably deemed by the disclosing Party to be required to be disclosed in connection with a dispute between or among the Parties, or the defense of litigation or dispute; (iii) otherwise permitted by consent of the other Party, such consent not to be unreasonably withheld; or (iv) necessary to fulfill its obligations under this PLGIA or as a transmission service provider or a Balancing Authority Area operator including disclosing the Confidential Information to an RTO or ISO or to a regional or national reliability organization. The Party asserting confidentiality shall notify the other Party in writing of the information it claims is confidential. Prior to any disclosures of the other Party's Confidential Information under this subparagraph, or if any third party or Governmental Authority makes any request or demand for any of the information described in this subparagraph, the disclosing Party agrees to promptly notify the other Party in writing and agrees to assert confidentiality and cooperate with the other Party in seeking to protect the Confidential Information from public disclosure by confidentiality agreement, protective order or other reasonable measures.

Article 23. Environmental Releases

23.1 Each Party shall notify the other Party, first orally and then in writing, of the release of any Hazardous Substances, any asbestos or lead abatement activities, or any type of remediation activities related to the Large Generating Facility or the Interconnection

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Facilities, each of which may reasonably be expected to affect the other Party. The notifying Party shall: (i) provide the notice as soon as practicable, provided such Party makes a good faith effort to provide the notice no later than twenty-four hours after such Party becomes aware of the occurrence; and (ii) promptly furnish to the other Party copies of any publicly available reports filed with any Governmental Authorities addressing such events.

Article 24. Information Requirements

24.1 Information Acquisition.

Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer shall submit specific information regarding the electrical characteristics of their respective facilities to each other as described below and in accordance with Applicable Reliability Standards.

24.2 Information Submission by Transmission Provider.

The initial information submission by Transmission Provider shall occur no later than one hundred eighty (180) Calendar Days prior to Trial Operation and shall include Transmission System information necessary to allow Interconnection Customer to select equipment and meet any system protection and stability requirements, unless otherwise agreed to by the Parties. On a monthly basis Transmission Provider shall provide Interconnection Customer a status report on the construction and installation of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades, including, but not limited to, the following information: (1) progress to date; (2) a description of the activities since the last report (3) a description of the action items for the next period; and (4) the delivery status of equipment ordered.

24.3 Updated Information Submission by Interconnection Customer.

The updated information submission by Interconnection Customer, including manufacturer information, shall occur no later than one-hundred eighty (180) Calendar Days prior to the Trial Operation. Interconnection Customer shall submit a completed copy of the Large Generating Facility data requirements contained in Appendix 1 to the LGIP. It shall also include any additional information provided to Transmission Provider for the Cluster Study and Interconnection Facilities Study. Information in this submission shall be the most current Large Generating Facility design or expected performance data. Information submitted for stability models shall be compatible with Transmission Provider standard models. If there is no compatible model, Interconnection Customer will work with a consultant mutually agreed to by the Parties to develop and supply a standard model and associated information.

If Interconnection Customer's data is materially different from what was originally provided to Transmission Provider pursuant to the Interconnection Study Agreement between Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer, then Transmission Provider will conduct appropriate studies to determine the impact on Transmission Provider Transmission System based on the actual data submitted pursuant to this Article 24.3. Interconnection Customer shall not begin Trial Operation until such studies are completed.

24.4 Information Supplementation.

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Prior to the Commercial Operation Date, the Parties shall supplement their information submissions described above in this Article 24 with any and all "as-built" Large Generating Facility information or "as-tested" performance information that differs from the initial submissions or, alternatively, written confirmation that no such differences exist. The Interconnection Customer shall conduct tests on the Large Generating Facility as required by Good Utility Practice such as an open circuit "step voltage" test on the Large Generating Facility to verify proper operation of the Large Generating Facility's automatic voltage regulator.

Unless otherwise agreed, the test conditions shall include: (1) Large Generating Facility at synchronous speed; (2) automatic voltage regulator on and in voltage control mode; and (3) a five percent change in Large Generating Facility terminal voltage initiated by a change in the voltage regulators reference voltage. Interconnection Customer shall provide validated test recordings showing the responses of Large Generating Facility terminal and field voltages. In the event that direct recordings of these voltages is impractical, recordings of other voltages or currents that mirror the response of the Large Generating Facility's terminal or field voltage are acceptable if information necessary to translate these alternate quantities to actual Large Generating Facility terminal or field voltages is provided. Large Generating Facility testing shall be conducted and results provided to Transmission Provider for each individual generating unit in a station.

Subsequent to the Commercial Operation Date, Interconnection Customer shall provide Transmission Provider any information changes due to equipment replacement, repair, or adjustment. Transmission Provider shall provide Interconnection Customer any information changes due to equipment replacement, repair or adjustment in the directly connected substation or any adjacent Transmission Provider-owned substation that may affect Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities equipment ratings, protection or operating requirements. The Parties shall provide such information no later than thirty (30) Calendar Days after the date of the equipment replacement, repair or adjustment.

Article 25. Information Access and Audit Rights

25.1 Information Access.

Each Party (the "disclosing Party") shall make available to the other Party information that is in the possession of the disclosing Party and is necessary in order for the other Party to: (i) verify the costs incurred by the disclosing Party for which the other Party is responsible under this PLGIA; and (ii) carry out its obligations and responsibilities under this PLGIA. The Parties shall not use such information for purposes other than those set forth in this Article 25.1 and to enforce their rights under this PLGIA.

25.2 Reporting of Non-Force Majeure Events.

Each Party (the "notifying Party") shall notify the other Party when the notifying Party becomes aware of its inability to comply with the provisions of this PLGIA for a reason other than a Force Majeure event. The Parties agree to cooperate with each other and provide necessary information regarding such inability to comply, including the date, duration, reason for the inability to comply, and corrective actions taken or planned to be taken with respect to such inability to comply. Notwithstanding the foregoing, notification,

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cooperation or information provided under this article shall not entitle the Party receiving such notification to allege a cause for anticipatory breach of this PLGIA.

25.3 Audit Rights.

Subject to the requirements of confidentiality under Article 22 of this PLGIA, each Party shall have the right, during normal business hours, and upon prior reasonable notice to the other Party, to audit at its own expense the other Party's accounts and records pertaining to either Party's performance or either Party's satisfaction of obligations under this PLGIA. Such audit rights shall include audits of the other Party's costs, calculation of invoiced amounts, Transmission Provider's efforts to allocate responsibility for the provision of reactive support to the Transmission System, Transmission Provider's efforts to allocate responsibility for interruption or reduction of generation on the Transmission System, and each Party's actions in an Emergency Condition. Any audit authorized by this article shall be performed at the offices where such accounts and records are maintained and shall be limited to those portions of such accounts and records that relate to each Party's performance and satisfaction of obligations under this PLGIA. Each Party shall keep such accounts and records for a period equivalent to the audit rights periods described in Article 25.4.

25.4 Audit Rights Periods.

25.4.1 Audit Rights Period for Construction-Related Accounts and Records.

Accounts and records related to the design, engineering, procurement, and construction of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades shall be subject to audit for a period of twenty-four months following Transmission Provider's issuance of a final invoice in accordance with Article 12.2.

25.4.2 Audit Rights Period for All Other Accounts and Records.

Accounts and records related to either Party's performance or satisfaction of all obligations under this PLGIA other than those described in Article 25.4.1 shall be subject to audit as follows: (i) for an audit relating to cost obligations, the applicable audit rights period shall be twenty-four months after the auditing Party's receipt of an invoice giving rise to such cost obligations; and (ii) for an audit relating to all other obligations, the applicable audit rights period shall be twenty-four months after the event for which the audit is sought.

25.5 Audit Results.

If an audit by a Party determines that an overpayment or an underpayment has occurred, a notice of such overpayment or underpayment shall be given to the other Party together with those records from the audit which support such determination.

Article 26. Subcontractors

26.1 General.

Nothing in this PLGIA shall prevent a Party from utilizing the services of any subcontractor as it deems appropriate to perform its obligations under this PLGIA; provided, however, that each Party shall require its subcontractors to comply with all applicable terms and

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conditions of this PLGIA in providing such services and each Party shall remain primarily liable to the other Party for the performance of such subcontractor.

26.2 Responsibility of Principal.

The creation of any subcontract relationship shall not relieve the hiring Party of any of its obligations under this PLGIA. The hiring Party shall be fully responsible to the other Party for the acts or omissions of any subcontractor the hiring Party hires as if no subcontract had been made; provided, however, that in no event shall Transmission Provider be liable for the actions or inactions of Interconnection Customer or its subcontractors with respect to obligations of Interconnection Customer under Article 5 of this PLGIA. Any applicable obligation imposed by this PLGIA upon the hiring Party shall be equally binding upon, and shall be construed as having application to, any subcontractor of such Party.

26.3 No Limitation by Insurance.

The obligations under this Article 26 will not be limited in any way by any limitation of subcontractor's insurance.

Article 27. Disputes

27.1 Submission.

In the event either Party has a dispute, or asserts a claim, that arises out of or in connection with this PLGIA or its performance, such Party (the "disputing Party") shall provide the other Party with written notice of the dispute or claim ("Notice of Dispute"). Such dispute or claim shall be referred to a designated senior representative of each Party for resolution on an informal basis as promptly as practicable after receipt of the Notice of Dispute by the other Party. In the event the designated representatives are unable to resolve the claim or dispute through unassisted or assisted negotiations within thirty (30) Calendar Days of the other Party's receipt of the Notice of Dispute, such claim or dispute may, upon mutual agreement of the Parties, be submitted to arbitration and resolved in accordance with the arbitration procedures set forth below. In the event the Parties do not agree to submit such claim or dispute to arbitration, each Party may exercise whatever rights and remedies it may have in equity or at law consistent with the terms of this PLGIA.

27.2 External Arbitration Procedures.

Any arbitration initiated under this PLGIA shall be conducted before a single neutral arbitrator appointed by the Parties. If the Parties fail to agree upon a single arbitrator within ten (10) Calendar Days of the submission of the dispute to arbitration, each Party shall choose one arbitrator who shall sit on a three-member arbitration panel. The two arbitrators so chosen shall within twenty (20) Calendar Days select a third arbitrator to chair the arbitration panel. In either case, the arbitrators shall be knowledgeable in electric utility matters, including electric transmission and bulk power issues, and shall not have any current or past substantial business or financial relationships with any party to the arbitration (except prior arbitration). The arbitrator(s) shall provide each of the Parties an opportunity to be heard and, except as otherwise provided herein, shall conduct the arbitration in accordance with the Commercial Arbitration Rules of the American Arbitration Association ("Arbitration Rules") and any applicable FERC regulations or RTO rules; provided, however, in the event of a conflict between the Arbitration Rules and the terms of this Article 27, the terms of this Article 27 shall prevail.

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27.3 Arbitration Decisions.

Unless otherwise agreed by the Parties, the arbitrator(s) shall render a decision within ninety (90) Calendar Days of appointment and shall notify the Parties in writing of such decision and the reasons therefor. The arbitrator(s) shall be authorized only to interpret and apply the provisions of this PLGIA and shall have no power to modify or change any provision of this Agreement in any manner. The decision of the arbitrator(s) shall be final and binding upon the Parties, and judgment on the award may be entered in any court having jurisdiction. The decision of the arbitrator(s) may be appealed solely on the grounds that the conduct of the arbitrator(s), or the decision itself, violated the standards set forth in the Federal Arbitration Act or the Administrative Dispute Resolution Act. The final decision of the arbitrator must also be filed with FERC if it affects jurisdictional rates, terms and conditions of service, Interconnection Facilities, or Network Upgrades.

27.4 Costs.

Each Party shall be responsible for its own costs incurred during the arbitration process and for the following costs, if applicable: (1) the cost of the arbitrator chosen by the Party to sit on the three member panel and one half of the cost of the third arbitrator chosen; or (2) one-half the cost of the single arbitrator jointly chosen by the Parties.

Article 28. Representations, Warranties, and Covenants

28.1 General.

Each Party makes the following representations, warranties and covenants:

28.1.1 Good Standing.

Such Party is duly organized, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the state in which it is organized, formed, or incorporated, as applicable; that it is qualified to do business in the state or states in which the Large Generating Facility, Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades owned by such Party, as applicable, are located; and that it has the corporate power and authority to own its properties, to carry on its business as now being conducted and to enter into this PLGIA and carry out the transactions contemplated hereby and perform and carry out all covenants and obligations on its part to be performed under and pursuant to this PLGIA.

28.1.2 Authority.

Such Party has the right, power and authority to enter into this PLGIA, to become a Party hereto and to perform its obligations hereunder. This PLGIA is a legal, valid and binding obligation of such Party, enforceable against such Party in accordance with its terms, except as the enforceability thereof may be limited by applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization or other similar laws affecting creditors' rights generally and by general equitable principles (regardless of whether enforceability is sought in a proceeding in equity or at law).

28.1.3 No Conflict.

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The execution, delivery and performance of this PLGIA does not violate or conflict with the organizational or formation documents, or bylaws or operating agreement, of such Party, or any judgment, license, permit, order, material agreement or instrument applicable to or binding upon such Party or any of its assets.

28.1.4 Consent and Approval.

Such Party has sought or obtained, or, in accordance with this PLGIA will seek or obtain, each consent, approval, authorization, order, or acceptance by any Governmental Authority in connection with the execution, delivery and performance of this PLGIA, and it will provide to any Governmental Authority notice of any actions under this PLGIA that are required by Applicable Laws and Regulations

Article 29. Joint Operating Committee

29.1 Joint Operating Committee.

Except in the case of ISOs and RTOs, Transmission Provider shall constitute a Joint Operating Committee to coordinate operating and technical considerations of Interconnection Service. At least six (6) months prior to the expected Initial Synchronization Date, Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider shall each appoint one representative and one alternate to the Joint Operating Committee. Each Interconnection Customer shall notify Transmission Provider of its appointment in writing. Such appointments may be changed at any time by similar notice. The Joint Operating Committee shall meet as necessary, but not less than once each calendar year, to carry out the duties set forth herein. The Joint Operating Committee shall hold a meeting at the request of either Party, at a time and place agreed upon by the representatives. The Joint Operating Committee shall perform all of its duties consistent with the provisions of this PLGIA. Each Party shall cooperate in providing to the Joint Operating Committee all information required in the performance of the Joint Operating Committee's duties. All decisions and agreements, if any, made by the Joint Operating Committee, shall be evidenced in writing. The duties of the Joint Operating Committee shall include the following:

- **29.1.1** Establish data requirements and operating record requirements.
- **29.1.2** Review the requirements, standards, and procedures for data acquisition equipment, protective equipment, and any other equipment or software.
- 29.1.3 Annually review the one (1) year forecast of maintenance and planned outage schedules of Transmission Provider's and Interconnection Customer's facilities at the Point of Interconnection.
- 29.1.4 Coordinate the scheduling of maintenance and planned outages on the Interconnection Facilities, the Large Generating Facility and other facilities that impact the normal operation of the interconnection of the Large Generating Facility to the Transmission System.

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- **29.1.5** Ensure that information is being provided by each Party regarding equipment availability.
- **29.1.6** Perform such other duties as may be conferred upon it by mutual agreement of the Parties.

Article 30. Miscellaneous

30.1 Binding Effect.

This PLGIA and the rights and obligations hereof, shall be binding upon and shall inure to the benefit of the successors and assigns of the Parties hereto.

30.2 Conflicts.

In the event of a conflict between the body of this PLGIA and any attachment, appendices or exhibits hereto, the terms and provisions of the body of this PLGIA shall prevail and be deemed the final intent of the Parties.

30.3 Rules of Interpretation.

This PLGIA, unless a clear contrary intention appears, shall be construed and interpreted as follows: (1) the singular number includes the plural number and vice versa; (2) reference to any person includes such person's successors and assigns but, in the case of a Party, only if such successors and assigns are permitted by this PLGIA, and reference to a person in a particular capacity excludes such person in any other capacity or individually; (3) reference to any agreement (including this PLGIA), document, instrument or tariff means such agreement, document, instrument, or tariff as amended or modified and in effect from time to time in accordance with the terms thereof and, if applicable, the terms hereof; (4) reference to any Applicable Laws and Regulations means such Applicable Laws and Regulations as amended, modified, codified, or reenacted, in whole or in part, and in effect from time to time, including, if applicable, rules and regulations promulgated thereunder; (5) unless expressly stated otherwise, reference to any Article, Section or Appendix means such Article of this PLGIA or such Appendix to this PLGIA, or such Section to the Revised PLGIP or such Appendix to the LGIP, as the case may be; (6) "hereunder", "hereof", "herein", "hereto" and words of similar import shall be deemed references to this PLGIA as a whole and not to any particular Article or other provision hereof or thereof; (7) "including" (and with correlative meaning "include") means including without limiting the generality of any description preceding such term; and (8) relative to the determination of any period of time, "from" means "from and including", "to" means "to but excluding" and "through" means "through and including".

30.4 Entire Agreement.

This PLGIA, including all Appendices and Schedules attached hereto, constitutes the entire agreement between the Parties with reference to the subject matter hereof, and supersedes all prior and contemporaneous understandings or agreements, oral or written, between the Parties with respect to the subject matter of this PLGIA. There are no other agreements, representations, warranties, or covenants which constitute any part of the consideration for, or any condition to, either Party's compliance with its obligations under this PLGIA.

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30.5 No Third Party Beneficiaries.

This PLGIA is not intended to and does not create rights, remedies, or benefits of any character whatsoever in favor of any persons, corporations, associations, or entities other than the Parties, and the obligations herein assumed are solely for the use and benefit of the Parties, their successors in interest and, where permitted, their assigns.

30.6 Waiver.

The failure of a Party to this PLGIA to insist, on any occasion, upon strict performance of any provision of this PLGIA will not be considered a waiver of any obligation, right, or duty of, or imposed upon, such Party.

Any waiver at any time by either Party of its rights with respect to this PLGIA shall not be deemed a continuing waiver or a waiver with respect to any other failure to comply with any other obligation, right, duty of this PLGIA. Termination or Default of this PLGIA for any reason by Interconnection Customer shall not constitute a waiver of Interconnection Customer's legal rights to obtain an interconnection from Transmission Provider. Any waiver of this PLGIA shall, if requested, be provided in writing.

30.7 Headings.

The descriptive headings of the various Articles of this PLGIA have been inserted for convenience of reference only and are of no significance in the interpretation or construction of this PLGIA.

30.8 Multiple Counterparts.

This PLGIA may be executed in two or more counterparts, each of which is deemed an original but all constitute one and the same instrument.

30.9 Amendment.

The Parties may by mutual agreement amend this PLGIA by a written instrument duly executed by the Parties.

30.10 Modification by the Parties.

The Parties may by mutual agreement amend the Appendices to this PLGIA by a written instrument duly executed by the Parties. Such amendment shall become effective and a part of this PLGIA upon satisfaction of all Applicable Laws and Regulations.

30.11 Reservation of Rights.

Transmission Provider shall have the right to make a unilateral filing with FERC to modify this PLGIA with respect to any rates, terms and conditions, charges, classifications of service, rule or regulation under section 205 or any other applicable provision of the Federal Power Act and FERC's rules and regulations thereunder, and Interconnection Customer shall have the right to make a unilateral filing with FERC to modify this PLGIA pursuant to section 206 or any other applicable provision of the Federal Power Act and FERC's rules and regulations thereunder; provided that each Party shall have the right to protest any such filing by the other Party and to participate fully in any proceeding before FERC in which such modifications may be considered. Nothing in this PLGIA shall limit the rights of the Parties or of FERC under sections 205 or 206 of the Federal Power Act

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and FERC's rules and regulations thereunder, except to the extent that the Parties otherwise mutually agree as provided herein.

30.12 No Partnership.

This PLGIA shall not be interpreted or construed to create an association, joint venture, agency relationship, or partnership between the Parties or to impose any partnership obligation or partnership liability upon either Party. Neither Party shall have any right, power or authority to enter into any agreement or undertaking for, or act on behalf of, or to act as or be an agent or representative of, or to otherwise bind, the other Party.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have executed this PLGIA electronically or in duplicate originals, each of which shall constitute and be an original effective Agreement between the Parties.

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Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades and Distribution Upgrades

- A. Description of Generating Facility, Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades and Distribution Upgrades
 - 1. Description of Generating Facility: [Insert description of Generating Facility]
 - 2. Interconnection Facilities:
 - a. Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities [insert Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities]:
 - b. Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities [insert Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities]:
 - 3. Network Upgrades
 - a. Standalone Network Upgrades [insert Standalone Network Upgrades]:
 - b. Station Network Upgrades [insert Station Network Upgrades]:
 - c. Other Network Upgrades [insert Other Network Upgrades]:
 - d. Distribution Upgrades [insert Distribution Upgrades]:
- B. Interconnection Customer's Payment for Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades
- C. Contingent Facilities

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Security Arrangements Details

Infrastructure security of Transmission System equipment and operations and control hardware and software is essential to ensure day-to-day Transmission System reliability and operational security. FERC will expect all Transmission Providers, market participants, and Interconnection Customers interconnected to the Transmission System to comply with the recommendations offered by the President's Critical Infrastructure Protection Board and, eventually, best practice recommendations from the electric reliability authority. All public utilities will be expected to meet basic standards for system infrastructure and operational security, including physical, operational, and cyber-security practices.

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Commercial Operation Date

This Appendix E is a part of the PLGIA between Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer.

| [Date] | |
|---------------------------|--|
| [Transmission Provider Ad | dress] |
| Re: | Large Generating Facility |
| Dear: | |
| | ner] has completed Trial Operation of Unit No This letter mer] commenced Commercial Operation of Unit No at ve as of [Date plus one day]. |
| Thank you. | |
| [Signature] | |
| [Interconnection Customer | Representative |

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Addresses for Delivery of Notices and Billings

| Notices:. | | |
|---|--|--|
| Transmission Provider: | | |
| [To be supplied.] | | |
| Interconnection Customer: | | |
| [To be supplied.] | | |
| Billings and Payments: | | |
| Transmission Provider: | | |
| [To be supplied.] | | |
| Interconnection Customer: | | |
| [To be supplied.] | | |
| Alternative Forms of Delivery of Notices (telephone, facsimile or email): | | |
| Transmission Provider: | | |
| [To be supplied.] | | |
| Interconnection Customer: [To be supplied.] | | |

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INTERCONNECTION REQUIREMENTS FOR A WIND GENERATING PLANT

Appendix G sets forth requirements and provisions specific to a wind generating plant. All other requirements of this LGIA continue to apply to wind generating plant interconnections.

A. <u>Technical Standards Applicable to a Wind Generating Plant</u>

i. Low Voltage Ride-Through (LVRT) Capability

A wind generating plant shall be able to remain online during voltage disturbances up to the time periods and associated voltage levels set forth in the standard below. The LVRT standard provides for a transition period standard and a post-transition period standard.

All wind generating plants subject to FERC Order No. 661 and not covered by the transition period described above must meet the following requirements:

- 1. Wind generating plants are required to remain in-service during three-phase faults with normal clearing (which is a time period of approximately 4 9 cycles) and single line to ground faults with delayed clearing, and subsequent post-fault voltage recovery to prefault voltage unless clearing the fault effectively disconnects the generator from the system. The clearing time requirement for a three-phase fault will be specific to the wind generating plant substation location, as determined by and documented by Transmission Provider. The maximum clearing time the wind generating plant shall be required to withstand for a three-phase fault shall be nine (9) cycles after which, if the fault remains following the location-specific normal clearing time for three-phase faults, the wind generating plant may disconnect from the transmission system. A wind generating plant shall remain interconnected during such a fault on the transmission system for a voltage level as low as zero (0) volts, as measured at the high voltage side of the wind GSU.
- 2. This requirement does not apply to faults that would occur between the wind generator terminals and the high side of the GSU.
- 3. Wind generating plants may be tripped after the fault period if this action is intended as part of a special protection system.
- 4. Wind generating plants may meet the LVRT requirements of this standard by the performance of the generators or by installing additional equipment (<u>e.g.</u>, Static VAr Compensator) within the wind generating plant or by a combination of generator performance and additional equipment.
- 5. Existing individual generator units that are, or have been, interconnected to the network at the same location at the effective date of the Appendix G LVRT Standard are exempt from meeting the Appendix G LVRT Standard for the remaining life of the existing

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generation equipment. Existing individual generator units that are replaced are required to meet the Appendix G LVRT Standard.

ii. <u>Power Factor Design Criteria (Reactive Power)</u>

The following reactive power requirements apply only to a newly interconnecting wind generating plant that has executed a Facilities Study Agreement as of the effective date of the Final Rule establishing the reactive power requirements for non-synchronous generators in Article 9.6.1 of this PLGIA (Order No. 827).2 A wind generating plant to which this provision applies shall maintain a power factor within the range of 0.95 leading to 0.95 lagging, measured at the Point of Interconnection as defined in this PLGIA, if Transmission Provider's Provisional Interconnection Study shows that such a requirement is necessary to ensure safety or reliability. The power factor range standard can be met by using, for example, power electronics designed to supply this level of reactive capability (taking into account any limitations due to voltage level, real power output, etc.) or fixed and switched capacitors if agreed to by Transmission Provider, or a combination of the two. The Interconnection Customer shall not disable power factor equipment while the wind plant is in operation. Wind plants shall also be able to provide sufficient dynamic voltage support in lieu of the power system stabilizer and automatic voltage regulation at the generator excitation system if the System Impact Study shows this to be required for system safety or reliability.

[2] If identified in the System Impact Study as necessary to ensure safety or reliability, existing Generating Facilities being upgraded that require a new interconnection request are subject to this reactive power requirement.

iii. Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) Capability

The wind plant shall provide SCADA capability to transmit data and receive instructions from Transmission Provider to protect system reliability. Transmission Provider and the wind plant Interconnection Customer shall determine what SCADA information is essential for the proposed wind plant, taking into account the size of the plant and its characteristics, location, and importance in maintaining generation resource adequacy and transmission system reliability in its area.

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Check box if applicable [] Operating Assumptions:

{insert operating assumptions that reflect the charging behavior of the Generating Facility that includes at least one electric storage resource}

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INTERCONNECTION REQUIREMENTS FOR PROVISIONAL INTERCONNECTION SERVICE

Provisional Agreement

This PLGIA for limited operation is provided to Interconnection Customer at Interconnection Customer's request and at the discretion of Transmission Provider based upon the results of [Insert study report or other evidence]. Interconnection Customer has requested that Transmission Provider provide the Interconnection Customer with a PLGIA that limits the transfer of energy by Interconnection Customer commensurate with that allowed for Provisional Interconnection Service.

Interconnection Customer is requesting to use this PLGIA to interconnect generation prior to the completion of the full interconnection study process. Interconnection Customer may use this Provisional Interconnection Agreement to partially satisfy Readiness Milestones required as part of the full interconnection process. Interconnection Customer agrees it is ready to move forward with Interconnection Service and commits to construct its Generation Facility as part of this PLGIA. Interconnection Customer has requested [ERIS/NRIS] for its interconnection request and has entered into the Cluster Study Process or commits to enter into the next available study cluster.

| The potentia | l Network | upgrades | that may | / be | identified | in th | ne full | interc | onnectio | n proces | ss is |
|---------------|--------------|-------------|------------|--------|-------------|---------|---------|---------|----------|----------|--------|
| estimated to | be [\$ |]. | Interconr | ectio | n Custon | ner h | as ma | ide a | security | deposit | with |
| Transmission | n Provider, | in the form | n of Lette | r of C | Credit in t | he ar | nount | of [\$_ | |] to sa | atisfy |
| the additiona | l security r | eauiremen | ts of this | PLGI. | A (see Ar | ticle ' | 11.5). | | | | |

Interconnection Customer represents that the facilities (including Network Upgrades, Interconnection Facilities, Distribution Upgrades, System Protection Upgrades and/or Generator Upgrades) that are necessary to commence Provisional Interconnection Service and meet the requirements of the Electric Reliability Organization, or any applicable regional entity for the interconnection of a new generator will be in place prior to the commencement of generation from the Generating Facility and will remain in place during the term of the service. The requisite interconnection studies were or will be performed for the Generating Facility prior to Commercial Operation. Interconnection Customer shall meet any additional requirements (including reactive power requirements) pursuant to the results of applicable future Interconnection Studies. Until such time as the applicable Interconnection Studies and any identified facilities are completed, the output of the Generating Facility will operate within the Operating Limits prescribed in a future, if applicable, operating guide.

Requirement to Procure Transmission Service

This PLGIA does not confer Transmission Service. Interconnection Customer must procure Transmission Service on the PSCo Transmission System before producing energy. Producing energy above reserved Transmission Service will be deemed as unauthorized use of the

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transmission system and subject to provisions in this Tariff surrounding such unauthorized use and may result in disconnection of the Generating Facility.

Interim Operating Limits Determination

For purposes of Provisional Interconnection Service to the Generating Facility, the maximum permissible output of the Generating Facility ("Operating Limits") in the PLGIA will be reviewed quarterly and updated if there are changes to the system conditions compared to the system conditions previously used to determine the Operating Limits. The Operating Limits will be determined by finding the maximum available transfer limit out of the study region. Operation above those limits 1) may be deemed a Breach of this PLGIA that results in termination of this PLGIA, 2) may result in Transmission Provider disconnecting the Generation Facility from the Transmission Provider's System, and 3) will be deemed as unauthorized use of the transmission system and subject to provisions in this Tariff surrounding such unauthorized use. Interconnection Customers subject to Operating Limits shall be responsible for the cost of performing the required studies to determine Operating Limits. If a study is required, Interconnection Customers shall submit an Operating Limit study deposit in the amount of \$2,000 within thirty (30) Calendar Days after PSCo has provided written notice to Interconnection Customer that it will conduct a study of the Operating Limits. Any difference between the study deposit and the actual cost of the applicable Operating Limit studies shall be paid by, or refunded to, the Interconnection Customer following completion of the study and within thirty (30) Calendar Days of written notice by Transmission Provider stating the calculation of those amounts. Failure to pay any difference between the calculated study costs and the initially paid deposit within thirty (30) Calendar Days of the written notice provided by the other Party shall be deemed a Breach of this PLGIA subject to the provisions of Article 17.

Interconnection Customer assumes all risks and liabilities with respect to changes, which may impact the Standard Provisional Large Generator Interconnection Agreement including, but not limited to, change in output limits and future Network Upgrade cost responsibilities. Interconnection Service may be interrupted in order to construct additional facilities.

Interconnection Customer shall only operate in generating mode and shall not operate in load mode (i.e. charge from the grid) under the terms of this Provisional Interconnection Agreement.

Interim Operating Guide

Implementation of an interim operating guide, if applicable, that sets forth conditional Interconnection Service for the Interconnection Customer's operation of the Generating Facility until planned Network Upgrades or Interconnection Facilities are constructed will constitute an interim solution agreeable by the Transmission Provider. Any interim operating guide will be subject to the approval of the Transmission Provider. Minimum requirements for an interim operating guide are set forth as follows:

- Transmission Provider will have control of breaker(s) dedicated to the Generating Facility and will be able to trip the Interconnection Customer's Generating Facility.
- Protection schemes must be tested and operable.

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- Interconnection Customer will provide continuous communication capability with the owner/operator of the Generating Facility.
- Interconnection Customer, if applicable, will enter into an operating agreement or similar agreement with any applicable owner of an existing generating facility which designates, among other things, the responsibilities and authorities of each of the parties and shall be subject to the acceptance of Transmission Provider.
- A termination date consistent with completion of construction of Network Upgrades and/or Interconnection Facilities will be included as part of all operating guides.

Interconnection Customer assumes all risks and liabilities with respect to changes, which may impact the PLGIA for the Generating Facility including, but not limited to, change in output limits and responsibilities for future Network Upgrade and cost responsibilities that have not yet been identified on the direct connect Transmission System or in Interconnection Studies performed to date as well as all affected Transmission, Distribution, or Generation System(s) including non-Transmission Systems not owned or operated by the Transmission Provider. Such upgrades will be determined pursuant to the Tariff and Policies in effect at the time of the applicable or identifying Interconnection Studies.

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CLUSTER STUDY SCOPING MEETING NON-DISCLOSURE AGREEMENT

- 1. Participants in the cluster scoping discussions held by Public Service Company of Colorado in connection with interconnection request [CLUSTER QUEUE NUMBER] may exchange documents or materials that are deemed to contain Privileged Material and/or Critical Energy/Electric Infrastructure Information (CEII), as those terms are defined herein. The cluster scoping discussion include and are limited to the Cluster Study Scoping Meeting as described in Section 3.4.6 of the PSCo Large Generator Interconnection Procedures, as well as any supplemental Cluster Study Scoping Meetings held by PSCo in connection with the same interconnection request cluster.
- 2. FERC's regulations and its policy governing the labelling of controlled unclassified information (CUI), establish and distinguish the respective designations of Privileged Material and CEII. As to these designations, this Non-Disclosure Agreement provides that a Participant:
 - A. may designate as Privileged Material any material which customarily is treated by that Participant as commercially sensitive or proprietary or material subject to a legal privilege, which is not otherwise available to the public, and which, if disclosed, would subject that Participant or its customers to risk of competitive disadvantage or other business injury; and
 - B. must designate as CEII, any material that meets the definition of that term as provided by 18 C.F.R. §§ 388.113(a), (c).
- 3. For the purposes of this Non-Disclosure Agreement, the listed terms are defined as follows:
 - A. Participant(s): All interconnection customers with interconnection requests included in the request cluster referenced in Paragraph 1 that participate in the cluster scoping discussions held by PSCo for that cluster.
 - B. Privileged Material:
 - Material (provided by a Participant in the discussions regarding the interconnection request cluster, and that is designated as Privileged Material by such Participant, including both written materials and information shared orally;
 - ii. Any information contained in or obtained from such designated material;
 - Notes of Privileged Material (memoranda, handwritten notes, or any other form of information (including electronic form) which copies or discloses Privileged Material); or
 - vi. Copies of Privileged Material.
 - vii. Privileged Material does not include:

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- Any information or document that is publicly available, or that is contained in the public files of any federal or state agency, or any federal or state court, unless the information or document has been determined to be privileged by such agency or court;
- Information that is public knowledge, or which becomes public knowledge, other than through disclosure in violation of this Non-Disclosure Agreement; or
- C. Critical Energy/Electric Infrastructure Information (CEII): As defined at 18 C.F.R. §§ 388.113(a), (c).
- D. Non-Disclosure Certificate: The certificate attached to this Non-Disclosure Agreement, by which Participants granted access to Privileged Material and/or CEII must certify their understanding that such access to such material is provided pursuant to the terms and restrictions of this Non-Disclosure Agreement, and that such Participants have read the Non-Disclosure Agreement and agree to be bound by it. All executed Non-Disclosure Certificates must be provided to PSCo.
- E. Reviewing Representative: A person who has signed a Non-Disclosure Certificate and who is an employee or agent of an interconnection customer with a request in the request cluster referenced in Oaragraph 1 of this Non-Disclosure Agreement.
- 4. Privileged Material and/or CEII shall be made available under the terms of this Non-Disclosure Agreement only to Participants and only to their Reviewing Representatives as provided in Paragraphs 6-10 of this Non-Disclosure Agreement. The contents of Privileged Material, CEII or any other form of information that copies or discloses such materials shall not be disclosed to anyone other than in accordance with this Non-Disclosure Agreement and shall be used only in the cluster study scoping discussions referenced in Paragraph 1.
- All Privileged Material and/or CEII must be maintained in a secure place. Access to those
 materials must be limited to Reviewing Representatives specifically authorized pursuant to
 Paragraphs 7-9 of this Non-Disclosure Agreement.
- 6. Privileged Material and/or CEII must be handled by each Participant and by each Reviewing Representative in accordance with the Non-Disclosure Certificate executed pursuant to this Non-Disclosure Agreement. Privileged Material and/or CEII shall not be used except as necessary for the cluster scoping discussions referenced in Paragraph 1, nor shall they (or the substance of their contents) be disclosed in any manner to any person except a Reviewing Representative who needs to know the information in order to carry out that person's responsibilities in connection with the cluster coping discussions. Reviewing Representatives may make copies of Privileged Material and/or CEII, but such copies automatically become Privileged Material and/or CEII. Reviewing Representatives may make notes of Privileged Material, which shall be treated as Notes of Privileged Material if they reflect the contents of Privileged Material.
- 7. If a Reviewing Representative's scope of employment includes any of the activities listed under this Paragraph 7, such Reviewing Representative may not use information contained

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in any Privileged Material and/or CEII obtained in this proceeding for a commercial purpose (e.g., to give a Participant or competitor of any Participant a commercial advantage):

- A. Generation facility development;
- B. Energy marketing;
- B. Direct supervision of any employee or employees whose duties include generation facility development or energy marketing; or
- C. The provision of consulting services to any person whose duties include generation facility development or energy marketing.
- 8. In the event that a Participant wishes to designate a person not described in Paragraph 3.E above as a Reviewing Representative, the Participant must seek agreement from PSCo. If an agreement is reached, the designee shall be a Reviewing Representative pursuant to Paragraph 3.D of this Non-Disclosure Agreement with respect to those materials.
- 10. Any Reviewing Representative may disclose Privileged Material and/or CEII to any other Reviewing Representative as long as both Reviewing Representatives have executed a Non-Disclosure Certificate. In the event any Reviewing Representative to whom Privileged Material and/or CEII are disclosed ceases to participate in the discussions referenced in Paragraph 1, or becomes employed or retained for a position that renders him or her ineligible to be a Reviewing Representative under Paragraph 3.D of this Non-Disclosure Agreement, access to such materials by that person shall be terminated. Even if no longer engaged in the discussions referenced in Paragraph 1, every person who has executed a Non-Disclosure Certificate shall continue to be bound by the provisions of this Non-Disclosure Agreement and the Non-Disclosure Certificate for as long as the Non-Disclosure Agreement is in effect.
- 15. Nothing in this Non-Disclosure Agreement shall preclude any Participant from requesting that FERC, or any other body having appropriate authority, to find this Non-Disclosure Agreement should not apply to all or any materials previously designated Privileged Material pursuant to this Non-Disclosure Agreement. FERC, or any other body having appropriate authority may alter or amend this Non-Disclosure Agreement as circumstances warrant at any time during the course of this proceeding.
- 16. Each Participant governed by this Non-Disclosure Agreement has the right to seek changes in it as appropriate from FERC, or any other body having appropriate authority.
- 17. Participants to the dispute shall employ good faith best efforts to resolve any disputes arising under this Non-Disclosure Agreement. In the event a dispute may not be resolved, Participants may request relief through an appropriate filing with FERC under the Federal Power Act.
- 18. Any violation of this Non-Disclosure Agreement and of any Non-Disclosure Certificate executed hereunder shall constitute a violation of an order of the Commission.

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I hereby certify my understanding that access to Privileged Material and/or Critical Energy/Electric Infrastructure Information (CEII) is provided to me pursuant to the terms and restrictions of the Non-Disclosure Agreement governing cluster scoping discussions for **[CLUSTER QUEUE NUMBER]**, that I have been given a copy of and have read the Non-Disclosure Agreement, and that I agree to be bound by it. I understand that the contents of Privileged Material and/or CEII, oral or written, as well as any notes or other memoranda, or any other form of information that copies or discloses such materials, shall not be disclosed to anyone other than in accordance with the Non-Disclosure Agreement. I acknowledge that a violation of this certificate constitutes a violation of an order of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

| By: | |
|---------------|--|
| Printed Name: | |
| Title: | |
| Representing: | |
| Date: | |

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Applicable to Generating Facilities that are less than 20 MWs connecting to the Transmission System

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Section 1. Application

1.1 Applicability

- 1.1.1 A request to interconnect a certified Small Generating Facility (See Attachments 3 and 4 for description of certification criteria) to Transmission Provider's Distribution System shall be evaluated under the section 2 Fast Track Process if the eligibility requirements of section 2.1 are met. A request to interconnect a certified inverterbased Small Generating Facility no larger than 10 kilowatts (kW) shall be evaluated under the Attachment 5 10 kW Inverter Process. A request to interconnect a Small Generating Facility no larger than 20 megawatts (MW) that does not meet the eligibility requirements of section 2.1, or does not pass the Fast Track Process or the 10 kW Inverter Process, shall be evaluated under the section 3 Study Process. If Interconnection Customer wishes to interconnect its Small Generating Facility using Network Resource Interconnection Service, it must do so under the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Procedures and execute the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement.
- 1.1.2 Capitalized terms used herein shall have the meanings specified in the Glossary of Terms in Attachment 1 or the body of these procedures.
- Neither these procedures nor the requirements included hereunder apply to Small Generating Facilities interconnected or approved for interconnection prior to 60 Business Days after the effective date of these procedures.
- Prior to submitting its Interconnection Request (Attachment 2), Interconnection Customer may ask Transmission Provider's interconnection contact employee or office whether the proposed interconnection is subject to these procedures. Transmission Provider shall respond within 15 Business Days.
- Infrastructure security of electric system equipment and operations and control hardware and software is essential to ensure day-to-day reliability and operational security. The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission expects all Transmission Providers, market participants, and Interconnection Customers interconnected with electric systems to comply with the recommendations offered by the President's Critical Infrastructure Protection Board and best practice recommendations from the electric reliability authority. All public utilities are expected to meet basic standards for electric system infrastructure and operational security, including physical, operational, and cyber-security practices.
- References in these procedures to interconnection agreement are to the Small Generator Interconnection Agreement (SGIA).

1.2 Pre-Application

Transmission Provider shall designate an employee or office from which information on the application process and on an Affected System can be obtained through informal requests from Interconnection Customer presenting a proposed

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project for a specific site. The name, telephone number, and e-mail address of such contact employee or office shall be made available on Transmission Provider's Internet web site. Electric system information provided to Interconnection Customer should include relevant system studies, interconnection studies, and other materials useful to an understanding of an interconnection at a particular point on Transmission Provider's Transmission System, to the extent such provision does not violate confidentiality provisions of prior agreements or critical infrastructure requirements. Transmission Provider shall comply with reasonable requests for such information.

- 1.2.2 In addition to the information described in section 1.2.1, which may be provided in response to an informal request, an Interconnection Customer may submit a formal written request form along with a non-refundable fee of \$300 for a pre-application report on a proposed project at a specific site. Transmission Provider shall provide the pre-application data described in section 1.2.3 to Interconnection Customer within 20 Business Days of receipt of the completed request form and payment of the \$300 fee. The pre-application report produced by Transmission Provider is non-binding, does not confer any rights, and Interconnection Customer must still successfully apply to interconnect to Transmission Provider's system. The written pre-application report request form shall include the information in sections 1.2.2.1 through 1.2.2.8 below to clearly and sufficiently identify the location of the proposed Point of Interconnection.
 - 1.2.2.1 Project contact information, including name, address, phone number, and email address.
 - 1.2.2.2 Project location (street address with nearby cross streets and town)
 - 1.2.2.3 Meter number, pole number, or other equivalent information identifying proposed Point of Interconnection, if available.
 - 1.2.2.4 Generator Type (e.g., solar, wind, combined heat and power, etc.)
 - 1.2.2.5 Size (alternating current kW)
 - 1.2.2.6 Single or three phase generator configuration
 - 1.2.2.7 Stand-alone generator (no onsite load, not including station service Yes or No?)
 - 1.2.2.8 Is new service requested? Yes or No? If there is existing service, include the customer account number, site minimum and maximum current or proposed electric loads in kW (if available) and specify if the load is expected to change.
- 1.2.3. Using the information provided in the pre-application report request form in section 1.2.2, Transmission Provider will identify the substation/area bus, bank or circuit likely to serve the proposed Point of Interconnection. This selection by

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Transmission Provider does not necessarily indicate, after application of the screens and/or study, that this would be the circuit the project ultimately connects to. Interconnection Customer must request additional pre-application reports if information about multiple Points of Interconnection is requested. Subject to section 1.2.4, the pre-application report will include the following information:

- 1.2.3.1 Total capacity (in MW) of substation/area bus, bank or circuit based on normal or operating ratings likely to serve the proposed Point of Interconnection.
- 1.2.3.2 Existing aggregate generation capacity (in MW) interconnected to a substation/area bus, bank or circuit (i.e., amount of generation online) likely to serve the proposed Point of Interconnection.
- 1.2.3.3 Aggregate queued generation capacity (in MW) for a substation/area bus, bank or circuit (i.e., amount of generation in the queue) likely to serve the proposed Point of Interconnection.
- 1.2.3.4 Available capacity (in MW) of substation/area bus or bank and circuit likely to serve the proposed Point of Interconnection (i.e., total capacity less the sum of existing aggregate generation capacity and aggregate queued generation capacity).
- 1.2.3.5 Substation nominal distribution voltage and/or transmission nominal voltage if applicable.
- 1.2.3.6 Nominal distribution circuit voltage at the proposed Point of Interconnection.
- 1.2.3.7 Approximate circuit distance between the proposed Point of Interconnection and the substation.
- 1.2.3.8 Relevant line section(s) actual or estimated peak load and minimum load data, including daytime minimum load as described in section 2.4.4.1.1 below and absolute minimum load, when available.
- 1.2.3.9 Number and rating of protective devices and number and type (standard, bi-directional) of voltage regulating devices between the proposed Point of Interconnection and the substation/area. Identify whether the substation has a load tap changer.
- 1.2.3.10 Number of phases available at the proposed Point of Interconnection. If a single phase, distance from the three-phase circuit.
- 1.2.3.11 Limiting conductor ratings from the proposed Point of Interconnection to the distribution substation.

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- 1.2.3.12 Whether the Point of Interconnection is located on a spot network, grid network, or radial supply.
- 1.2.3.13 Based on the proposed Point of Interconnection, existing or known constraints such as, but not limited to, electrical dependencies at that location, short circuit interrupting capacity issues, power quality or stability issues on the circuit, capacity constraints, or secondary networks.
- 1.2.4 The pre-application report need only include existing data. A pre-application report request does not obligate Transmission Provider to conduct a study or other analysis of the proposed generator in the event that data is not readily available. If Transmission Provider cannot complete all or some of a pre-application report due to lack of available data, Transmission Provider shall provide Interconnection Customer with a pre-application report that includes the data that is available. The provision of information on "available capacity" pursuant to section 1.2.3.4 does not imply that an interconnection up to this level may be completed without impacts since there are many variables studied as part of the interconnection review process, and data provided in the pre-application report may become outdated at the time of the submission of the complete Interconnection Request. Notwithstanding any of the provisions of this section, Transmission Provider shall, in good faith, include data in the pre-application report that represents the best available information at the time of reporting.

1.3 <u>Interconnection Request</u>

Interconnection Customer shall submit its Interconnection Request to Transmission Provider, together with the processing fee or deposit specified in the Interconnection Reguest. The Interconnection Reguest shall be date- and time-stamped upon receipt. The original date- and time-stamp applied to the Interconnection Request at the time of its original submission shall be accepted as the qualifying date- and time-stamp for the purposes of any timetable in these procedures. Interconnection Customer shall be notified of receipt by Transmission Provider within three Business Days of receiving the Interconnection Request. Transmission Provider shall notify Interconnection Customer within ten Business Days of the receipt of the Interconnection Request as to whether the Interconnection Request is complete or incomplete. If the Interconnection Request is incomplete, Transmission Provider shall provide along with the notice that the Interconnection Request is incomplete, a written list detailing all information that must be provided to complete the Interconnection Request. Interconnection Customer will have ten Business Days after receipt of the notice to submit the listed information or to request an extension of time to provide such information. If Interconnection Customer does not provide the listed information or a request for an extension of time within the deadline, the Interconnection Request will be deemed withdrawn. An Interconnection Request will be deemed complete upon submission of the listed information to Transmission Provider.

1.4 Modification of the Interconnection Request

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Any modification to machine data or equipment configuration or to the interconnection site of the Small Generating Facility not agreed to in writing by Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer may be deemed a withdrawal of the Interconnection Request and may require submission of a new Interconnection Request, unless proper notification of each Party by the other and a reasonable time to cure the problems created by the changes are undertaken. Any such modification of the Interconnection Request must be accompanied by any resulting updates to the models described in Attachment 2 of this SGIP.

1.5 Site Control

Documentation of site control must be submitted with the Interconnection Request. Site control may be demonstrated through:

- 1.5.1 Ownership of, a leasehold interest in, or a right to develop a site for the purpose of constructing the Small Generating Facility;
- 1.5.2 An option to purchase or acquire a leasehold site for such purpose; or
- 1.5.3 An exclusivity or other business relationship between Interconnection Customer and the entity having the right to sell, lease, or grant Interconnection Customer the right to possess or occupy a site for such purpose.

1.6 Queue Position

Transmission Provider shall assign a Queue Position based upon the date- and time-stamp of the Interconnection Request. The Queue Position of each Interconnection Request will be used to determine the cost responsibility for the Upgrades necessary to accommodate the interconnection. Transmission Provider shall maintain a single queue per geographic region. At Transmission Provider's option, Interconnection Requests may be studied serially or in clusters for the purpose of the system impact study.

1.6.1 Clustering of Requests for a Resource Solicitation

If multiple Interconnection Requests are filed by an eligible entity as the authorized representative for those Interconnection Customer(s) proposing either a Large or Small Generating Facility to meet some portion of the eligible entity's request for additional generating resources in a Resource Solicitation Process, Transmission Provider may cluster combinations of such Interconnection Requests for purposes of conducting the Interconnection Feasibility Study(ies) and Interconnection System Impact Study(ies) of such Generating Facilities. Such studies in connection with a Resource Solicitation Process shall be implemented based upon Queue Position and shall consider the eligible entity's identified need in the Resource Solicitation Process.

An Interconnection Customer may submit to the authorized representative for inclusion in the Resource Solicitation Process an Interconnection Request for a Generating Facility that already has a Queue Position pursuant to Section 1.6. An Interconnection Customer that initially reserves a Queue Position for a Generating Facility through the Resource Solicitation Process may reserve a Queue Position separate from the Resource Solicitation Process pursuant to Section 1.6. In either

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case, Interconnection Customer must meet all requirements associated with maintaining each Queue Position for the Generating Facility.

A Generating Facility in the Resource Solicitation Process is subject to study according to the Queue Position in the process. A Generating Facility that is not a part of the Resource Solicitation Process is subject to study according to its Queue Position pursuant to Section 1.6. All studies must be done in accordance with the provisions of the SGIP, and may not be delayed as a result of the Resource Solicitation Process.

In order to facilitate Transmission Provider's study of Interconnection Requests made in connection with a Resource Solicitation Process, the eligible entity must: a) act as the authorized representative for all Interconnection Requests submitted, b) submit all Interconnection Requests arising from the Resource Solicitation Process at the same time to ensure simultaneous Queue Positions for all such Interconnection Requests, c) cooperate with Transmission Provider in conducting the studies, and d) request that studies be conducted of a reasonable number of different combinations of such Interconnection Requests to meet the eligible entity's identified need in the Resource Solicitation Process.

After Transmission Provider completes the Interconnection System Impact Studies of the requested combinations, the results will be provided to the eligible entity for use in the Resource Solicitation Process. The results will be posted on Transmission Provider's OASIS consistent with the posting of other study results. After receipt of these studies, the eligible entity must select one of the studied combinations prior to the start of any Interconnection Facility Study associated with the Resource Solicitation Process. Prior to the completion of the Interconnection Facilities Study of all of the components of the selected combination, the eligible entity may replace components of the selected combination. While conducting the Interconnection Facilities Study(ies), Transmission Provider may suspend further action on the Interconnection Requests in the Resource Solicitation Process that are not included in the selected combination. Once a Generating Facility is rejected in the Resource Solicitation Process, it shall lose the Queue Position it held as part of the Resource Solicitation Process. If a Generating Facility is selected by the eligible entity at the conclusion of the Resource Solicitation Process, the Generating Facility may no longer maintain more than one Queue Position.

For purposes of this section 1.6.1, "eligible entity" means any entity subject to or conducting a Resource Solicitation Process, and "Resource Solicitation Process" means any process authorized or required by Applicable Laws and Regulations for the acquisition of Network Resources by an entity interconnected to the Transmission System of Transmission Provider.

1.7 <u>Interconnection Requests Submitted Prior to the Effective Date of the SGIP</u>

Nothing in this SGIP affects an Interconnection Customer's Queue Position assigned before the effective date of this SGIP. The Parties agree to complete work on any interconnection study agreement executed prior the effective date of this SGIP in

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accordance with the terms and conditions of that interconnection study agreement. Any new studies or other additional work will be completed pursuant to this SGIP.

Section 2. Fast Track Process

2.1 Applicability

The Fast Track Process is available to an Interconnection Customer proposing to interconnect its Small Generating Facility with Transmission Provider's Distribution System if the Small Generating Facility's capacity does not exceed the size limits identified in the table below. Small Generating Facilities below these limits are eligible for Fast Track review. However, Fast Track eligibility is distinct from the Fast Track Process itself, and eligibility does not imply or indicate that a Small Generating Facility will pass the Fast Track screens in section 2.2.1 below or the Supplemental Review screens in section 2.4.4 below

Fast Track eligibility is determined based upon the generator type, the size of the generator, voltage of the line and the location of and the type of line at the Point of Interconnection. All Small Generating Facilities connecting to lines greater than 69 kilovolt (kV) are ineligible for the Fast Track Process regardless of size. All synchronous and induction machines must be no larger than 2 MW to be eligible for the Fast Track Process, regardless of location. For certified inverter-based systems, the size limit varies according to the voltage of the line at the proposed Point of Interconnection. Certified inverter-based Small Generating Facilities located within 2.5 electrical circuit miles of a substation and on a mainline (as defined in the table below) are eligible for the Fast Track Process under the higher thresholds according to the table below. In addition to the size threshold, Interconnection Customer's proposed Small Generating Facility must meet the codes, standards, and certification requirements of Attachments 3 and 4 of these procedures, or Transmission Provider has reviewed the design or tested the proposed Small Generating Facility and is satisfied that it is safe to operate.

| Fast Track Eligibility for Inverter-Based Systems | | | | | |
|---|--|---|--|--|--|
| Line Voltage | Fast Track Eligibility Regardless of Location | Fast Track Eligibility on a Mainline¹ and ≤ 2.5 Electrical Circuit Miles from Substation² | | | |
| < 5 kV | ≤ 500 kW | ≤ 500 kW | | | |
| ≥ 5 kV and < 15 kV | ≤ 2 MW | ≤ 3 MW | | | |
| ≥ 15 kV and < 30 kV | ≤ 3 MW | ≤ 4 MW | | | |
| ≥ 30 kV and ≤ 69 kV | ≤ 4 MW | ≤ 5 MW | | | |

¹ For purposes of this table, a mainline is the three-phase backbone of a circuit. It will typically constitute lines with wire sizes of 4/0 American wire gauge, 336.4 kcmil, 397.5 kcmil, 477 kcmil and 795 kcmil.

² An Interconnection Customer can determine this information about its proposed interconnection location in advance by requesting a pre-application report pursuant to section 1.2.

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2.2 Initial Review

Within 15 Business Days after Transmission Provider notifies Interconnection Customer it has received a complete Interconnection Request, Transmission Provider shall perform an initial review using the screens set forth below, shall notify Interconnection Customer of the results, and include with the notification copies of the analysis and data underlying Transmission Provider's determinations under the screens.

2.2.1 Screens

- 2.2.1.1 The proposed Small Generating Facility's Point of Interconnection must be on a portion of Transmission Provider's Distribution System that is subject to the Tariff.
- 2.2.1.2 For interconnection of a proposed Small Generating Facility to a radial distribution circuit, the aggregated generation, including the proposed Small Generating Facility, on the circuit shall not exceed 15 % of the line section annual peak load as most recently measured at the substation. A line section is that portion of a Transmission Provider's electric system connected to a customer bounded by automatic sectionalizing devices or the end of the distribution line.
- 2.2.1.3 For interconnection of a proposed Small Generating Facility to the load side of spot network protectors, the proposed Small Generating Facility must utilize an inverter-based equipment package and, together with the aggregated other inverter-based generation, shall not exceed the smaller of 5 % of a spot network's maximum load or 50 kW.³
 - A spot Network is a type of distribution system found within modern commercial buildings to provide high reliability of service to a single customer. (Standard <u>Handbook for Electrical Engineers</u>, 11th edition, Donald Fink, McGraw Hill Book Company).
- 2.2.1.4 The proposed Small Generating Facility, in aggregation with other generation on the distribution circuit, shall not contribute more than 10 % to the distribution circuit's maximum fault current at the point on the high voltage (primary) level nearest the proposed point of change of ownership.
- 2.2.1.5 The proposed Small Generating Facility, in aggregate with other generation on the distribution circuit, shall not cause any distribution protective devices and equipment (including, but not limited to, substation breakers, fuse cutouts, and line reclosers), or Interconnection Customer equipment on the system to exceed 87.5 % of the short circuit interrupting capability; nor shall the interconnection proposed for a circuit that already exceeds 87.5 % of the short circuit interrupting capability.

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2.2.1.6 Using the table below, determine the type of interconnection to a primary distribution line. This screen includes a review of the type of electrical service provided to the Interconnecting Customer, including line configuration and the transformer connection to limit the potential for creating over-voltages on Transmission Provider's electric power system due to a loss of ground during the operating time of any anti-islanding function.

| Primary Distribution Line Type | Type of Interconnection to Primary Distribution Line | Result/Criteria |
|--------------------------------|---|-----------------|
| Three-phase, three wire | 3-phase or single phase, phase-to-phase | Pass screen |
| Three-phase, four wire | Effectively-grounded 3 phase or Single-phase, line-to-neutral | Pass screen |

- 2.2.1.7 If the proposed Small Generating Facility is to be interconnected on single-phase shared secondary, the aggregate generation capacity on the shared secondary, including the proposed Small Generating Facility, shall not exceed 20 kW.
- 2.2.1.8 If the proposed Small Generating Facility is single-phase and is to be interconnected on a center tap neutral of a 240 volt service, its addition shall not create an imbalance between the two sides of the 240 volt service of more than 20 % of the nameplate rating of the service transformer.
- 2.2.1.9 The Small Generating Facility, in aggregate with other generation interconnected to the transmission side of a substation transformer feeding the circuit where the Small Generating Facility proposes to interconnect shall not exceed 10 MW in an area where there are known, or posted, transient stability limitations to generating units located in the general electrical vicinity (e.g., three or four transmission busses from the point of interconnection).
- 2.2.1.10 No construction of facilities by Transmission Provider on its own system shall be required to accommodate the Small Generating Facility.
- 2.2.2 If the proposed interconnection passes the screens, the Interconnection Request shall be approved and Transmission Provider will provide Interconnection Customer an executable interconnection agreement within five Business Days after the determination.
- 2.2.3 If the proposed interconnection fails the screens, but Transmission Provider determines that the Small Generating Facility may nevertheless be interconnected consistent with safety, reliability, and power quality standards, Transmission Provider shall provide Interconnection Customer an executable interconnection agreement within five Business Days after the determination.

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2.2.4 If the proposed interconnection fails the screens, but Transmission Provider does not or cannot determine from the initial review that the Small Generating Facility may nevertheless be interconnected consistent with safety, reliability, and power quality standards unless Interconnection Customer is willing to consider minor modifications or further study, Transmission Provider shall provide Interconnection Customer with the opportunity to attend a customer options meeting.

2.3 Customer Options Meeting

If Transmission Provider determines the Interconnection Request cannot be approved without (1) minor modifications at minimal cost, or (2) supplemental study or other additional studies or actions, or (3) incurring significant cost to address safety, reliability, or power quality problems, Transmission Provider shall notify Interconnection Customer of that determination within five Business Days after the determination and provide copies of all data and analyses underlying its conclusion. Within ten Business Days of Transmission Provider's determination, Transmission Provider shall offer to convene a customer options meeting with Transmission Provider to review possible Interconnection Customer facility modifications or the screen analysis and related results, to determine what further steps are needed to permit the Small Generating Facility to be connected safely and reliably. At the time of notification of Transmission Provider's determination, or at the customer options meeting, Transmission Provider shall:

- 2.3.1 Offer to perform facility modifications or minor modifications to Transmission Provider's electric system (e.g., changing meters, fuses, relay settings) and provide a non-binding good faith estimate of the limited cost to make such modifications to Transmission Provider's electric system. If Interconnection Customer agrees to pay for the modifications to Transmission Provider's electric system, Transmission Provider will provide Interconnection Customer with an executable interconnection agreement within ten Business Days of the customer options meeting; or
- 2.3.2 Offer to perform a supplemental review in accordance with section 2.4 and provide a non-binding good faith estimate of the costs of such review; or
- 2.3.3 Obtain Interconnection Customer's agreement to continue evaluating the Interconnection Request under the section 3 Study Process.

2.4 Supplemental Review

2.4.1 To accept the offer of a supplemental review, Interconnection Customer shall agree in writing and submit a deposit for the estimated costs of the supplemental review in the amount of Transmission Provider's good faith estimate of the costs of such review, both within 15 Business Days of the offer. If the written agreement and deposit have not been received by Transmission Provider within that timeframe, the Interconnection Request shall continue to be evaluated under the section 3 Study Process unless it is withdrawn by Interconnection Customer.

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- 2.4.2 Interconnection Customer may specify the order in which Transmission Provider will complete the screens in section 2.4.4.
- 2.4.3 Interconnection Customer shall be responsible for Transmission Provider's actual costs for conducting the supplemental review. Interconnection Customer must pay any review costs that exceed the deposit within 20 Business Days of receipt of the invoice or resolution of any dispute. If the deposit exceeds the invoiced costs, Transmission Provider will return such excess within 20 Business Days of the invoice without interest.
- 2.4.4 Within 30 Business Days following receipt of the deposit for a supplemental review, Transmission Provider shall (1) perform a supplemental review using the screens set forth below; (2) notify in writing Interconnection Customer of the results; and (3) include with the notification copies of the analysis and data underlying Transmission Provider's determinations under the screens. Interconnection Customer provided instructions for how to respond to the failure of any of the supplemental review screens below at the time Interconnection Customer accepted the offer of supplemental review, Transmission Provider shall notify Interconnection Customer following the failure of any of the screens, or if it is unable to perform the screen in section 2.4.4.1, within two Business Days of making such determination to obtain Interconnection Customer's permission to: (1) continue evaluating the proposed interconnection under this section 2.4.4; (2) terminate the supplemental review and continue evaluating the Small Generating Facility under section 3; or (3) terminate the supplemental review upon withdrawal of the Interconnection Request by Interconnection Customer.
 - 2.4.4.1 Minimum Load Screen: Where 12 months of line section minimum load data (including onsite load but not station service load served by the proposed Small Generating Facility) are available, can be calculated, can be estimated from existing data, or determined from a power flow model, the aggregate Generating Facility capacity on the line section is less than 100% of the minimum load for all line sections bounded by automatic sectionalizing devices upstream of the proposed Small Generating Facility. If minimum load data is not available, or cannot be calculated, estimated or determined, Transmission Provider shall include the reason(s) that it is unable to calculate, estimate or determine minimum load in its supplemental review results notification under section 2.4.4.
 - 2.4.4.1.1 The type of generation used by the proposed Small Generating Facility will be taken into account when calculating, estimating, or determining circuit or line section minimum load relevant for the application of screen 2.4.4.1. Solar photovoltaic (PV) generation systems with no battery storage use daytime minimum load (i.e. 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. for fixed panel systems and 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. for PV systems

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- utilizing tracking systems), while all other generation uses absolute minimum load.
- 2.4. 4.1.2 When this screen is being applied to a Small Generating Facility that serves some station service load, only the net injection into Transmission Provider's electric system will be considered as part of the aggregate generation.
- 2.4. 4.1.3 Transmission Provider will not consider as part of the aggregate generation for purposes of this screen generating facility capacity known to be already reflected in the minimum load data.
- 2.4.4.2 Voltage and Power Quality Screen: In aggregate with existing generation on the line section: (1) the voltage regulation on the line section can be maintained in compliance with relevant requirements under all system conditions; (2) the voltage fluctuation is within acceptable limits as defined by Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE) Standard 1453, or utility practice similar to IEEE Standard 1453; and (3) the harmonic levels meet IEEE Standard 519 limits.
- 2.4.4.3 Safety and Reliability Screen: The location of the proposed Small Generating Facility and the aggregate generation capacity on the line section do not create impacts to safety or reliability that cannot be adequately addressed without application of the Study Process. Transmission Provider shall give due consideration to the following and other factors in determining potential impacts to safety and reliability in applying this screen.
 - 2.4.4.3.1 Whether the line section has significant minimum loading levels dominated by a small number of customers (e.g., several large commercial customers).
 - 2.4.4.3.2 Whether the loading along the line section is uniform or even.
 - 2.4.4.3.3 Whether the proposed Small Generating Facility is located in close proximity to the substation (i.e., less than 2.5 electrical circuit miles), and whether the line section from the substation to the Point of Interconnection is a Mainline rated for normal and emergency ampacity.

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- 2.4.4.3.4 Whether the proposed Small Generating Facility incorporates a time delay function to prevent reconnection of the generator to the system until system voltage and frequency are within normal limits for a prescribed time.
- 2.4.4.3.5 Whether operational flexibility is reduced by the proposed Small Generating Facility, such that transfer of the line section(s) of the Small Generating Facility to a neighboring distribution circuit/substation may trigger overloads or voltage issues.
- 2.4.4.3.6 Whether the proposed Small Generating Facility employs equipment or systems certified by a recognized standards organization to address technical issues such as, but not limited to, islanding, reverse power flow, or voltage quality.
- 2.4.5 If the proposed interconnection passes the supplemental screens in sections 2.4.4.1, 2.4.4.2, and 2.4.4.3 above, the Interconnection Request shall be approved and Transmission Provider will provide Interconnection Customer with an executable interconnection agreement within the timeframes established in sections 2.4.5.1 and 2.4.5.2 below. If the proposed interconnection fails any of the supplemental review screens and Interconnection Customer does not withdraw its Interconnection Request, it shall continue to be evaluated under the section 3 Study Process consistent with section 2.4.5.3 below.
 - 2.4.5.1 If the proposed interconnection passes the supplemental screens in sections 2.4.4.1, 2.4.4.2, and 2.4.4.3 above and does not require construction of facilities by Transmission Provider on its own system, the interconnection agreement shall be provided within ten Business Days after the notification of the supplemental review results.
 - 2.4.5.2 If interconnection facilities or minor modifications to Transmission Provider's system are required for the proposed interconnection to pass the supplemental screens in sections 2.4.4.1, 2.4.4.2, and 2.4.4.3 above, and Interconnection Customer agrees to pay for the modifications to Transmission Provider's electric system, the interconnection agreement, along with a non-binding good faith estimate for the interconnection facilities and/or minor modifications, shall be provided to Interconnection Customer within 15 Business Days after receiving written notification of the supplemental review results.

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2.4.5.3 If the proposed interconnection would require more than interconnection facilities or minor modifications to Transmission Provider's system to pass the supplemental screens in sections 2.4.4.1, 2.4.4.2, and 2.4.4.3 above, Transmission Provider shall notify Interconnection Customer, at the same time it notifies Interconnection Customer with the supplemental review results, that the Interconnection Request shall be evaluated under the section 3 Study Process unless Interconnection Customer withdraws its Small Generating Facility.

Section 3. Study Process

3.1 Applicability

The Study Process shall be used by an Interconnection Customer proposing to interconnect its Small Generating Facility with Transmission Provider's Transmission System or Distribution System if the Small Generating Facility (1) is larger than 2 MW but no larger than 20 MW, (2) is not certified, or (3) is certified but did not pass the Fast Track Process or the 10 kW Inverter Process.

3.2 <u>Scoping Meeting</u>

- 3.2.1 A scoping meeting will be held within ten Business Days after the Interconnection Request is deemed complete, or as otherwise mutually agreed to by the Parties. Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer will bring to the meeting personnel, including system engineers and other resources as may be reasonably required to accomplish the purpose of the meeting.
- The purpose of the scoping meeting is to discuss the Interconnection Request and review existing studies relevant to the Interconnection Request. The Parties shall further discuss whether Transmission Provider should perform a feasibility study or proceed directly to a system impact study, or a facilities study, or an interconnection agreement. If the Parties agree that a feasibility study should be performed, Transmission Provider shall provide Interconnection Customer, as soon as possible, but not later than five Business Days after the scoping meeting, a feasibility study agreement (Attachment 6) including an outline of the scope of the study and a non-binding good faith estimate of the cost to perform the study.
- 3.2.3 The scoping meeting may be omitted by mutual agreement. In order to remain in consideration for interconnection, an Interconnection Customer who has requested a feasibility study must return the executed feasibility study agreement within 15 Business Days. If the Parties agree not to perform a feasibility study, Transmission Provider shall provide Interconnection Customer, no later than five Business Days after the scoping meeting, a system impact study agreement (Attachment 7) including an outline of the scope of the study and a non-binding good faith estimate of the cost to perform the study.

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3.3 Feasibility Study

- 3.3.1 The feasibility study shall identify any potential adverse system impacts that would result from the interconnection of the Small Generating Facility.
- 3.3.2 A deposit of the lesser of 50 percent of the good faith estimated feasibility study costs or earnest money of \$1,000 may be required from Interconnection Customer.
- 3.3.3 The scope of and cost responsibilities for the feasibility study are described in the attached feasibility study agreement (Attachment 6).
- 3.3.4 If the feasibility study shows no potential for adverse system impacts, Transmission Provider shall send Interconnection Customer a facilities study agreement, including an outline of the scope of the study and a non-binding good faith estimate of the cost to perform the study. If no additional facilities are required, Transmission Provider shall send Interconnection Customer an executable interconnection agreement within five Business Days.
- 3.3.5 If the feasibility study shows the potential for adverse system impacts, the review process shall proceed to the appropriate system impact study(s).
- 3.3.6 The feasibility study shall evaluate static synchronous compensators, staticVAR compensators, advanced power flow control devices, transmission switching, synchronous condensers, voltage source converters, advanced conductors, and tower lifting. Transmission Provider shall evaluate each identified alternative transmission technology and determine whether it should be used, consistent with Good Utility Practice, Applicable Reliability Standards, and Applicable Laws and Regulations. Transmission Provider shall include an explanation of the results of Transmission Provider's evaluation for each technology in the feasibility study report.

3.4 System Impact Study

- 3.4.1 A system impact study shall identify and detail the electric system impacts that would result if the proposed Small Generating Facility were interconnected without project modifications or electric system modifications, focusing on the adverse system impacts identified in the feasibility study, or to study potential impacts, including but not limited to those identified in the scoping meeting. A system impact study shall evaluate the impact of the proposed interconnection on the reliability of the electric system.
- 3.4.2 If no transmission system impact study is required, but potential electric power Distribution System adverse system impacts are identified in the scoping meeting or shown in the feasibility study, a distribution system impact study must be performed. Transmission Provider shall send Interconnection Customer a distribution system impact study agreement within 15 Business Days of transmittal of the feasibility study report, including an outline of the scope of the study and a

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- non-binding good faith estimate of the cost to perform the study, or following the scoping meeting if no feasibility study is to be performed.
- 3.4.3 In instances where the feasibility study or the distribution system impact study shows potential for transmission system adverse system impacts, within five Business Days following transmittal of the feasibility study report, Transmission Provider shall send Interconnection Customer a transmission system impact study agreement, including an outline of the scope of the study and a non-binding good faith estimate of the cost to perform the study, if such a study is required.
- 3.4.4 If a transmission system impact study is not required, but electric power Distribution System adverse system impacts are shown by the feasibility study to be possible and no distribution system impact study has been conducted, Transmission Provider shall send Interconnection Customer a distribution system impact study agreement.
- 3.4.5 If the feasibility study shows no potential for transmission system or Distribution System adverse system impacts, Transmission Provider shall send Interconnection Customer either a facilities study agreement (Attachment 8), including an outline of the scope of the study and a non-binding good faith estimate of the cost to perform the study, or an executable interconnection agreement, as applicable.
- 3.4.6 In order to remain under consideration for interconnection, Interconnection Customer must return executed system impact study agreements, if applicable, within 30 Business Days.
- 3.4.7 A deposit of the good faith estimated costs for each system impact study may be required from Interconnection Customer.
- 3.4.8 The scope of and cost responsibilities for a system impact study are described in the attached system impact study agreement.
- 3.4.9 Where transmission systems and Distribution Systems have separate owners, such as is the case with transmission-dependent utilities ("TDUs") whether investor-owned or not Interconnection Customer may apply to the nearest Transmission Provider (Transmission Owner, Regional Transmission Operator, or Independent Transmission Provider) providing transmission service to the TDU to request project coordination. Affected Systems shall participate in the study and provide all information necessary to prepare the study.
- 3.4.10 The system impact study shall evaluate static synchronous compensators, static VAR compensators, advanced power flow control devices, transmission switching, synchronous condensers, voltage source converters, advanced conductors, and tower lifting. Transmission Provider shall evaluate each identified alternative transmission technology and determine whether it should be used, consistent with Good Utility Practice, Applicable Reliability Standards, and Applicable Laws and Regulations. Transmission Provider shall include an

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explanation of the results of Transmission Provider's evaluation for each technology in the system impact study report.

3.5 Facilities Study

- 3.5.1 Once the required system impact study(s) is completed, a system impact study report shall be prepared and transmitted to Interconnection Customer along with a facilities study agreement within five Business Days, including an outline of the scope of the study and a non-binding good faith estimate of the cost to perform the facilities study. In the case where one or both impact studies are determined to be unnecessary, a notice of the fact shall be transmitted to Interconnection Customer within the same timeframe.
- 3.5.2 In order to remain under consideration for interconnection, or, as appropriate, in Transmission Provider's interconnection queue, Interconnection Customer must return the executed facilities study agreement or a request for an extension of time within 30 Business Days.
- 3.5.3 The facilities study shall specify and estimate the cost of the equipment, engineering, procurement and construction work (including overheads) needed to implement the conclusions of the system impact study(s).
- 3.5.4 Design for any required Interconnection Facilities and/or Upgrades shall be performed under the facilities study agreement. Transmission Provider may contract with consultants to perform activities required under the facilities study agreement. Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider may agree to allow Interconnection Customer to separately arrange for the design of some of the Interconnection Facilities. In such cases, facilities design will be reviewed and/or modified prior to acceptance by Transmission Provider, under the provisions of the facilities study agreement. If the Parties agree to separately arrange for design and construction, and provided security and confidentiality requirements can be met, Transmission Provider shall make sufficient information available to Interconnection Customer in accordance with confidentiality and critical infrastructure requirements to permit Interconnection Customer to obtain an independent design and cost estimate for any necessary facilities.
- 3.5.5 A deposit of the good faith estimated costs for the facilities study may be required from Interconnection Customer.
- 3.5.6 The scope of and cost responsibilities for the facilities study are described in the attached facilities study agreement.
- 3.5.7 Upon completion of the facilities study, and with the agreement of Interconnection Customer to pay for Interconnection Facilities and Upgrades identified in the facilities study, Transmission Provider shall provide Interconnection Customer an executable interconnection agreement within five Business Days.

Section 4. Provisions that Apply to All Interconnection Requests

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4.1 Reasonable Efforts

Transmission Provider shall make reasonable efforts to meet all time frames provided in these procedures unless Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer agree to a different schedule. If Transmission Provider cannot meet a deadline provided herein, it shall notify Interconnection Customer, explain the reason for the failure to meet the deadline, and provide an estimated time by which it will complete the applicable interconnection procedure in the process.

4.2 Disputes

- 4.2.1 The Parties agree to attempt to resolve all disputes arising out of the interconnection process according to the provisions of this article.
- 4.2.2 In the event of a dispute, either Party shall provide the other Party with a written Notice of Dispute. Such Notice shall describe in detail the nature of the dispute.
- 4.2.3 If the dispute has not been resolved within two Business Days after receipt of the Notice, either Party may contact FERC's Dispute Resolution Service (DRS) for assistance in resolving the dispute.
- 4.2.4 The DRS will assist the Parties in either resolving their dispute or in selecting an appropriate dispute resolution venue (e.g., mediation, settlement judge, early neutral evaluation, or technical expert) to assist the Parties in resolving their dispute. DRS can be reached at 1-877-337-2237 or via the internet at http://www.ferc.gov/legal/adr.asp.
- 4.2.5 Each Party agrees to conduct all negotiations in good faith and will be responsible for one-half of any costs paid to neutral third-parties.
- 4.2.6 If neither Party elects to seek assistance from the DRS or if the attempted dispute resolution fails, then either Party may exercise whatever rights and remedies it may have in equity or law consistent with the terms of these procedures.

4.3 Interconnection Metering

Any metering necessitated by the use of the Small Generating Facility shall be installed at Interconnection Customer's expense in accordance with Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, state, or local regulatory requirements or Transmission Provider's specifications.

4.4 Commissioning

Commissioning tests of Interconnection Customer's installed equipment shall be performed pursuant to applicable codes and standards. Transmission Provider must be given at least five Business Days written notice, or as otherwise mutually agreed to by the Parties, of the tests and may be present to witness the commissioning tests.

4.5. Confidentiality

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- 4.5.1 Confidential information shall mean any confidential and/or proprietary information provided by one Party to the other Party that is clearly marked or otherwise designated "Confidential." For purposes of these procedures all design, operating specifications, and metering data provided by Interconnection Customer shall be deemed confidential information regardless of whether it is clearly marked or otherwise designated as such.
- 4.5.2 Confidential Information does not include information previously in the public domain, required to be publicly submitted or divulged by Governmental Authorities (after notice to the other Party and after exhausting any opportunity to oppose such publication or release), or necessary to be divulged in an action to enforce these procedures. Each Party receiving Confidential Information shall hold such information in confidence and shall not disclose it to any third party nor to the public without the prior written authorization from the Party providing that information, except to fulfill obligations under these procedures, or to fulfill legal or regulatory requirements.
 - 4.5.2.1 Each Party shall employ at least the same standard of care to protect Confidential Information obtained from the other Party as it employs to protect its own Confidential Information.
 - 4.5.2.2 Each Party is entitled to equitable relief, by injunction or otherwise, to enforce its rights under this provision to prevent the release of Confidential Information without bond or proof of damages, and may seek other remedies available at law or in equity for breach of this provision.
- 4.5.3 Notwithstanding anything in this article to the contrary, and pursuant to 18 CFR § 1b.20, if FERC, during the course of an investigation or otherwise, requests information from one of the Parties that is otherwise required to be maintained in confidence pursuant to these procedures, the Party shall provide the requested information to FERC, within the time provided for in the request for information. In providing the information to FERC, the Party may, consistent with 18 CFR § 388.112, request that the information be treated as confidential and non-public by FERC and that the information be withheld from public disclosure. Parties are prohibited from notifying the other Party prior to the release of the Confidential Information to FERC. The Party shall notify the other Party when it is notified by FERC that a request to release Confidential Information has been received by FERC, at which time either of the Parties may respond before such information would be made public, pursuant to 18 CFR § 388.112. Requests from a state regulatory body conducting a confidential investigation shall be treated in a similar manner if consistent with the applicable state rules and regulations.

4.6 Comparability

Transmission Provider shall receive, process and analyze all Interconnection Requests in a timely manner as set forth in this document. Transmission Provider shall use the same reasonable efforts in processing and analyzing Interconnection Requests from all

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Interconnection Customers, whether the Small Generating Facility is owned or operated by Transmission Provider, its subsidiaries or affiliates, or others.

4.7 Record Retention

Transmission Provider shall maintain for three years records, subject to audit, of all Interconnection Requests received under these procedures, the times required to complete Interconnection Request approvals and disapprovals, and justification for the actions taken on the Interconnection Requests.

4.8 Interconnection Agreement

After receiving an interconnection agreement from Transmission Provider, Interconnection Customer shall have 30 Business Days or another mutually agreeable timeframe to sign and return the interconnection agreement, or request that Transmission Provider file an unexecuted interconnection agreement with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission. If Interconnection Customer does not sign the interconnection agreement, or ask that it be filed unexecuted by Transmission Provider within 30 Business Days, the Interconnection Request shall be deemed withdrawn. After the interconnection agreement is signed by the Parties, the interconnection of the Small Generating Facility shall proceed under the provisions of the interconnection agreement.

4.9 Coordination with Affected Systems

Transmission Provider shall coordinate the conduct of any studies required to determine the impact of the Interconnection Request on Affected Systems with Affected System operators and, if possible, include those results (if available) in its applicable interconnection study within the time frame specified in these procedures. Transmission Provider will include such Affected System operators in all meetings held with Interconnection Customer as required by these procedures. Interconnection Customer will cooperate with Transmission Provider in all matters related to the conduct of studies and the determination of modifications to Affected Systems. A Transmission Provider which may be an Affected System shall cooperate with Transmission Provider with whom interconnection has been requested in all matters related to the conduct of studies and the determination of modifications to Affected Systems.

4.10 Capacity of the Small Generating Facility

- 4.10.1 If the Interconnection Request is for an increase in capacity for an existing Small Generating Facility, the Interconnection Request shall be evaluated on the basis of the new total capacity of the Small Generating Facility.
- 4.10.2 If the Interconnection Request is for a Small Generating Facility that includes multiple energy production devices at a site for which Interconnection Customer seeks a single Point of Interconnection, the Interconnection Request shall be evaluated on the basis of the aggregate capacity of the multiple devices.
- 4.10.3 The Interconnection Request shall be evaluated using the maximum capacity that the Small Generating Facility is capable of injecting into Transmission Provider's electric system. However, if the maximum capacity that the Small

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Generating Facility is capable of injecting into Transmission Provider's electric system is limited (e.g., through use of a control system, power relay(s), or other similar device settings or adjustments), then Interconnection Customer must obtain Transmission Provider's agreement, with such agreement not to be unreasonably withheld, that the manner in which Interconnection Customer proposes to implement such a limit will not adversely affect the safety and reliability of Transmission Provider's system. If Transmission Provider does not so agree, then the Interconnection Request must be withdrawn or revised to specify the maximum capacity that the Small Generating Facility is capable of injecting into Transmission Provider's electric system without such limitations. Furthermore, nothing in this section shall prevent a Transmission Provider from considering an output higher than the limited output, if appropriate, when evaluating system protection impacts.

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Glossary of Terms

10 kW Inverter Process – The procedure for evaluating an Interconnection Request for a certified inverter-based Small Generating Facility no larger than 10 kW that uses the section 2 screens. The application process uses an all-in-one document that includes a simplified Interconnection Request, simplified procedures, and a brief set of terms and conditions. See SGIP Attachment 5

Affected System – An electric system other than Transmission Provider's Transmission System that may be affected by the proposed interconnection.

Applicable Reliability Standards – The requirements and guidelines of the Electric Reliability Organization and the Balancing Authority Area of the Transmission System to which the Generating Facility is directly interconnected.

Applicable Laws and Regulations – All duly promulgated applicable federal, state and local laws, regulations, rules, ordinances, codes, decrees, judgments, directives, or judicial or administrative orders, permits and other duly authorized actions of any Governmental Authority.

Business Day – Monday through Friday, excluding Federal Holidays.

Distribution System – Transmission Provider's facilities and equipment used to transmit electricity to ultimate usage points such as homes and industries directly from nearby generators or from interchanges with higher voltage transmission networks which transport bulk power over longer distances. The voltage levels at which Distribution Systems operate differ among areas.

Distribution Upgrades – The additions, modifications, and upgrades to Transmission Provider's Distribution System at or beyond the Point of Interconnection to facilitate interconnection of the Small Generating Facility and render the transmission service necessary to effect Interconnection Customer's wholesale sale of electricity in interstate commerce. Distribution Upgrades do not include Interconnection Facilities.

Good Utility Practice – Any of the practices, methods and acts engaged in or approved by a significant portion of the electric industry during the relevant time period, or any of the practices, methods and acts which, in the exercise of reasonable judgment in light of the facts known at the time the decision was made, could have been expected to accomplish the desired result at a reasonable cost consistent with good business practices, reliability, safety and expedition. Good Utility Practice is not intended to be limited to the optimum practice, method, or act to the exclusion of all others, but rather to be acceptable practices, methods, or acts generally accepted in the region.

Fast Track Process – The procedure for evaluating an Interconnection Request for a certified Small Generating Facility that meets the eligibility requirements of section 2.1 and includes the section 2 screens, customer options meeting, and optional supplemental review.

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Interconnection Customer – Any entity, including Transmission Provider, the Transmission Owner or any of the affiliates or subsidiaries of either, that proposes to interconnect its Small Generating Facility with Transmission Provider's Transmission System.

Interconnection Facilities – Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities. Collectively, Interconnection Facilities include all facilities and equipment between the Small Generating Facility and the Point of Interconnection, including any modification, additions or upgrades that are necessary to physically and electrically interconnect the Small Generating Facility to Transmission Provider's Transmission System. Interconnection Facilities are sole use facilities and shall not include Distribution Upgrades or Network Upgrades.

Interconnection Request – Interconnection Customer's request, in accordance with the Tariff, to interconnect a new Small Generating Facility, or to increase the capacity of, or make a Material Modification to the operating characteristics of, an existing Small Generating Facility that is interconnected with Transmission Provider's Transmission System.

Material Modification – A modification that has a material impact on the cost or timing of any Interconnection Request with a later queue priority date.

Network Resource – Any designated generating resource owned, purchased, or leased by a Network Customer under the Network Integration Transmission Service Tariff. Network Resources do not include any resource, or any portion thereof, that is committed for sale to third parties or otherwise cannot be called upon to meet the Network Customer's Network Load on a non-interruptible basis.

Network Resource Interconnection Service – An Interconnection Service that allows Interconnection Customer to integrate its Generating Facility with Transmission Provider's System (1) in a manner comparable to that in which Transmission Provider integrates its generating facilities to serve native load customers; or (2) in an RTO or ISO with market based congestion management, in the same manner as Network Resources. Network Resource Interconnection Service in and of itself does not convey transmission service.

Network Upgrades – Additions, modifications, and upgrades to Transmission Provider's Transmission System required at or beyond the point at which the Small Generating Facility interconnects with Transmission Provider's Transmission System to accommodate the interconnection with the Small Generating Facility to Transmission Provider's Transmission System. Network Upgrades do not include Distribution Upgrades.

Party or Parties – Transmission Provider, Transmission Owner, Interconnection Customer or any combination of the above.

Point of Interconnection – The point where the Interconnection Facilities connect with Transmission Provider's Transmission System.

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Queue Position – The order of a valid Interconnection Request, relative to all other pending valid Interconnection Requests, that is established based upon the date and time of receipt of the valid Interconnection Request by Transmission Provider.

Small Generating Facility – Interconnection Customer's device for the production and/or storage for later injection of electricity identified in the Interconnection Request, but shall not include Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities.

Study Process – The procedure for evaluating an Interconnection Request that includes the section 3 scoping meeting, feasibility study, system impact study, and facilities study.

Transmission Owner – The entity that owns, leases or otherwise possesses an interest in the portion of the Transmission System at the Point of Interconnection and may be a Party to the Small Generator Interconnection Agreement to the extent necessary.

Transmission Provider – The public utility (or its designated agent) that owns, controls, or operates transmission or distribution facilities used for the transmission of electricity in interstate commerce and provides transmission service under the Tariff. The term Transmission Provider should be read to include the Transmission Owner when the Transmission Owner is separate from Transmission Provider.

Transmission System – The facilities owned, controlled or operated by Transmission Provider or the Transmission Owner that are used to provide transmission service under the Tariff.

Upgrades – The required additions and modifications to Transmission Provider's Transmission System at or beyond the Point of Interconnection. Upgrades may be Network Upgrades or Distribution Upgrades. Upgrades do not include Interconnection Facilities.

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Attachment 2

SMALL GENERATOR INTERCONNECTION REQUEST (Application Form)

| Transmission Provider: |
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| Designated Contact Person: |
| Address: |
| Telephone Number: |
| Fax: |
| E-Mail Address: |
| An Interconnection Request is considered complete when it provides all applicable and correct information required below. Per SGIP section 1.5, documentation of site control must be submitted with the Interconnection Request. |
| Preamble and Instructions |
| An Interconnection Customer who requests a Federal Energy Regulatory Commission jurisdictional interconnection must submit this Interconnection Request by hand delivery, mail, e-mail, or fax to Transmission Provider. |
| Processing Fee or Deposit: |
| If the Interconnection Request is submitted under the Fast Track Process, the non-refundable processing fee is \$500. |
| If the Interconnection Request is submitted under the Study Process, whether a new submission or an Interconnection Request that did not pass the Fast Track Process, Interconnection Customer shall submit to Transmission Provider a deposit not to exceed \$1,000 towards the cost of the feasibility study. |
| Interconnection Customer Information |
| Legal Name of Interconnection Customer (or, if an individual, individual's name) |
| Name: |
| Contact Person: |
| Mailing Address: |

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| City: | State: | Zip: | | | | |
|---|----------------------------|---|--|--|--|--|
| Facility Location (if di | fferent from above): | | | | | |
| Telephone (Day): | | Telephone (Evening): | | | | |
| Fax: | E-Mail Address: | | | | | |
| Alternative Contact Ir | nformation (if different f | rom Interconnection Customer) | | | | |
| Contact Name: | | | | | | |
| Title: | | | | | | |
| Address: | | | | | | |
| | | Telephone (Evening): | | | | |
| Fax: | | E-Mail Address: | | | | |
| Application is for: | New Small Generatir | ng Facility | | | | |
| | Capacity addition to E | Existing Small Generating Facility | | | | |
| If capacity addition to | existing facility, please | e describe: | | | | |
| Will the Small General | ating Facility be used fo | or any of the following? | | | | |
| Net Metering? Yes _ | No | | | | | |
| To Supply Power to I | nterconnection Custom | ner? YesNo | | | | |
| To Supply Power to 0 | Others? Yes No | | | | | |
| For installations at loc Facility will interconn | • | ectric service to which the proposed Small Generating | | | | |
| (Local Electric Servi | ce Provider*) | (Existing Account Number*) | | | | |

[*To be provided by Interconnection Customer if the local electric service provider is different from Transmission Provider]

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| Contact Name: | |
|--|-------|
| Title: | |
| Address: | |
| | |
| Telephone (Day): Telephone (Evening): | |
| Fax: E-Mail Address: | |
| Requested Point of Interconnection: | |
| Interconnection Customer's Requested In-Service Date: | |
| Small Generating Facility Information Data apply only to the Small Generating Facility, not the Interconnection Facilities. Energy Source: Solar Wind Hydro Hydro Type (e.g. Run-of-River): Diesel Natural Gas Fuel Oil Other (state type) | |
| Prime Mover:Fuel CellRecip EngineGas TurbSteamOther Type of Generator:SynchronousInductionInverter | |
| Generator Nameplate Rating:kW (Typical) Generator Nameplate kVAR: | _ |
| Interconnection Customer or Customer-Site Load:kW (if none, so state | e) |
| Typical Reactive Load (if known): | |
| Maximum Physical Export Capability Requested: kW | |
| List components of the Small Generating Facility equipment package that are currently certi | fied: |
| Equipment Type 1 | |
| Is the prime mover compatible with the certified protective relay package?YesNo | |

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| Generator (or solar collector) Manufacturer, Model Name & Number: Version Number: |
|--|
| Nameplate Output Power Rating in kW: (Summer) (Winter) |
| Nameplate Output Power Rating in kVA: (Summer) (Winter) |
| Individual Generator Power Factor Rated Power Factor: Leading: Lagging: |
| Total Number of Generators in wind farm to be interconnected pursuant to this |
| Interconnection Request: Elevation: Single phaseThree phase |
| Inverter Manufacturer, Model Name & Number (if used): |
| List of adjustable set points for the protective equipment or software: |
| Note: A completed Power Systems Load Flow data sheet must be supplied with the Interconnection Request. |
| Small Generating Facility Characteristic Data (for inverter-based machines) |
| Max design fault contribution current: Instantaneous or RMS? |
| Harmonics Characteristics: |
| Start-up requirements: |
| Small Generating Facility Characteristic Data (for rotating machines) |
| RPM Frequency:(*) Neutral Grounding Resistor (If Applicable): |
| Synchronous Generators: |
| Direct Axis Synchronous Reactance, X_d : P.U. Direct Axis Transient Reactance, X'_d : P.U. Direct Axis Subtransient Reactance, X''_d : P.U. Negative Sequence Reactance, X_2 : P.U. Zero Sequence Reactance, X_0 : P.U. KVA Base: Field Volts: |

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| Field Amperes: |
|---|
| Induction Generators: |
| Motoring Power (kW): |
| I ₂ ² t or K (Heating Time Constant): |
| Rotor Resistance, Rr: |
| Stator Resistance, Rs: |
| Stator Reactance, Xs: |
| Rotor Reactance, Xr: |
| Magnetizing Reactance, Xm: |
| Magnetizing Reactance, Xm: Short Circuit Reactance, Xd": |
| Exciting Current: |
| Temperature Rise: |
| Frame Size: |
| Design Letter: |
| Reactive Power Required In Vars (No Load): |
| Reactive Power Required In Vars (Full Load): |
| Total Rotating Inertia, H: Per Unit on kVA Base |
| Note: Please contact Transmission Provider prior to submitting the Interconnection Request to determine if the specified information above is required. |
| Excitation and Governor System Data for Synchronous Generators Only |
| Provide appropriate IEEE model block diagram of excitation system, governor system and power system stabilizer (PSS) in accordance with the regional reliability council criteria. A PSS may be determined to be required by applicable studies. A copy of the manufacturer's block diagram may not be substituted. |
| Primary frequency response operating range for electric storage resources: |
| Minimum State of Charge: Maximum State of Charge: |
| (e.g., an attestation from Interconnection Customer that the model accurately represents |

Models for Non-synchronous Small Generating Facilities

Facility; or test data).

For a non-synchronous Small Generating Facility, Interconnection Customer shall provide (1) a validated user-defined root mean squared (RMS) positive sequence dynamics model; (2) an appropriately parameterized generic library RMS positive sequence dynamics model, including model block diagram of the inverter control and plant control systems, as defined by the selection in Table 1 or a model otherwise approved by the Western Electricity Coordinating Council, that corresponds to Interconnection Customer's Small Generating Facility; and (3) if

the entire Small Generating Facility; attestations from each equipment manufacturer that the user defined model accurately represents the component of the Small Generating

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applicable, a validated electromagnetic transient model if Transmission Provider performs an electromagnetic transient study as part of the interconnection study process. A user-defined model is a set of programming code created by equipment manufacturers or developers that captures the latest features of controllers that are mainly software based and represents the entities' control strategies but does not necessarily correspond to any generic library model. Interconnection Customer must also demonstrate that the model is validated by providing evidence that the equipment behavior is consistent with the model behavior

Table 1: Acceptable Generic Library RMS Positive Sequence Dynamics Models

| GE PSLF | Siemens PSS/E* | PowerWorld Simulator | Description |
|---------|-----------------|-------------------------|---|
| pvd1 | | PVD1 | Distributed PV system model |
| der_a | DERAU1 | DER_A | Distributed energy resource model |
| regc_a | REGCAU1,REGCA1 | REGC_A | Generator/converter model |
| regc_b | REGCBUI | REGC_B | Generator converter model |
| wt1g | WT1G1 | WT1G and WT1G1 | Wind turbine model for Type-1 wind turbines (conventional directly connected induction generator) |
| wt2g | WT2G1 | WT2G and WT2G1 | Generator model for generic Type-2 wind turbines |
| wt2e | WT2E1 | WT2E and WT2E1 | Rotor resistance control model for wound-rotor induction wind-turbine generator wt2g |
| reec_a | REECAU1, REECA1 | REEC_A | Renewable energy electrical control model |
| reec_c | REECCU1 | REEC_C | Electrical control model for battery energy storage system |
| reec_d | REECDU1 | REEC_D | Renewable Energy electric control model |
| wt1t | WT12T1 | WT1T and WT12T1 | Wind turbine model for Type-1 wind turbines (conventional directly connected induction generator) |
| wt1p_b | wt1p_b | WT12A1U_B | Generic wind turbine pitch controller for WTGs of Types 1 and 2 |
| wt2t | WT12T1 | WT2T | Wind turbine model for Type-2 wind turbines (directly connected |

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| GE PSLF | Siemens PSS/E* | PowerWorld Simulator | Description |
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| | | | induction generator wind turbines with an external rotor resistance) |
| wtgt_a | WTDTAU1, WTDTA1 | WTGT_A | Wind turbine drive train model |
| wtga_a | WTARAU1, WTARA1 | WTGA_A | Simple aerodynamic model |
| wtgp_a | WTPTAU1, WTPTA1 | WTGPT_A | Wind Turbine Generator Pitch controller |
| wtgq_a | WTTQAU1, WTTQA1 | WTGTRQ_A | Wind Turbine Generator Torque controller |
| wtgwgo_a | WTGWGOAU | WTGWGO_ A | Supplementary control model for Weak Grids |
| wtgibffr_a | WTGIBFFRA | WTGIBFFR_ A | Inertial-base fast frequency response control |
| wtgp_b | WTPTBU1 | WTGPT_B | Wind Turbine Generator Pitch controller |
| wtgt_b | WTDTBU1 | WTGT_B | Drive train model |
| repc_a | Type 4: REPCAU1 (v33), REPCA1 (v34) Type 3: REPCTAU1 (v33), REPCTA1 (v34) | REPC_A | Power Plant Controller repc_ |
| repc_b | PLNTBU1 | REPC_B | Power Plant Level Controller for controlling several plants/devices In regard to Siemens PSS/E*: Names of other models for interface with other devices: REA3XBU1, REAX4BU1- for interface with Type 3 and 4 renewable machines SWSAXBU1- for interface with SVC (modeled as switched shunt in powerflow) SYNAXBU1- for interface with synchronous condenser |

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| | | | FCTAXBU1- for interface with FACTS device |
| repc_c | REPCCU | REPC_C | Power plant controller |

| Interconnection Facilities | <u>Information</u> | | | | | |
|--|---------------------|-------------------------|------------------|----------------|--------------|-----|
| Will a transformer be usedNo | between the ge | enerator and | I the point | of common | coupling? _ | Yes |
| Will the transformer be prov | vided by Interco | nnection Cu | ustomer? | Yes | No | |
| Transformer Data (If Applic | able, for Interco | nnection C | ustomer-O | wned Trans | former): | |
| Is the transformer:s Transformer Impedance: _ | ingle phase % on | three ph | nase? VA Base | Size: | kV | A |
| If Three Phase: Transformer Primary: Volts Delta Wye Wye Grounded Transformer Secondary: Volts Delta Wye Wye Grounded Transformer Tertiary: Volts Delta Wye Wye Grounded | | | | | | |
| Transformer Fuse Data (If A | Applicable, for I | nterconnect | ion Custor | ner-Owned | Fuse): | |
| (Attach copy of fuse manuf | acturer's Minim | um Melt and | d Total Cle | aring Time-0 | Current Curv | es) |
| Manufacturer: | Type: | | Size: | S _I | oeed: | |
| Interconnecting Circuit Brea | aker (if applicab | <u>le):</u> | | | | |
| Manufacturer: | | Тур | e: | | | |
| Load Rating (Amps): | Interrupting | Rating (Am _l | os): | _ Trip Spee | d (Cycles):_ | |
| Interconnection Protective | Relays (If Applic | cable): | | | | |
| If Microprocessor-Controlle | d: | | | | | |

List of Functions and Adjustable Setpoints for the protective equipment or software:

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| Setpoint Function | | Minim | um | Maximum |
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| 1 | | | | |
| 2 | | | | |
| 3 | | | | |
| 4 | | | | |
| 5 | | | | |
| 6 | | | | |
| f Discrete Compone Enclose Copy of ar | ents: ny Proposed Time-Overcu | ırrent Coordination Curve | s) | |
| Manufacturer: | Туре: | Style/Catalog No.: | Prop | osed Setting: |
| Manufacturer: | Туре: | Style/Catalog No.: | Prop | osed Setting: |
| Manufacturer: | Туре: | Style/Catalog No.: | Prop | osed Setting: |
| Manufacturer: | Туре: | Style/Catalog No.: | Prop | osed Setting: |
| Manufacturer: | Туре: | Style/Catalog No.: | | osed Setting: |
| Current Transforme | r Data (If Applicable): | | | |
| Enclose Copy of Ma | anufacturer's Excitation a | nd Ratio Correction Curve | es) | |
| /lanufacturer: | | | | |
| ·ype: | Accuracy Class: | Proposed Ratio | Connec | ction: |
| lanufacturer: | | | | |
| Type: | Accuracy Class: | Proposed Ratio | Connec | ction: |

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| Potential Transformer | <u>Data (If Applicable):</u> | |
|--|---|--|
| Manufacturer: | | |
| Type: | Accuracy Class: | Proposed Ratio Connection: |
| Manufacturer: | | |
| Type: | Accuracy Class: | Proposed Ratio Connection: |
| General Information | | |
| Facility equipment, cu line diagram must be | rrent and potential circuit s signed and stamped b | showing the configuration of all Small Generating s, and protection and control schemes. This oney a licensed Professional Engineer if the Small e-Line Diagram Enclosed?YesNo |
| | | t indicates the precise physical location of the USGS topographic map or other diagram or |
| | orotective interface equip Customer's address) | ment on property (include address if different from |
| | | escribes and details the operation of the protection tion Enclosed?YesNo |
| relay potential circuits | ematic drawings for all pr , and alarm/monitoring ci ngs Enclosed?Yes _ | |
| Applicant Signature | | |
| | , to the best of my k est is true and correct. | nowledge, all the information provided in this |
| For Interconnection C | ustomer: | Date: |

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Certification Codes and Standards

IEEE1547 Standard for Interconnecting Distributed Resources with Electric Power Systems (including use of IEEE 1547.1 testing protocols to establish conformity)

UL 1741 Inverters, Converters, and Controllers for Use in Independent Power Systems

IEEE Std 929-2000 IEEE Recommended Practice for Utility Interface of Photovoltaic (PV) Systems

NFPA 70 (2002), National Electrical Code

IEEE Std C37.90.1-1989 (R1994), IEEE Standard Surge Withstand Capability (SWC) Tests for Protective Relays and Relay Systems

IEEE Std C37.90.2 (1995), IEEE Standard Withstand Capability of Relay Systems to Radiated Electromagnetic Interference from Transceivers

IEEE Std C37.108-1989 (R2002), IEEE Guide for the Protection of Network Transformers

IEEE Std C57.12.44-2000, IEEE Standard Requirements for Secondary Network Protectors

IEEE Std C62.41.2-2002, IEEE Recommended Practice on Characterization of Surges in Low Voltage (1000V and Less) AC Power Circuits

IEEE Std C62.45-1992 (R2002), IEEE Recommended Practice on Surge Testing for Equipment Connected to Low-Voltage (1000V and Less) AC Power Circuits

ANSI C84.1-1995 Electric Power Systems and Equipment – Voltage Ratings (60 Hertz)

IEEE Std 100-2000, IEEE Standard Dictionary of Electrical and Electronic Terms

NEMA MG 1-1998, Motors and Small Resources, Revision 3

IEEE Std 519-1992, IEEE Recommended Practices and Requirements for Harmonic Control in Electrical Power Systems

NEMA MG 1-2003 (Rev 2004), Motors and Generators, Revision 1

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Attachment 4

Certification of Small Generator Equipment Packages

- 1.0 Small Generating Facility equipment proposed for use separately or packaged with other equipment in an interconnection system shall be considered certified for interconnected operation if (1) it has been tested in accordance with industry standards for continuous utility interactive operation in compliance with the appropriate codes and standards referenced below by any Nationally Recognized Testing Laboratory (NRTL) recognized by the United States Occupational Safety and Health Administration to test and certify interconnection equipment pursuant to the relevant codes and standards listed in SGIP Attachment 3, (2) it has been labeled and is publicly listed by such NRTL at the time of the interconnection application, and (3) such NRTL makes readily available for verification all test standards and procedures it utilized in performing such equipment certification, and, with consumer approval, the test data itself. The NRTL may make such information available on its website and by encouraging such information to be included in the manufacturer's literature accompanying the equipment.
- 2.0 Interconnection Customer must verify that the intended use of the equipment falls within the use or uses for which the equipment was tested, labeled, and listed by the NRTL.
- 3.0 Certified equipment shall not require further type-test review, testing, or additional equipment to meet the requirements of this interconnection procedure; however, nothing herein shall preclude the need for an on-site commissioning test by the parties to the interconnection nor follow-up production testing by the NRTL.
- If the certified equipment package includes only interface components (switchgear, 4.0 inverters, or other interface devices), then an Interconnection Customer must show that the generator or other electric source being utilized with the equipment package is compatible with the equipment package and is consistent with the testing and listing specified for this type of interconnection equipment.
- 5.0 Provided the generator or electric source, when combined with the equipment package, is within the range of capabilities for which it was tested by the NRTL, and does not violate the interface components' labeling and listing performed by the NRTL, no further design review, testing or additional equipment on the customer side of the point of common coupling shall be required to meet the requirements of this interconnection procedure.
- 6.0 An equipment package does not include equipment provided by the utility.
- 7.0 Any equipment package approved and listed in a state by that state's regulatory body for interconnected operation in that state prior to the effective date of these small generator interconnection procedures shall be considered certified under these procedures for use in that state.

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Attachment 5

Application, Procedures, and Terms and Conditions for Interconnecting a Certified Inverter-Based Small Generating Facility No Larger than 10 kW ("10 kW Inverter Process")

- 1.0 Interconnection Customer ("Customer") completes the Interconnection Request ("Application") and submits it to Transmission Provider ("Company").
- 2.0 The Company acknowledges to the Customer receipt of the Application within three Business Days of receipt.
- 3.0 The Company evaluates the Application for completeness and notifies the Customer within ten Business Days of receipt that the Application is or is not complete and, if not, advises what material is missing.
- 4.0 The Company verifies that the Small Generating Facility can be interconnected safely and reliably using the screens contained in the Fast Track Process in the Small Generator Interconnection Procedures (SGIP). The Company has 15 Business Days to complete this process. Unless the Company determines and demonstrates that the Small Generating Facility cannot be interconnected safely and reliably, the Company approves the Application and returns it to the Customer. Note to Customer: Please check with the Company before submitting the Application if disconnection equipment is required.
- 5.0 After installation, the Customer returns the Certificate of Completion to the Company. Prior to parallel operation, the Company may inspect the Small Generating Facility for compliance with standards which may include a witness test, and may schedule appropriate metering replacement, if necessary.
- 6.0 The Company notifies the Customer in writing that interconnection of the Small Generating Facility is authorized. If the witness test is not satisfactory, the Company has the right to disconnect the Small Generating Facility. The Customer has no right to operate in parallel until a witness test has been performed, or previously waived on the Application. The Company is obligated to complete this witness test within ten Business Days of the receipt of the Certificate of Completion. If the Company does not inspect within ten Business Days or by mutual agreement of the Parties, the witness test is deemed waived.
- 7.0 Contact Information The Customer must provide the contact information for the legal applicant (<u>i.e.</u>, Interconnection Customer). If another entity is responsible for interfacing with the Company, that contact information must be provided on the Application.
- 8.0 Ownership Information Enter the legal names of the owner(s) of the Small Generating Facility. Include the percentage ownership (if any) by any utility or public utility holding company, or by any entity owned by either.
- 9.0 UL1741 Listed This standard ("Inverters, Converters, and Controllers for Use in Independent Power Systems") addresses the electrical interconnection design of various forms of generating equipment. Many manufacturers submit their equipment to a

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Nationally Recognized Testing Laboratory (NRTL) that verifies compliance with UL1741. This "listing" is then marked on the equipment and supporting documentation.

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This Application is considered complete when it provides all applicable and correct information required below. Per SGIP section 1.5, documentation of site control must be submitted with the Interconnection Request. Additional information to evaluate the Application may be required.

Processing Fee

A non-refundable processing fee of \$100 must accompany this Application.

| Interconnection | Customer | | | | | | | |
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| Name: | | | | | | | | |
| Contact | | | | | | | | Person: |
| Address: | | | | | | | | |
| City: | | | | State: | Z | Zip: | | _ |
| Telephone | (Day): | | | | | | (| Evening): |
| Fax:: | | | | | | E-Mail | | Address: |
| | | | _ | | | | | |
| Contact (if diffe | rent from Interd | onnection (| Custor | ner) | | | | |
| Name: | | | | | | | | |
| Address: | | | | | | | | |
| City: | | | | _ State: | Zi | p: | | _ |
| Telephone | (Day): | | | | | | (| Evening): |
| Fax: | | | | | | E-Mail | | Address |
| Owner of | the facility | (include | - % | ownership | by | any | electric | utility): |
| | | <u> </u> | | | | | | |
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| Small Generating Facility Information Location (if different from above): |
|---|
| Electric Service Company: |
| Account Number: |
| Inverter Manufacturer: Model: |
| Nameplate Rating: (kW) (kVA) (AC Volts) |
| Single Phase Three Phase |
| System Design Capacity: (kW) (kVA) |
| Prime Mover:PhotovoltaicReciprocating EngineFuel Cell |
| TurbineOther (describe) |
| Energy Source:Solar WindHydroDieselNatural Gas |
| Fuel Oil Other (describe) |
| Is the equipment UL1741 Listed? Yes No |
| If Yes, attach manufacturer's cut-sheet showing UL1741 listing |
| Estimated Installation Date: Estimated In-Service Date: |
| The 10 kW Inverter Process is available only for inverter-based Small Generating Facilities no larger than 10 kW that meet the codes, standards, and certification requirements of Attachments 3 and 4 of the Small Generator Interconnection Procedures (SGIP), or Transmission Provider has reviewed the design or tested the proposed Small Generating Facility and is satisfied that it is safe to operate. |
| List components of the Small Generating Facility equipment package that are currently certified: |
| Equipment Type Certifying Entity 1 2 3 4 5 |
| J |

Interconnection Customer Signature

I hereby certify that, to the best of my knowledge, the information provided in this Application is true. I agree to abide by the Terms and Conditions for Interconnecting an Inverter-Based Small

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| Generating Facility No Larger than 10kW and return the Certificate of Completion when the Sm Generating Facility has been installed. | | | | | |
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| Signed: | | | | | |
| Title: | Date: | | | | |

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| Contingent Approval to Interconnect the Small C | Generating Facility |
| (For Company use only) | |
| <u> </u> | ty is approved contingent upon the Terms and d Small Generating Facility No Larger than 10kW |
| Company Signature: | |
| Title: | Date: |
| Application ID number: | _ |
| Company waives inspection/witness test? Yes_ | No |

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Small Generating Facility Certificate of Completion

| Is the Small Generating | Facility owner-installed? Yes | No |
|--------------------------|---|-------------------------------------|
| Interconnection Custom | ner: | |
| Contact Person: | | |
| Address: | | |
| Location of the Small Go | enerating Facility (if different from a | bove): |
| | | |
| City: | State: | Zip Code: |
| Telephone (Day): | (Evening): | |
| Fax: | E-Mail Address: | |
| <u>Electrician</u> : | | |
| Name: | | |
| | | |
| City: | State: | Zip Code: |
| Telephone (Day): | (Evening): | |
| Fax: | E-Mail Address: | |
| License number: | | |
| Date Approval to Install | Facility granted by the Company: _ | |
| Application ID number: | | |
| Inspection: | | |
| | Facility has been installed and ins | spected in compliance with the loca |
| Signed (Local electrical | wiring inspector, or attach signed e | lectrical inspection): |

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| Print Name: | | | |
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| Date: | | | |

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copy of the signed electrical permit to (insert Company information below):

Name:

Company:

Address:

City, State, ZIP:

Fax:

Approval to Energize the Small Generating Facility (For Company use only)

Energizing the Small Generating Facility is approved contingent upon the Terms and Conditions for Interconnecting an Inverter-Based Small Generating Facility No Larger than 10kW

Company Signature:

Title: _____ Date: _____

As a condition of interconnection, you are required to send/fax a copy of this form along with a

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Terms and Conditions for Interconnecting an Inverter-Based Small Generating Facility No Larger than 10kW

1.0 Construction of the Facility

Interconnection Customer (the "Customer") may proceed to construct (including operational testing not to exceed two hours) the Small Generating Facility when Transmission Provider (the "Company") approves the Interconnection Request (the "Application") and returns it to the Customer.

2.0 Interconnection and Operation

The Customer may operate Small Generating Facility and interconnect with the Company's electric system once all of the following have occurred:

- 2.1 Upon completing construction, the Customer will cause the Small Generating Facility to be inspected or otherwise certified by the appropriate local electrical wiring inspector with jurisdiction, and
- 2.2 The Customer returns the Certificate of Completion to the Company, and
- 2.3 The Company has either:
 - 2.3.1 Completed its inspection of the Small Generating Facility to ensure that all equipment has been appropriately installed and that all electrical connections have been made in accordance with applicable codes. All inspections must be conducted by the Company, at its own expense, within ten Business Days after receipt of the Certificate of Completion and shall take place at a time agreeable to the Parties. The Company shall provide a written statement that the Small Generating Facility has passed inspection or shall notify the Customer of what steps it must take to pass inspection as soon as practicable after the inspection takes place; or
 - 2.3.2 If the Company does not schedule an inspection of the Small Generating Facility within ten business days after receiving the Certificate of Completion, the witness test is deemed waived (unless the Parties agree otherwise); or
 - 2.3.3 The Company waives the right to inspect the Small Generating Facility.
- 2.4 The Company has the right to disconnect the Small Generating Facility in the event of improper installation or failure to return the Certificate of Completion.
- 2.5 Revenue quality metering equipment must be installed and tested in accordance with applicable ANSI standards.

3.0 Safe Operations and Maintenance

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The Customer shall be fully responsible to operate, maintain, and repair the Small Generating Facility as required to ensure that it complies at all times with the interconnection standards to which it has been certified.

4.0 Access

The Company shall have access to the disconnect switch (if the disconnect switch is required) and metering equipment of the Small Generating Facility at all times. The Company shall provide reasonable notice to the Customer when possible prior to using its right of access.

5.0 **Disconnection**

The Company may temporarily disconnect the Small Generating Facility upon the following conditions:

- 5.1 For scheduled outages upon reasonable notice.
- 5.2 For unscheduled outages or emergency conditions.
- 5.3 If the Small Generating Facility does not operate in the manner consistent with these Terms and Conditions.
- 5.4 The Company shall inform the Customer in advance of any scheduled disconnection, or as is reasonable after an unscheduled disconnection.

6.0 **Indemnification**

The Parties shall at all times indemnify, defend, and save the other Party harmless from, any and all damages, losses, claims, including claims and actions relating to injury to or death of any person or damage to property, demand, suits, recoveries, costs and expenses, court costs, attorney fees, and all other obligations by or to third parties, arising out of or resulting from the other Party's action or inactions of its obligations under this agreement on behalf of the indemnifying Party, except in cases of gross negligence or intentional wrongdoing by the indemnified Party.

7.0 **Insurance**

The Parties agree to follow all applicable insurance requirements imposed by the state in which the Point of Interconnection is located. All insurance policies must be maintained with insurers authorized to do business in that state.

8.0 **Limitation of Liability**

Each party's liability to the other party for any loss, cost, claim, injury, liability, or expense, including reasonable attorney's fees, relating to or arising from any act or omission in its performance of this Agreement, shall be limited to the amount of direct damage actually incurred. In no event shall either party be liable to the other party for any indirect, incidental, special, consequential, or punitive damages of any kind whatsoever, except as allowed under paragraph 6.0.

9.0 **Termination**

The agreement to operate in parallel may be terminated under the following conditions:

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9.1 **By the Customer**

By providing written notice to the Company.

9.2 By the Company

If the Small Generating Facility fails to operate for any consecutive 12 month period or the Customer fails to remedy a violation of these Terms and Conditions.

9.3 **Permanent Disconnection**

In the event this Agreement is terminated, the Company shall have the right to disconnect its facilities or direct the Customer to disconnect its Small Generating Facility.

9.4 Survival Rights

This Agreement shall continue in effect after termination to the extent necessary to allow or require either Party to fulfill rights or obligations that arose under the Agreement.

10.0 Assignment/Transfer of Ownership of the Facility

This Agreement shall survive the transfer of ownership of the Small Generating Facility to a new owner when the new owner agrees in writing to comply with the terms of this Agreement and so notifies the Company.

Attachment A to this Agreement.

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Feasibility Study Agreement

| THIS | AGREEMENT is made and entered into thisday of20 |
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| by an | d between, |
| a | organized and existing under the laws of the State |
| of | , ("Interconnection Customer,") and |
| | , a |
| existir | ng under the laws of the State of, |
| | nsmission Provider"). Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider each may be ed to as a "Party," or collectively as the "Parties." |
| | RECITALS |
| gener Interc | REAS, Interconnection Customer is proposing to develop a Small Generating Facility or rating capacity addition to an existing Small Generating Facility consistent with the connection Request completed by Interconnection Customer on ; and |
| | REAS , Interconnection Customer desires to interconnect the Small Generating Facility with mission Provider's Transmission System; and |
| feasib | REAS , Interconnection Customer has requested Transmission Provider to perform a bility study to assess the feasibility of interconnecting the proposed Small Generating Facility Transmission Provider's Transmission System, and of any Affected Systems; |
| | , THEREFORE , in consideration of and subject to the mutual covenants contained herein arties agreed as follows: |
| 1.0 | When used in this Agreement, with initial capitalization, the terms specified shall have the meanings indicated or the meanings specified in the standard Small Generator Interconnection Procedures. |
| 2.0 | Interconnection Customer elects and Transmission Provider shall cause to be performed an interconnection feasibility study consistent the standard Small Generator Interconnection Procedures in accordance with the Open Access Transmission Tariff. |
| 3.0 | The scope of the feasibility study shall be subject to the assumptions set forth in |

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- 4.0 The feasibility study shall be based on the technical information provided by Interconnection Customer in the Interconnection Request, as may be modified as the result of the scoping meeting. Transmission Provider reserves the right to request additional technical information from Interconnection Customer as may reasonably become necessary consistent with Good Utility Practice during the course of the feasibility study and as designated in accordance with the standard Small Generator Interconnection Procedures. If Interconnection Customer modifies its Interconnection Request, the time to complete the feasibility study may be extended by agreement of the Parties.
- 5.0 In performing the study, Transmission Provider shall rely, to the extent reasonably practicable, on existing studies of recent vintage. Interconnection Customer shall not be charged for such existing studies; however, Interconnection Customer shall be responsible for charges associated with any new study or modifications to existing studies that are reasonably necessary to perform the feasibility study.
- 6.0 The feasibility study report shall provide the following analyses for the purpose of identifying any potential adverse system impacts that would result from the interconnection of the Small Generating Facility as proposed:
 - 6.1 Initial identification of any circuit breaker short circuit capability limits exceeded as a result of the interconnection;
 - 6.2 Initial identification of any thermal overload or voltage limit violations resulting from the interconnection;
 - 6.3 Initial review of grounding requirements and electric system protection; and
 - 6.4 Description and non-binding estimated cost of facilities required to interconnect the proposed Small Generating Facility and to address the identified short circuit and power flow issues.
- 7.0 The feasibility study shall model the impact of the Small Generating Facility regardless of purpose in order to avoid the further expense and interruption of operation for reexamination of feasibility and impacts if Interconnection Customer later changes the purpose for which the Small Generating Facility is being installed.
- 8.0 The study shall include the feasibility of any interconnection at a proposed project site where there could be multiple potential Points of Interconnection, as requested by Interconnection Customer and at Interconnection Customer's cost.
- 9.0 A deposit of the lesser of 50 percent of good faith estimated feasibility study costs or earnest money of \$1,000 may be required from Interconnection Customer.
- 10.0 Once the feasibility study is completed, a feasibility study report shall be prepared and transmitted to Interconnection Customer. Barring unusual circumstances, the feasibility study must be completed and the feasibility study report transmitted within 30 Business Days of Interconnection Customer's agreement to conduct a feasibility study.

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- 11.0 Any study fees shall be based on Transmission Provider's actual costs and will be invoiced to Interconnection Customer after the study is completed and delivered and will include a summary of professional time.
- 12.0 Interconnection Customer must pay any study costs that exceed the deposit without interest within 30 calendar days on receipt of the invoice or resolution of any dispute. If the deposit exceeds the invoiced fees, Transmission Provider shall refund such excess within 30 calendar days of the invoice without interest.

13.0 Governing Law, Regulatory Authority, and Rules

The validity, interpretation and enforcement of this Agreement and each of its provisions shall be governed by the laws of the state of ______ (where the Point of Interconnection is located), without regard to its conflicts of law principles. This Agreement is subject to all Applicable Laws and Regulations. Each Party expressly reserves the right to seek changes in, appeal, or otherwise contest any laws, orders, or regulations of a Governmental Authority.

14.0 Amendment

The Parties may amend this Agreement by a written instrument duly executed by both Parties.

15.0 No Third-Party Beneficiaries

This Agreement is not intended to and does not create rights, remedies, or benefits of any character whatsoever in favor of any persons, corporations, associations, or entities other than the Parties, and the obligations herein assumed are solely for the use and benefit of the Parties, their successors in interest and where permitted, their assigns.

16.0 Waiver

- 16.1 The failure of a Party to this Agreement to insist, on any occasion, upon strict performance of any provision of this Agreement will not be considered a waiver of any obligation, right, or duty of, or imposed upon, such Party.
- 16.2 Any waiver at any time by either Party of its rights with respect to this Agreement shall not be deemed a continuing waiver or a waiver with respect to any other failure to comply with any other obligation, right, duty of this Agreement. Termination or default of this Agreement for any reason by Interconnection Customer shall not constitute a waiver of Interconnection Customer's legal rights to obtain an interconnection from Transmission Provider. Any waiver of this Agreement shall, if requested, be provided in writing.

17.0 Multiple Counterparts

This Agreement may be executed in two or more counterparts, each of which is deemed an original but all constitute one and the same instrument.

18.0 No Partnership

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This Agreement shall not be interpreted or construed to create an association, joint venture, agency relationship, or partnership between the Parties or to impose any partnership obligation or partnership liability upon either Party. Neither Party shall have any right, power or authority to enter into any agreement or undertaking for, or act on behalf of, or to act as or be an agent or representative of, or to otherwise bind, the other Party.

19.0 <u>Severability</u>

If any provision or portion of this Agreement shall for any reason be held or adjudged to be invalid or illegal or unenforceable by any court of competent jurisdiction or other Governmental Authority, (1) such portion or provision shall be deemed separate and independent, (2) the Parties shall negotiate in good faith to restore insofar as practicable the benefits to each Party that were affected by such ruling, and (3) the remainder of this Agreement shall remain in full force and effect.

20.0 Subcontractors

Nothing in this Agreement shall prevent a Party from utilizing the services of any subcontractor as it deems appropriate to perform its obligations under this Agreement; provided, however, that each Party shall require its subcontractors to comply with all applicable terms and conditions of this Agreement in providing such services and each Party shall remain primarily liable to the other Party for the performance of such subcontractor.

- 20.1 The creation of any subcontract relationship shall not relieve the hiring Party of any of its obligations under this Agreement. The hiring Party shall be fully responsible to the other Party for the acts or omissions of any subcontractor the hiring Party hires as if no subcontract had been made; provided, however, that in no event shall Transmission Provider be liable for the actions or inactions of Interconnection Customer or its subcontractors with respect to obligations of Interconnection Customer under this Agreement. Any applicable obligation imposed by this Agreement upon the hiring Party shall be equally binding upon, and shall be construed as having application to, any subcontractor of such Party.
- 20.2 The obligations under this article will not be limited in any way by any limitation of subcontractor's insurance.

21.0 Reservation of Rights

Transmission Provider shall have the right to make a unilateral filing with FERC to modify this Agreement with respect to any rates, terms and conditions, charges, classifications of service, rule or regulation under section 205 or any other applicable provision of the Federal Power Act and FERC's rules and regulations thereunder, and Interconnection Customer shall have the right to make a unilateral filing with FERC to modify this Agreement under any applicable provision of the Federal Power Act and FERC's rules and regulations; provided that each Party shall have the right to protest any such filing by the other Party and to participate fully in any proceeding before FERC in which such modifications may be considered. Nothing in this Agreement shall limit the

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rights of the Parties or of FERC under sections 205 or 206 of the Federal Power Act and FERC's rules and regulations, except to the extent that the Parties otherwise agree as provided herein.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have caused this Agreement to be duly executed by their duly authorized officers or agents on the day and year first above written.

| [Insert name of Transmission Provider] | [Insert name of Interconnection Customer] | | | |
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| | <u> </u> | | | |
| Signed | Signed | | | |
| Name (Printed): | Name (Printed): | | | |
| | <u> </u> | | | |
| Title: | _ Title: | | | |

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Attachment A to Feasibility Study Agreement

Assumptions Used in Conducting the Feasibility Study

| The feasibility study will be based upon the information set forth in the Interconnection Request and agreed upon in the scoping meeting held on: | | | |
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| 1) | Designation of Point of Interconnection and configuration to be studied. | | |
| 2) | Designation of alternative Points of Interconnection and configuration. | | |
| 1) and 2) are to be completed by Interconnection Customer. Other assumptions (listed below) are to be provided by Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider. | | | |

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Attachment 7

System Impact Study Agreement

| THIS | AGREEMENT is made and entered into this | day of | 20 |
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| by and | d between | | , |
| a | organized and e | existing under th | ne laws of the State |
| of | | _, ("Interconne | ction Customer,") and |
| | | , ; | a |
| existin | ng under the laws of the State of | | , |
| | smission Provider"). Interconnection Custome ed to as a "Party," or collectively as the "Parties | | ssion Provider each may be |
| | RECITALS | 3 | |
| genera Interca | REAS, Interconnection Customer is proposing ating capacity addition to an existing Small connection Request completed ; and | l Generating F | acility consistent with the |
| | REAS, Interconnection Customer desires to inte mission Provider's Transmission System; | erconnect the S | mall Generating Facility with |
| said s | REAS , Transmission Provider has completed a tudy to Interconnection Customer (This recital the feasibility study.); and | | |
| impac | REAS, Interconnection Customer has requested t study(s) to assess the impact of interconn mission Provider's Transmission System, and o | ecting the Sm | all Generating Facility with |
| | THEREFORE, in consideration of and subject arties agreed as follows: | t to the mutual | covenants contained herein |
| 1.0 | When used in this Agreement, with initial capit meanings indicated or the meanings spe Interconnection Procedures. | | |

Interconnection Customer elects and Transmission Provider shall cause to be performed a system impact study(s) consistent with the standard Small Generator Interconnection

Procedures in accordance with the Open Access Transmission Tariff.

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- 3.0 The scope of a system impact study shall be subject to the assumptions set forth in Attachment A to this Agreement.
- 4.0 A system impact study will be based upon the results of the feasibility study and the technical information provided by Interconnection Customer in the Interconnection Request. Transmission Provider reserves the right to request additional technical information from Interconnection Customer as may reasonably become necessary consistent with Good Utility Practice during the course of the system impact study. If Interconnection Customer modifies its designated Point of Interconnection, Interconnection Request, or the technical information provided therein is modified, the time to complete the system impact study may be extended.
- 5.0 A system impact study shall consist of a short circuit analysis, a stability analysis, a power flow analysis, voltage drop and flicker studies, protection and set point coordination studies, and grounding reviews, as necessary. A system impact study shall state the assumptions upon which it is based, state the results of the analyses, and provide the requirement or potential impediments to providing the requested interconnection service, including a preliminary indication of the cost and length of time that would be necessary to correct any problems identified in those analyses and implement the interconnection. A system impact study shall provide a list of facilities that are required as a result of the Interconnection Request and non-binding good faith estimates of cost responsibility and time to construct.
- 6.0 A distribution system impact study shall incorporate a distribution load flow study, an analysis of equipment interrupting ratings, protection coordination study, voltage drop and flicker studies, protection and set point coordination studies, grounding reviews, and the impact on electric system operation, as necessary.
- 7.0 Affected Systems may participate in the preparation of a system impact study, with a division of costs among such entities as they may agree. All Affected Systems shall be afforded an opportunity to review and comment upon a system impact study that covers potential adverse system impacts on their electric systems, and Transmission Provider has 20 additional Business Days to complete a system impact study requiring review by Affected Systems.
- 8.0 If Transmission Provider uses a queuing procedure for sorting or prioritizing projects and their associated cost responsibilities for any required Network Upgrades, the system impact study shall consider all generating facilities (and with respect to paragraph 8.3 below, any identified Upgrades associated with such higher queued interconnection) that, on the date the system impact study is commenced
 - 8.1 Are directly interconnected with Transmission Provider's electric system; or
 - 8.2 Are interconnected with Affected Systems and may have an impact on the proposed interconnection; and

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- 8.3 Have a pending higher queued Interconnection Request to interconnect with Transmission Provider's electric system.
- 9.0 A distribution system impact study, if required, shall be completed and the results transmitted to Interconnection Customer within 30 Business Days after this Agreement is signed by the Parties. A transmission system impact study, if required, shall be completed and the results transmitted to Interconnection Customer within 45 Business Days after this Agreement is signed by the Parties, or in accordance with Transmission Provider's queuing procedures.
- 10.0 A deposit of the equivalent of the good faith estimated cost of a distribution system impact study and the one half the good faith estimated cost of a transmission system impact study may be required from Interconnection Customer.
- 11.0 Any study fees shall be based on Transmission Provider's actual costs and will be invoiced to Interconnection Customer after the study is completed and delivered and will include a summary of professional time.
- 12.0 Interconnection Customer must pay any study costs that exceed the deposit without interest within 30 calendar days on receipt of the invoice or resolution of any dispute. If the deposit exceeds the invoiced fees, Transmission Provider shall refund such excess within 30 calendar days of the invoice without interest.

13.0 Governing Law, Regulatory Authority, and Rules

The validity, interpretation and enforcement of this Agreement and each of its provisions shall be governed by the laws of the state of ______ (where the Point of Interconnection is located), without regard to its conflicts of law principles. This Agreement is subject to all Applicable Laws and Regulations. Each Party expressly reserves the right to seek changes in, appeal, or otherwise contest any laws, orders, or regulations of a Governmental Authority.

14.0 Amendment

The Parties may amend this Agreement by a written instrument duly executed by both Parties.

15.0 No Third-Party Beneficiaries

This Agreement is not intended to and does not create rights, remedies, or benefits of any character whatsoever in favor of any persons, corporations, associations, or entities other than the Parties, and the obligations herein assumed are solely for the use and benefit of the Parties, their successors in interest and where permitted, their assigns.

16.0 Waiver

16.1 The failure of a Party to this Agreement to insist, on any occasion, upon strict performance of any provision of this Agreement will not be considered a waiver of any obligation, right, or duty of, or imposed upon, such Party.

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Any waiver at any time by either Party of its rights with respect to this Agreement shall not be deemed a continuing waiver or a waiver with respect to any other failure to comply with any other obligation, right, duty of this Agreement. Termination or default of this Agreement for any reason by Interconnection Customer shall not constitute a waiver of Interconnection Customer's legal rights to obtain an interconnection from Transmission Provider. Any waiver of this Agreement shall, if requested, be provided in writing.

17.0 <u>Multiple Counterparts</u>

This Agreement may be executed in two or more counterparts, each of which is deemed an original but all constitute one and the same instrument.

18.0 No Partnership

This Agreement shall not be interpreted or construed to create an association, joint venture, agency relationship, or partnership between the Parties or to impose any partnership obligation or partnership liability upon either Party. Neither Party shall have any right, power or authority to enter into any agreement or undertaking for, or act on behalf of, or to act as or be an agent or representative of, or to otherwise bind, the other Party.

19.0 Severability

If any provision or portion of this Agreement shall for any reason be held or adjudged to be invalid or illegal or unenforceable by any court of competent jurisdiction or other Governmental Authority, (1) such portion or provision shall be deemed separate and independent, (2) the Parties shall negotiate in good faith to restore insofar as practicable the benefits to each Party that were affected by such ruling, and (3) the remainder of this Agreement shall remain in full force and effect.

20.0 Subcontractors

Nothing in this Agreement shall prevent a Party from utilizing the services of any subcontractor as it deems appropriate to perform its obligations under this Agreement; provided, however, that each Party shall require its subcontractors to comply with all applicable terms and conditions of this Agreement in providing such services and each Party shall remain primarily liable to the other Party for the performance of such subcontractor.

20.1 The creation of any subcontract relationship shall not relieve the hiring Party of any of its obligations under this Agreement. The hiring Party shall be fully responsible to the other Party for the acts or omissions of any subcontractor the hiring Party hires as if no subcontract had been made; provided, however, that in no event shall Transmission Provider be liable for the actions or inactions of Interconnection Customer or its subcontractors with respect to obligations of Interconnection Customer under this Agreement. Any applicable obligation imposed by this

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Agreement upon the hiring Party shall be equally binding upon, and shall be construed as having application to, any subcontractor of such Party.

20.2 The obligations under this article will not be limited in any way by any limitation of subcontractor's insurance.

21.0 Reservation of Rights

Transmission Provider shall have the right to make a unilateral filing with FERC to modify this Agreement with respect to any rates, terms and conditions, charges, classifications of service, rule or regulation under section 205 or any other applicable provision of the Federal Power Act and FERC's rules and regulations thereunder, and Interconnection Customer shall have the right to make a unilateral filing with FERC to modify this Agreement under any applicable provision of the Federal Power Act and FERC's rules and regulations; provided that each Party shall have the right to protest any such filing by the other Party and to participate fully in any proceeding before FERC in which such modifications may be considered. Nothing in this Agreement shall limit the rights of the Parties or of FERC under sections 205 or 206 of the Federal Power Act and FERC's rules and regulations, except to the extent that the Parties otherwise agree as provided herein.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, the Parties have caused this Agreement to be duly executed by their duly authorized officers or agents on the day and year first above written.

| [Insert name of Transmission Provider] | [Insert name of Interconnection Customer] | | |
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| Signed | Signed | | |
| Name (Printed): | Name (Printed): | | |
| Title: | Title: | | |

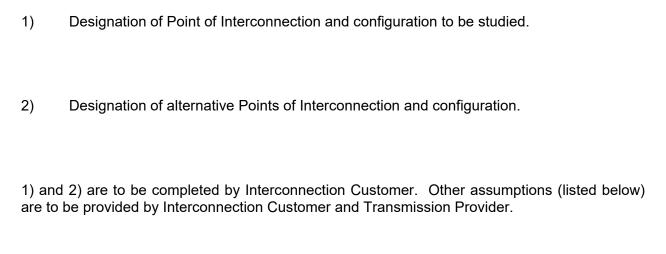
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Attachment A to System Impact Study Agreement

Assumptions Used in Conducting the System Impact Study

The system impact study shall be based upon the results of the feasibility study, subject to any modifications in accordance with the standard Small Generator Interconnection Procedures, and the following assumptions:



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Attachment 8

Facilities Study Agreement

| THIS AGREEMENT is made | de and entered into thiso | day of | 20 |
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| by and between | | | , |
| a | organized and exist | ing under the la | aws of the State |
| of | , ("Interco | nnection Custo | omer,") and |
| | | , a | |
| existing under the laws of t | the State of | | , |
| | Interconnection Customer ar collectively as the "Parties." | nd Transmissio | on Provider each may be |
| | RECITALS | | |
| generating capacity addit | on Customer is proposing to cition to an existing Small Go ompleted by Interconnection Co | enerating Fac | ility consistent with the |
| WHEREAS, Interconnection Transmission Provider's Tr | on Customer desires to intercon ransmission System; | nnect the Smal | ll Generating Facility with |
| | Provider has completed a serconnection Customer; and | system impact | study and provided the |
| WHEREAS, Interconnecti | on Customer has requested | Transmission | Provider to perform a |

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of and subject to the mutual covenants contained herein the Parties agreed as follows:

Transmission Provider's Transmission System.

facilities study to specify and estimate the cost of the equipment, engineering, procurement and construction work needed to implement the conclusions of the system impact study in accordance with Good Utility Practice to physically and electrically connect the Small Generating Facility with

1.0 When used in this Agreement, with initial capitalization, the terms specified shall have the meanings indicated or the meanings specified in the standard Small Generator Interconnection Procedures.

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- 2.0 Interconnection Customer elects and Transmission Provider shall cause a facilities study consistent with the standard Small Generator Interconnection Procedures to be performed in accordance with the Open Access Transmission Tariff.
- 3.0 The scope of the facilities study shall be subject to data provided in Attachment A to this Agreement.
- 4.0 The facilities study shall specify and estimate the cost of the equipment, engineering, procurement and construction work (including overheads) needed to implement the conclusions of the system impact study(s). The facilities study shall also identify (1) the electrical switching configuration of the equipment, including, without limitation, transformer, switchgear, meters, and other station equipment, (2) the nature and estimated cost of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Upgrades necessary to accomplish the interconnection, and (3) an estimate of the time required to complete the construction and installation of such facilities.
- 5.0 Transmission Provider may propose to group facilities required for more than one Interconnection Customer in order to minimize facilities costs through economies of scale, but any Interconnection Customer may require the installation of facilities required for its own Small Generating Facility if it is willing to pay the costs of those facilities.
- 6.0 A deposit of the good faith estimated facilities study costs may be required from Interconnection Customer.
- 7.0 In cases where Upgrades are required, the facilities study must be completed within 45 Business Days of the receipt of this Agreement. In cases where no Upgrades are necessary, and the required facilities are limited to Interconnection Facilities, the facilities study must be completed within 30 Business Days.
- 8.0 Once the facilities study is completed, a draft facilities study report shall be prepared and transmitted to Interconnection Customer. Barring unusual circumstances, the facilities study must be completed and the draft facilities study report transmitted within 30 Business Days of Interconnection Customer's agreement to conduct a facilities study.
- Interconnection Customer may, within 30 Calendar Days after receipt of the draft report, provide written comments to Transmission Provider, which Transmission Provider shall include in the final report. Transmission Provider shall issue the final Interconnection Facilities Study report within 15 Business Days of receiving Interconnection Customer's comments or promptly upon receiving Interconnection Customer's statement that it will not provide comments. Transmission Provider may reasonably extend such fifteen-day period upon notice to Interconnection Customer if Interconnection Customer's comments require Transmission Provider to perform additional analyses or make other significant modifications prior to the issuance of the final Interconnection Facilities Report. Upon request, Transmission Provider shall provide Interconnection Customer supporting documentation, workpapers, and databases or data developed in the preparation of the

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Interconnection Facilities Study, subject to confidentiality arrangements consistent with Section 4.5 of the standard Small Generator Interconnection Procedures.

- 10.0 Within ten Business Days of providing a draft Interconnection Facilities Study report to Interconnection Customer, Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer shall meet to discuss the results of the Interconnection Facilities Study.
- 11.0 Any study fees shall be based on Transmission Provider's actual costs and will be invoiced to Interconnection Customer after the study is completed and delivered and will include a summary of professional time.
- 12.0 Interconnection Customer must pay any study costs that exceed the deposit without interest within 30 calendar days on receipt of the invoice or resolution of any dispute. If the deposit exceeds the invoiced fees, Transmission Provider shall refund such excess within 30 calendar days of the invoice without interest.

13.0 Governing Law, Regulatory Authority, and Rules

The validity, interpretation and enforcement of this Agreement and each of its provisions shall be governed by the laws of the state of ______ (where the Point of Interconnection is located), without regard to its conflicts of law principles. This Agreement is subject to all Applicable Laws and Regulations. Each Party expressly reserves the right to seek changes in, appeal, or otherwise contest any laws, orders, or regulations of a Governmental Authority.

14.0 Amendment

The Parties may amend this Agreement by a written instrument duly executed by both Parties.

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This Agreement is not intended to and does not create rights, remedies, or benefits of any character whatsoever in favor of any persons, corporations, associations, or entities other than the Parties, and the obligations herein assumed are solely for the use and benefit of the Parties, their successors in interest and where permitted, their assigns.

16.0 Waiver

- 16.1 The failure of a Party to this Agreement to insist, on any occasion, upon strict performance of any provision of this Agreement will not be considered a waiver of any obligation, right, or duty of, or imposed upon, such Party.
- 16.2 Any waiver at any time by either Party of its rights with respect to this Agreement shall not be deemed a continuing waiver or a waiver with respect to any other failure to comply with any other obligation, right, duty of this Agreement. Termination or default of this Agreement for any reason by Interconnection Customer shall not constitute a waiver of Interconnection Customer's legal rights

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- 20.1 The creation of any subcontract relationship shall not relieve the hiring Party of any of its obligations under this Agreement. The hiring Party shall be fully responsible to the other Party for the acts or omissions of any subcontractor the hiring Party hires as if no subcontract had been made; provided, however, that in no event shall Transmission Provider be liable for the actions or inactions of Interconnection Customer or its subcontractors with respect to obligations of Interconnection Customer under this Agreement. Any applicable obligation imposed by this Agreement upon the hiring Party shall be equally binding upon, and shall be construed as having application to, any subcontractor of such Party.
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21.0 Reservation of Rights

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have caused this Agreement to be duly executed by their duly authorized officers or agents on the day and year first above written.

| [Insert name of Transmission Provider] | [Insert name of Interconnection Customer] |
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| Signed | Signed |
| Name (Printed): | Name (Printed): |
| Title: | Title: |

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Data to Be Provided by Interconnection Customer with the Facilities Study Agreement

Provide location plan and simplified one-line diagram of the plant and station facilities. For staged projects, please indicate future generation, transmission circuits, etc.

On the one-line diagram, indicate the generation capacity attached at each metering location. (Maximum load on CT/PT)

On the one-line diagram, indicate the location of auxiliary power. (Minimum load on CT/PT) Amps

| 61/11) / miles |
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| One set of metering is required for each generation connection to the new ring bus or existing Transmission Provider station. Number of generation connections: |
| Will an alternate source of auxiliary power be available during CT/PT maintenance? Yes No |
| Will a transfer bus on the generation side of the metering require that each meter set be designed for the total plant generation? YesNo (Please indicate on the one-line diagram). |
| What type of control system or PLC will be located at the Small Generating Facility? |
| What protocol does the control system or PLC use? |
| Please provide a 7.5-minute quadrangle map of the site. Indicate the plant, station, transmission line, and property lines. |
| Physical dimensions of the proposed interconnection station: |
| Bus length from generation to interconnection station: |

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| Line length from interconnection station to Transmission Provider's Transmission System. | | |
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| Tower number observed in the field. (Painted | d on tower leg)*: | |
| Number of third party easements required fo | r transmission lines*: | |
| * To be completed in coordination wit Is the Small Generating Facility located in Tr. Yes No If No, plea | ansmission Provider's service area? | |
| Please provide the following proposed sched | lule dates: | |
| Begin Construction | Date: | |
| Generator step-up transformers receive back feed power | Date: | |
| Generation Testing | Date: | |
| Commercial Operation | Date : | |

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APPENDIX 1

SMALL GENERATOR INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT (SGIA)

(For Generating Facilities No Larger Than 20 MW)

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Article 1. Scope and Limitations of Agreement

1.1 Applicability

This Agreement shall be used for all Interconnection Requests submitted under the Small Generator Interconnection Procedures (SGIP) except for those submitted under the 10 kW Inverter Process contained in SGIP Attachment 5.

1.2 Purpose

This Agreement governs the terms and conditions under which Interconnection Customer's Small Generating Facility will interconnect with, and operate in parallel with, Transmission Provider's Transmission System.

1.3 No Agreement to Purchase or Deliver Power

This Agreement does not constitute an agreement to purchase or deliver Interconnection Customer's power. The purchase or delivery of power and other services that Interconnection Customer may require will be covered under separate agreements, if any. Interconnection Customer will be responsible for separately making all necessary arrangements (including scheduling) for delivery of electricity with the applicable Transmission Provider.

1.4 Limitations

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Nothing in this Agreement is intended to affect any other agreement between Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer.

1.5 Responsibilities of the Parties

- 1.5.1 The Parties shall perform all obligations of this Agreement in accordance with all Applicable Laws and Regulations, Operating Requirements, and Good Utility Practice.
- 1.5.2 Interconnection Customer shall construct, interconnect, operate and maintain its Small Generating Facility and construct, operate, and maintain its Interconnection Facilities in accordance with the applicable manufacturer's recommended maintenance schedule, and in accordance with this Agreement, and with Good Utility Practice.
- 1.5.3 Transmission Provider shall construct, operate, and maintain its Transmission System and Interconnection Facilities in accordance with this Agreement, and with Good Utility Practice.
- 1.5.4 Interconnection Customer agrees to construct its facilities or systems in accordance with applicable specifications that meet or exceed those provided by the National Electrical Safety Code, the American National Standards Institute, IEEE, Underwriter's Laboratory, and Operating Requirements in effect at the time of construction and other applicable national and state codes and standards. Interconnection Customer agrees to design, install, maintain, and operate its Small Generating Facility so as to reasonably minimize the likelihood of a disturbance adversely affecting or impairing the system or equipment of Transmission Provider or by the applicable system operator(s).
- 1.5.5 Each Party shall operate, maintain, repair, and inspect, and shall be fully responsible for the facilities that it now or subsequently may own unless otherwise specified in the Attachments to this Agreement. Each Party shall be responsible for the safe installation, maintenance, repair and condition of their respective lines and appurtenances on their respective sides of the point of change of ownership. Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer, as appropriate, shall provide Interconnection Facilities that adequately protect Transmission Provider's Transmission System, personnel, and other persons from damage and injury. The allocation of responsibility for the design, installation, operation, maintenance and ownership of Interconnection Facilities shall be delineated in the Attachments to this Agreement.
- 1.5.6 Transmission Provider shall coordinate with all Affected Systems to support the interconnection.
- 1.5.7 Interconnection Customer shall ensure "frequency ride through" capability and "voltage ride through" capability of its Small Generating Facility. Interconnection Customer shall enable these capabilities such that its Small Generating Facility shall not disconnect automatically or instantaneously from the system or equipment of Transmission Provider and any Affected

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Systems for a defined under-frequency or over-frequency condition, or an under-voltage or over-voltage condition, as tested pursuant to Section 2.1 of this agreement. The defined conditions shall be in accordance with Good Utility Practice and consistent with any standards and guidelines that are applied to other generating facilities in the Balancing Authority Area on a comparable basis. The Small Generating Facility's protective equipment settings shall comply with Transmission Provider's automatic load-shed program. Transmission Provider shall review the protective equipment settings to confirm compliance with the automatic load-shed program. The term "ride through" as used herein shall mean the ability of a Small Generating Facility to stay connected to and synchronized with the system or equipment of Transmission Provider and any Affected Systems during system disturbances within a range of conditions, in accordance with Good Utility Practice and consistent with any standards and guidelines that are applied to other generating facilities in the Balancing Authority on a comparable basis. The term "frequency ride through" as used herein shall mean the ability of a Small Generating Facility to stay connected to and synchronized with the system or equipment of Transmission Provider and any Affected Systems during system disturbances within a range of under-frequency and overfrequency conditions, in accordance with Good Utility Practice and consistent with any standards and guidelines that are applied to other generating facilities in the Balancing Authority Area on a comparable basis. The term "voltage ride through" as used herein shall mean the ability of a Small Generating Facility to stay connected to and synchronized with the system or equipment of Transmission Provider and any Affected Systems during system disturbances within a range of under-voltage and over-voltage conditions, in accordance with Good Utility Practice and consistent with any standards and guidelines that are applied to other generating facilities in the Balancing Authority Area on a comparable basis. For abnormal frequency conditions and voltage conditions within the "no trip zone" defined by Reliability Standard PRC-024-3 or successor mandatory ride through Applicable Reliability Standards, the nonsynchronous Small Generating Facility must ensure that, within any physical limitations of the Small Generating Facility, its control and protection settings are configured or set to (1) continue active power production during disturbance and post disturbance periods at predisturbance levels unless reactive power priority mode is enabled or unless providing primary frequency response or fast frequency response; (2) minimize reductions in active power and remain within dynamic voltage and current limits, if reactive power priority mode is enabled, unless providing primary frequency response or fast frequency response; (3) not artificially limit dynamic reactive power capability during disturbances; and (4) return to pre-disturbance active power levels without artificial ramp rate limits if active power is reduced, unless providing primary frequency response or fast frequency response.

1.6 Parallel Operation Obligations

Once the Small Generating Facility has been authorized to commence parallel operation, Interconnection Customer shall abide by all rules and procedures pertaining to the parallel operation of the Small Generating Facility in the applicable Balancing Authority Area, including, but not limited to; 1) the rules and procedures concerning the operation of generation set forth in the Tariff or by the system operator for Transmission Provider's Transmission System and; 2) the Operating Requirements set forth in Attachment 5 of this Agreement.

1.7 Metering

Interconnection Customer shall be responsible for Transmission Provider's reasonable and necessary cost for the purchase, installation, operation, maintenance, testing, repair,

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and replacement of metering and data acquisition equipment specified in Attachments 2 and 3 of this Agreement. Interconnection Customer's metering (and data acquisition, as required) equipment shall conform to applicable industry rules and Operating Requirements.

1.8 Reactive Power and Primary Frequency Response

1.8.1 Power Factor Design Criteria

- 1.8.1.1 Synchronous Generation. Interconnection Customer shall design its Small Generating Facility to maintain a composite power delivery at continuous rated power output at the Point of Interconnection at a power factor within the range of 0.95 leading to 0.95 lagging, unless Transmission Provider has established different requirements that apply to all similarly situated synchronous generators in the Balancing Authority Area on a comparable basis.
- Non-Synchronous Generation. Interconnection Customer shall design its Small Generating Facility to maintain a composite power delivery at continuous rated power output at the high-side of the generator substation at a power factor within the range of 0.95 leading to 0.95 lagging, unless Transmission Provider has established a different power factor range that applies to all similarly situated nonsynchronous generators in the Balancing Authority Area on a comparable basis. This power factor range standard shall be dynamic and can be met using, for example, power electronics designed to supply this level of reactive capability (taking into account any limitations due to voltage level, real power output, etc.) or fixed and switched capacitors, or a combination of the two. This requirement shall only apply to newly interconnecting non-synchronous generators that have not yet executed a Facilities Study Agreement as of the effective date of the Final Rule establishing this requirement (Order No. 827).1 This requirement also applies to existing non-synchronous generators making upgrades that require a new Generator Interconnection Agreement where the System Impact Study shows the need for reactive power as a result of an upgrade.
- 1.8.2 Transmission Provider is required to pay Interconnection Customer for reactive power that Interconnection Customer provides or absorbs from the Small Generating Facility when Transmission Provider requests Interconnection Customer to operate its Small Generating Facility outside the range specified in Article 1.8.1. In addition, if Transmission Provider pays its own or affiliated generators for reactive power service within the specified range, it must also pay Interconnection Customer.
- 1.8.3 Payments shall be in accordance with Interconnection Customer's applicable rate schedule then in effect unless the provision of such service(s) is subject to a regional transmission organization or independent system operator FERC-

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approved rate schedule. To the extent that no rate schedule is in effect at the time Interconnection Customer is required to provide or absorb reactive power under this Agreement, the Parties agree to expeditiously file such rate schedule and agree to support any request for waiver of the Commission's prior notice requirement in order to compensate Interconnection Customer from the time service commenced.

- Primary Frequency Response. Interconnection Customer shall ensure the 1.8.4 primary frequency response capability of its Small Generating Facility by installing, maintaining, and operating a functioning governor or equivalent controls. The term "functioning governor or equivalent controls" as used herein shall mean the required hardware and/or software that provides frequency responsive real power control with the ability to sense changes in system frequency and autonomously adjust the Small Generating Facility's real power output in accordance with the droop and deadband parameters and in the direction needed to correct frequency deviations. Interconnection Customer is required to install a governor or equivalent controls with the capability of operating: (1) with a maximum 5 percent droop and ±0.036 Hz deadband; or (2) in accordance with the relevant droop, deadband, and timely and sustained response settings from an approved Electric Reliability Organization reliability standard providing for equivalent or more stringent parameters. The droop characteristic shall be: (1) based on the nameplate capacity of the Small Generating Facility, and shall be linear in the range of frequencies between 59 to 61 Hz that are outside of the deadband parameter; or (2) based on an approved Electric Reliability Organization reliability standard providing for an equivalent or more stringent parameter. The deadband parameter shall be: the range of frequencies above and below nominal (60 Hz) in which the governor or equivalent controls is not expected to adjust the Small Generating Facility's real power output in response to frequency deviations. The deadband shall be implemented: (1) without a step to the droop curve, that is, once the frequency deviation exceeds the deadband parameter, the expected change in the Small Generating Facility's real power output in response to frequency deviations shall start from zero and then increase (for under-frequency deviations) or decrease (for over-frequency deviations) linearly in proportion to the magnitude of the frequency deviation; or (2) in accordance with an approved Electric Reliability Organization reliability standard providing for an equivalent or more stringent parameter. Interconnection Customer shall notify Transmission Provider that the primary frequency response capability of the Small Generating Facility has been tested and confirmed during commissioning. Once Interconnection Customer has synchronized the Small Generating Facility with the Transmission System, Interconnection Customer shall operate the Small Generating Facility consistent with the provisions specified in Sections 1.8.4.1 and 1.8.4.2 of this Agreement. The primary frequency response requirements contained herein shall apply to both synchronous and non-synchronous Small Generating Facilities.
- 1.8.4.1 <u>Governor or Equivalent Controls.</u> Whenever the Small Generating Facility is operated in parallel with the Transmission System, Interconnection Customer shall operate the Small Generating Facility with its governor or equivalent

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controls in service and responsive to frequency. Interconnection Customer shall: (1) in coordination with Transmission Provider and/or the relevant Balancing Authority, set the deadband parameter to: (1) a maximum of ±0.036 Hz and set the droop parameter to a maximum of 5 percent; or (2) implement the relevant droop and deadband settings from an approved Electric Reliability Organization reliability standard that provides for equivalent or more stringent parameters. Interconnection Customer shall be required to provide the status and settings of the governor or equivalent controls to Transmission Provider and/or the relevant Balancing Authority upon request. If Interconnection Customer needs to operate the Small Generating Facility with its governor or equivalent controls not in service, Interconnection Customer shall immediately notify Transmission Provider and the relevant Balancing Authority, and provide both with the following information: (1) the operating status of the governor or equivalent controls (i.e., whether it is currently out of service or when it will be taken out of service); (2) the reasons for removing the governor or equivalent controls from service; and (3) a reasonable estimate of when the governor or equivalent controls will be returned to service. Interconnection Customer shall make Reasonable Efforts to return its governor or equivalent controls into service as soon as practicable. Interconnection Customer shall make Reasonable Efforts to keep outages of the Small Generating Facility's governor or equivalent controls to a minimum whenever the Small Generating Facility is operated in parallel with the Transmission System.

- 1.8.4.2 Timely and Sustained Response. Interconnection Customer shall ensure that the Small Generating Facility's real power response to sustained frequency deviations outside of the deadband setting is automatically provided and shall begin immediately after frequency deviates outside of the deadband, and to the extent the Small Generating Facility has operating capability in the direction needed to correct the frequency deviation. Interconnection Customer shall not block or otherwise inhibit the ability of the governor or equivalent controls to respond and shall ensure that the response is not inhibited, except under certain operational constraints including, but not limited to, ambient temperature limitations, physical energy limitations, outages of mechanical equipment, or regulatory requirements. The Small Generating Facility shall sustain the real power response at least until system frequency returns to a value within the deadband setting of the governor or equivalent controls. A Commissionapproved Reliability Standard with equivalent or more stringent requirements shall supersede the above requirements.
- 1.8.4.3 Exemptions. Small Generating Facilities that are regulated by the United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission shall be exempt from Sections 1.8.4, 1.8.4.1, and 1.8.4.2 of this Agreement. Small Generating Facilities that are behind the meter generation that is sized-to-load (i.e., the thermal load and the generation are near-balanced in real-time operation and the generation is primarily controlled to maintain the unique thermal, chemical, or mechanical output necessary for the operating requirements of its host facility) shall be required to install primary frequency response capability in accordance with the droop and deadband capability requirements specified in Section 1.8.4, but shall be

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otherwise exempt from the operating requirements in Sections 1.8.4, 1.8.4.1, 1.8.4.2, and 1.8.4.4 of this Agreement.

1.8.4.4 Electric Storage Resources. Interconnection Customer interconnecting an electric storage resource shall establish an operating range in Attachment 5 of its SGIA that specifies a minimum state of charge and a maximum state of charge between which the electric storage resource will be required to provide primary frequency response consistent with the conditions set forth in Sections 1.8.4, 1.8.4.1, 1.8.4.2 and 1.8.4.3 of this Agreement. Attachment 5 shall specify whether the operating range is static or dynamic, and shall consider: (1) the expected magnitude of frequency deviations in the interconnection; (2) the expected duration that system frequency will remain outside of the deadband parameter in the interconnection; (3) the expected incidence of frequency deviations outside of the deadband parameter in the interconnection; (4) the physical capabilities of the electric storage resource; (5) operational limitations of the electric storage resource due to manufacturer specifications; and (6) any other relevant factors agreed to by Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer, and in consultation with the relevant transmission owner or Balancing Authority as appropriate. If the operating range is dynamic, then Attachment 5 must establish how frequently the operating range will be reevaluated and the factors that may be considered during its reevaluation.

Interconnection Customer's electric storage resource is required to provide timely and sustained primary frequency response consistent with Section 1.8.4.2 of this Agreement when it is online and dispatched to inject electricity to the Transmission System and/or receive electricity from the Transmission System. This excludes circumstances when the electric storage resource is not dispatched to inject electricity to the Transmission System and/or dispatched to receive electricity from the Transmission System. If Interconnection Customer's electric storage resource is charging at the time of a frequency deviation outside of its deadband parameter, it is to increase (for over-frequency deviations) or decrease (for under-frequency deviations) the rate at which it is charging in accordance with its droop parameter. Interconnection Customer's electric storage resource is not required to change from charging to discharging, or vice versa, unless the response necessitated by the droop and deadband settings requires it to do so and it is technically capable of making such a transition.

- 1.9 Capitalized terms used herein shall have the meanings specified in the Glossary of Terms in Attachment 1 or the body of this Agreement.
- [1] The effective date of Order 827 is October 14, 2016.

Article 2. Inspection, Testing, Authorization, and Right of Access

- 2.1 Equipment Testing and Inspection
 - 2.1.1 Interconnection Customer shall test and inspect its Small Generating Facility and Interconnection Facilities prior to interconnection. Interconnection Customer shall notify Transmission Provider of such activities no fewer than five Business

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Days (or as may be agreed to by the Parties) prior to such testing and inspection. Testing and inspection shall occur on a Business Day. Transmission Provider may, at its own expense, send qualified personnel to the Small Generating Facility site to inspect the interconnection and observe the testing. Interconnection Customer shall provide Transmission Provider a written test report when such testing and inspection is completed.

2.1.2 Transmission Provider shall provide Interconnection Customer written acknowledgment that it has received Interconnection Customer's written test report. Such written acknowledgment shall not be deemed to be or construed as any representation, assurance, guarantee, or warranty by Transmission Provider of the safety, durability, suitability, or reliability of the Small Generating Facility or any associated control, protective, and safety devices owned or controlled by Interconnection Customer or the quality of power produced by the Small Generating Facility.

2.2 <u>Authorization Required Prior to Parallel Operation</u>

- 2.2.1 Transmission Provider shall use Reasonable Efforts to list applicable parallel operation requirements in Attachment 5 of this Agreement. Additionally, Transmission Provider shall notify Interconnection Customer of any changes to these requirements as soon as they are known. Transmission Provider shall make Reasonable Efforts to cooperate with Interconnection Customer in meeting requirements necessary for Interconnection Customer to commence parallel operations by the in-service date.
- 2.2.2 Interconnection Customer shall not operate its Small Generating Facility in parallel with Transmission Provider's Transmission System without prior written authorization of Transmission Provider. Transmission Provider will provide such authorization once Transmission Provider receives notification that Interconnection Customer has complied with all applicable parallel operation requirements. Such authorization shall not be unreasonably withheld, conditioned, or delayed.

2.3 Right of Access

- 2.3.1 Upon reasonable notice, Transmission Provider may send a qualified person to the premises of Interconnection Customer at or immediately before the time the Small Generating Facility first produces energy to inspect the interconnection, and observe the commissioning of the Small Generating Facility (including any required testing), startup, and operation for a period of up to three Business Days after initial start-up of the unit. In addition, Interconnection Customer shall notify Transmission Provider at least five Business Days prior to conducting any onsite verification testing of the Small Generating Facility.
- 2.3.2 Following the initial inspection process described above, at reasonable hours, and upon reasonable notice, or at any time without notice in the event of an emergency or hazardous condition, Transmission Provider shall have access to

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Interconnection Customer's premises for any reasonable purpose in connection with the performance of the obligations imposed on it by this Agreement or if necessary to meet its legal obligation to provide service to its customers.

2.3.3 Each Party shall be responsible for its own costs associated with following this article.

Article 3. Effective Date, Term, Termination, and Disconnection

3.1 <u>Effective Date</u>

This Agreement shall become effective upon execution by the Parties subject to acceptance by FERC (if applicable), or if filed unexecuted, upon the date specified by the FERC. Transmission Provider shall promptly file this Agreement with the FERC upon execution, if required.

3.2 Term of Agreement

This Agreement shall become effective on the Effective Date and shall remain in effect for a period of ten years from the Effective Date or such other longer period as Interconnection Customer may request and shall be automatically renewed for each successive one-year period thereafter, unless terminated earlier in accordance with article 3.3 of this Agreement.

3.3 <u>Termination</u>

No termination shall become effective until the Parties have complied with all Applicable Laws and Regulations applicable to such termination, including the filing with FERC of a notice of termination of this Agreement (if required), which notice has been accepted for filing by FERC.

- 3.3.1 Interconnection Customer may terminate this Agreement at any time by giving Transmission Provider 20 Business Days written notice.
- 3.3.2 Either Party may terminate this Agreement after Default pursuant to article 7.6.
- 3.3.3 Upon termination of this Agreement, the Small Generating Facility will be disconnected from Transmission Provider's Transmission System. All costs required to effectuate such disconnection shall be bore by the terminating Party, unless such termination resulted from the non-terminating Party's Default of this SGIA or such non-terminating Party otherwise is responsible for these costs under this SGIA.
- 3.3.4 The termination of this Agreement shall not relieve either Party of its liabilities and obligations, owed or continuing at the time of the termination.
- 3.3.5 The provisions of this article shall survive termination or expiration of this Agreement.

3.4 <u>Temporary Di</u>sconnection

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Temporary disconnection shall continue only for so long as reasonably necessary under Good Utility Practice.

3.4.1 Emergency Conditions -- "Emergency Condition" shall mean a condition or situation: (1) that in the judgment of the Party making the claim is imminently likely to endanger life or property; or (2) that, in the case of Transmission Provider, is imminently likely (as determined in a non-discriminatory manner) to cause a material adverse effect on the security of, or damage to the Transmission System, Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities or the Transmission Systems of others to which the Transmission System is directly connected; or (3) that, in the case of Interconnection Customer, is imminently likely (as determined in a non-discriminatory manner) to cause a material adverse effect on the security of, or damage to, the Small Generating Facility or Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities. Under Emergency Conditions, Transmission Provider may immediately suspend interconnection service and temporarily disconnect the Small Generating Facility. Transmission Provider shall notify Interconnection Customer promptly when it becomes aware of an Emergency Condition that may reasonably be expected to affect Interconnection Customer's operation of the Small Generating Facility. Interconnection Customer shall notify Transmission Provider promptly when it becomes aware of an Emergency Condition that may reasonably be expected to affect Transmission Provider's Transmission System or any Affected Systems. To the extent information is known, the notification shall describe the Emergency Condition, the extent of the damage or deficiency, the expected effect on the operation of both Parties' facilities and operations, its anticipated duration, and the necessary corrective action.

3.4.2 Routine Maintenance, Construction, and Repair

Transmission Provider may interrupt interconnection service or curtail the output of the Small Generating Facility and temporarily disconnect the Small Generating Facility from Transmission Provider's Transmission System when necessary for routine maintenance, construction, and repairs on Transmission Provider's Transmission System. Transmission Provider shall provide Interconnection Customer with five Business Days notice prior to such interruption. Transmission Provider shall use Reasonable Efforts to coordinate such reduction or temporary disconnection with Interconnection Customer.

3.4.3 Forced Outages

During any forced outage, Transmission Provider may suspend interconnection service to effect immediate repairs on Transmission Provider's Transmission Transmission Provider shall use Reasonable Efforts to provide Interconnection Customer with prior notice. If prior notice is not given, Transmission Provider shall, upon request, provide Interconnection Customer written documentation after the fact explaining the circumstances of the disconnection.

Adverse Operating Effects 3.4.4

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Transmission Provider shall notify Interconnection Customer as soon as practicable if, based on Good Utility Practice, operation of the Small Generating Facility may cause disruption or deterioration of service to other customers served from the same electric system, or if operating the Small Generating Facility could cause damage to Transmission Provider's Transmission System or Affected Systems. Supporting documentation used to reach the decision to disconnect shall be provided to Interconnection Customer upon request. If, after notice, Interconnection Customer fails to remedy the adverse operating effect within a reasonable time, Transmission Provider may disconnect the Small Generating Facility. Transmission Provider shall provide Interconnection Customer with five Business Day notice of such disconnection, unless the provisions of article 3.4.1 apply.

3.4.5 Modification of the Small Generating Facility

Interconnection Customer must receive written authorization from Transmission Provider before making any change to the Small Generating Facility that may have a material impact on the safety or reliability of the Transmission System. Such authorization shall not be unreasonably withheld. Modifications shall be done in accordance with Good Utility Practice. If Interconnection Customer makes such modification without Transmission Provider's prior written authorization, the latter shall have the right to temporarily disconnect the Small Generating Facility.

3.4.6 Reconnection

The Parties shall cooperate with each other to restore the Small Generating Facility, Interconnection Facilities, and Transmission Provider's Transmission System to their normal operating state as soon as reasonably practicable following a temporary disconnection.

Article 4. Cost Responsibility for Interconnection Facilities and Distribution Upgrades

4.1 Interconnection Facilities

- 4.1.1 Interconnection Customer shall pay for the cost of the Interconnection Facilities itemized in Attachment 2 of this Agreement. Transmission Provider shall provide a best estimate cost, including overheads, for the purchase and construction of its Interconnection Facilities and provide a detailed itemization of such costs. Costs associated with Interconnection Facilities may be shared with other entities that may benefit from such facilities by agreement of Interconnection Customer, such other entities, and Transmission Provider.
- 4.1.2 Interconnection Customer shall be responsible for its share of all reasonable expenses, including overheads, associated with (1) owning, operating, maintaining, repairing, and replacing its own Interconnection Facilities, and (2) operating, maintaining, repairing, and replacing Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities.

4.2 <u>Distribution Upgrades</u>

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Transmission Provider shall design, procure, construct, install, and own the Distribution Upgrades described in Attachment 6 of this Agreement. If Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer agree, Interconnection Customer may construct Distribution Upgrades that are located on land owned by Interconnection Customer. The actual cost of the Distribution Upgrades, including overheads, shall be directly assigned to Interconnection Customer.

Article 5. Cost Responsibility for Network Upgrades

5.1 Applicability

No portion of this article 5 shall apply unless the interconnection of the Small Generating Facility requires Network Upgrades.

5.2 Network Upgrades

Transmission Provider or the Transmission Owner shall design, procure, construct, install, and own the Network Upgrades described in Attachment 6 of this Agreement. If Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer agree, Interconnection Customer may construct Network Upgrades that are located on land owned by Interconnection Customer. Unless Transmission Provider elects to pay for Network Upgrades, the actual cost of the Network Upgrades, including overheads, shall be borne initially by Interconnection Customer.

5.2.1 Repayment of Amounts Advanced for Network Upgrades

Interconnection Customer shall be entitled to a cash repayment, equal to the total amount paid to Transmission Provider and Affected System operator, if any, for Network Upgrades, including any tax gross-up or other tax-related payments associated with the Network Upgrades, and not otherwise refunded to Interconnection Customer, to be paid to Interconnection Customer on a dollar-for-dollar basis for the non-usage sensitive portion of transmission charges, as payments are made under Transmission Provider's Tariff and Affected System's Tariff for transmission services with respect to the Small Generating Facility. Any repayment shall include interest calculated in accordance with the methodology set forth in FERC's regulations at 18 C.F.R. § 35.19a(a)(2)(iii) from the date of any payment for Network Upgrades through the date on which Interconnection Customer receives a repayment of such payment pursuant to this subparagraph. Interconnection Customer may assign such repayment rights to any person.

5.2.1.1 Notwithstanding the foregoing, Interconnection Customer, Transmission Provider, and any applicable Affected System operator may adopt any alternative payment schedule that is mutually agreeable so long as Transmission Provider and said Affected System operator take one of the following actions no later than five years from the Commercial Operation Date: (1) return to Interconnection Customer any amounts advanced for Network Upgrades not previously repaid, or (2) declare in writing that Transmission Provider or any applicable Affected System operator will continue to provide payments to Interconnection Customer on a dollar-for-dollar basis for the non-usage sensitive portion of transmission charges, or develop an alternative schedule that is mutually agreeable and provides for the return of all amounts advanced for

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Network Upgrades not previously repaid; however, full reimbursement shall not extend beyond twenty (20) years from the commercial operation date.

5.2.1.2 If the Small Generating Facility fails to achieve commercial operation, but it or another generating facility is later constructed and requires use of the Network Upgrades, Transmission Provider and Affected System operator shall at that time reimburse Interconnection Customer for the amounts advanced for the Network Upgrades. Before any such reimbursement can occur, Interconnection Customer, or the entity that ultimately constructs the generating facility, if different, is responsible for identifying the entity to which reimbursement must be made.

5.3 Special Provisions for Affected Systems

Unless Transmission Provider provides, under this Agreement, for the repayment of amounts advanced to any applicable Affected System operator for Network Upgrades, Interconnection Customer and Affected System operator shall enter into an agreement that provides for such repayment. The agreement shall specify the terms governing payments to be made by Interconnection Customer to Affected System operator as well as the repayment by Affected System operator.

5.4 Rights Under Other Agreements

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, nothing herein shall be construed as relinquishing or foreclosing any rights, including but not limited to firm transmission rights, capacity rights, transmission congestion rights, or transmission credits, that Interconnection Customer shall be entitled to, now or in the future, under any other agreement or tariff as a result of, or otherwise associated with, the transmission capacity, if any, created by the Network Upgrades, including the right to obtain cash reimbursements or transmission credits for transmission service that is not associated with the Small Generating Facility.

Article 6. Billing, Payment, Milestones, and Financial Security

6.1 Billing and Payment Procedures and Final Accounting

- 6.1.1 Transmission Provider shall bill Interconnection Customer for the design, engineering, construction, and procurement costs of Interconnection Facilities and Upgrades contemplated by this Agreement on a monthly basis, or as otherwise agreed by the Parties. Interconnection Customer shall pay each bill within 30 calendar days of receipt, or as otherwise agreed to by the Parties.
- 6.1.2 Within three months of completing the construction and installation of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and/or Upgrades described in the Attachments to this Agreement, Transmission Provider shall provide Interconnection Customer with a final accounting report of any difference between (1) Interconnection Customer's cost responsibility for the actual cost of such facilities or Upgrades, and (2) Interconnection Customer's previous aggregate payments to Transmission Provider for such facilities or Upgrades. If Interconnection Customer's cost responsibility exceeds its previous aggregate

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payments, Transmission Provider shall invoice Interconnection Customer for the amount due and Interconnection Customer shall make payment to Transmission Provider within 30 calendar days. If Interconnection Customer's previous aggregate payments exceed its cost responsibility under this Agreement, Transmission Provider shall refund to Interconnection Customer an amount equal to the difference within 30 calendar days of the final accounting report.

6.2 Milestones

The Parties shall agree on milestones for which each Party is responsible and list them in Attachment 4 of this Agreement. A Party's obligations under this provision may be extended by agreement. If a Party anticipates that it will be unable to meet a milestone for any reason other than a Force Majeure Event, it shall immediately notify the other Party of the reason(s) for not meeting the milestone and (1) propose the earliest reasonable alternate date by which it can attain this and future milestones, and (2) requesting appropriate amendments to Attachment 4. The Party affected by the failure to meet a milestone shall not unreasonably withhold agreement to such an amendment unless it will suffer significant uncompensated economic or operational harm from the delay, (2) attainment of the same milestone has previously been delayed, or (3) it has reason to believe that the delay in meeting the milestone is intentional or unwarranted notwithstanding the circumstances explained by the Party proposing the amendment.

6.3 <u>Financial Security Arrangements</u>

At least 20 Business Days prior to the commencement of the design, procurement, installation, or construction of a discrete portion of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Upgrades, Interconnection Customer shall provide Transmission Provider, at Interconnection Customer's option, a guarantee, a surety bond, letter of credit or other form of security that is reasonably acceptable to Transmission Provider and is consistent with the Uniform Commercial Code of the jurisdiction where the Point of Interconnection is located. Such security for payment shall be in an amount sufficient to cover the costs for constructing, designing, procuring, and installing the applicable portion of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Upgrades and shall be reduced on a dollar-for-dollar basis for payments made to Transmission Provider under this Agreement during its term. In addition:

- 6.3.1 The guarantee must be made by an entity that meets the creditworthiness requirements of Transmission Provider, and contain terms and conditions that guarantee payment of any amount that may be due from Interconnection Customer, up to an agreed-to maximum amount.
- 6.3.2 The letter of credit or surety bond must be issued by a financial institution or insurer reasonably acceptable to Transmission Provider and must specify a reasonable expiration date.

Article 7. Assignment, Liability, Indemnity, Force Majeure, Consequential Damages, and Default

7.1 Assignment

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This Agreement may be assigned by either Party upon 15 Business Days prior written notice and opportunity to object by the other Party; provided that:

- 7.1.1 Either Party may assign this Agreement without the consent of the other Party to any affiliate of the assigning Party with an equal or greater credit rating and with the legal authority and operational ability to satisfy the obligations of the assigning Party under this Agreement, provided that Interconnection Customer promptly notifies Transmission Provider of any such assignment;
- 7.1.2 Interconnection Customer shall have the right to assign this Agreement, without the consent of Transmission Provider, for collateral security purposes to aid in providing financing for the Small Generating Facility, provided that Interconnection Customer will promptly notify Transmission Provider of any such assignment.
- 7.1.3 Any attempted assignment that violates this article is void and ineffective. Assignment shall not relieve a Party of its obligations, nor shall a Party's obligations be enlarged, in whole or in part, by reason thereof. An assignee is responsible for meeting the same financial, credit, and insurance obligations as Interconnection Customer. Where required, consent to assignment will not be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed.

7.2 <u>Limitation of Liability</u>

Each Party's liability to the other Party for any loss, cost, claim, injury, liability, or expense, including reasonable attorney's fees, relating to or arising from any act or omission in its performance of this Agreement, shall be limited to the amount of direct damage actually incurred. In no event shall either Party be liable to the other Party for any indirect, special, consequential, or punitive damages, except as authorized by this Agreement.

7.3 <u>Indemnity</u>

- 7.3.1 This provision protects each Party from liability incurred to third parties as a result of carrying out the provisions of this Agreement. Liability under this provision is exempt from the general limitations on liability found in article 7.2.
- 7.3.2 The Parties shall at all times indemnify, defend, and hold the other Party harmless from, any and all damages, losses, claims, including claims and actions relating to injury to or death of any person or damage to property, demand, suits, recoveries, costs and expenses, court costs, attorney fees, and all other obligations by or to third parties, arising out of or resulting from the other Party's action or failure to meet its obligations under this Agreement on behalf of the indemnifying Party, except in cases of gross negligence or intentional wrongdoing by the indemnified Party.
- 7.3.3 If an indemnified person is entitled to indemnification under this article as a result of a claim by a third party, and the indemnifying Party fails, after notice and reasonable opportunity to proceed under this article, to assume the defense of such claim, such indemnified person may at the expense of the indemnifying

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Party contest, settle or consent to the entry of any judgment with respect to, or pay in full, such claim.

- 7.3.4 If an indemnifying party is obligated to indemnify and hold any indemnified person harmless under this article, the amount owing to the indemnified person shall be the amount of such indemnified person's actual loss, net of any insurance or other recovery.
- 7.3.5 Promptly after receipt by an indemnified person of any claim or notice of the commencement of any action or administrative or legal proceeding or investigation as to which the indemnity provided for in this article may apply, the indemnified person shall notify the indemnifying party of such fact. Any failure of or delay in such notification shall not affect a Party's indemnification obligation unless such failure or delay is materially prejudicial to the indemnifying party.

7.4 Consequential Damages

Other than as expressly provided for in this Agreement, neither Party shall be liable under any provision of this Agreement for any losses, damages, costs or expenses for any special, indirect, incidental, consequential, or punitive damages, including but not limited to loss of profit or revenue, loss of the use of equipment, cost of capital, cost of temporary equipment or services, whether based in whole or in part in contract, in tort, including negligence, strict liability, or any other theory of liability; provided, however, that damages for which a Party may be liable to the other Party under another agreement will not be considered to be special, indirect, incidental, or consequential damages hereunder.

7.5 Force Majeure

- 7.5.1 As used in this article, a Force Majeure Event shall mean "any act of God, labor disturbance, act of the public enemy, war, insurrection, riot, fire, storm or flood, explosion, breakage or accident to machinery or equipment, any order, regulation or restriction imposed by governmental, military or lawfully established civilian authorities, or any other cause beyond a Party's control. A Force Majeure Event does not include an act of negligence or intentional wrongdoing."
- 7.5.2 If a Force Majeure Event prevents a Party from fulfilling any obligations under this Agreement, the Party affected by the Force Majeure Event (Affected Party) shall promptly notify the other Party, either in writing or via the telephone, of the existence of the Force Majeure Event. The notification must specify in reasonable detail the circumstances of the Force Majeure Event, its expected duration, and the steps that the Affected Party is taking to mitigate the effects of the event on its performance. The Affected Party shall keep the other Party informed on a continuing basis of developments relating to the Force Majeure Event until the event ends. The Affected Party will be entitled to suspend or modify its performance of obligations under this Agreement (other than the obligation to make payments) only to the extent that the effect of the Force Majeure Event cannot be mitigated by the use of Reasonable Efforts. The Affected Party will use Reasonable Efforts to resume its performance as soon as possible.

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7.6 Default

- 7.6.1 No Default shall exist where such failure to discharge an obligation (other than the payment of money) is the result of a Force Majeure Event as defined in this Agreement or the result of an act or omission of the other Party. Upon a Default, the non-defaulting Party shall give written notice of such Default to the defaulting Party. Except as provided in article 7.6.2, the defaulting Party shall have 60 calendar days from receipt of the Default notice within which to cure such Default; provided however, if such Default is not capable of cure within 60 calendar days, the defaulting Party shall commence such cure within 20 calendar days after notice and continuously and diligently complete such cure within six months from receipt of the Default notice; and, if cured within such time, the Default specified in such notice shall cease to exist.
- 7.6.2 If a Default is not cured as provided in this article, or if a Default is not capable of being cured within the period provided for herein, the non-defaulting Party shall have the right to terminate this Agreement by written notice at any time until cure occurs, and be relieved of any further obligation hereunder and, whether or not that Party terminates this Agreement, to recover from the defaulting Party all amounts due hereunder, plus all other damages and remedies to which it is entitled at law or in equity. The provisions of this article will survive termination of this Agreement.

Article 8. Insurance

- 8.1 Interconnection Customer shall, at its own expense, maintain in force general liability insurance without any exclusion for liabilities related to the interconnection undertaken pursuant to this Agreement. The amount of such insurance shall be sufficient to insure against all reasonably foreseeable direct liabilities given the size and nature of the generating equipment being interconnected, the interconnection itself, and the characteristics of the system to which the interconnection is made. Interconnection Customer shall obtain additional insurance only if necessary as a function of owning and operating a generating facility. Such insurance shall be obtained from an insurance provider authorized to do business in the State where the interconnection is located. Certification that such insurance is in effect shall be provided upon request of Transmission Provider, except that Interconnection Customer shall show proof of insurance to Transmission Provider no later than ten Business Days prior to the anticipated commercial operation date. An Interconnection Customer of sufficient creditworthiness may propose to self-insure for such liabilities, and such a proposal shall not be unreasonably rejected.
- 8.2 Transmission Provider agrees to maintain general liability insurance or self-insurance consistent with Transmission Provider's commercial practice. Such insurance or selfinsurance shall not exclude coverage for Transmission Provider's liabilities undertaken pursuant to this Agreement.

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8.3 The Parties further agree to notify each other whenever an accident or incident occurs resulting in any injuries or damages that are included within the scope of coverage of such insurance, whether or not such coverage is sought.

Article 9. Confidentiality

- 9.1 Confidential Information shall mean any confidential and/or proprietary information provided by one Party to the other Party that is clearly marked or otherwise designated "Confidential." For purposes of this Agreement all design, operating specifications, and metering data provided by Interconnection Customer shall be deemed Confidential Information regardless of whether it is clearly marked or otherwise designated as such.
- 9.2 Confidential Information does not include information previously in the public domain, required to be publicly submitted or divulged by Governmental Authorities (after notice to the other Party and after exhausting any opportunity to oppose such publication or release), or necessary to be divulged in an action to enforce this Agreement. Each Party receiving Confidential Information shall hold such information in confidence and shall not disclose it to any third party nor to the public without the prior written authorization from the Party providing that information, except to fulfill obligations under this Agreement, or to fulfill legal or regulatory requirements.
 - 9.2.1 Each Party shall employ at least the same standard of care to protect Confidential Information obtained from the other Party as it employs to protect its own Confidential Information.
 - 9.2.2 Each Party is entitled to equitable relief, by injunction or otherwise, to enforce its rights under this provision to prevent the release of Confidential Information without bond or proof of damages, and may seek other remedies available at law or in equity for breach of this provision.
- 9.3 Notwithstanding anything in this article to the contrary, and pursuant to 18 CFR § 1b.20, if FERC, during the course of an investigation or otherwise, requests information from one of the Parties that is otherwise required to be maintained in confidence pursuant to this Agreement, the Party shall provide the requested information to FERC, within the time provided for in the request for information. In providing the information to FERC, the Party may, consistent with 18 CFR § 388.112, request that the information be treated as confidential and non-public by FERC and that the information be withheld from public disclosure. Parties are prohibited from notifying the other Party to this Agreement prior to the release of the Confidential Information to FERC. The Party shall notify the other Party to this Agreement when it is notified by FERC that a request to release Confidential Information has been received by FERC, at which time either of the Parties may respond before such information would be made public, pursuant to 18 CFR § 388.112. Requests from a state regulatory body conducting a confidential investigation shall be treated in a similar manner if consistent with the applicable state rules and regulations.

Article 10. Disputes

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- 10.1 The Parties agree to attempt to resolve all disputes arising out of the interconnection process according to the provisions of this article.
- 10.2 In the event of a dispute, either Party shall provide the other Party with a written Notice of Dispute. Such Notice shall describe in detail the nature of the dispute.
- 10.3 If the dispute has not been resolved within two Business Days after receipt of the Notice, either Party may contact FERC's Dispute Resolution Service (DRS) for assistance in resolving the dispute.
- 10.4 The DRS will assist the Parties in either resolving their dispute or in selecting an appropriate dispute resolution venue (e.g., mediation, settlement judge, early neutral evaluation, or technical expert) to assist the Parties in resolving their dispute. DRS can be reached at 1-877-337-2237 or via the internet at http://www.ferc.gov/legal/adr.asp.
- 10.5 Each Party agrees to conduct all negotiations in good faith and will be responsible for one-half of any costs paid to neutral third-parties.
- 10.6 If neither Party elects to seek assistance from the DRS, or if the attempted dispute resolution fails, then either Party may exercise whatever rights and remedies it may have in equity or law consistent with the terms of this Agreement.

Article 11. Taxes

- 11.1 The Parties agree to follow all applicable tax laws and regulations, consistent with FERC policy and Internal Revenue Service requirements.
- 11.2 Each Party shall cooperate with the other to maintain the other Party's tax status. Nothing in this Agreement is intended to adversely affect Transmission Provider's tax exempt status with respect to the issuance of bonds including, but not limited to, local furnishing bonds.

Article 12. Miscellaneous

12.1 Governing Law, Regulatory Authority, and Rules The validity, interpretation and enforcement of this Agreement and each of its provisions shall be governed by the laws of the state of ______ (where the Point of Interconnection is located), without regard to its conflicts of law principles. This Agreement is subject to all Applicable Laws and Regulations. Each Party expressly reserves the right to seek changes in, appeal, or otherwise contest any laws, orders, or regulations of a

12.2 Amendment

The Parties may amend this Agreement by a written instrument duly executed by both Parties, or under article 12.2 of this Agreement.

12.3 No Third-Party Beneficiaries

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This Agreement is not intended to and does not create rights, remedies, or benefits of any character whatsoever in favor of any persons, corporations, associations, or entities other than the Parties, and the obligations herein assumed are solely for the use and benefit of the Parties, their successors in interest and where permitted, their assigns.

12.4 Waiver

- 12.4.1 The failure of a Party to this Agreement to insist, on any occasion, upon strict performance of any provision of this Agreement will not be considered a waiver of any obligation, right, or duty of, or imposed upon, such Party.
- 12.4.2 Any waiver at any time by either Party of its rights with respect to this Agreement shall not be deemed a continuing waiver or a waiver with respect to any other failure to comply with any other obligation, right, duty of this Agreement. Termination or default of this Agreement for any reason by Interconnection Customer shall not constitute a waiver of Interconnection Customer's legal rights to obtain an interconnection from Transmission Provider. Any waiver of this Agreement shall, if requested, be provided in writing.

12.5 Entire Agreement

This Agreement, including all Attachments, constitutes the entire agreement between the Parties with reference to the subject matter hereof, and supersedes all prior and contemporaneous understandings or agreements, oral or written, between the Parties with respect to the subject matter of this Agreement. There are no other agreements, representations, warranties, or covenants which constitute any part of the consideration for, or any condition to, either Party's compliance with its obligations under this Agreement.

12.6 Multiple Counterparts

This Agreement may be executed in two or more counterparts, each of which is deemed an original but all constitute one and the same instrument.

12.7 No Partnership

This Agreement shall not be interpreted or construed to create an association, joint venture, agency relationship, or partnership between the Parties or to impose any partnership obligation or partnership liability upon either Party. Neither Party shall have any right, power or authority to enter into any agreement or undertaking for, or act on behalf of, or to act as or be an agent or representative of, or to otherwise bind, the other Party.

12.8 Severability

If any provision or portion of this Agreement shall for any reason be held or adjudged to be invalid or illegal or unenforceable by any court of competent jurisdiction or other Governmental Authority, (1) such portion or provision shall be deemed separate and independent, (2) the Parties shall negotiate in good faith to restore insofar as practicable the benefits to each Party that were affected by such ruling, and (3) the remainder of this Agreement shall remain in full force and effect.

12.9 Security Arrangements

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Infrastructure security of electric system equipment and operations and control hardware and software is essential to ensure day-to-day reliability and operational security. FERC expects all Transmission Providers, market participants, and Interconnection Customers interconnected to electric systems to comply with the recommendations offered by the President's Critical Infrastructure Protection Board and, eventually, best practice recommendations from the electric reliability authority. All public utilities are expected to meet basic standards for system infrastructure and operational security, including physical, operational, and cyber-security practices.

12.10 Environmental Releases

Each Party shall notify the other Party, first orally and then in writing, of the release of any hazardous substances, any asbestos or lead abatement activities, or any type of remediation activities related to the Small Generating Facility or the Interconnection Facilities, each of which may reasonably be expected to affect the other Party. The notifying Party shall (1) provide the notice as soon as practicable, provided such Party makes a good faith effort to provide the notice no later than 24 hours after such Party becomes aware of the occurrence, and (2) promptly furnish to the other Party copies of any publicly available reports filed with any governmental authorities addressing such events.

12.11 Subcontractors

Nothing in this Agreement shall prevent a Party from utilizing the services of any subcontractor as it deems appropriate to perform its obligations under this Agreement; provided, however, that each Party shall require its subcontractors to comply with all applicable terms and conditions of this Agreement in providing such services and each Party shall remain primarily liable to the other Party for the performance of such subcontractor.

- 12.11.1 The creation of any subcontract relationship shall not relieve the hiring Party of any of its obligations under this Agreement. The hiring Party shall be fully responsible to the other Party for the acts or omissions of any subcontractor the hiring Party hires as if no subcontract had been made; provided, however, that in no event shall Transmission Provider be liable for the actions or inactions of Interconnection Customer or its subcontractors with respect to obligations of Interconnection Customer under this Agreement. Any applicable obligation imposed by this Agreement upon the hiring Party shall be equally binding upon, and shall be construed as having application to, any subcontractor of such Party.
- 12.11.2 The obligations under this article will not be limited in any way by any limitation of subcontractor's insurance.

12.12 Reservation of Rights

Transmission Provider shall have the right to make a unilateral filing with FERC to modify this Agreement with respect to any rates, terms and conditions, charges, classifications of service, rule or regulation under section 205 or any other applicable provision of the Federal Power Act and FERC's rules and regulations thereunder, and Interconnection Customer shall have the right to make a unilateral filing with FERC to modify this Agreement under any applicable provision of the Federal Power Act and FERC's rules

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and regulations; provided that each Party shall have the right to protest any such filing by the other Party and to participate fully in any proceeding before FERC in which such modifications may be considered. Nothing in this Agreement shall limit the rights of the Parties or of FERC under sections 205 or 206 of the Federal Power Act and FERC's rules and regulations, except to the extent that the Parties otherwise agree as provided herein.

Article 13. Notices

13.1 General

Unless otherwise provided in this Agreement, any written notice, demand, or request required or authorized in connection with this Agreement ("Notice") shall be deemed properly given if delivered in person, delivered by recognized national currier service, or sent by first class mail, postage prepaid, to the person specified below:

| | if to interconnection Customer: | | |
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| | Interconnection Customer: | | |
| | Attention: | | |
| | Address: | 01.1 | |
| | City: | State: | Zip: |
| | Phone: | State: Fax: | |
| | If to Transmission Provider: | | |
| | Transmission Provider: | | |
| | Attention: | | |
| | Address: | | |
| | City: | State: | Zip: |
| | Phone: | Fax: | · |
| 13.2 | Billing and Payment | | |
| | Billings and payments shall be sent | t to the addresses set out belov | W: |
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| | Attention: | | |
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| | City: | State: | Zip: |
| | Transmission Provider: | | |
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13.3 <u>Alternative Forms of Notice</u>

Any notice or request required or permitted to be given by either Party to the other and not required by this Agreement to be given in writing may be so given by telephone, facsimile or e-mail to the telephone numbers and e-mail addresses set out below:

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| Interconnection Custo | omer: | |
| Attention: | | |
| Address: | | |
| City: | State: | Zip: |
| Phone: | State: Fax: | |
| If to Transmission Provider: | | |
| Transmission Provide | er: | |
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| Transmission Provider's Ope | erating Representative: | |
| Transmission Provide | er | |
| Attention: | | |
| Address: | | |
| City: | State: | Zip: |
| Phone: | Fax: | · |
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13.5 Changes to the Notice Information

Either Party may change this information by giving five Business Days written notice prior to the effective date of the change.

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Article 14. Signatures

For Transmission Provider

Date: _____

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have caused this Agreement to be executed by their respective duly authorized representatives.

Name: _____
Title: ____

Date: ____

For Interconnection Customer

Name: ____

Title: ____

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Glossary of Terms

Affected System – An electric system other than Transmission Provider's Transmission System that may be affected by the proposed interconnection.

Applicable Laws and Regulations – All duly promulgated applicable federal, state and local laws, regulations, rules, ordinances, codes, decrees, judgments, directives, or judicial or administrative orders, permits and other duly authorized actions of any Governmental Authority.

Applicable Reliability Standards - The requirements and guidelines of the Electric Reliability Organization and the Balancing Authority Area of the Transmission System to which the Generating Facility is directly interconnected.

Balancing Authority - An entity that integrates resource plans ahead of time, maintains demand and resource balance within a Balancing Authority Area, and supports interconnection frequency in real time.

Balancing Authority Area - The collection of generation, transmission, and loads within the metered boundaries of the Balancing Authority. The Balancing Authority maintains load-resource balance within this area.

Business Day – Monday through Friday, excluding Federal Holidays.

Default – The failure of a breaching Party to cure its breach under the Small Generator Interconnection Agreement.

Distribution System – Transmission Provider's facilities and equipment used to transmit electricity to ultimate usage points such as homes and industries directly from nearby generators or from interchanges with higher voltage transmission networks which transport bulk power over longer distances. The voltage levels at which Distribution Systems operate differ among areas.

Distribution Upgrades – The additions, modifications, and upgrades to Transmission Provider's Distribution System at or beyond the Point of Interconnection to facilitate interconnection of the Small Generating Facility and render the transmission service necessary to effect Interconnection Customer's wholesale sale of electricity in interstate commerce. Distribution Upgrades do not include Interconnection Facilities.

Good Utility Practice – Any of the practices, methods and acts engaged in or approved by a significant portion of the electric industry during the relevant time period, or any of the practices, methods and acts which, in the exercise of reasonable judgment in light of the facts known at the time the decision was made, could have been expected to accomplish the desired result at a reasonable cost consistent with good business practices, reliability, safety and expedition. Good Utility Practice is not intended to be limited to the optimum practice, method, or act to the exclusion of all others, but rather to be acceptable practices, methods, or acts generally accepted in the region.

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Governmental Authority – Any federal, state, local or other governmental regulatory or administrative agency, court, commission, department, board, or other governmental subdivision, legislature, rulemaking board, tribunal, or other governmental authority having jurisdiction over the Parties, their respective facilities, or the respective services they provide, and exercising or entitled to exercise any administrative, executive, police, or taxing authority or power; provided, however, that such term does not include Interconnection Customer, the Interconnection Provider, or any Affiliate thereof.

Interconnection Customer – Any entity, including Transmission Provider, the Transmission Owner or any of the affiliates or subsidiaries of either, that proposes to interconnect its Small Generating Facility with Transmission Provider's Transmission System.

Interconnection Facilities – Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities. Collectively, Interconnection Facilities include all facilities and equipment between the Small Generating Facility and the Point of Interconnection, including any modification, additions or upgrades that are necessary to physically and electrically interconnect the Small Generating Facility to Transmission Provider's Transmission System. Interconnection Facilities are sole use facilities and shall not include Distribution Upgrades or Network Upgrades.

Interconnection Request – Interconnection Customer's request, in accordance with the Tariff, to interconnect a new Small Generating Facility, or to increase the capacity of, or make a Material Modification to the operating characteristics of, an existing Small Generating Facility that is interconnected with Transmission Provider's Transmission System.

Material Modification – A modification that has a material impact on the cost or timing of any Interconnection Reguest with a later queue priority date.

Network Upgrades – Additions, modifications, and upgrades to Transmission Provider's Transmission System required at or beyond the point at which the Small Generating Facility interconnects with Transmission Provider's Transmission System to accommodate the interconnection of the Small Generating Facility with Transmission Provider's Transmission System. Network Upgrades do not include Distribution Upgrades.

Operating Requirements – Any operating and technical requirements that may be applicable due to Regional Transmission Organization, Independent System Operator, Balancing Authority Area, or Transmission Provider's requirements, including those set forth in the Small Generator Interconnection Agreement.

Party or Parties – Transmission Provider, Transmission Owner, Interconnection Customer or any combination of the above.

Point of Interconnection – The point where the Interconnection Facilities connect with Transmission Provider's Transmission System.

Reasonable Efforts – With respect to an action required to be attempted or taken by a Party under the Small Generator Interconnection Agreement, efforts that are timely and consistent with

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Good Utility Practice and are otherwise substantially equivalent to those a Party would use to protect its own interests.

Small Generating Facility – Interconnection Customer's device for the production and/or storage for later injection of electricity identified in the Interconnection Request, but shall not include Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities.

Tariff – Transmission Provider or Affected System's Tariff through which open access transmission service and Interconnection Service are offered, as filed with the FERC, and as amended or supplemented from time to time, or any successor tariff.

Transmission Owner – The entity that owns, leases or otherwise possesses an interest in the portion of the Transmission System at the Point of Interconnection and may be a Party to the Small Generator Interconnection Agreement to the extent necessary.

Transmission Provider – The public utility (or its designated agent) that owns, controls, or operates transmission or distribution facilities used for the transmission of electricity in interstate commerce and provides transmission service under the Tariff. The term Transmission Provider should be read to include the Transmission Owner when the Transmission Owner is separate from Transmission Provider.

Transmission System – The facilities owned, controlled or operated by Transmission Provider or the Transmission Owner that are used to provide transmission service under the Tariff.

Upgrades – The required additions and modifications to Transmission Provider's Transmission System at or beyond the Point of Interconnection. Upgrades may be Network Upgrades or Distribution Upgrades. Upgrades do not include Interconnection Facilities.

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Description and Costs of the Small Generating Facility, Interconnection Facilities, and Metering Equipment

Equipment, including the Small Generating Facility, Interconnection Facilities, and metering equipment shall be itemized and identified as being owned by Interconnection Customer, Transmission Provider, or the Transmission Owner. Transmission Provider will provide a best estimate itemized cost, including overheads, of its Interconnection Facilities and metering equipment, and a best estimate itemized cost of the annual operation and maintenance expenses associated with its Interconnection Facilities and metering equipment.

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One-line Diagram Depicting the Small Generating Facility, Interconnection Facilities, Metering Equipment, and Upgrades

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| Milestones | 5 |
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| In-Service Date: | |
| Critical milestones and responsibility as agreed to by | the Parties: |
| Milestone/Date | Responsible Party |
| (1) | |
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| Agreed to by: | |
| For Transmission Provider | Date |
| For the Transmission Owner (If Applicable) | Date |
| For Interconnection Customer | Date |

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Additional Operating Requirements for Transmission Provider's Transmission System and Affected Systems Needed to Support Interconnection Customer's Needs

Transmission Provider shall also provide requirements that must be met by Interconnection Customer prior to initiating parallel operation with Transmission Provider's Transmission System.

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Applicable to <u>all</u> Generating Facilities that exceed 20 MWs <u>or any Generating Facility that</u> <u>is requesting Network Resource Interconnection Service</u> connecting to the Transmission <u>SystemSystem</u>¹

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Note: For further information regarding a large generation interconnection to the transmission system of any of the Xcel Energy Operating Companies, please consult the currently effective "Interconnection Guidelines For Transmission Interconnected Producer-Owned Generation Greater than 20 MW" available at the Xcel Energy Inc. website

Order No. 2006 at P 140 states: "Because Network Resource Interconnection Service entails high technical standards, we expect that an Interconnection Customer, particularly one interconnecting at a lower voltage, would rarely find this service to be efficient or practical. Nevertheless, we do not want to preclude it from choosing this option. If it wishes to interconnect its Small Generating Facility using Network Resource Interconnection Service, it may do so. However, it must request interconnection under the LGIP and execute the LGIA."

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Section 1. Definitions

Adverse System Impact shall mean the negative effects due to technical or operational limits on conductors or equipment being exceeded that may compromise the safety and reliability of the electric system.

Affected System shall mean an electric system other than the Transmission Provider's Transmission System that may be affected by the proposed interconnection.

Affected System Facilities Construction Agreement shall mean the agreement contained in Appendix 6 (Two-Party Affected System Facilities Construction Agreement) or Appendix 7 (Multiparty Affected System Facilities Construction Agreement), as applicable, of this LGIP that is made between Transmission Provider and Affected System Interconnection Customer to facilitate the construction of and to set forth cost responsibility for necessary Affected System Network Upgrades on Transmission Provider's Transmission System.

Affected System Interconnection Customer shall mean any entity that submits an interconnection request for a generating facility to a transmission system other than Transmission Provider's Transmission System that may cause the need for Affected System Network Upgrades on Transmission Provider's Transmission System.

Affected System Network Upgrades shall mean the additions, modifications, and upgrades to Transmission Provider's Transmission System required to accommodate Affected System Interconnection Customer's proposed interconnection to a transmission system other than Transmission Provider's Transmission System.

Affected System Operator shall mean the entity that operates an Affected System.

Affected System Queue Position shall mean the queue position of an Affected System Interconnection Customer in Transmission Provider's interconnection queue relative to Transmission Provider's Interconnection Customers' Queue Positions.

Affected System Study shall mean the evaluation of Affected System Interconnection Customers' proposed interconnection(s) to a transmission system other than Transmission Provider's Transmission System that have an impact on Transmission Provider's Transmission System, as described in Section 10 of this LGIP.

Affected System Study Agreement shall mean the agreement contained in Appendix 4 (Two-Party Affected System Study Agreement) or Appendix 5 (MultiParty Affected System Study Agreement), as applicable, to this LGIP that is made between Transmission Provider and Affected System Interconnection Customer to conduct an Affected System Study pursuant to Section 10 of this LGIP.

Affected System Study Report shall mean the report issued following completion of an Affected System Study pursuant to Section 10.7 of this LGIP.

Affiliate shall mean, with respect to a corporation, partnership or other entity, each such other corporation, partnership or other entity that directly or indirectly, through one or more

intermediaries, controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with, such corporation, partnership or other entity.

Ancillary Services shall mean those services that are necessary to support the transmission of capacity and energy from resources to loads while maintaining reliable operation of the Transmission Provider's Transmission System in accordance with Good Utility Practice.

Applicable Laws and Regulations shall mean all duly promulgated applicable federal, state and local laws, regulations, rules, ordinances, codes, decrees, judgments, directives, or judicial or administrative orders, permits and other duly authorized actions of any Governmental Authority.

Applicable Reliability Council shall mean the reliability council applicable to the Transmission System to which the Generating Facility is directly interconnected.

Applicable Reliability Standards shall mean the requirements and guidelines of NERC, the Applicable Electric Reliability Council, Organization and the Control Balancing Authority Area of the Transmission System to which the Generating Facility is directly interconnected.

Balancing Authority shall mean an entity that integrates resource plans ahead of time, maintains demand and resource balance within a Balancing Authority Area, and supports interconnection frequency in real time.

Balancing Authority Area shall mean the collection of generation, transmission, and loads within the metered boundaries of the Balancing Authority. The Balancing Authority maintains load-resource balance within this area.

Base Case shall mean the base case power flow, short circuit, and stability data bases used for the Interconnection Studies by the Transmission Provider or Interconnection Customer.

Breach shall mean the failure of a Party to perform or observe any material term or condition of the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement.

Breaching Party shall mean a Party that is in Breach of the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement.

Business Day shall mean Monday through Friday, excluding Federal Holidays.

Calendar Day shall mean any day including Saturday, Sunday or a Federal Holiday. If a requirement due date lands on a Saturday, Sunday or Federal Holiday, the requirement is due the next Business Day.

Cluster shall mean a group of <u>one or more</u> Interconnection Requests (one or more) that are studied together for the purpose of conducting the Interconnection Studies a Cluster Study.

Cluster Request Window shall mean the time period set forth in Section 3.4.1 of this LGIP.

<u>Cluster Restudy shall mean a restudy of a Cluster Study shall mean an Interconnection</u>conducted pursuant to Section 8.5 of this LGIP.

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<u>Cluster Restudy Report</u> shall mean the report issued following completion of a Cluster Restudy pursuant to Section 8.5 of this LGIP.

<u>Cluster Restudy Report Meeting</u> shall mean the meeting held to discuss the results of a <u>Cluster Restudy pursuant</u> to Section 8.5 of this LGIP.

<u>Cluster</u> Study <u>evaluatingshall mean the evaluation of</u> one or more Interconnection Requests within a Cluster as described in Section 8 of this LGIP.

<u>Cluster Study Agreement</u> shall mean the agreement contained in Appendix 2 to this LGIP for conducting the Cluster Study.

Cluster Study Process shall mean the following processes, typically conducted in sequence: the Cluster Request Window; the Customer Engagement Window and Scoping Meetings therein; the Cluster Study; any needed Cluster Restudies; and the Interconnection Facilities Study.

<u>Cluster Study Report</u> shall mean the report issued following completion of a Cluster Study pursuant to Section 8 of this LGIP.

<u>Cluster Study Report Meeting</u> shall mean the meeting held to discuss the results of a <u>Cluster Study pursuant to Section 8 of this LGIP.</u>

Clustering shall mean the process whereby a group of one or more Interconnection Requests is are studied together, instead of serially, for the purpose of conducting the Interconnection Studies as described in Section 8 of this LGIP.

Commercial Operation shall mean the status of a Generating Facility, or Replacement Generating Facility, that has commenced generating electricity for sale, excluding electricity generated during Trial Operation.

Commercial Operation Date of a unit shall mean the date on which the Generating Facility, or Replacement Generating Facility, commences Commercial Operation as agreed to by the Parties pursuant to Appendix E to the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement.

Confidential Information shall mean any confidential, proprietary or trade secret information of a plan, specification, pattern, procedure, design, device, list, concept, policy or compilation relating to the present or planned business of a Party, which is designated as confidential by the Party supplying the information, whether conveyed orally, electronically, in writing, through inspection, or otherwise.

Contingent Facilities shall mean those unbuilt Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades upon which the Interconnection Request's costs, timing, and study findings are dependent, and if delayed or not built, could cause a need for Re-Studiesrestudies of the Interconnection Request or a reassessment of the Interconnection Facilities and/or Network Upgrades and/or costs and timing.

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Control Area shall mean an electrical system or systems bounded by interconnection metering and telemetry, capable of controlling generation to maintain its interchange schedule with other Control Areas and contributing to frequency regulation of the interconnection. A Control Area must be certified by an Applicable NERC Regional Reliability Entity. Control Area shall have the same meaning as Balancing Authority Area as defined by NERC.

Customer Engagement Window shall have the meaning set forth in Section <u>3.</u>4.<u>2.15</u> of the Revised LGIP.

Default shall mean the failure of a Breaching Party to cure its Breach in accordance with Article 17 of the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement.

Definitive Interconnection Study Process ("Definitive Interconnection Study") shall mean the complete definitive study process inclusive of the DISIS Request Window, Customer Engagement Window, Definitive Interconnection System Impact Study, and the Interconnection Facilities Study. Both the Resource Solicitation Cluster and the DISIS Cluster are processed under the Definitive Interconnection Study.

Definitive Interconnection System Impact Study ("DISIS") shall mean an engineering study that evaluates the impact of a Cluster of Interconnection Requests on the safety and reliability of the Transmission System and, if applicable, an Affected System.

Definitive Interconnection System Impact Study Agreement ("DISIS Agreement") shall mean the form of agreement contained in Appendix 2 of the Revised LGIP for conducting the Definitive Interconnection System Impact Study.

Definitive Interconnection System Impact Study Cluster ("DISIS Cluster") shall mean an engineering study that evaluates the impact of the proposed interconnection(s) on the safety and reliability of Transmission System and, if applicable, an Affected System.

DISIS Request Window shall have the meaning set forth in Section 4.2.1 of the Revised LGIP.

Dispute Resolution shall mean the procedure for resolution of a dispute between the Parties in which they will first attempt to resolve the dispute on an informal basis.

Distribution System shall mean—the Transmission Provider's facilities and equipment used to transmit electricity to ultimate usage points such as homes and industries directly from nearby generators or from interchanges with higher voltage transmission networks which transport bulk power over longer distances. The voltage levels at which distribution systems operate differ among areas.

Distribution Upgrades shall mean the additions, modifications, and upgrades to the Transmission Provider's Distribution System at or beyond the Point of Interconnection to facilitate interconnection of the Generating Facility and render the transmission service necessary to affect Interconnection Customer's wholesale sale of electricity in interstate commerce. Distribution Upgrades do not include Interconnection Facilities.

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Effective Date shall mean the date on which the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement becomes effective upon execution by the Parties subject to acceptance by FERC, or if filed unexecuted, upon the date specified by FERC.

Electric Reliability Organization shall mean the North American Electric Reliability Corporation or its successor organization.

Emergency Condition shall mean a condition or situation: (1) that in the judgment of the Party making the claim is imminently likely to endanger life or property; or (2) that, in the case of a Transmission Provider, is imminently likely (as determined in a non-discriminatory manner) to cause a material adverse effect on the security of, or damage to Transmission Provider's Transmission System, Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities or the electric systems of others to which the Transmission Provider's Transmission System is directly connected; or (3) that, in the case of Interconnection Customer, is imminently likely (as determined in a non-discriminatory manner) to cause a material adverse effect on the security of, or damage to, the Generating Facility or Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities. System restoration and black start shall be considered Emergency Conditions; provided that Interconnection Customer is not obligated by the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement to possess black start capability.

Energy Resource Interconnection Service shall mean an Interconnection Service that allows the Interconnection Customer to connect its Generating Facility to the Transmission Provider's Transmission System to be eligible to deliver the Generating Facility's electric output using the existing firm or non-firm capacity of the Transmission Provider's Transmission System on an as available basis. Energy Resource Interconnection Service in and of itself does not convey transmission service.

Engineering & Procurement (E&P) Agreement shall mean an agreement that authorizes the Transmission Provider to begin engineering and procurement of long lead-time items necessary for the establishment of the interconnection in order to advance the implementation of the Interconnection Request.

Environmental Law shall mean Applicable Laws or Regulations relating to pollution or protection of the environment or natural resources.

Existing Generating Facility shall mean a Generating Facility that is currently in-service or under construction with an unsuspended interconnection agreement.

Federal Power Act shall mean the Federal Power Act, as amended, 16 U.S.C. §§ 791a et seg.

FERC shall mean the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) or its successor.

Financial Security shall have the meaning set forth in Section 7.7.1 of the Revised LGIP.

Force Majeure shall mean any act of God, labor disturbance, act of the public enemy, war, insurrection, riot, fire, storm or flood, explosion, breakage or accident to machinery or equipment, any order, regulation or restriction imposed by governmental, military or lawfully established

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civilian authorities, or any other cause beyond a Party's control. A Force Majeure event does not include acts of negligence or intentional wrongdoing by the Party claiming Force Majeure.

Generating Facility shall mean Interconnection Customer's device(s) for the production and/or storage for later injection of electricity identified in the Interconnection Request, but shall not include the Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities. A Generating Facility may consist of one or more generating unit(s) and/or storage device(s) which usually can operate independently and be brought online or taken offline individually.

Generating Facility Capacity shall mean the net capacity of the Generating Facility and or the aggregate net capacity of the Generating Facility where it includes multiple energymore than one device for the production devices and/or storage for later injection of electricity.

Generating Facility Modification shall mean modification to an Existing Generating Facility, including comparable replacement of only a portion of the equipment at the Existing Generating Facility.

Generation Replacement shall mean replacement of one or more generating units and/or storage devices at an Existing Generating Facility with one or more new generating units or storage devices at the same electrical Point of Interconnection as those being decommissioned and electrically disconnected. The replacement facility may be of a different fuel type or a combination of different fuel types.

Generator Replacement Interconnection Facilities Study shall mean a study to determine a list of facilities to grant an Interconnection Customer's request to interconnect a Replacement Generating Facility, the cost of those facilities, and the time required to interconnect those facilities. The scope of the study is defined in Section 3.910.4 of the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Procedures LGIP.

Good Utility Practice shall mean any of the practices, methods and acts engaged in or approved by a significant portion of the electric industry during the relevant time period, or any of the practices, methods and acts which, in the exercise of reasonable judgment in light of the facts known at the time the decision was made, could have been expected to accomplish the desired result at a reasonable cost consistent with good business practices, reliability, safety and expedition. Good Utility Practice is not intended to be limited to the optimum practice, method, or act to the exclusion of all others, but rather to be acceptable practices, methods, or acts generally accepted in the region.

Governmental Authority shall mean any federal, state, local or other governmental regulatory or administrative agency, court, commission, department, board, or other governmental subdivision, legislature, rulemaking board, tribunal, or other governmental authority having jurisdiction over the Parties, their respective facilities, or the respective services they provide, and exercising or entitled to exercise any administrative, executive, police, or taxing authority or power; provided, however, that such term does not include Interconnection

Customer, Transmission Provider, or any Affiliate thereof.

Hazardous Substances shall mean any chemicals, materials or substances defined as or included in the definition of "hazardous substances," "hazardous wastes," "hazardous materials,"

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"hazardous constituents," "restricted hazardous materials," "extremely hazardous substances," "toxic substances," "radioactive substances," "contaminants," "pollutants," "toxic pollutants" or words of similar meaning and regulatory effect under any applicable Environmental Law, or any other chemical, material or substance, exposure to which is prohibited, limited or regulated by any applicable Environmental Law.

Informational Interconnection Study shall mean an analysis based on assumptions specified by Interconnection Customer in the Informational Interconnection Study Agreement.

Informational Interconnection Study Agreement shall mean the form of agreement contained in Appendix 5.5 of the Revised LGIP for conducting the Informational Interconnection Study.

Initial Synchronization Date shall mean the date upon which the Generating Facility is initially synchronized and upon which Trial Operation begins.

In-Service Date shall mean the date upon which the Interconnection Customer reasonably expects it will be ready to begin use of the Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities to obtain back feed power.

Interconnection Customer shall mean any entity, including the Transmission Provider, Transmission Owner or any of the Affiliates or subsidiaries of either, that proposes to interconnect its Generating Facility with the Transmission Provider's Transmission System or represents an Existing Generating Facility.

Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities shall mean all facilities and equipment, as identified in Appendix A of the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement, that are located between the Generating Facility and the Point of Change of Ownership, including any modification, addition, or upgrades to such facilities and equipment necessary to physically and electrically interconnect the Generating Facility to **the**—Transmission Provider's Transmission System. Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities are sole use facilities (e.g. for generator interconnection).

Interconnection Facilities shall mean the Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and the Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities. Collectively, Interconnection Facilities include all facilities and equipment between the Generating Facility and the Point of Interconnection, including any modification, additions or upgrades that are necessary to physically and electrically interconnect the Generating Facility to the Transmission Provider's Transmission System. Interconnection Facilities are sole use facilities (e.g. for generator interconnection) and shall not include Distribution Upgrades, Stand Alone Network Upgrades or Network Upgrades. Interconnection Facilities may be shared by more than one Generating Facility in a Cluster.

Interconnection Facilities Study shall mean a study conducted by the Transmission Provider or a third party consultant for the Interconnection Customer to determine a list of facilities (including Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades as identified in the Definitive Interconnection System Impact StudyClusterStudy), the cost of those facilities, and the time required to interconnect the Generating Facility with the Transmission Provider's Transmission System. The scope of the study is defined in Section 89 of the Revised LGIP.

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Interconnection Facilities Study Agreement shall mean the form of agreement contained in Appendix 3 of the Revised LGIP for conducting the Interconnection Facilities Study.

Interconnection Facilities Study Report shall mean the report issued following completion of an Interconnection Facilities Study pursuant to Section 9 of this LGIP.

Interconnection Request shall mean an Interconnection Customer's request, in the form of Appendix 1 to the Revised LGIP, in accordance with the Tariff, to interconnect a new Generating Facility, or to increase the capacity of, or make a Material Modification to the operating characteristics of, an existing Existing Generating Facility that is interconnected with the Transmission Provider's Transmission System.

Interconnection Service shall mean the service provided by the Transmission Provider associated with interconnecting the Interconnection Customer's Generating Facility to the Transmission Provider's Transmission System and enabling it to receive electric energy and capacity from the Generating Facility at the Point of Interconnection, pursuant to the terms of the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement and, if applicable, the Transmission Provider's Tariff.

Interconnection Study shall mean any of the following various interconnection studies: the Replacement Impact Study, the Reliability Assessment Study, Generator Replacement Interconnection Facilities Study, the Informational Interconnection Study, the Definitive Interconnection System Impact Study, and the Interconnection Facilities Study described in the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Procedures or Revised LGIP. this Attachment N.

Interconnection Study Agreement shall mean an agreement relating to performance of any of the following agreements: the Informational Interconnection Study Agreement, the Definitive Interconnection System Impact Study Agreement, or the Interconnection Facilities Study Agreement described various interconnection studies identified in the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Procedures or Revised LGIP. this Attachment N.

IRS shall mean the Internal Revenue Service.

Joint Operating Committee shall be a group made up of representatives from Interconnection Customers and the Transmission Provider to coordinate operating and technical considerations of Interconnection Service.

Large Generating Facility shall mean a Generating Facility having a Generating Facility Capacity of more than 20 MW or any size Generating Facility requesting NRIS.

Loss shall mean any and all losses relating to injury to or death of any person or damage to property, demand, suits, recoveries, costs and expenses, court costs, attorney fees, and all other obligations by or to third parties, arising out of or resulting from the other Party's performance, or non-performance of its obligations under the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement on behalf of the indemnifying Party, except in cases of gross negligence or intentional wrongdoing by the indemnifying Party.

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Material Modification shall mean (1) modification to an Interconnection Request in the Queue or a not yet in-service Generating Facility with an LGIA that has a material adverse impact on the cost or timing of any other Interconnection Request with a later or equal Queue Position or (2) a planned modification to an Existing Generating Facility that has a material adverse impact on the Transmission System with respect to: i) steady-state thermal or voltage limits, ii) dynamic system stability and response, or iii) short-circuit capability limit; compared to the impacts of the Existing Generating Facility prior to the modification or replacement.

Metering Equipment shall mean all metering equipment installed or to be installed at the Generating Facility pursuant to the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement at the metering points, including but not limited to instrument transformers, MWh-meters, data acquisition equipment, transducers, remote terminal unit, communications equipment, phone lines, and fiber optics.

NERC shall mean the North American Electric Reliability Council or its successor organization.

Multiparty Affected System Facilities Construction Agreement shall mean the agreement contained in Appendix 7 to this LGIP that is made among Transmission Provider and multiple Affected System Interconnection Customers to facilitate the construction of and to set forth cost responsibility for necessary Affected System Network Upgrades on Transmission Provider's Transmission System.

Multiparty Affected System Study Agreement shall mean the agreement contained in Appendix 5 to this LGIP that is made among Transmission Provider and multiple Affected System Interconnection Customers to conduct an Affected System Study pursuant to Section 10 of this LGIP.

Network Resource shall mean any designated generating resource owned, purchased, or leased by a Network Customer under the Network Integration Transmission Service Tariff. Network Resources do not include any resource, or any portion thereof, that is committed for sale to third parties or otherwise cannot be called upon to meet the Network Customer's Network Load on a non-interruptible basis.

Network Resource Interconnection Service shall mean an Interconnection Service that allows the Interconnection Customer to integrate its Large Generating Facility with the Transmission Provider's Transmission System (1) in a manner comparable to that in which the Transmission Provider integrates its generating facilities to serve native load customers; or (2) in an RTO or ISO with market based congestion management, in the same manner as Network Resources. Network Resource Interconnection Service in and of itself does not convey transmission service.

Network Upgrades shall mean the additions, modifications, and upgrades to the Transmission Provider's Transmission System required at or beyond the point at which the Interconnection Facilities connect to the Transmission Provider's Transmission System to accommodate the interconnection of the Large Generating Facility to the Transmission Provider's Transmission System.

Notice of Dispute shall mean a written notice of a dispute or claim that arises out of or in connection with the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement or its performance.

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OASIS shall mean the Transmission Provider's Open Access Same-Time Information System.

Party or Parties shall mean Transmission Provider, Transmission Owner, Interconnection Customer or any combination of the above.

Permissible Technological Advancement shall mean modification to equipment that (1) results in electrical performance that is equal to or better than the electrical performance expected prior to the technology change, (2) does not cause any reliability concerns, (3) does not degrade the electrical characteristics of the generating equipment (e.g., the ratings, impedances, efficiencies, capabilities, and performance of the equipment under steady-state and dynamic conditions) and (4) does not have a material impact on the cost or timing of any Interconnection Request with a later queue priority date, and is therefore not a Material Modification. A Permissible Technological Advancements is a change in equipment that may achieve cost or grid performance efficiencies that may include turbines, inverters, plant supervisory controls or other devices that may affect a generating facility's ability to provide ancillary services but does not include changes in generation technology type of fuel type.

Phase ("Phase 1, Phase 2, Phase 3, or Phase 4") shall mean a distinct part of the Definitive Study Process as described in Section 7.

Point of Change of Ownership shall mean the point, as set forth in Appendix A to the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement, where the Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities connect to the Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities.

Point of Interconnection shall mean the point, as set forth in Appendix A to the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement, where the Interconnection Facilities connect to the Transmission Provider's Transmission System.

<u>Proportional Impact Method</u> shall mean a technical analysis conducted by Transmission <u>Provider to determine the degree to which each Generating Facility in the Cluster Study</u> contributes to the need for a specific <u>System Network Upgrade</u>.

Provisional Interconnection Service shall mean interconnection service provided by Transmission Provider associated with interconnecting the Interconnection Customer's Generating Facility to Transmission Provider's Transmission System and enabling that Transmission System to receive electric energy and capacity from the Generating Facility at the Point of Interconnection, pursuant to the terms of the Provisional Large Generator Interconnection Agreement and, if applicable, the Tariff.

Provisional Interconnection Study shall mean an analysis <u>described in Section 6.2 and</u> based on assumptions specified in the Provisional Interconnection Study Agreement.

Provisional Interconnection Study Agreement shall mean the form of agreement contained in Appendix 5.29 of the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Procedures for conducting the Provisional Interconnection Study.

Provisional Large Generator Interconnection Agreement (PLGIA) shall mean the interconnection agreement for Provisional Interconnection Service established between

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Transmission Provider and/or the Transmission Owner and the Interconnection Customer. This The pro forma agreement shall take is provided in Appendix 14 and takes the form of the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement, modified for provisional purposes.

Queue shall mean a queue for valid Interconnection Requests for the Definitive Interconnection Study Process.

Queue Position shall mean the order of a valid Interconnection Request, relative to all other pending valid Interconnection Requests, in the Definitive Interconnection Study Process. The Queue Position is established based upon the date and time Interconnection Customer satisfies all of the requirements of Section 7.2 of this Attachment N to enter the Definitive Study Processestablished pursuant to Section 4.1 of this LGIP.

Readiness Milestone Demonstrations(s) shall have the meaning set forth in Section 7.78.6 of the Revisedthis LGIP.

Reasonable Efforts shall mean, with respect to an action required to be attempted or taken by a Party under the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement, efforts that are timely and consistent with Good Utility Practice and are otherwise substantially equivalent to those a Party would use to protect its own interests.

Reliability Assessment Study shall mean an engineering study that evaluates the impact of a proposed Generation Replacement on the reliability of Transmission System during the time period between the date that the Existing Generating Facility ceases commercial operations and the Commercial Operation Date of the Replacement Generating Facility.

Replacement Generating Facility shall mean a Generating Facility that replaces an Existing Generating Facility, or a portion thereof, at the same electrical Point of Interconnection pursuant to Section 3.910 of this Revised LGIP.

Replacement Impact Study shall mean an engineering study that evaluates the impact of a proposed Generation Replacement on the reliability of the Transmission System.

Revised LGIP shall mean the Large Generator Interconnection Process as described in this Attachment N.

Resource Plan shall mean any process authorized or required by Applicable Laws and Regulations for, *inter alia*, the selection of Generating Facilities.

Resource Planning Entity shall mean any entity required to develop a Resource Plan or conduct a Resource Solicitation Process.

Resource Solicitation Cluster shall mean a Cluster Study associated with a Resource Plan or related process.

Resource Solicitation Process shall mean any process authorized or required by Applicable Laws and Regulations for the acquisition of Network Resources.

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Scoping Meeting shall mean the meeting between representatives of the Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider conducted for the purpose of discussing the proposed interconnection request, Interconnection Request and any alternative interconnection options, to exchange exchanging information including any transmission data and earlier study evaluations that would be reasonably expected to affect impact such interconnection options, to analyze such refining information, and to determine the potential feasible Points of models provided by Interconnection. Customer(s), discussing the Cluster Study materials posted to OASIS pursuant to Section 3.4.5 of this LGIP, and analyzing such information.

Site Control shall mean the exclusive land right to develop, construct, operate, and maintain the Generating Facility over the term of expected operation of the Generating Facility. Site Control shall include the right to develop, construct, operate, and maintain Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities. Site Control may be demonstrated by documentation establishing: (1) ownership of, a leasehold interest in, or a right to develop a site of sufficient size to construct and operate the Generating Facility and associated Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities; (2) an option to purchase or acquire a leasehold interest in a site of sufficient size to construct and operate the Generating Facility and associated Interconnection Facilities; or (3) any other documentation that clearly demonstrates the right of the Interconnection Customer to exclusively occupy a site of sufficient size to construct and operate the Generating Facility. Site Control for any co-located project is demonstrated by a contract or other agreement demonstrating shared land use for all co-located projects that meet the aforementioned provisions of this Site Control definition. Transmission Provider will maintain acreage requirements for each Generating Facility type on its OASIS or public website.

Small Generating Facility shall mean a Generating Facility that has a Generating Facility Capacity of no more than 20 MW not requesting NRIS.

Stand Alone Network Upgrades shall mean Network Upgrades that are not part of an Affected System that an Interconnection Customer may construct without affecting day-to-day operations of the Transmission System during their construction. Both the Transmission Provider and the and the following conditions are met: (1) a Substation Network Upgrade must only be required for a single Interconnection Customer in the Cluster and no other Interconnection Customer in that Cluster is required to interconnect to the same Substation Network Upgrades, and (2) a System Network Upgrade must only be required for a single Interconnection Customer in the Cluster, as indicated under the Transmission Provider's Proportional Impact Method. Both Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer must agree as to what constitutes Stand Alone Network Upgrades and identify them in Appendix A to the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement. If the Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer disagree about whether a particular Network Upgrade is a Stand Alone Network Upgrade, the Transmission Provider must provide the Interconnection Customer a written technical explanation outlining why the Transmission Provider does not consider the Network Upgrade to be a Stand Alone Network Upgrade within 15 daysfifteen (15) Business Days of its determination.

Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement (LGIA) shall mean the form of interconnection agreement applicable to an Interconnection Request pertaining to a Large Generating Facility that is included in the Transmission Provider's Tariff.

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Standard Large Generator Interconnection Procedures (LGIP) shall mean the interconnection procedures applicable to an Interconnection Request pertaining to a Large Generating Facility that are included in the Transmission Provider's Tariff.

<u>Station Network Upgrades</u> shall mean Network Upgrades that are required at the substation located at the Point of Interconnection.

Surplus Interconnection Service shall mean any unneeded portion of Interconnection Service established in a <u>Standard</u> Large Generator Interconnection Agreement, such that if Surplus Interconnection Service is utilized the total amount of Interconnection Service at the Point of Interconnection would remain the same.

Surplus Interconnection Study shall mean an analysis based on assumptions specified by the Interconnection Customer in the Surplus Interconnection Study Agreement.

Surplus Interconnection Study Agreement shall mean the form of agreement contained in Appendix 5.310 of the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Procedures for conducting the Surplus Interconnection Study.

<u>System Network Upgrades</u> shall mean Network Upgrades that are required beyond the <u>substation located at the Point of Interconnection.</u>

System Protection Facilities shall mean the equipment, including necessary protection signal communications equipment, required to protect (1) the Transmission Provider's Transmission System from faults or other electrical disturbances occurring at the Generating Facility and (2) the Generating Facility from faults or other electrical system disturbances occurring on the Transmission Provider's Transmission System or on other delivery systems or other generating systems to which the Transmission Provider's Transmission System is directly connected.

Tariff shall mean the Transmission Provider's Tariff through which open access transmission service and Interconnection Service are offered, as filed with FERC, and as amended or supplemented from time to time, or any successor tariff.

Transmission Owner shall mean an entity that owns, leases or otherwise possesses an interest in the portion of the Transmission System at the Point of Interconnection and may be a Party to the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement to the extent necessary.

Transmission Provider shall mean the public utility (or its designated agent) that owns, controls, or operates transmission or distribution facilities used for the transmission of electricity in interstate commerce and provides transmission service under the Tariff. The term Transmission Provider should be read to include the Transmission Owner when the Transmission Owner is separate from the Transmission Provider.

Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities shall mean all facilities and equipment owned, controlled, or operated by the Transmission Provider from the Point of Change of Ownership to the Point of Interconnection as identified in Appendix A to the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement, including any modifications, additions or upgrades to such facilities and equipment. Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities are sole use facilities

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(e.g. for generator interconnection) and shall not include Distribution Upgrades, Stand Alone Network Upgrades or Network Upgrades. Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities may be shared by more than one Generating Facility in a given Study.

Transmission System shall mean the facilities owned, controlled or operated by the Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner that are used to provide transmission service under the Tariff.

Trial Operation shall mean the period during which Interconnection Customer is engaged in onsite test operations and commissioning of the Generating Facility prior to Commercial Operation.

Withdrawal Penalty shall havemean the meaningpenalty assessed by Transmission Provider to an Interconnection Customer that chooses to withdraw or is deemed withdrawn from Transmission Provider's interconnection queue or whose Generating Facility does not otherwise reach Commercial Operation. The calculation of the Withdrawal Penalty is set forth in Section 3.7.1 of the Revisedthis LGIP.

Section 2. Scope and Application.

2.1 Application of Revised LGIP.

Sections 2 through 4214 of this LGIP apply to processing an Interconnection Request pertaining to a Large Generating Facility, including, but not limited to, a Generating Facility Modification that may constitute a Material Modification to the operating characteristics of an Existing Generating Facility, or a Replacement Generating Facility.

A request for a Replacement Generating Facility shall be evaluated pursuant to Section 3.910 of thethis LGIP.

A request for Generating Facility Modification for an Existing Generating Facility must be submitted to and coordinated with the Transmission Provider to allow the Transmission Provider to determine whether the proposed modification constitutes a Material Modification. If the Transmission Provider determines that the proposed Generating Facility Modification is a Material Modification, then the Generating Facility Modification request shall be submitted as a separate Interconnection Request pursuant to Section 3.4 of the LGIP for that Generating Facility Modification. Such separate Interconnection Request shall be assigned a new Queue Position and proceed through the study process in the same manner as an Interconnection Request for a new Generating Facility.

As provided in Attachment P to the Tariff, Small Generating Facilities that are not eligible for the fast_track process will be processed in a single Queue with Large Generating Facilities. Additionally, Small Generating Facilities requesting NRIS shall be processed under this Revised-LGIP.

2.2 Comparability.

Transmission Provider shall receive, process and analyze all Interconnection Requests in a timely manner as set forth in this Revised LGIP. Transmission

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Provider will use the same Reasonable Efforts in processingshall process and analyzinganalyze Interconnection Requests from all Interconnection Customers, regardless of whether the Generating Facilities are owned by Transmission Provider, its subsidiaries or Affiliates, or others.

2.3 Base Case Data.

Transmission Provider shall maintain base power flow, short circuit and stability databases, including all underlying assumptions, and contingency list on either its OASIS site or a password-protected website subject to confidentiality provisions in Revised LGIP Section 1214.1. In addition, Transmission Provider shall maintain network models and underlying assumptions on either its OASIS site or a password-protected website. Such network models and underlying assumptions should reasonably represent those used during the most recent Interconnection Study and be representative of current system conditions. If Transmission Provider posts this information on a password-protected website, a link to the information must be provided on Transmission Provider's OASIS site. Transmission Provider is permitted to require that Interconnection Customers, OASIS site users and password-protected website users sign a confidentiality agreement before the release of commercially sensitive information or Critical Energy Infrastructure Information in the Base Case data. Such databases and lists, hereinafter referred to as Base Cases, shall include all (1) generation projects and (2) transmission projects, including merchant transmission projects that are proposed for the Transmission System for which a transmission expansion plan has been submitted and approved by the applicable authority. Some planned transmission projects must receive approval of the Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity from the Colorado Public Utility Commission prior to being included in the Base Case models. Base Case model assumptions for each Cluster are generally fixed once the study process starts.

2.4 No Applicability to Transmission Service.

Nothing in this Revised LGIP shall constitute a request for transmission service or confer upon an Interconnection Customer any right to receive transmission service.

Section 3. Interconnection Requests.

3.1 General Interconnection Requests

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3.1.1 Study Deposits.

Interconnection Customer shall submit to Transmission Provider, <u>during a Cluster Request Window</u>, an Interconnection Request in the form of Appendix 1 to this Revised_LGIP, <u>an a non-refundable</u> application fee of \$50005,000, and a refundable study deposit of: in the form of an irrevocable letter of credit, cash, a surety bond, or other form of security that is reasonably acceptable to Transmission Provider of:

- a. \$7535,000 plus \$1,000 per MW for requests of less than 50 MW,Interconnection Requests ≥ 20 MW <80 MW; or,
- b. \$150,000 for requests of 50 MW and greater, but less than Interconnection Requests ≥ 80 MW < 200 MW₇; or or
- c. \$250,000 for requests of Interconnection Requests 200 MW-and greater.

Transmission Provider shall apply the study deposit toward the cost of the Definitive InterconnectionCluster Study Process.

3.1.2 Submission

Interconnection Customer shall submit a separate Interconnection Request for each site and may submit . Where multiple Interconnection Requests for a single Generating Facilities share a site. Interconnection Customer must(s) may submit a deposit with each separate Interconnection Request even when more than one request is submitted for Requests or a single site Interconnection Request. An Interconnection Request to evaluate one site at two different voltage levels shall be treated as two Interconnection Requests. Interconnection Customers evaluating different options (such as different sizes, sites or voltages) are encouraged but not required to use the Informational Interconnection Study Process (please see Section 9) before entering the Definitive Interconnection Study Process.

At Interconnection Customer's Customer's option, Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer will identify alternative Point(s) of Interconnection and configurations at thea Scoping Meeting within the Customer Engagement Window to evaluate in this process and attempt to eliminate alternatives in a reasonable fashion given resources and information available. Interconnection Customer shallwill select the definitive Point of Interconnection to be studied no later than the execution of the Definitive System ImpactCluster Study Agreement. For purposes of clustering Interconnection Service requests Requests, Transmission Provider may make reasonable propose changes to the requested Point(s) of Interconnection to facilitate efficient interconnection of Interconnection Customers at common points of interconnection. Transmission Provider shall notify Interconnection Customers in writing of any intended changes to the requested Point(s) of Interconnection within the Customer Engagement Window, and the Point(s) of Interconnection shall only change upon mutual agreement.

Interconnection Customer may request a level of Transmission Provider shall have a process in place to consider requests for Interconnection Service below the Generating Facility Capacity. These requests for Interconnection Service shall be studied at the level of Interconnection Service requested for purposes of Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades, and associated costs, but may be subject to other studies at the full Generating Facility Capacity to ensure safety and reliability of the system, with the study costs borne by the Interconnection Customer. If after the additional studies are complete, Transmission Provider

determines that additional Network Upgrades are necessary, then Transmission Provider must: (1) specify which additional Network Upgrade costs are based on which studies; and (2) provide a detailed explanation of why the additional Network Upgrades are necessary. Any Interconnection Facility and/or Network Upgrade costs required for safety and reliability also will be borne by the Interconnection Customer. Interconnection Customers may be subject to additional control technologies as well as testing and validation of those technologies consistent with Article 6 of the LGIA. The necessary control technologies and protection systems shall be established in Appendix C of the executed, or requested to be filed unexecuted, LGIA.

Transmission Provider shall have a process in place to study Generating Facilities that include at least one electric storage resource using operating assumptions (i.e., whether the interconnecting Generating Facility will or will not charge at peak load) that reflect the proposed charging behavior of the Generating Facility as requested by Interconnection Customer, unless Transmission Provider determines that Good Utility Practice, including Applicable Reliability Standards, otherwise requires the use of different operating assumptions. If Transmission Provider finds Interconnection Customer's requested operating assumptions conflict with Good Utility Practice, Transmission Provider must provide Interconnection Customer an explanation in writing of why the submitted operating assumptions are insufficient or inappropriate by no later than thirty (30) Calendar Days before the end of the Customer Engagement Window and allow Interconnection Customer to revise and resubmit requested operating assumptions one time at least ten (10) Calendar Days prior to the end of the Customer Engagement Window. Transmission Provider shall study these requests for Interconnection Service, with the study costs borne by Interconnection Customer, using the submitted operating assumptions for purposes of Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades, and associated costs. These requests for Interconnection Service also may be subject to other studies at the full Generating Facility Capacity to ensure safety and reliability of the system, with the study costs borne by Interconnection Customer. Interconnection Customer's Generating Facility may be subject to additional control technologies as well as testing and validation of such additional control technologies consistent with Article 6 of the LGIA. The necessary control technologies and protection systems shall be set forth in Appendix C of the Interconnection Customer's LGIA.

The expected Commercial Operation Date of a Replacement Generating Facility shall be no more than three (3) years from the date of cessation of operation of the Existing Generating Facility or four (4) years from the date a unit is determined as an unplanned (forced) outage. If the requested period of time between the cessation of Commercial Operation of the Existing Generating Facility and expected Commercial Operation Date of the Replacement Generating Facility is greater than three or four years as described in the preceding sentence, the request shall be treated as an Interconnection Request for a new Generating Facility.

3.2 Identification of Types of Interconnection Services.

At the time the Interconnection Request is submitted, Interconnection Customer must request either Energy Resource Interconnection Service or Network Resource Interconnection Service, as described below-; provided, however, that any Interconnection Customer may designate only one type of requesting Network Resource Interconnection Service may also request that it be concurrently studied for each separate Interconnection Request in the Queue. The type of Energy Resource Interconnection Service must be finalized on submission of the executed Definitive System Impact, up to the point when an Interconnection Facilities Study Agreement and may only be changed after the start of the Definitive Study Process between Phase 2 and Phase 3 of the Definitive sexecuted. Interconnection Study Process and only if a Cluster must be re-studied in Phase 3 (See Section 7.4) and otherwise may not be changed Customer may then elect to proceed with Network Resource Interconnection Service or to proceed under a lower level of interconnection service to the extent that only certain upgrades will be completed.

3.2.1 Energy Resource Interconnection Service.

3.2.1.1 The Product.

Energy Resource Interconnection Service allows Interconnection Customer to connect the Large Generating Facility to the Transmission System and be eligible to deliver the Large Generating Facility's output using the existing firm or non-firm capacity of the Transmission System on an "as available" basis. Energy Resource Interconnection Service does not in and of itself convey any right to deliver electricity to any specific customer or Point of Delivery.

3.2.1.2 The Study.

The study consists of short circuit/fault duty, steady state (thermal and voltage) and stability analyses. The short circuit/fault duty analysis would identify direct Interconnection Facilities required and the Network Upgrades necessary to address short circuit issues associated with the Interconnection Facilities. The stability and steady state studies would identify necessary upgrades to allow full output of the proposed Large Generating Facility and would also identify the maximum allowed, except for Generating Facilities that include at least one electric storage resource that request to use operating assumptions pursuant to Section 3.1.2, unless Transmission Provider determines that Good Utility Practice, including Applicable Reliability Standards, otherwise requires the use of different operating assumptions, and would also identify the maximum output, at the time the study is performed, of the interconnecting Large Generating Facility without requiring additional Network Upgrades. The determination of maximum output in the ERIS study is for informational purposes only, it does not limit the amount of interconnection service provided or the operational output. ERIS does not convey transmission

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service and unreserved use may be charged if the output of the generator exceeds the granted transmission service. Details of

3.2.2 Network Resource Interconnection Service.

posted on OASIS.

- 3.2.2.1 The Product. Transmission Provider must conduct the necessary studies and construct the Network Upgrades needed to integrate the Large Generating Facility: (1) in a manner comparable to that in which Transmission Provider integrates its generating facilities to serve native load customers; or (2) in an ISO or RTO with market-based congestion management, in the same manner as Network Resources. Network Resource Interconnection Service allows Interconnection Customer's Large Generating Facility to be designated as a Network Resource, up to the Large Generating Facility's full output, on the same basis as Network Resources existing interconnected Transmission Provider's Transmission System, and to be studied as a Network Resource on the assumption that such a designation will occur. If the Transmission Provider has not been notified pursuant to Section 29.2 of Part III of the Tariff that Interconnection Customer's proposed Generating Facility is to be designated as a Network Resource within Transmission Provider's Control Area Transmission System, the Interconnection Customer must provide the point of delivery or the geographic location on PSCo's systemthe seam of Transmission Provider's Transmission System at which Interconnection Customer intends to deliver the generation output to enable eventual delivery out of Transmission Provider's Control Area Transmission System.
- 3.2.2.2 The Study. The Interconnection Study for Network Resource Interconnection Service shall assure that Interconnection Customer's Large Generating Facility the requirements for Network Resource meets Interconnection Service and, as a general matter, that such Large Generating Facility's interconnection is also studied with Transmission Provider's Transmission System at peak load, under a variety of severely stressed conditions, to determine whether, with the Large Generating Facility at full output, except for Generating Facilities that include at least one electric storage resource that requests to use, and for which Transmission Provider approves, operating assumptions pursuant to Section 3.1.2, the aggregate of generation in the local area can be delivered to the aggregate of load on Transmission Provider's Transmission

System, consistent with Transmission Provider's reliability criteria and procedures. This approach assumes that some portion of existing Network Resources' output is Resources are displaced by the output of Interconnection Customer's Generating Facility. Network Resource Interconnection Service in and of itself does not convey any right to deliver electricity to any specific customer or Point of Delivery. The Transmission Provider may also study the Transmission System under non-peak load conditions. However, upon request by the Interconnection Customer, the Transmission Provider must explain in writing to the Interconnection Customer why the study of non-peak load conditions is required for reliability purposes. Details of the study process are provided in the business practice manual posted on OASIS.

3.3 Utilization of Surplus Interconnection Service.

Transmission Provider's Provider must provide a process below that allows an Interconnection Customer to utilize or transfer Surplus Interconnection Service at an existing Point of Interconnection. The original Interconnection Customer or one of its affiliates Affiliates shall have priority to utilize Surplus Interconnection Service. If the existing Interconnection Customer or one of its affiliates Affiliates does not exercise its priority, then that service may be made available to other potential Interconnection Customers.

3.3.1 Surplus Interconnection Service Requests.

Surplus Interconnection Service requests may be made by the existing Interconnection Customer whose Generating Facility is already interconnected or one of its affiliates.or one of its Affiliates or may be submitted once Interconnection Customer has executed the LGIA or requested that the LGIA be filed unexecuted. Surplus Interconnection Service requests also may be made by another Interconnection Section 3.3.2 provides a process for evaluating Interconnection Requests for Surplus Interconnection Service. Studies for Surplus Interconnection Service shall consist of reactive power, short circuit/fault duty, stability analyses, and any other appropriate studies. Steady-state (thermal/voltage) analyses may be performed as necessary to ensure that all required reliability conditions are studied. If the Surplus Interconnection Service was not studied under off-peak conditions, off-peak steady state analyses shall be performed to the required level necessary to demonstrate reliable operation of the Surplus Interconnection Service. If the original System Impactsystem impact study report or Cluster Study Report is not available for the Surplus Interconnection Service, both off-peak and peak analysis may need to be performed for the Existing Generating Facility associated with the request for Surplus Interconnection Service. The reactive power, short circuit/fault duty, stability, and steady-state analyses for

Surplus Interconnection Service will identify any additional Interconnection Facilities and/or Network Upgrades necessary.

Transmission Provider shall study Surplus Interconnection Service requests for a Generating Facility that includes at least one electric storage resource using operating assumptions (i.e., whether the interconnecting Generating Facility will or will not charge at peak load) that reflect the proposed charging behavior of the Generating Facility as requested by Interconnection Customer, unless Transmission Provider determines that Good Utility Practice, including Applicable Reliability Standards, otherwise requires the use of different operating assumptions.

3.3.2 Process for Evaluating Surplus Interconnection Requests and Obtaining Surplus Interconnection Service.

The following process will be used for evaluating and obtaining Surplus Interconnection Service.

An existing (original) Interconnection Customer whose Generating Facility is already interconnected may choose to, but is not required to, make Surplus Interconnection Service available to potential Interconnection Customers. The original Interconnection Customer retains the ability to use, either for themselves, for an affiliate Affiliate, or for sale to a third party of their choosing, any Surplus Interconnection Service. The original Interconnection Customer may (a) stipulate the amount of Surplus Interconnection Service that is available, (b) designate when that service is available, and (c) describe any other conditions under which Surplus Interconnection Service at the point Point of interconnection Interconnection may be used.

If the original Interconnection Customer makes Surplus Interconnection Service available at its Point of Interconnection, Transmission Provider shall work with the original Interconnection Customer (and the requesting Interconnection Customer, if different) to evaluate that Surplus Interconnection Service. Transmission Provider may accept third-party studies demonstrating no adverse impact to the Transmission Provider's Transmission System, but may require its own or additional studies at its discretion. Transmission Provider will use available studies to the extent applicable. If a Generating Facility interconnected prior to the issuance of Order No. 2003 and does not have an existing Large Generator Interconnection Agreement, it shall be considered to have Interconnection Service up to its installed capacity for purposes of the offering of Surplus Interconnection Service.

The requesting Interconnection Customer shall execute a Surplus Interconnection Study Agreement to evaluate Surplus Interconnection Service in the form of Appendix 5.310, and the Interconnection Customer requesting Surplus Interconnection Service shall be

responsible for the cost of such study. Transmission Provider shall study Surplus Interconnection Service outside of the Queue and shall make reasonable efforts to complete the study within sixty (60) days of executing the Surplus Interconnection Study Agreement including the study deposit and receiving data required to perform the study.

Studies for Surplus Interconnection Service shall consist of reactive power, short circuit/fault duty, stability analyses, and any other appropriate studies. Steady-state (thermal/voltage) analyses may be performed as necessary to ensure that all required reliability conditions are studied. If the Surplus Interconnection Service was not studied under off-peak conditions, off-peak steady state analyses shall be performed to the required level necessary to demonstrate reliable operation of the Surplus Interconnection Service. If the original System Impact Study is not available for the Surplus Interconnection Service, both off-peak and peak analysis may need to be performed for the Existing Generating Facility associated with the request for Surplus Interconnection Service. The reactive power, short circuit/fault duty, stability, and steady-state analyses for Surplus Interconnection Service will identify any additional Interconnection Facilities and/or Network Upgrades necessary. Surplus Interconnection Service is only available up to the amount that can be accommodated without requiring new Network Upgrades.

Transmission Provider, original Interconnection Customer, and Surplus Interconnection Customer shall develop a Surplus Interconnection Agreement and other agreements as necessary and file such agreements with the Commission. Such agreements shall, among other things, establish conditions such as the term of operation, the interconnection service limit, and the mode of operation for energy production (i.e., common or singular operation) and the roles and responsibilities of the parties for maintaining the operation of the facility within the parameters of the surplus interconnection service agreementSurplus Interconnection Service Agreement.

Transmission Provider is not required to execute an Interconnection Agreement for Surplus Interconnection Service if the agreements do not meet the definition set forth in their tariff or if the customer does not agree to the terms of such service, including any requirements that may be identified by the Transmission Provider in the studies for Surplus Interconnection Service. If the Surplus Interconnection Customer disputes an issue in the Interconnection Agreement for Surplus Interconnection Service, Transmission Provider must file the unexecuted Surplus Interconnection Service Agreement with the Commission if requested to do so by the Surplus Interconnection Customer.

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Cluster Request Window. Transmission Provider shall accept Interconnection Requests during a forty-five (45) Calendar Day period

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(the Cluster Request Window). Cluster Request Windows shall open annually every March 15 or the first Business Day thereafter.

3.4.2 Initiating an Interconnection Request.

An Interconnection Customer <u>wishingseeking</u> to join <u>the Definitive Interconnection Study Processa Cluster</u> shall submit its Interconnection Request to Transmission Provider within, and no later than the close of the <u>DISIS Request Window. Cluster Request Window. Interconnection Requests received shortly before the close of the <u>Cluster Request Window may be rejected if Transmission Provider has insufficient time to review the Interconnection Request prior to the close of the <u>Cluster Request Window.</u></u></u>

<u>Interconnection Requests submitted outside of the Cluster Request Window will not be considered.</u>

To initiate an Interconnection Request, Interconnection Customer must submit all of the following:

- a. The application fee and Applicable study deposit described in amount pursuant to Section 3.1.1 of this LGIP;
- b. A completed application in the form of Appendix 1—to the Revised LGIP (including applicable technical information);
- A demonstration of Site Control as defined in Sections 1 and 7.7 C. of the Revised LGIP. Specifications for acceptable site size for the purposes of demonstrating Site Control are posted on Transmission Provider's OASIS website. Interconnection Customer may propose alternative specifications for site size to those posted on OASIS for Transmission Provider approval. In the event Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer cannot reach agreement related to adequacy of site size, Transmission Provider will accept a Professional Engineer (licensed in the state of Colorado) stamped site plan drawing that depicts the proposed generation arrangement and specifies the maximum facility output for that arrangement; Demonstration of no less than ninety percent (90%) Site Control or (1) a signed affidavit from an officer of the company indicating that Site Control is unobtainable due to regulatory limitations as such term is defined by Transmission Provider; documentation sufficiently describing and explaining the source and effects of such regulatory limitations, including a description of any conditions that must be met to satisfy the regulatory limitations and the anticipated time by which Interconnection

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Customer expects to satisfy the regulatory requirements; and (3) a deposit in lieu of Site Control of \$10,000 per MW, subject to a minimum of \$500,000 and a maximum of \$2,000,000. Interconnection Requests from multiple Interconnection Customers for multiple Generating Facilities that share a site must include a contract or other agreement that allows for shared land use;

- d.(d) Generating Facility Capacity (MW) (and requested Interconnection Service level if the requested Interconnection Service is less than the Generating Facility Capacity);
- (e) If applicable, (1) the requested operating assumptions (i.e., whether the interconnecting Generating Facility will or will not charge at peak load) to be used by Transmission Provider that reflect the proposed charging behavior of the Generating Facility that includes at least one electric storage resource, and (2) a description of any control technologies (software and/or hardware) that will limit the operation of the Generating Facility to the operating assumptions submitted by Interconnection Customer;

(f) A Point of Interconnection;

- (g) Whether the Interconnection Request shall be studied for Network Resource Interconnection Service or for Energy Resource Interconnection Service, consistent with Section 3.2 of this LGIP. If the request is for NRIS and if Transmission Provider has not been notified pursuant to Section 29.2 of Part III of the Tariff that Interconnection Customer's proposed Generating Facility is to be designated as a Network Resource, Interconnection Customer shall provide (1) the Network Transmission Customer which will later designate the resource as a Network Resource, (2) the expected point of delivery within the Transmission Provider's Control Area, the point of delivery Transmission System, or (3) the geographic location on the seam of Transmission Provider's systemTransmission System at which Interconnection Customer intends to deliver the generation output out of Transmission Provider's Control Area Transmission System. This information is used to model the delivery of the NRIS request, but does not result in transmission service;
- f. A Generating Facility size (MW) (and requested (h)
 ___Interconnection Service amount if (MW) requested, and the
 requested Interconnection Service is less than Generating
 Facility's capacity (MW) (i.e. plant size), including the energy

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storage capability (MWH) within the Generating Facility Capacity); if applicable;

- g.(i) One of the following-Readiness Milestone ("M1")Demonstration options totaling the entire capacity of the Generating Facility (or requested Interconnection Service amount if the requested Interconnection Service is less than the Generating Facility Capacity) or security equal to one times the study deposit described in Section 3.1 in the form of an irrevocable letter of credit or cash in lieu of the Readiness Milestone. The security is refunded to the Interconnection Customer according to Section 7.7.5.described in Section 8.6.
 - i. Executed term sheet (or comparable evidence) related to a contract, binding upon the parties to the contract, for sale (1) of the constructed Generating Facility, or (2) of the Generating Facility's energy, or (3) of the Generating Facility's ancillary services if the Generating Facility is an electric storage resource; where the term of sale is not less than five (5) years;
 - ii. Reasonable evidence that the project has been selected in a Resource Plan or Resource Solicitation Process; or
 - iii. Provisional Large Generator Interconnection Agreement filed with FERC that contains a commitment to move forward with constructing the Generating Facility and is not suspended; and
- h. Security equal one times the study deposit described in Section 3.1 in the form of an irrevocable letter of credit or cash. The security is refunded to the Interconnection Customer according to Section 7.7.5.

An Interconnection Customer that submits a deposit in lieu of Site Control due to demonstrated regulatory limitations must demonstrate that it is taking identifiable steps to secure the necessary regulatory approvals from the applicable federal, state, and/or tribal entities before execution of the Cluster Study Agreement. Such deposit will be held by Transmission Provider until Interconnection Customer provides the required Site Control demonstration for its point in the Cluster Study Process. Interconnection Customers facing qualifying regulatory limitations must demonstrate one hundred percent (100%) Site Control within one hundred eighty (180) Calendar Days of the effective date of the LGIA.

Interconnection Customer shall promptly inform Transmission Provider of any material change to Interconnection Customer's demonstration of

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Site Control under Section 3.4.2(c) of this LGIP. If Transmission Provider determines, based on Interconnection Customer's information, that Interconnection Customer no longer satisfies the Site Control requirement, Transmission Provider shall give Interconnection Customer ten (10) Business Days to demonstrate satisfaction with the applicable requirement subject to Transmission Provider's approval. Absent such, Transmission Provider shall deem the Interconnection Request withdrawn pursuant to Section 3.7 of this LGIP.

An Interconnection Request is valid when all information required in 3.4.2 (a-i) has been received and determined to be complete by the Transmission Provider. An Interconnection Request is not valid until the Site Control associated with the Interconnection Request is validated.

The expected In-Service Date of the new Large Generating Facility or increase in capacity of the Existing Generating Facility shall be no more than the process window for the regional expansion planning period (or in the absence of a regional planning process, the process window for Transmission Provider's expansion planning period) not to exceed seven (7) years from the date the Interconnection Request is received by Transmission Provider, unless Interconnection Customer demonstrates that engineering, permitting and construction of the new Large Generating Facility or increase in capacity of the Existing Generating Facility will take longer than the regional expansion planning period seven (7) years. The In-Service Date may succeed the date the Interconnection Request is received by Transmission Provider by a period up to ten (10) years, or longer where Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider agree, such agreement not to be unreasonably withheld.

An Interconnection Request for Generation Replacement shall be accompanied by: (i) a completed application in the form of Appendix 1 to the LGIP; and (ii) a study deposit in the amount of \$50,000.

3.4.23 Acknowledgment of Interconnection Request.

Transmission Provider shall acknowledge receipt of the Interconnection Request within five (5) Business Days of the closereceipt of the DISIS Request Window and attach a copyrequest. Such acknowledgment shall identify the developer, MW, Point of the received Interconnection, and service requested in the Interconnection Request to the acknowledgement.

3.4.34 Deficiencies in Interconnection Request.

An Interconnection Request <u>willis</u> not <u>be considered to be</u> a valid request until all items in Section 3.4.1(<u>a-i</u>) have been received <u>and deemed complete</u> by Transmission Provider, during the Cluster

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Request Window, including Site Control. Transmission Provider shall provide written notice to the Interconnection Customer when the Interconnection Request is determined to be valid.

If an Interconnection Request fails to meet the requirements set forthprovide any item specified in Section 3.4.42, Transmission Provider shall notify Interconnection Customer within five (5) Business Days of the closereceipt of the DISISinitial Interconnection Request Window of the reasons for such failure and that the Interconnection Request does not constitute a valid request. Interconnection Customer shall provide Transmission Provider the additional requested information needed to constitute a valid request within ten (10) Business Days after receipt of such notice, but no later than the close of the Cluster Request Window. At any time, if Transmission Provider identifies issues with finds that the technical data provided by Interconnection Customer is incomplete or contains errors, Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider shall work expeditiously and in good faith to remedy any data issues. Failure by Interconnection Customer to comply with this Section 3.4.3 shall be treated in accordance with Section 3.7.such technical and/or modeling data issues. In the event that Interconnection Customer fails to comply with this Section 3.4.4, Transmission Provider shall deem the Interconnection Request withdrawn (without the cure period provided under Section 3.7), the application fee is forfeited by Interconnection Customer, and the study deposit and any security deposit made under 8.6.1 for Readiness Demonstration 1 shall be returned to Interconnection Customer.

Transmission Provider shall determine if the information contained in the Interconnection Request is adequately sufficient to start the Definitive System Impact Study by the close of the Customer Engagement Window.

3.4.4 Scoping Meeting.

Within ten (10) Business Days after the close of the DISIS Request Window, Transmission Provider shall host an open Scoping Meeting, for all Interconnection Requests received in that DISIS Request Window. If requested by Interconnection Customer, Transmission Provider shall also hold individual customer specific Scoping Meetings, which must be requested no later than fifteen (15) business days after the close of the DISIS Request Window.

3.4.5 Customer Engagement Window.

Upon the close of each Cluster Request Window, Transmission Provider shall open a sixty (60) Calendar Day period (Customer Engagement Window). During the Customer Engagement Window, Transmission Provider shall hold a Scoping Meeting with all interested Interconnection

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Customers. Notwithstanding the preceding requirements and upon written consent of all Interconnection Customers within the Cluster, Transmission Provider may shorten the Customer Engagement Window and begin the Cluster Study. Within ten (10) Business Days of the opening of the Customer Engagement Window, Transmission Provider shall post on its OASIS a list of Interconnection Requests for that Cluster as specified in 3.5.1. Transmission Provider must ensure that project information is anonymized and does not reveal the identity or commercial information of Interconnection Customers with submitted requests. During the Customer Engagement Window, Transmission Provider shall provide to Interconnection Customer a non-binding updated good faith estimate of the cost and timeframe for completing the Cluster Study and a Cluster Study Agreement to be executed prior to the close of the Customer Engagement During the Customer Engagement Window, Transmission Provider may request additional information from the Interconnection Customer regarding the Interconnection Request, to which Interconnection Customer must provide the responsive information within ten (10) Business Days.

At the end of the Customer Engagement Window, all Interconnection Requests deemed valid that have executed a Cluster Study Agreement in the form of Appendix 2 to this LGIP shall be included in the Cluster Study. Any Interconnection Requests for which Interconnection Customer has not executed a Cluster Study Agreement shall be deemed withdrawn (without the cure period provided under Section 3.7 of this LGIP) by Transmission Provider, the application fee shall be forfeited to Transmission Provider, and Transmission Provider shall return the study deposit and any security deposit for Readiness Demonstration 1 under 8.6.1 to Interconnection Customer. Immediately following the Customer Engagement Window, Transmission Provider shall initiate the Cluster Study described in Section 8 of this LGIP.

3.4.6 Cluster Study Scoping Meetings.

<u>During the Customer Engagement Window, Transmission Provider</u> shall hold a Scoping Meeting with all Interconnection Customers whose valid Interconnection Requests were received in that Cluster Request Window

The purpose of the <u>Cluster Study</u> Scoping Meeting shall be to discuss alternative interconnection options; to exchange information, including any transmission data <u>and earlier study evaluations</u> that would reasonably be expected to impact such interconnection options; to <u>discuss the Cluster Study materials posted to OASIS pursuant to Section 3.5 of this LGIP, if applicable, and to analyze such information; and to determine the potential feasible Points of Interconnection. Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer(s) will bring to the meeting such technical data, including, but not limited to: (i) general</u>

facility loadings, (ii) general instability issues, (iii) general short circuit issues, (iv) general voltage issues, and (v) general reliability issues as may be reasonably required to accomplish the purpose of the meeting. Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer(s) will also bring to the meeting personnel and other resources as may be reasonably required to accomplish the purpose of the meeting in the time allocated for the meeting. On the basis of the meeting, Interconnection Customer(s) shall designate its Point of Interconnection, pursuant to Section 7.2. The duration of the meeting shall be sufficient to accomplish its purpose. If the Cluster Study Scoping Meeting consists of more than one Interconnection Customer, Transmission Provider shall issue, no later than fifteen (15) Business Days after the commencement of the Customer Engagement Window, Interconnection Customer shall execute a non-disclosure agreement prior to a group Cluster Study Scoping Meeting, which will provide for confidentiality of identifying information or commercially sensitive information pertaining to any other Interconnection Customers. A form of non-disclosure agreement is provided in Appendix 15, Cluster Study Scoping Meeting Non-Disclosure Agreement.

3.5 OASIS Posting.

3.5.1 OASIS Posting.

Transmission Provider will maintain on its OASIS a list of all Interconnection Requests. The list will identify, for each Interconnection Request: (i) the maximum summer and winter megawatt electrical output; (ii) the location by county and state; (iii) the station or transmission line or lines where the interconnection will be made; (iv) the projected In-Service Date; (v) the status of the Interconnection Request, including Queue Position; (vi) the type of Interconnection Service being requested; (vii) the availability of any studies related to the Interconnection Request; (viii) the date of the Interconnection Request; (ix) the type of Generating Facility to be constructed (e.g. wind, solar, combined cycle, base loadhybrid (e.g. solar and storage) or combustion turbine, and fuel type); and (x) for Interconnection Requests that have not resulted in a completed interconnection, an explanation as to why it was not completed. In addition, for a Generation Replacement, Transmission Provider will post the planned date of cessation of operation for the Existing Generating Facility or actual date if the Existing Generating Facility already has ceased commercial operations, the expected Commercial Operation Date of the Replacement Generating Facility, and the type of requested Interconnection Service.

Except in the case of an Affiliate, the list will not disclose the identity of Interconnection Customer until Interconnection Customer executes an LGIA or requests that Transmission Provider file an unexecuted LGIA with FERC. Before holding a Scoping Meeting with its Affiliate,

Transmission Provider shall post on OASIS an advance notice of its intent to do so.

Transmission Provider shall post to its OASIS site any deviations from the study timelines set forth herein. Interconnection Study reports shall be posted to Transmission Provider's OASIS site subsequent to the meeting between Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider to discuss the applicable study results. Transmission Provider shall also post any known deviations in the Large Generating Facility's In-Service Date.

3.5.2 Requirement to Post Interconnection Study Metrics.

Transmission Provider will maintain on its OASIS or its website summary statistics related to processing Interconnection Studies pursuant to Interconnection Requests, updated quarterly. If Transmission Provider posts this information on its website, a link to the information must be provided on Transmission Provider's OASIS site. For each calendar quarter, Transmission Providers Provider must calculate and post the information detailed in sections 3.5.42.1 through 3.5.42.3 of this LGIP.

3.5.2.1.1 <u>Definitive</u> <u>Interconnection Cluster</u> Study <u>Phase 1</u> Processing Time.

- (A) Number of Interconnection Requests that had Phase 4Cluster Studies completed within Transmission Provider's coordinated region during the reporting quarter,
- (B) Number of Interconnection Requests that had Phase 1 Studies completed within Transmission Provider's coordinated region during the reporting quarter that were completed more than ninety (90) Calendar Days after the start of the Phase 1 Study for that Cluster,
- (C) At the end of the reporting quarter, the number of active valid Interconnection Requests with ongoing incomplete Phase 1 Studies where such Phase 1 Studies started more than ninety (90) Calendar Days before the reporting quarter end,
- (D) Mean time (in days), Phase 1 Studies completed within Transmission Provider's coordinated region during the reporting quarter, from the date when Transmission Provider started the Phase 1 Study to the date when Transmission Provider provided the completed Phase 1 Study report to the Interconnection Customer,

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(E) Percentage of Phase 1 Studies exceeding ninety (90) Calendar Days to complete this reporting quarter, calculated as the sum of 3.5.1.1(B) plus 3.5.1.1(C) divided by the sum of 3.5.1.1(A) plus 3.5.1.1(C)).

3.5.1.2 Definitive Interconnection System Impact Studies Processing Time.

- (A) Number of Interconnection Requests that had Definitive Interconnection System Impact Studies (Phase 2 or Phase 3) completed within Transmission Provider's coordinated region during the reporting quarter,
- (B) Number of Definitive Interconnection Requests that had Phase 2 or Phase 3Cluster Studies completed within Transmission Provider's coordinated region during the reporting quarter that were completed more than one hundred fifty (150) Calendar Days after startthe close of the respective Phase 2 or Phase 3 StudyCustomer Engagement Window,
- (C) At the end of the reporting quarter, the number of active valid Interconnection Requests with ongoing incomplete Cluster Studies where such Interconnection Requests had executed a Cluster Study Agreement received by Transmission Provider more than one hundred fifty (150) Calendar Days before the reporting quarter end,
- (D) Mean time (in days), Cluster Studies completed within Transmission Provider's coordinated region during the reporting quarter, from commencement of the Cluster Study to the date when Transmission Provider provided the completed Cluster Study Report to Interconnection Customer,
- (E) Mean time (in days), Cluster Studies were completed within Transmission Provider's coordinated region during the reporting quarter, from the close of the Cluster Request Window to the date when Transmission Provider provided the completed Cluster Study Report to Interconnection Customer; and
- (F) Percentage of Cluster Studies exceeding one hundred and fifty (150) Calendar Days to complete this reporting quarter, calculated as the sum of Section 3.5.2.1(B) plus Section 3.5.2.1(C) divided by the sum of (Section 3.5.2.1(A) plus section 3.5.2.1(C) of this LGIP.

3.5.2.2 Cluster Restudies Processing Time.

- (A) Number of Interconnection Requests that had Cluster Restudies completed within Transmission Provider's coordinated region during the reporting quarter,
- (B) Number of Interconnection Requests that had Cluster Restudies completed within Transmission Provider's coordinated region during the reporting quarter that were completed more than one hundred fifty (150) Calendar Days after Transmission Provider notifies Interconnection Customers in the Cluster that a Cluster Restudy is required pursuant to Section 8.5,
- (C) At the end of the reporting quarter, the number of active valid Interconnection Requests with ongoing incomplete Phase 2 or Phase 3 Studies where such started Cluster Restudies where Transmission Provider notified Interconnection Customers in the Cluster that a Cluster Restudy is required pursuant to Section 8.5 more than one hundred fifty (150) Calendar Days before the reporting quarter end,
- (D) Mean time (in days), Phase 2 and Phase 3
 Studies Cluster Restudies completed within
 Transmission Provider's coordinated region during the
 reporting quarter, from the date when the Phase 2 or
 Phase 3 Study started to Transmission Provider notifies
 Interconnection Customers in the Cluster that a Cluster
 Restudy is required pursuant to Section 8.5to the date
 when Transmission Provider provided the completed
 Phase 2 or Phase 3 Study report Cluster Restudy Report
 to the Interconnection Customer,
- (E) Percentage of Phase 2 or Phase 3 Studies (E) Mean time (in days), Cluster Restudies completed within Transmission Provider's coordinated region during the reporting quarter, from the close of the Cluster Request Window to the date when Transmission Provider provided the completed Cluster Restudy Report to Interconnection Customer;
- (F) Percentage of Cluster Restudies exceeding one hundred fifty (150) Calendar Days to complete this reporting quarter, calculated as the sum of (Section 3.5.42.2(B) plus Section 3.5.42.2(C)) divided by the sum of (Section 3.5.42.2(A) plus Section 3.5.42.2(C)). of this LGIP).

- (A) Number of Interconnection Requests that had Interconnection Facilities Studies that are completed within Transmission Provider's coordinated region during the reporting quarter,
- (B) Number of Interconnection Requests that had Interconnection Facilities Studies that are completed within Transmission Provider's coordinated region during the reporting quarter that were completed more than ninety (90) Calendar Days after receipt by Transmission Provider of the Interconnection Customer's executed Interconnection Facilities Study Agreement,
- (C) At the end of the reporting quarter, the number of active valid Interconnection Service requests with ongoing incomplete Interconnection Facilities Studies where such Interconnection Requests had executed Interconnection Facilities Studies Agreement received by Transmission Provider more than ninety (90) Calendar Days before the reporting quarter end,
- (D) Mean time (in days), for Interconnection Facilities Studies completed within Transmission Provider's coordinated region during the reporting quarter, calculated from the date when Transmission Provider received the executed Interconnection Facilities Study Agreement to the date when Transmission Provider provided the completed Interconnection Facilities Study to the Interconnection Customer,
- (E(E) Mean time (in days), Interconnection Facilities Studies completed within Transmission Provider's coordinated region during the reporting quarter, from the close of the Cluster Request Window to the date when Transmission Provider provided the completed Interconnection Facilities Study to Interconnection Customer;
- (F) Percentage of delayed Interconnection Facilities Studies this reporting quarter, calculated as the sum of (Section 3.5.42.3(B) plus Section 3.5.42.3(C))) divided by the sum of (Section 3.5.42.3(A) plus Section 3.5.42.3(C)).) of this LGIP).
- 3.5.42.4 Valid Interconnection Service Requests Withdrawn from Transmission Provider's Definitive Interconnection Study Process Queue

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- (A) Number of Interconnection Requests withdrawn from Transmission Provider's interconnection queue during the reporting quarter,
- (B) Number of Interconnection Requests withdrawn from Transmission Provider's interconnection queue during the reporting quarter before completion of any interconnection studies or execution of any interconnection study Interconnection Study agreements,
- (C) Number of Interconnection Requests withdrawn from Transmission Provider's interconnection queue during the reporting quarter after the start of a Phase 1 study and before completion of an associated Phase 1, Phase 2, or Phase 3a Cluster Study,
- (D) Number of Interconnection Requests withdrawn from Transmission Provider's interconnection queue during the reporting quarter after the completion of a System Impact Study Phase (e.g. Phase 2 or Phase 3), but before completion of an Interconnection Facilities Study,
- (E) Number of Interconnection Requests withdrawn from Transmission Provider's interconnection queue after completion of an Interconnection Facilities Study but before execution of a generator interconnection agreementan LGIA or Interconnection Customer requests the filing of an unexecuted, new interconnection agreementLGIA,
- (F(F) Number of Interconnection Requests withdrawn from Transmission Provider's interconnection queue after execution of an LGIA or Interconnection Customer requests the filing of an unexecuted, new LGIA,
- (G) Mean time (in days), for all withdrawn Interconnection Requests, from the date when the request was determined to be valid to when Transmission Provider received the request to withdraw from the queue.

3.5.2 Requirement to Post Interconnection3 Posting of Study Metrics.

Transmission Provider is required to post on OASIS or its website the measures in paragraphSection 3.5.42.1(A) through paragraphSection 3.5.42.4(FG) for each calendar quarter within thirty (30-days) Calendar Days of the end of the calendar quarter. Transmission Provider will keep the quarterly measures posted on OASIS or its website for three

(3) calendar years with the first required report to be in the first quarter of 2020. If Transmission Provider retains this information on its website, a link to the information must be provided on Transmission Provider's OASIS site.

3.5.34 Reporting Requirement for Late Studies.

In the event that any of the values calculated in paragraphs_Sections 3.5.2.1.1(E(F), 3.5.1.2(E.2(F)), or 3.5.1.2(E.2(F)) exceeds 25twenty-five percent (25%) for two (2) consecutive calendar quarters, Transmission Provider will have to comply with the measures below for the next four (4) consecutive calendar quarters and must continue reporting this information until Transmission Provider reports four (4) consecutive calendar quarters without the values calculated in Sections 3.5.12.1(E), 3.5.12.2(E), or 3.5.12.3(E) exceeding 25twenty five percent (25%) for two (2) consecutive calendar quarters:

- (i) Transmission Provider must submit a report to the Commission describing the reason for each <a href="study.cluster-study.clu
- (ii) Transmission Provider shall aggregate the total number of employee-hours and third party consultant hours expended towards interconnection studies Interconnection Studies within its coordinated region that quarter and post on OASIS or its website. If Transmission Provider posts this information on its website, a link to the information must be provided on Transmission Provider's OASIS site. This information is to be posted within 30 daysthirty (30) Calendar Days of the end of the calendar quarter.

3.6 Coordination with Affected Systems.

Transmission Provider will coordinate the conduct of any studies required to determine the impact of the Interconnection Request on Affected Systems with Affected System Operators and, if possible, include those results (if available) in its applicable Interconnection Study within the time frame specified in this Revised LGIP. Transmission Provider will include such Affected System Operators in all meetings held with Interconnection Customer as required by this Revised LGIP... Interconnection Customer will cooperate with Transmission Provider and Affected System Operator in all matters related to the conduct of studies and the determination of modifications to Affected Systems.

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A Transmission Provider whichtransmission provider whose system may be an Affected Systemimpacted by a proposed interconnection on another transmission provider's transmission system shall cooperate with Transmission Providerthe transmission provider with whom interconnection has been requested in all matters related to the conduct of studies and the determination of modifications to Affected Systems. It is the responsibility of the Affected System Owner to provide the requirements or potential impediments to providing the requested interconnection service, including a preliminary indication of the cost and length of time that would be necessary to (i) complete any interconnection studies and (ii) construct any necessary interconnection facilities and network upgrades needed to reliably interconnect at the requested service level. Transmission Provider's Transmission System.

3.6.1 Initial Notification. Transmission Provider must notify Affected System

Operator of a potential Affected System impact caused by an Interconnection Request within ten (10) Business Days of the completion of the Cluster Study.

At the time of initial notification, Transmission Provider must provide Interconnection Customer with a list of potential Affected Systems, along with relevant contact information.

3.6.2 Notification of Cluster Restudy.

Transmission Provider must notify Affected System Operator of a Cluster Restudy concurrently with its notification of such Cluster Restudy to Interconnection Customers.

3.6.3 Notification of Cluster Restudy Completion.

Upon the completion of Transmission Provider's Cluster Restudy, Transmission Provider will notify Affected System Operator of a potential Affected System impact caused by an Interconnection Request within ten (10) Business Days of the completion of the Cluster Restudy, regardless of whether that potential Affected System impact was previously identified. At the time of the notification of the completion of the Cluster Restudy to the Affected System Operator, Transmission Provider must provide Interconnection Customer with a list of potential Affected System Operators, along with relevant contact information.

3.7 Withdrawal.

Interconnection Customer may withdraw its Interconnection Request at any time by written notice of such withdrawal to Transmission Provider. In addition, if Interconnection Customer fails to adhere to all requirements of this Revised LGIP, except as provided in Section 4214.5 (Disputes), Transmission Provider shall deem the Interconnection Request to be withdrawn and shall provide written notice to Interconnection Customer of the deemed withdrawal and an explanation of the reasons for such deemed withdrawal. Upon receipt of such written notice, Interconnection Customer shall have fifteen (15) Business Days in which to either

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respond with information or actions that <u>curecures</u> the deficiency or to notify Transmission Provider of its intent to pursue Dispute Resolution.

Withdrawal shall result in the loss of Interconnection Customer's Queue Position. If Interconnection Customer disputes the withdrawal and loss of its Queue Position, then during Dispute Resolution, Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Request is eliminated from the Queuequeue until such time that the outcome of Dispute Resolution would restore its Queue Position. An Interconnection Customer that withdraws or is deemed to have withdrawn its Interconnection Request shall pay to Transmission Provider all costs that Transmission Provider prudently incurs with respect to that Interconnection Request prior to Transmission Provider's receipt of notice described above. Interconnection Customer must pay all monies due to Transmission Provider before it is allowed to obtain any Interconnection Study data or results.

In the case of a withdrawallf Interconnection Customer withdraws its Interconnection Request or is deemed withdrawn by Transmission Provider under Section 3.7 of this LGIP, Transmission Provider shall: (i) update the OASIS Queue Position posting; (ii) impose the Withdrawal Penalty described in Section 3.7.1. of this LGIP; and (iii), refund any security after settling the final invoice (see Section 7.7.5), and (iv) refund to Interconnection Customer any portion of the refundable portion of Interconnection Customer's study deposit that exceeds the share of the costs that Transmission Provider has incurred, including interest calculated in accordance with section 35.19a(a)(2) of FERC's regulations. Transmission Provider shall also refund any portion of security used to demonstrate readiness under section 8.6 which is not applied to the Withdrawal Penalty and, if applicable, the deposit in lieu of site control. In the event of such withdrawal, Transmission Provider, subject to the confidentiality provisions of Section 4214.1, shall provide, at Interconnection Customer's request, all information that Transmission Provider developed for any completed study conducted up to the date of withdrawal of the Interconnection Request.

3.7.1 Withdrawal Penalty.

Interconnection <u>Customers Customer</u> shall be subject to a Withdrawal Penalty <u>under 3.7.1.1</u> if <u>they withdraw theirits</u> request <u>is withdrawn</u> from the <u>Queuequeue</u> or the Generating Facility does not otherwise reach Commercial Operation, unless:

- (1) the withdrawal does not negatively affect the timing or cost of <u>any</u> equal or lower queued projects; project;
- the cost responsibility identified for that Interconnection Customer in the current study report (including a restudy) associated with new upgrades to the Transmission Provider's Transmission System or Affected System increased by more than twenty-five percent (25%) compared to the costs identified in the previous report; or (3) if Inteconnection Customer's preceding Cluster Study Report or Cluster Restudy Report;

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- the customer withdraws Interconnection Request is withdrawn after the Phase 4 report Interconnection Facilities Study Report is published and before providing M5Interconnection Customer provides Readiness Demonstration 4 as specified in Section 8.6.3 of this LGIP, and the cost responsibility for that Interconnection Customer identified in the Interconnection Facilities Study report (the Phase 4 report)such report increases by more than one hundred percent (100%) compared to the Phase 2 report.estimates in the current Cluster Study or Cluster Restudy Report;
 - (4) Interconnection Request is withdrawn due to the Generating Facility being rejected from the Resource Solicitation Process as described in Section 4.2.2;
 - (5) Applicable Laws and Regulations, such as laws related to permitting, change between the date the Interconnection Request is made and the withdrawal that (i) prevent the Generating Facility from reaching Commercial Operation, and (ii) are outside the control of the Interconnection Customer. To qualify for this exemption, Interconnection Customer shall have had and acted on a plan to interconnect their Generating Facility under the laws or regulations in effect when the Interconnection Request was submitted; or
 - (6) a Certificate Of Public Convenience and Necessity associated with the Interconnection Request is denied by the Colorado Public Utilities Commission.

3.7.1.1 Calculation of the Withdrawal Penalty.

If the Interconnection Customer provided a demonstration withdraws prior to executing an LGIA and does not use any of readiness the milestones described in Section 8.6.1.e, 8.6.2.e, or 8.6.3.e, that Interconnection Customer's Withdrawal Penalty shall be equal to the higher of the study deposit or one (1) times of its actual allocated cost of the Definitive Interconnection Cluster and Facilities Study Process Processes, including restudies.

If the The Withdrawal Penalty is five million dollars (\$5,000,000) for any Interconnection Customer that does not use any of the milestones described in Section 8.6.1.e, 8.6.2.e, 8.6.3.e, or 8.6.4.e, and that withdraws or otherwise does not reach Commercial Operation after executing an LGIA or after the Commission accepts an unexecuted LGIA.

If Interconnection Customer uses one or more of the milestones described in Section 8.6.1.e, 8.6.2.e, 8.6.3.e, or 8.6.4.e, and withdraws from the study phase where that milestone was used, the Withdrawal Penalty shall be dependent on the

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phase of the study from which the Interconnection Request is withdrawn as follows (MW amount is the MW of requested Interconnection Service):

- (1) If the request withdraws from the Cluster Study process at any stage, including upon issuance of the Cluster Study Report or Cluster Restudy Report, the Withdrawal Penalty shall be the lower of five thousand dollars per megawatt (\$5,000/MW) or five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000)
- (2) If the request withdraws from the Interconnection Facilities Study process at any stage, including upon issuance of the Interconnection Facilities Study Report or the Interconnection Facilities Restudy Report, the Withdrawal Penalty shall be the lower offifty thousand dollars per megawatt (\$50,000/MW) or five million dollars (\$5,000,000)
- (3) If the request withdraws or otherwise does not reach Commercial Operation after executing an LGIA or after the Commission accepts an unexecuted LGIA the Withdrawal Penalty shall be the lower of seventy five thousand dollars per megawatt (\$75,000/MW) or seven and a half million dollars (\$7,500,000).

3.7.1.2 Distribution of the Withdrawal Penalty.

3.7.1.2.1 Initial Distribution of Withdrawal Penalties Prior to Assessment of Network Upgrade Costs Previously Shared with Withdrawn Interconnection Customers in the Same Cluster

For a single Cluster, Transmission Provider shall hold all Withdrawal Penalty funds until all Interconnection Customers in that Cluster have either: (1) withdrawn or been deemed withdrawn; (2) executed an LGIA; or (3) requested an LGIA to be filed unexecuted. Any Withdrawal Penalty funds collected from the Cluster shall first be used to fund studies conducted under the Cluster Study Process for Interconnection Customers in the same Cluster that have executed the LGIA or requested the LGIA to be filed unexecuted. Next, after the Withdrawal Penalty funds are applied to relevant study costs in the same Cluster, Transmission Provider will apply the remaining Withdrawal Penalty funds to reduce net increases, for Interconnection Customers in the same Cluster, in Interconnection Customers' Network Upgrade cost assignment and associated financial security requirements under Article 11.5 of the pro forma LGIA attributable to the impacts of withdrawn Interconnection Customers that shared an obligation with the remaining Interconnection Customers to fund a Network Upgrade, as described in more detail in Sections 3.7.1.2.3 and 3.7.1.2.4. The total amount of funds used to fund these studies under the Cluster Study Process or those applied to any net increases in Network Upgrade

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costs for Interconnection Customers in the same Cluster shall not exceed the total amount of Withdrawal Penalty funds collected from the Cluster.

Withdrawal Penalty funds shall first be applied as a refund to invoiced study costs for Interconnection Customers in the same Cluster that did not provide a demonstration of readiness, that withdraw within thirty (30) Calendar Days of such Interconnection Customers executing their LGIA or requesting to have their LGIA filed unexecuted. Distribution of Withdrawal Penalty funds within one specific Cluster for study costs shall not exceed the total actual Cluster Study Process costs for the Cluster. Withdrawal Penalty funds applied to study costs shall be allocated within the same Cluster to Interconnection Customers in a manner consistent with Transmission Provider's method in Section 14.3 of this LGIP for allocating the costs of Interconnection Studies conducted on a clustered basis. Transmission Provider shall post the balance of Withdrawal Penalty funds held by Transmission Provider but not yet dispersed on its OASIS site and update this posting on a quarterly basis.

If an Interconnection Customer withdraws after it executes, or requests the unexecuted filing of, its LGIA, Transmission Provider shall first apply such Interconnection Customer's Withdrawal Penalty shall be dependent on the Phase in which the Interconnection Customer withdraws and shall be calculated as follows: funds to any restudy costs required due to Interconnection Customer's withdrawal as a credit to as-yet-to be invoiced study costs to be charged to the remaining Interconnection Customers in the same Cluster in a manner consistent with Transmission Provider's method in Section 14.3 of this LGIP for allocating the costs of Interconnection Studies conducted on a clustered basis. Distribution of the Withdrawal Penalty funds for such restudy costs shall not exceed the total actual restudy costs.

3.7.1.2.2 Assessment of Network Upgrade Costs Previously Shared with Withdrawn Interconnection Customers in the Same Cluster

If the Withdrawal Penalty funds remain for the same Cluster after the Withdrawal Penalty funds are applied to relevant study costs, Transmission Provider will determine if the withdrawn Interconnection Customers, at any point in the Cluster Study Process, shared cost assignment for one or more Network Upgrades with any remaining Interconnection Customers in the same Cluster based on the Cluster Study Report, Cluster Restudy Report(s), Interconnection Facilities Study Report, and any subsequent issued restudy report issued for the Cluster.

In Section 3.7.1.2 of this LGIP, shared cost assignments for Network Upgrades refers to the cost of Network Upgrades still needed for the same Cluster for which an Interconnection Customer, prior to withdrawing its Interconnection Request, shared the obligation to fund along with

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<u>Interconnection Customers that have executed an LGIA, or requested the LGIA to filed unexecuted.</u>

If Transmission Provider's assessment determines that there are no shared cost assignments for any Network Upgrades in the same Cluster for the withdrawn Interconnection Customer, or determines that the withdrawn Interconnection Customer's withdrawal did not cause a net increase in the shared cost assignment for any remaining Interconnection Customers' Network Upgrade(s) in the same Cluster, Transmission Provider will return any remaining Withdrawal Penalty funds to the withdrawn Interconnection Customer(s). Such remaining Withdrawal Penalty funds will be returned to withdrawn Interconnection Customers based on the proportion of each withdrawn Interconnection Customer's contribution to the total amount of Withdrawal Penalty funds collected for the Cluster (i.e., the total amount before the initial disbursement required under Section 3.7.1.2.1 of this LGIP). Transmission Provider must make such disbursement within sixty (60) Calendar Days of the date on which all Interconnection Customers in the same Cluster have either: (1) withdrawn or been deemed withdrawn; (2) executed an LGIA; or (3) requested an LGIA to be filed unexecuted. For the withdrawn Interconnection Customers that Transmission Provider determines have caused a net increase in the shared cost assignment for one or more Network Upgrade(s) in the same Cluster under Section 3.7.1.2.3(a) of this LGIP. Transmission Provider will determine each such withdrawn Interconnection Customers' Withdrawal Penalty funds remaining balance that will be applied toward net increases in Network Upgrade shared costs calculated under Sections 3.7.1.2.3(a) and 3.7.1.2.3(b) of this LGIP based on each such withdrawn Interconnection Customer's proportional contribution to the total amount of Withdrawal Penalty funds collected for the same Cluster (i.e., the total amount before the initial disbursement requirement under Section 3.7.1.2.1 of this LGIP).

If Transmission Provider's assessment determines that there are shared cost assignments for Network Upgrades in the same Cluster, Transmission Provider will calculate the remaining Interconnection Customers' net increase in cost assignment for Network Upgrades due to a shared cost assignment for Network Upgrades with the withdrawn Interconnection Customer and distribute Withdrawal Penalty funds as described in Section 3.7.1.2.3, depending on whether the withdrawal occurred before the withdrawing Interconnection Customer executed the LGIA (or filed unexecuted), as described in Section 3.7.1.2.3(a) of this LGIP, or after such execution (or filing unexecuted) of an LGIA, as described in Section 3.7.1.2.3(b) of this LGIP.

As discussed in Section 3.7.1.2.4 of this LGIP, Transmission Provider will amend executed (or filed unexecuted) LGIAs of the remaining Interconnection Customers in the same Cluster to apply the remaining Withdrawal Penalty funds to reduce net increases in Interconnection

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Customers' Network Upgrade cost assignment and associated financial security requirements under Article 11.5 of the pro forma LGIA attributable to the impacts of withdrawn Interconnection Customers on Interconnection Customers remaining in the same Cluster that had a shared cost assignment for Network Upgrades with the withdrawn Interconnection Customers.

3.7.1.2.3 Impact Calculations.

3.7.1.2.3(a) Impact Calculation for Withdrawals During the Cluster Study Process.

If an Interconnection Customer withdraws in Phase 1 (after M1, but before M2), the Withdrawal Penalty before it executes, or requests the unexecuted filing of, its LGIA, Transmission Provider will distribute in the following manner the Withdrawal Penalty funds to reduce the Network Upgrade cost impact on the remaining Interconnection Customers in the same Cluster who had a shared cost assignment for a Network Upgrade with the withdrawn Interconnection Customer.

To calculate the reduction in the remaining Interconnection Customers' net increase in Network Upgrade costs and associated financial security requirements under Article 11.5 of the pro forma LGIA, Transmission Provider will determine the financial impact of a withdrawing Interconnection Customer on other Interconnection Customers in the same Cluster that shared an obligation to fund the same Network Upgrade(s). Transmission Provider shall be the higher of the study deposit or two (2) times its actual allocated cost of the Definitive Interconnection Study Process. This amount calculate this financial impact once all Interconnection Customers in the same Cluster either: (1) have withdrawn or have been deemed withdrawn; (2) executed an LGIA; or (3) request an LGIA to be filed unexecuted. Transmission Provider will perform the financial impact calculation using the following steps.

First, Transmission Provider must determine which withdrawn Interconnection Customers shared an obligation to fund Network Upgrades with Interconnection Customers from the same Cluster that have LGIAs that are executed or have been requested to be filed unexecuted. Next, Transmission Provider shall be capped at one (1) million dollars.perform the calculation of the financial impact of a withdrawal on another Interconnection Request in the same Cluster by performing a comparison of the Network Upgrade cost estimates between each of the following:

 If the Interconnection Customer withdraws in Phase 2 (after M2, but before M3), the Withdrawal Penalty shall be the higher of the study deposit or three (3) times its actual allocated cost of the Definitive Interconnection

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Study Process. This amount shall be capped at one and one half (1.5) million dollars.

- 3. If the Interconnection Customer withdraws in Phase 3 (after M3, but before M4), the study cost obligation shall be the higher of the study deposit or five (5) times its actual allocated cost of the Definitive Interconnection Study Process. This amount shall be capped at two (2) million dollars.
- 4. If the Interconnection Customer withdraws in Phase 4 (after M4, but before M5), the Withdrawal Penalty shall be the higher of the study deposit or seven (7) times its actual allocated cost of the Definitive Interconnection Study Process. This amount shall be capped at two and a half (2.5) million dollars.

The Withdrawal Penalty for any customer that has executed an LGIA is the higher of the study deposit or nine (9) times its actual allocated cost of the Definitive Interconnection Study Process.

- 3.7.1.2 (1) Cluster Study phase to Cluster Restudy phase (if Cluster Restudy was necessary);
- (2) Cluster Restudy phase to Interconnection Facilities Study phase (if a Cluster Restudy was necessary);
- (3) Cluster Study phase to Interconnection Facilities Study phase (if no Cluster Restudy was performed);
- (4) Interconnection Facilities Study phase to any subsequent restudy that was performed before the execution or filing of an unexecuted LGIA;
- (5) the restudy to the executed, or filed unexecuted, LGIA (if a restudy was performed after the Interconnection Facilities Study phase and before the execution or filing of an unexecuted LGIA).
- If, based on the above calculations, Transmission Provider determines:
- (i) that the costs assigned to an Interconnection Customer in the same Cluster for Network Upgrades that a withdrawn Interconnection Customer shared cost assignment for increased between any two studies, and
- (ii) after the impacted Interconnection Customer's LGIA was executed or filed unexecuted, Interconnection Customer's cost assignment for the relevant Network Upgrade is greater than it was prior to the withdrawal of Interconnection Customer in the same Cluster that shared cost assignment for the Network Upgrade, then Transmission Provider shall apply the

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withdrawn Interconnection Customer's Withdrawal Penalty funds that have not already been applied to study costs in the amount of the financial impact by reducing, in the same Cluster, the remaining Interconnection Customer's Network Upgrade costs and associated financial security requirements under Article 11.5 of the *pro forma* LGIA.

If Transmission Provider determines that more than one Interconnection Customer in the same Cluster was financially impacted by the same withdrawn Interconnection Customer, Transmission Provider will apply the relevant withdrawn Interconnection Customer's Withdrawal Penalty funds that have not already been applied to study costs to reduce the financial impact to each Interconnection Customer based on each Interconnection Customer's proportional share of the financial impact, as determined by either the Proportional Impact Method if it is a System Network Upgrade or on a per capita basis if it is a Substation Network Upgrade, as described under Section 4.2.4 of this LGIP.

3.7.1.2.3(b) Impact Calculation for Withdrawals in the Same Cluster After the Cluster Study Process

If an Interconnection Customer withdraws after it executes, or requests the unexecuted filing of, its LGIA, Transmission Provider will distribute in the following manner the remaining Withdrawal Penalty funds to reduce the Network Upgrade cost impact on the remaining Interconnection Customers in the same Cluster who had a shared cost assignment with the withdrawn Interconnection Customer for one or more Network Upgrades.

Transmission Provider will determine the financial impact on the remaining Interconnection Customers in the same Cluster within thirty (30) Calendar Days after the withdrawal occurs. Transmission Provider will determine that financial impact by comparing the Network Upgrade cost funding obligations Interconnection Customers shared with the withdrawn Interconnection Customer before the withdrawal of Interconnection Customer and after the withdrawal of Interconnection Customer. If that comparison indicates an increase in Network Upgrade costs for an Interconnection Customer, Transmission Provider shall apply the withdrawn Interconnection Customer's Withdrawal Penalty funds to the increased costs each impacted Interconnection Customer in the same Cluster experienced associated with such Network Upgrade(s) in proportion to each Interconnection Customer's increased cost assignment, as determined by Transmission Provider.

3.7.1.2.4 Amending LGIA to Apply Changes to Interconnection Customer's Assigned Network Upgrade Costs and Associated Financial Security Requirement with Respect to Withdrawals in the Same Cluster

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Within thirty (30) Calendar Days of all Interconnection Customers in the same Cluster having: (1) withdrawn or been deemed withdrawn; (2) executed an LGIA; or (3) requested an LGIA to be filed unexecuted, Transmission Provider must perform the calculations described in Section 3.7.1.2.3(a) of this LGIP and provide such Interconnection Customers with an amended LGIA that provides the change in Network Upgrade cost assignment and associated change to Interconnection Customer's financial security requirements, under Article 11.5 of the *pro forma* LGIA, due from Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider.

Where an Interconnection Customer executes the LGIA (or requests the filing of an unexecuted LGIA) and is later withdrawn or its LGIA is terminated, Transmission Provider must, within thirty (30) Calendar Days of such withdrawal or termination, perform the calculations described in Section 3.7.1.2.3(b) of this LGIP and provide such Interconnection Customers in the same Cluster with an amended LGIA that provides the reduction in Network Upgrade cost assignment and associated change to Interconnection Customer's financial security requirements, under Article 11.5 of the pro forma LGIA, due from Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider.

Any repayment by Transmission Provider to Interconnection Customer under Article 11.4 of the pro forma LGIA of amounts advanced for Network Upgrades after the Generating Facility achieves Commercial Operation shall be limited to Interconnection Customer's total amount of Network Upgrade costs paid and associated financial security provided to Transmission Provider under Article 11.5 of the pro forma LGIA.

After a Network Upgrade is placed into service, in the event that a withdrawn Interconnection Customer's Withdrawal Penalty was applied as a credit to reduce the assignment of the costs of the Network Upgrade to one or more other non-withdrawn Interconnection Customers pursuant to LGIP Section 3.7.1.2, the withdrawn Interconnection Customer shall not be entitled to any refund of the construction costs of the Network Upgrade and the costs shall instead be refunded to the non-withdrawn Interconnection Customers who received the credit, either through credits against transmission charges over a period not to exceed twenty years pursuant to Commission policy, or sooner if the Transmission Provider elects to refund the amounts prior to twenty years.

3.7.1.2.5 Final Distribution of the Withdrawal Penalty-Funds

Any Withdrawal Penalty revenues shall be used to fund generation interconnection studies. Withdrawal Penalty revenues shall first be applied, in the form of a bill credit, to not yet invoiced study costs for other Interconnection Customers in the same cluster, and to the extent that such studies are fully credited, shall be applied to study costs of future clusters in Queue order. Withdrawn Interconnection

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Customers shall not receive a bill credit associated with Withdrawal Penalties. Distribution of Withdrawal Penalty revenues to a specific study shall not exceed the total actual study costs. Allocation of Withdrawal Penalty revenues within a cluster to a specific customer shall be comparable to the allocation of study costs described in Section 4.2.3. Specifically, the Withdrawal Penalty revenue distribution to each customer in a specific cluster, shall be (1) fifty percent (50%) on a per capita basis based on number of Interconnection Requests in the applicable Cluster; and (2) fifty percent (50%) to Interconnection Customers on a prorata basis based on requested megawatts included in the applicable Cluster, Distribution of Withdrawal Penalty revenue associated with Readiness Milestone 5 shall not be distributed to the remaining customers in that cluster until all customers in that cluster have reached Commercial Operation and thereafter shall be distributed as described above. Transmission Provider shall not change the distribution of Withdrawal Penalty revenue without authorization by the Commission. Transmission Provider shall post the Withdrawal Penalty balance on its OASIS site.

If Withdrawal Penalty funds remain for the Cluster after the Withdrawal Penalty funds are applied to relevant study costs and net increases in shared cost assignments for Network Upgrades to remaining Interconnection Customers in the same or later Clusters, Transmission Provider will return any remaining Withdrawal Penalty funds to the withdrawn Interconnection Customers net of the amount of each withdrawn Interconnection Customer's Withdrawal Penalty funds applied to study costs and net increases in shared cost assignments for Network Upgrades to remaining Interconnection Customers.

3.8 Identification of Contingent Facilities.

Contingent Facilities shall be identified in the Interconnection System ImpactCluster Study reportReport including in any subsequent restudies, in the Interconnection FacilitiesCluster Study reportReport including in any subsequent restudies, and then included in the Interconnection Customer's Large Generator Interconnection Agreement. Transmission Provider shall also provide, upon request of the Interconnection Customer, the estimated interconnection facility and/or network upgrade costs and estimated in-service completion date of each identified Contingent Facility when this information is readily available and not commercially sensitive.

Any unbuilt Interconnection Facility and/or Network Upgrade included in the study model that is necessary as determined through technical studies such as power flow, short circuit and/or stability analysis to accommodate the Interconnection Request, will be identified as a Contingent Facility. Network Upgrades will include both Network Upgrades planned by the Transmission Provider or Affected

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Systems in the Base Case as well as those Network Upgrades identified for higher queued Interconnection Requests.

In the System ImpactCluster Study report, including in any subsequent restudies, Transmission Provider is to explain why each listed Contingent Facility was identified as such, and how it relates to the Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Request, such that Interconnection Customer can better understand their potential risk exposure should any such Contingent Facility be delayed or not built.

3.8.1 Method for Identifying Contingent Facilities

Step 1 Prior The following steps are to performing an Interconnection Customer's System Impact Study, be taken by Transmission Provider is to to identify and list the Contingent Facilities, if any, upon which the Interconnection Customer's costs, timing, and study findings are dependent.

<u>Step 1: Transmission Provider will employ the following method to identify potential contingent facilities:</u>

- (a) review the transmission system and other Affected Systems for any applicable Cluster Study associated with Generating Facilities that have a higher queued interconnection request and determining whether any of those request(s) have unbuilt facilities (including new Interconnection facilities of higher queued generation) Facilities and/or Network Upgrades that may be necessary to provide accommodate the Interconnection Customer's requested Interconnection Service.interconnection.
 - **Step 2** Transmission Provider is
- (b) review its 10-year transmission expansion plan and identifying any planned upgrades to identify all unbuilt facilities as potential its

 System which may be necessary to accommodate the Interconnection Customer's requested interconnection, and
- (c) coordinating with applicable Affected Systems to obtain from such Affected Systems any completed and available Affected System studies to determine what Contingent Facilities, including have been identified in such studies based on the Affected Systems' respective criteria.

<u>Step 2</u>: Using the methods identified in Step 1, Transmission Provider will make a list of potential contingent facilities that consist of:

(a) any unbuilt Interconnection Facilities and/or Network Upgrades in the study region on which the Interconnection Customers costs, timing and study findingsassociated with higher queued interconnection requests

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that are identified as potentially dependent.necessary to accommodate the Interconnection Customer's requested interconnection.

Step 3 Transmission Provider will model each unbuilt

- (b) any of Transmission Provider's planned upgrades to its system that are identified as potentially necessary to accommodate the Interconnection Customer's requested interconnection, and
- (c) any Contingent Facilities that have been identified in Affected System studies as potentially necessary to accommodate Interconnection Customer's requested interconnection.

Step 3: The Transmission Provider will, use the list of potential contingent facilities identified in Steps 2(a) and 2(b), conduct a flow impact analysis on such facilities based on the performance requirements set forth in the Electric Reliability Organization Standard TPL-001-4, Table 1 (Transmission System Planning Performance Requirements) or any successor applicable version of such Reliability Standard; provided, however, that the flow impact analysis is not necessary if the related modification or upgrade is the facility out of service and perform power flow analysis to identify potential system performance violations per applicable RC, WECC, or NERC requirements due to the absence of the unbuilt facility. When the system performance violation the generator is confirmed, the dependency of each connecting to (effectively 100% flow impact).

Step 4: The criteria that shall apply to the flow impact analysis performed in Step 3 are as follows:

- (a) the MW amount of the Interconnection Request to the unbuilt facility will be examined by calculating the (the distribution factor (DFAX) contribution from that) or
- (b) the applicable MVA rating of the existing facility that is mitigated by the potential contingent facility

If Transmission Provider's analysis in accordance w demonstrates that the MW impact on the potential contingent facility is either (a) at least 3% of the MW amount of the Interconnection Request. If DFAX of an (the distribution factor) or (b) at least 1% of the applicable MVA rating of the existing facility that is mitigated by the potential contingent facility then Transmission Provider shall deem such potential contingent facilities as Contingent Facilities.

Step 5: In the applicable study report and the LGIA, Transmission Provider will list the identified Contingent Facilities and explain why each listed Contingent Facility was identified as such by explaining (a) which threshold in Step 4 was exceeded and (b) the amount by which such threshold was exceeded.

3.9 Penalties for Failure to Meet Study Deadlines.

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- Transmission Provider shall be subject to a penalty if it fails to complete a Cluster Study, Cluster Restudy, Interconnection Facilities Study, or Affected Systems Study by the applicable deadline set forth in this LGIP. Transmission Provider must pay the penalty for each late Cluster Study, Cluster Restudy, and Interconnection Facilities Study on a pro rata basis per Interconnection Request on any single everload is greater orto all Interconnection Customer(s) included in the relevant study that did not withdraw, or were not deemed withdrawn, from Transmission Provider's interconnection queue before the missed study deadline, in proportion to each Interconnection Customer's final study cost. Transmission Provider must pay the penalty for a late Affected Systems Study on a pro rata basis per interconnection request to all Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) included in the relevant Affected System Study that did not withdraw, or were not deemed withdrawn, from the host transmission provider's interconnection queue before the missed study deadline, in proportion to each Interconnection Customer's final study cost. The study delay penalty for each late study shall be distributed no later than forty-five (45) Calendar Days after the late study has been completed.
- (2) For penalties assessed in accordance with this Section, the penalty amount will be equal to 1% the unbuilt facility will be identified as Contingent Facility for that request.: \$1,000 per Business Day for delays of Cluster Studies beyond the applicable deadline set forth in this LGIP; \$2,000 per Business Day for delays of Cluster Re-Studies beyond the applicable deadline set forth in this LGIP; \$2,000 per Business Day for delays of Affected System Studies beyond the applicable deadline set forth in this LGIP; and \$2,500 per Business Day for delays of Interconnection Facilities Studies beyond the applicable deadline set forth in this LGIP. The total amount of a penalty assessed under this Section shall not exceed:

 (a) one hundred percent (100%) of the initial study deposit(s) received for all of the Interconnection Requests in the Cluster for Cluster Studies and Cluster Restudies;

 (b) one hundred percent (100%) of the initial study deposit received for the single Interconnection Request in the study for Interconnection Facilities Studies; and (c) one hundred percent (100%) of the study deposit(s) that Transmission Provider collects for conducting the Affected System Study.
 - **Step 4** All unbuilt voltage support facilities within the study pocket are Contingent Facilities for Interconnection Requests in that study pocket.
 - **Step 5** All future breaker replacements which have a short circuit current contribution from the Interconnection Request are Contingent Facilities.
 - **Step 6** All planned yet unbuilt transmission projects due to a stability need within the study pocket are Contingent Facilities for Interconnection Requests in that study pocket.
 - **Step 7** All new Interconnection Facilities and/or Network Upgrades identified by Transmission Provider and Affected Systems to be required for the current Interconnection Request as part of the study are Contingent Facilities for that request.

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- (3) Transmission Provider may appeal to the Commission any penalties imposed under this Section. Any such appeal must be filed no later than forty-five (45) Calendar Days after the late study has been completed. While an appeal to the Commission is pending, Transmission Provider shall remain liable for the penalty, but need not distribute the penalty until forty-five (45) Calendar Days after (1) the deadline for filing a rehearing request has ended, if no requests for rehearing of the appeal have been filed, or (2) the date that any requests for rehearing of the Commission's decision on the appeal are no longer pending before the Commission. The Commission may excuse Transmission Provider from penalties under this Section for good cause.
- (4) No penalty will be assessed under this Section where a study is delayed by ten (10) Business Days or less. If the study is delayed by more than ten (10) Business Days, the penalty amount will be calculated from the first Business Day Transmission Provider misses the applicable study deadline.
- (5) If (a) Transmission Provider needs to extend the deadline for a particular study subject to penalties under this Section and (b) all Interconnection Customers or Affected System Interconnection Customers included in the relevant study mutually agree to such an extension, the deadline for that study shall be extended thirty (30) Business Days from the original deadline. In such a scenario, no penalty will be assessed for Transmission Provider missing the original deadline.
- (6) No penalties shall be assessed until the third Cluster Study cycle after the Commission-approved effective date of Transmission Provider's filing made in compliance with the Final Rule in Docket No. RM22-14-000.
- Transmission Provider must maintain on its OASIS or its public website summary statistics related to penalties assessed under this Section, updated quarterly. For each calendar quarter, Transmission Provider must calculate and post (1) the total amount of penalties assessed under this Section during the previous reporting quarter and (2) the highest penalty assessed under this Section paid to a single Interconnection Customer or Affected System Interconnection Customer during the previous reporting quarter. Transmission Provider must post on its OASIS or its website these penalty amounts for each calendar quarter within thirty (30) Calendar Days of the end of the calendar quarter. Transmission Provider must maintain the quarterly measures posted on its OASIS or its website for three (3) calendar years with the first required posting to be the third Cluster Study cycle after Transmission Provider transitions to the Cluster Study Process.

3.10 Additional requirements Requirements for Generation Replacement Requests.

3.910.1 Requirements for Generation Replacement Requests.

i) Any Replacement Generating Facility must connect to the Transmission System at the same electrical Point of Interconnection as the Existing Generating Facility.

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- ii) The request for Generation Replacement must be submitted to the Transmission Provider by the Interconnection Customer for its Existing Generating Facility (a) at least one (1) year prior to the date that the Existing Generating Facility willist planned to cease operation or (b) up to (1) one year after a unit is determined as an unplanned (forced) outage as reported to NERCthe Electric Reliability Organization through the Generating Availability Data System. The request shall include the planned or actual date of cessation of operation for the Existing Generating Facility and the expected Commercial Operation Date for the Replacement Generating Facility.
- iii) The Interconnection Customer shall request only ERIS for the Replacement Generating Facility if the Existing Generating Facility has only ERIS. The request for NRIS for the Replacement Generating Facility, when the Existing Generating Facility has only ERIS, shall be submitted as a separate Interconnection Request and shall proceed through the review process in the same manner as an Interconnection Request for a new Generating Facility. The Interconnection Customer may request either ERIS or NRIS for the Replacement Generating Facility if the Existing Generating Facility has NRIS. Requests for ERIS or NRIS that exceed the amount of Interconnection Service for the Existing Generating Facility shall be processed as a new Interconnection Request for the amount of such excess pursuant to Section 3.910.1.iv of this LGIP.
- iv) If the Replacement Generating Facility requires Interconnection Service (MW) in excess of that of the Existing Generating Facility that is being replaced, Interconnection Customer shall initiate a separate request for Interconnection Service in an amount (MW) equal to the excess pursuant to Section 3.4 of the LGIPthisLGIP. Such separate Interconnection Request shall be assigned a new Queue Position and proceed through the study process in the same manner as an Interconnection Request for a new Generating Facility.
- v) If the request for Replacement Generating Facility requests less Interconnection Service (MW) than that of the Existing Generating Facility that is being replaced, then any future request for Interconnection Service for that Replacement Generating Facility shall be submitted as a separate Interconnection Request pursuant to Section 3.4 of the LGIPthisLGIP. Such separate Interconnection Request shall be assigned a new Queue Position and proceed through the study process in the same manner as an Interconnection Request for a new Generating Facility.
- vi) No request for Generation Replacement may be made until twelve (12) months have elapsed from: (1) the date of any assignment of the LGIA applicable to the Existing Generating Facility; or (2) the date of sale or other transfer of such Existing Generating Facility. Upon submission of a request for Generation Replacement, the Interconnection Customer shall not sell or otherwise transfer the Existing Generating Facility, the Replacement Generating Facility, nor assign the applicable LGIA until such time as the Transmission Provider completes evaluation of the request for Generation Replacement unless the Interconnection Customer

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first withdraws such request for Generation Replacement in writing. In the event that the Transmission Provider notifies Interconnection Customer that the request for Generation Replacement has been granted, the prohibition on sale, transfer, or assignment shall be extended in accordance with Section 3.910.5 of this LGIP. For purposes of this Section 3.910.1(vi), prohibited assignments include assignments to affiliates pursuant to Article 19.1 of the LGIA, or any analogous provision in an applicable interconnection agreement.

A transfer, sale, or assignment of the Existing Generating Facility, Replacement Generating Facility, or applicable LGIA that violates this Section 3.910.1(vi) of Attachment MN shall void the request for Generation Replacement.

(vii) The request for Generation Replacement must include: (1) a \$50,000 study deposit; and (2) an executed Generation Replacement Study Agreement in the form of Appendix 5.611. Approval of the Generation Replacement request is contingent on the results of the Replacement Impact Study. Transmission Provider shall notify Interconnection Customer in writing when the Replacement Generating Facility is accepted.

3.910.1.1 Requirements for modification Modification of Generation Replacement Requests.

The request for Generation Replacement can be modified any time before the evaluation process is complete.

- 1) If the revised planned date of cessation of operation for the Existing Generating Facility is prior to the planned date of cessation of operation specified in the original request, a new request for Generation Replacement must be submitted at least one (1) year prior to the date that the Existing Generating Facility is planned to cease operation.
- 2) If the revised expected Commercial Operation Date for the Replacement Generating Facility is after the expected Commercial Operation Date for the Replacement Generating Facility in the original request, a new request for Generation Replacement must be submitted at least one (1) year prior to the date that the Existing Generating Facility is planned to cease operation, unless the Existing Generating Facility is in forced outage.

3.910.2 Evaluation Process for Generation Replacement Requests.

The Transmission Provider will place requests for Generation Replacement in a separate Generation Replacement queue on a first come first served basis based upon the date that the Transmission Provider receives a complete Generation Replacement request. The Transmission Provider will evaluate Generation Replacement requests in the order in which they are submitted. The evaluation will consist of two studies: i) a Replacement Impact Study as set forth in Section 3.910.2.1 of the this LGIP, and ii) a Reliability Assessment Study as set forth in Section 3.910.2.2 of the this LGIP.

Transmission Provider shall use Reasonable Efforts to complete the Replacement Impact Study and Reliability Assessment Study and share results with the Interconnection Customer within one hundred eighty (180) Calendar Days of the request.

3.910.2.1 Generation Replacement—Replacement Impact Study.

The Replacement Impact Study will include analyses to determine if the Generation Replacement has a material adverse impact on the Transmission System when compared to Existing Generating Facility. The Replacement Impact Study may include steady-state (thermal/voltage), reactive power, short circuit/fault duty, and stability analyses, as necessary, to ensure that required reliability conditions are studied. If the Replacement Impact Study identifies any materially adverse impact from operating the Replacement Generating Facility when compared to the Existing Generating Facility, the Transmission Provider shall deem such impact as a Material Modification, and, in such an instance, if the Interconnection Customer wishes to move forward with its request, the Interconnection Customer must submit all information and milestone payments necessary for a valid Interconnection Request for a new Generating Facility pursuant to Section 3.4 of the this LGIP.

3.910.2.2 Generation Replacement—Reliability Assessment Study.

The Reliability Assessment Study for the time period between the date that the Existing Generating Facility ceases commercial operations and the expected Commercial Operation Date of the Replacement Generating Facility shall evaluate the performance of the Transmission System to determine if thermal and/or voltage violations of Applicable Reliability Standards and Transmission Owner planning criteria are caused by removing the Existing Generating Facility from service prior to the expected Commercial Operation Date of the Replacement Generating Facility. This study shall compare the conditions on the Transmission System that would exist if the Existing Generating Facility is taken offline to the conditions on the Transmission System as they exist when the Existing Generating Facility is online. The scope of Reliability Assessment Study may include stability analysis as necessary. The Existing Generating Facility shall be responsible for mitigating any reliability violation identified in the Reliability Assessment Study and may not cease operations until all mitigations are implemented or are in service. Mitigation for this interim period may, as applicable, include: (i) redispatch/reconfiguration through operator instruction; and (ii) remedial action scheme or any other operating steps depending upon the type of reliability violation identified.

3.910.3 Generation Replacement—Notice to Proceed.

An Interconnection Customer requesting Generation Replacement shall inform Transmission Provider within thirty (30) Calendar Days of receiving the results of the Replacement Impact Study and Reliability Assessment Study of its election to proceed. If the Interconnection Customer provides the Transmission Provider notice to proceed, then the Transmission Provider will either: (i) initiate a Generator Replacement Interconnection Facilities Study; or (ii) tender a draft LGIA. If the Interconnection Customer fails to notify the Transmission Provider with its election

to proceed within thirty (30) Calendar Days, then the Interconnection Request will be deemed withdrawn pursuant to Section 3.7 of this LGIP.

3.910.4 Scope of Generator Replacement Interconnection Facilities Study.

Within thirty (30) Calendar Days after the Interconnection Customer has notified the Transmission Provider of its intent to proceed, the Transmission Provider will determine whether it will conduct a Generator Replacement Interconnection Facilities Study, pursuant to Section 89 of the this LGIP. The scope of such a Generator Replacement Interconnection Facilities Study will focus on the Interconnection Facilities for the Replacement Generating Facility. This Generator Replacement Interconnection Facilities Study will identify estimates for cost and the time required to construct the Interconnection Facilities. Transmission Provider shall use Reasonable Efforts to complete this portion of the Generator Replacement Interconnection Facilities Study within ninety (90) Calendar Days.

3.910.5 LGIA for Generation Replacement.

Consistent with the process described in Section 4012 of the this LGIP, Transmission Provider shall tender a draft LGIA or, if deemed appropriate, an amended LGIA that conforms to the LGIA in effect at the time, within thirty (30) Calendar Days after the Interconnection Customer has notified the Transmission Provider of its intent to proceed if a Generator Replacement Interconnection Facilities Study is not required, or within thirty (30) Calendar Days after the final the Generator Replacement Interconnection Facilities Study report is provided to the Interconnection Customer. The draft LGIA shall include updated appendices describing the timing of Generation Replacement and a condition that the LGIA cannot be assigned and the Replacement Generating Facility cannot be transferred to any other Party, including an affiliate of the Interconnection Customer, until the Commercial Operation Date of the Replacement Generating Facility. A transfer, sale, or assignment of the Existing Generating Facility, Replacement Generating Facility, or applicable LGIA that violates this Section 3.910.5 shall be void and constitute a material breach of the LGIA.

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Once an Interconnection Customer has submitted a valid Interconnection Request pursuant to Section 3.4 of this LGIP, such Interconnection Request shall become part of Transmission Provider's interconnection gueue for further processing pursuant to the following procedures.

4.1 Queue Position.

4.1.1 Assignment of Queue Position

Transmission Provider shall assign a Queue Position as follows: the Queue Position within the Queuequeue shall be assigned based upon the date and time of receipt of all items required pursuant to the provisions of Section 3.4. There is no queue for Informational Interconnection Studies of this LGIP. All Interconnection Requests

<u>submitted and validated in a single Cluster Request Window shall be</u> considered equally queued.

4.1.2 Higher Queue Position

A higher Queue Position assigned to an Interconnection Request is one that has been placed "earlier" in the Queuequeue in relation to another Interconnection Request that is assigned a lower Queue Position. All requests studied in a single Cluster shall be considered equally queued but. Interconnection Customers that are part of Clusters initiated earlier in time than an instant queue shall be considered to have a higher Queue Position than clusters Interconnection Customers that are part of Clusters initiated later. The Queue Position of an Interconnection Request shall have no bearing on the allocation of the cost of the common upgrades identified in the applicable Cluster Study (such costs will be allocated among Interconnection Requests in accordance with Section 4.2.4). Moving a Point of Interconnection shall result in a loss of Queue Position if it is deemed a Material Modification under Section 4.4.3. than an instant queue.

4.2 General Study Process.

The diagram attached as Appendix A-1 provides an overview and timeline of initiation of a Definitive Interconnection Study: the DISIS Request Window, Customer Engagement Window, and Phase 1 of the DISIS.

Cluster Studies performed within the Definitive InterconnectionCluster Study Process shall be conducted in such a manner to ensure the efficient implementation of the applicable regional transmission expansion plan in light of the Transmission System's capabilities at the time of each study and consistent with Good Utility Practice.

Transmission Provider may use subgroups in the Cluster Study Process. In all instances in which Transmission Provider elects to use subgroups in the Cluster Study Process, Transmission Provider must publish the criteria used to define and determine subgroups on its OASIS or public website.

4.2.1 Initiation of a Definitive Interconnection System Impact Study Cluster Study.

Transmission Provider shall accept Interconnection Requests during the "DISIS Request Window." The DISIS Request Window shall open annually on March 15th and shall close on May 1st, or the following Business Day if May 1st falls on a weekend or NERC recognized holiday.

If one or more Interconnection Request is received, a Customer Engagement Window shall open on May 2nd. The Customer Engagement Window shall close on August 5th, or the following Business Day if August 5th falls on a weekend or NERC recognized holiday. During the Customer Engagement Window, Transmission

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Provider shall work with applicable Interconnection Customers to build models, verify data, hold stakeholder meetings (including Scoping Meetings, as appropriate), work with requestors to cure any deficiencies in the Interconnection Request, and generally prepare for the start of the Definitive Interconnection System Impact Study. Notwithstanding the preceding sentence and upon written consent of all Interconnection Requests for a specific Cluster, Transmission Provider may shorten the Customer Engagement Window in order to start the Definitive Interconnection System Impact Study earlier. Within the first ten (10) Business Days following the close of the DISIS Request Window, Transmission Provider shall post on its OASIS site a list of Interconnection Requests for that Cluster. The list shall identify, for each Interconnection Request: (i) the requested amount of Interconnection Service; (ii) the location by county and state; (iii) the station or transmission line or lines where the interconnection will be made; (iv) the projected In-Service Date; (v) the type of Interconnection Service (vi) cluster being requested; and (vi) the type of Generating Facility to be constructed including fuel type such as wind, natural gas, coal, or solar.

At the end of the Customer Engagement Window, all Interconnection Requests deemed sufficient that have an executed DISIS Agreement shall be included in that DISIS Cluster. Any Interconnection Requests not deemed sufficient or undergoing Dispute Resolution at the close of the Customer Engagement Window shall not be included in that DISIS Cluster. Immediately following the Customer Engagement Window, Transmission Provider shall initiate the Definitive Interconnection System Impact Study described in more detail in Section 7. Cluster Request Window" specified in Section 3.4.1

4.2.2 Initiation of a Resource Solicitation Cluster.

At any time, and upon request of a Resource Planning Entity, Transmission Provider may initiate the study of a Resource Solicitation Cluster. The Resource Solicitation Cluster shall respect Queue Position and shall be studied as its own Cluster. Within ten (10) Business Days of receipt of a request to perform a Resource Solicitation Cluster that includes validone or more Interconnection Requests as described in Section 3.4, Transmission Provider and Resource Planning Entity shall meet to determine a mutually agreeable scope of study and timeframe to initiate the Resource Solicitation Cluster. The timeline shall indicate the close of the Customer Engagement Window for that Resource Solicitation Cluster. Thereafter the Definitive Interconnection System ImpactResource Solicitation Cluster Study shall proceed as described in Section 78. Transmission Provider shall post on OASIS that a Resource Solicitation Cluster is initiated but may delay posting the individual requests until after the competitive solicitation process is complete.

In order to initiate Transmission Provider's study of Interconnection Requests made in connection with a Resource Solicitation Process, Resource Planning Entity must: (a) act as the authorized representative for all Interconnection Requests submitted to the Resource Solicitation Cluster; (b) submit all Interconnection Requests arising from the Resource Solicitation Process at the same time to ensure an equal Queue Position for all Generating Facilities included in the Resource Solicitation Cluster; (c) cooperate with Transmission Provider in conducting the studies; and (d) request a reasonable number of different combinations of such Interconnection Requests to meet Resource Planning Entity's identified need and assumptions in the Resource Solicitation Process. Such studies in connection with a Resource Solicitation Process shall be implemented based upon Queue Position (relative to higher or lower queued clusters) and shall consider Resource Planning Entity's needs and assumptions identified in the Resource Solicitation Process.

The Resource Planning Entity may submit for inclusion in the Resource Solicitation Process an Interconnection Request for a Generating Facility that already has a higher Queue Position pursuant to Section 4.1.1. A Generating Facility that initially is associated with a Queue Position through the Resource Solicitation Process may also reserve a lower Queue Position separate from the Resource Solicitation Process pursuant to Section 4.1.1. In either case, Interconnection Customer must meet all requirements associated with maintaining each Queue Position for the Generating Facility. In the event a Generating Facility has multiple Queue Positions, it shall not be double counted in the study models.

A Generating Facility in the Resource Solicitation Process is subject to study according to the Queue Position of the Resource Solicitation Cluster. A Generating Facility that is not a part of the Resource Solicitation Process is also subject to study according to its Queue Position. All studies must be performed in accordance with the provisions of the Revisedthis LGIP, and may not be delayed as a result of the Resource Solicitation Process.

After Transmission Provider completes the Definitive Interconnection System ImpactResource Solicitation Cluster Studies for the requested combinations, the results will be provided (Phase 1 Reports, Phase 2 Reports, Phase 3 Reports, etc.; as applicable under Section 7.4) to the Resource Planning Entity for use in the Resource Solicitation Process. The results will be posted on Transmission Provider's OASIS consistent with the posting of other study results.

After receipt of the Phase 2 Resource Soliciation Cluster Study Report, Resource Planning Entity must select one of the studied combinations prior to the commencement of any Resource Solicitation

Interconnection Facilities Study associated with the Resource Solicitation Process. Prior to the completion of the Interconnection Facilities Study of all of the components of the selected combination. Resource Planning Entity may replace components, subject to any necessary Re-Studyrestudy pursuant to Sections 7.68.5 or 8.59. While conducting the DefinitiveResource Solicitation Interconnection Facilities_Study Process, Transmission Provider may suspend further action on the Interconnection Requests in the Resource Solicitation Process that are not included in the selected combination. Once a Generating Facility is rejected in the Resource Solicitation Process, the Generating Facility shall lose the Queue Position it held as part of the Resource Solicitation Process, and withdraw from the Resource Solicitation Cluster. If a Generating Facility is rejected in the Resource Solicitation Process, Interconnection Customer will not be subject to a Withdrawal Penalty under Section 3.7.1 when it withdraws that Generating Facility from the Resource Solicitation Cluster. If a Generating Facility is selected by Resource Planning Entity at the conclusion of the Resource Solicitation Process, the Generating Facility may no longer maintain more than one Queue Position.

4.2.3 Study Cost Allocation.

Transmission Provider shall determine each Interconnection Customer's share of the DISIS costs of a Cluster Study by allocating: (1) fifty percent (50%) of the applicable study costs to Interconnection Customers on a per capita basis based on number of Interconnection Requests included in the applicable Cluster; and (2) fifty percent (50%) of the applicable study costs to Interconnection Customers on a prorata basis based on requested megawatts included in the applicable Cluster. For instance, the cost of a cluster study consisting of a 100 MW request and a 900 MW request would be allocated 30% to the 100 MW request and 70% to the 900 MW request. The Interconnection Facilities Study portion of the Definitive Interconnection Cluster Study Process is an individual study and costs for each Interconnection Facilities Study is directly assigned to the Interconnection Customer associated with such study.

4.2.4 Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrade Cost Allocation.

For Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades identified in Cluster Studies, Transmission Provider shall calculate each Interconnection Customer's share of costs in the following manner:

a) Station equipment Network Upgrades, ("Station Network Upgrades"), including all switching stations, shall be allocated based on the number of Generating Facilities interconnecting at an individual station on a per capita basis (i.e. on a per Interconnection Request basis). If multiple Interconnection Customers are

connecting to the Transmission Provider's System through a single Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facility (i.e. sharing the Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facility connecting to the Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facility(ies)), those Interconnection Customers shall be considered one Interconnection Customer for the per capita calculation described in the preceding sentence. Shared Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities shall be allocated based on the number of Generating Facilities sharing that Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facility on a per capita basis.

- All Network Upgrades other than those identified in Section 4.2.4.a b) ("System Network Upgrades") will be allocated based on the proportional impact of each individual Generating Facility in the Cluster Studies on suchthe need for a specific System Network Upgrades. Upgrade. The proportional impact of such Network Upgrades shall be calculated as follows. All transmission lines and transformers identified as Network Upgrades shall be allocated using distribution factor analysis. Voltage support related Network Upgrades shall be allocated using a voltage impact analysis which will identify each Generating Facility's contribution to the voltage violation. Network Upgrades associated with upgrading existing breakers not physically located at the substation to which the Generating Facility is interconnecting or associated with a new transmission facility shall be allocated based on short circuit analysis.
- c) Costs of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities are directly assigned to the Interconnection Customer(s) using such facilities. The cost of such Interconnection Facilities shall be allocated based on the number of Generating Facilities sharing use of such Interconnection Facilities on a per capita basis (i.e., on a per Generating Facility basis), unless Parties mutually agree to a different cost sharing arrangement.

Interconnection Customer funding of <u>Substation and System</u> Network Upgrades are eligible for credits as provided in <u>SectionArticle</u> 11.4 of the LGIA.

4.3 Transferability of Queue Position.

An Interconnection Customer may transfer its Queue Position to another entity only if such entity acquires the specific Generating Facility identified in the Interconnection Request and the Point of Interconnection does not change.

4.4 Modifications.

Interconnection Customer shall submit to Transmission Provider, in writing, (including an updated Appendix A to Appendix 1), modifications to any information provided in the Interconnection Request. Such modification request may require

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updated technical data, Site Control and readiness demonstrations (as applicable) to be considered complete. Interconnection Customer shall retain its Queue Position if the modifications are in accordance with Sections 4.4.1, 4.4.2, 4.4.5 of this LGIP, or are determined not to be Material Modifications pursuant to Section 4.4.3 of this LGIP.

Notwithstanding the above, during the course of the Interconnection Studies, either Interconnection Customer or Transmission Provider may identify changes to the planned interconnection that may improve the costs and benefits (including reliability) of the interconnection, and the ability of the proposed change to accommodate the Interconnection Request. Subject to the forgoing sentence, and provided, however, they do not result in a material modification, to the extent the identified changes are acceptable to Transmission Provider, Interconnection Customer and potentially impacted Interconnection Customers in the same Cluster, such acceptance not to be unreasonably withheld, Transmission Provider shall modify the Point of Interconnection and/or configuration in accordance with such changes and proceed with any re-studies necessary to do so in accordance with Section 7.6 and Section 8.5 as applicable and Interconnection Customer shall retain its Queue Positionprior to return of the executed Cluster Study Agreement.

4.4.1 No later than forty (40) Calendar Days after of the close requested MW Interconnection Service is decreased in accordance with Section 4.4.1 or 4.4.2 of this Revised LGIA, the DISIS Request Window required study deposit is recalculated and prior the excess study deposit is refunded, if applicable

Requests to increase the Interconnection Service amount are considered Material Modifications and the requested incremental increase in Interconnection Service project will go to the end of the Queue for the purposes of cost allocation and study analysis. If the Interconnection Service is not increased, Interconnection Customer may increase the plant size if such increase is not determined to be a Material Modification by Transmission Provider.

Prior to the return of the executed Definitive Interconnection System 4.4.1 ImpactCluster Study Agreement to Transmission Provider, the modifications permitted under this Section shall include specifically: (a) a decrease of up to sixty percent (60%) of electrical output (MW) of the proposed project, through either (1) a decrease in plant size, or (2) a decrease in Interconnection Service level (consistent with the process described in Section 3.1 of this LGIP) accomplished by applying Transmission Provider-approved injection-limiting equipment; (b) modifying the technical parameters associated with the Large Generating Facility technology or the Large Generating Facility step-up transformer impedance characteristics; and (c(c) changing the type of service (ERIS or NRIS) and (d) modifying the interconnection configuration. For plant increases, the incremental increase in plant output will go toin the end of the Queuenext Cluster Request Window for the purposes of cost allocation and study analysis.

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- 4.4.2 Prior to the return of the executed Interconnection Facilities Study Agreement to Transmission Provider, the modifications permitted under this Section shall include specifically: (a) fifteen percent (15%) decrease of electrical output of the proposed project through either (1) a decrease in in plant size (MW), or (2) a decrease in Interconnection Service level (consistent with the process described in Section 3.1) accomplished by applying Transmission Providerapproved injection-limiting equipment; (b) Large Generating Facility technical parameters associated with modifications to Large Generating Facility technology and transformer impedances; provided, however, the incremental costs associated with those modifications are the responsibility of the requesting Interconnection Customer; and (c) a Permissible Technological Advancement for the Large Generating Facility after the submission of the Interconnection Request. Section 4.4.6 of this LGIP specifies a separate technological change procedure including the requisite information and process that will be followed to whether Interconnection Customer's assess the proposed technological advancement under Section 4.4.2(c) of this LGIP is a Material Modification. Section 1 of this LGIP contains a definition of Permissible Technological Advancement.
- Prior to making any modification other than those specifically permitted 4.4.3 by Sections 4.4.1, 4.4.2, and 4.4.5. Interconnection Customer may first request that Transmission Provider evaluate whether such modification is a Material Modification. In response to Interconnection Customer's request, Transmission Provider shall evaluate the proposed modifications prior to making them and inform Interconnection Customer in writing of whether the modifications would constitute a Material Modification. Any change to the Point of Interconnection, except those deemed acceptable under Sections 3.1.2 or 4.4.1, of this LGIP or so allowed elsewhere, shall constitute a Material Modification. Interconnection Customer may then withdraw the proposed modification or proceed with a new Interconnection Request for such modification. Transmission Provider shall study the addition of a Generating Facility that includes at least one electric storage resource using operating assumptions (i.e., whether the interconnecting Generating Facility will or will not charge at peak load) that reflect the proposed charging behavior of the Generating Facility as requested by Interconnection Customer, unless Transmission Provider determines that Good Utility Practice, including Applicable Reliability Standards, otherwise requires the use of different operating assumptions. Transmission Provider shall not accept modification requests after the draft Interconnection Facilities Study Report has been tendered. After execution of the LGIA, modification requests shall be processed according to Article 5.19 of the LGIA.

4.4.3.1 Interconnection Customer may request, and Transmission Provider shall evaluate, the addition to the Interconnection Request of a Generating

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Facility with the same Point of Interconnection indicated in the initial Interconnection Request, if the addition of the Generating Facility does not increase the requested Interconnection Service level. Transmission Provider must evaluate such modifications prior to deeming them a Material Modification, but only if Interconnection Customer submits them prior to the return of the executed Interconnection Facilities Study Agreement by Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider. Interconnection Customers requesting that such a modification be evaluated must demonstrate the required Site Control at the time such request is made.

- 4.4.4 Upon receipt of Interconnection Customer's <u>written</u> request for modification permitted under this Section 4.4 of this LGIP, Transmission Provider shall commence and perform any necessary additional studies as soon as practicable, but in no event shall Transmission Provider commence such studies later than thirty (30) Calendar Days after receiving notice of the modification of Interconnection Customer's request. Any additional studies resulting from such modification shall be performed at Interconnection Customer's cost. Any such request for modification of the Interconnection Request must be accompanied by any resulting updates to the models described in Appendix A to Appendix 1 of this LGIP.
- 4.4.5 Extensions of less than three (3) cumulative years in the Commercial Operation Date of the Generating Facility to which the Interconnection Request relates are not material and should be handled through construction sequencing. The initial requested Extensions of more than three (3) cumulative years shall be considered Material Modifications unless the extension is required to allow for the construction of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades. For purposes of this section, the Commercial Operation Date used for this calculation is determined from the date proposed reflected in the initial Interconnection Request (Revised LGIP) Appendix 1 Section 4.d).shall be used to calculate the permissible extension prior to Interconnection Customer executing an LGIA or requesting that the LGIA be filed unexecuted. After an LGIA is executed or requested to be filed unexecuted, the Commercial Operation Date reflected in the LGIA shall be used to calculate the permissible extension. Such cumulative extensions are inclusive of may not exceed three years including both extensions requested after execution of the LGIA by Interconnection Customer of the LGIA or the filing of an unexecuted LGIA by Transmission Provider and those requested prior to execution of the LGIA by Interconnection Customer or the filing of an unexecuted LGIA by Transmission Provider.

4.4.6 Technological Change Procedure.

The technological change procedure included in this Section 4.4.6 will be followed to assess whether Interconnection Customer's proposed modification is a Material Modification.

4.4.6.1 Technological Change Request.

If an Interconnection Customer seeks to incorporate a technological advancement into its existing Interconnection Request, it must submit a Technological Change Request (TCR) as described below to the Transmission Provider in writing any time prior to the return of the signed Interconnection Facilities Study Agreement.

The Interconnection Customer's TCR shall include a description of the proposed change, a \$10,000 study deposit and the following information: (1) updated technical data called for in AttachmentAppendix A of Appendix 1; (2) type and specifications of equipment being replaced; updated modeling information; (3) make and model of new equipment; (4) dynamic, steady-state and performance characteristics of the new equipment; (5) efficiencies, impedances, and ratings of the equipment; (6) and technical analysis demonstrating that the technological change would (i) result in electrical performance that is equal to or better than the electrical performance expected prior to the technological change, and (ii) not cause any reliability concerns. The customer's analysis should contain engineering evidence and reasoning that clearly demonstrates the proposed change aligns with the definition of a Permissible Technological Advancement. Accordingly, a TCR should demonstrate that the proposed incorporation of the technological advancement would result in electrical performance that is equal to or better than the electrical performance expected prior to the technology change and would not cause any reliability concerns (i.e., would not materially impact the transmission system with regard to short circuit capability limits, steady-state thermal and voltage limits, or dynamic system stability and response).

Upon receipt by the Transmission Provider of a completed TCR from the Interconnection Customer, the Transmission Provider will evaluate the TCR to determine whether the TCR is a Permissible Technological Advancement or if it necessitates the performance of additional analyses and/or studies. If the technological change request has no adverse effect on electrical parameters or performance, the technological advancement request will not be considered a Material Modification and will be deemed a Permissible Technological Advancement.

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If the Transmission Provider determines that additional analyses and/or studies are required, Transmission Provider's studies may include steady-state, reactive power, short circuit, stability analysis and any other appropriate studies that the Transmission Provider deems necessary based on the Transmission Provider's engineering judgment. These additional studies and/or analyses will determine whether the technological change results in electrical performance that is equal to or better than the electrical performance expected prior to the technological change request and be deemed a Permissible Technological Advancement, technological change is deemed a Material Modification. Transmission Provider shall complete the evaluation as soon as practical but no later than thirty (30) Calendar Days after the receipt of the completed TCR.

Transmission Provider will produce a report that will state if the technological advancement is permissible. If the proposed technology fails to meet the definition of a Permissible Technological Advancement, then the TCR is deemed to be a Material Modification. In such cases, the study report shall provide an explanation regarding why the technological change is a Material Modification. The Interconnection Customer can choose to abandon the request and retain its queue position or choose to proceed with the request and reenter the queue with a new queue position.

If the study determines that the proposed technology meets the definition of a Permissible Technological Advancement the modification is approved and will be incorporated into the Interconnection Request. Study reports may be updated if appropriate. Once the Permissible Technological Advancement is approved and incorporated into the Interconnection Request; a new TCR would be required for the Interconnection Customer to revert back to the original equipment or make additional modifications to equipment.

Transmission Provider shall either refund any overage or charge for any shortage for costs of the study that exceed the deposit amount. The studies associated with the TCR shall be billed separately from other Interconnection Studies.

Section 5. Transition Procedures.

5.1 Procedures for Transitioning to Transmission Providers with Existing Cluster Study Processes or Currently in Transition

Within sixty (60) Calendar Days of the First-Ready, First-Served Revised Commission-approved effective date of this LGIP.

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5.1.1 An, Interconnection Customer assigned a Queue Position prior to September 27, 2019, shall retain Customers that Queue Position subject to have not executed an LGIA or requested an LGIA to be filed unexecuted must meet the requirements in Sections 5.1.1.1 and 5.1.1.2. Anof Sections 3.4.2, 7.5, or 8.1 of this LGIP, based on Interconnection Customer's Queue Position.

Any Interconnection Customer that fails to meet these requirements within sixty (60) Calendar Days of the Commission-approved effective date of this LGIP shall have its Interconnection Request deemed withdrawn pursuant to Section 3.7. Any unused deposit amounts of withdrawn Interconnection Requests shall be returned pursuant to Section 3.7. If an Interconnection Customer elects to continue with a Transitional Serial Interconnection Facilities Study or a Transitional Cluster Study as described below, by Transmission Provider pursuant to Section 3.7 of this LGIP. In such case, Transmission Provider shall retain the current study deposits, and not assess Interconnection Customer shall be responsible for the entire cost of all studies pursuant to Sections 4.2.3 and 12.3 any Withdrawal Penalty.

5.1.1.1 Transitional Serial Projects.

An Interconnection Customer that has a) a final System Impact Study Report that identifies facilities required to feasibly interconnect and b) an Interconnection Facilities Study Agreement that was executed prior to September 27, 2019, may opt to continue with the Interconnection Facilities Study process if the Interconnection Customer: (1) meets each of the following requirements that demonstrate readiness; and (2) executes a Transitional Serial Interconnection Facilities Study Agreement in the form of Appendix 4 to the Revised LGIP within thirty (30) Calendar Days of the Effective Date of this Revised LGIP. All of the following are required:

a) A deposit on the Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades identified in the System Impact Study Report. The deposit shall be equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the costs identified for Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades in the System Impact Study Report and will be reconciled to actual costs after the associated facilities are in service. If the Interconnection Customer does not withdraw, the deposit shall be reconciled with and applied towards future construction costs described in the LGIA. If the Interconnection Customer withdraws or otherwise does not reach Commercial Operation, the deposit is fully refundable once the final invoice for study costs and

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Withdrawal Penalty is settled. The deposit shall be in the form of an irrevocable letter of credit upon which the Transmission Provider may draw or cash where cash deposits will be treated according to Section 7.7.5.

- Exclusive Site Control for the entire Generating Facility and any Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities.
- c) Interconnection Customer shall provide one following:
 - i. A contract, binding upon the parties to the contract, for sale of the Generating Facility's energy, or the entire constructed Generating Facility; where the term of sale is not less than five (5) years, or
 - ii. Reasonable evidence that the Generating Facility is included in an approved Resource Plan or Resource Solicitation Process, or
 - iii. An executed Provisional Large Generator Interconnection Agreement filed with FERC. Such an agreement shall not be suspended and shall include a commitment to construct the Generating Facility.

All LGIA negotiations shall be completed and the LGIA executed (or filed unexecuted) within sixty (60) Calendar Days of the publication of the final Interconnection Facilities Study Report or the Interconnection Request shall be deemed withdrawn pursuant to Section 3.7 unless extended by mutual agreement of Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer. A change in the Commercial Operation Date shall not delay the construction of facilities if such delay negatively affects lower or equal queued projects. If the Interconnection Customer withdraws or otherwise does not reach Commercial Operation, a Withdrawal Penalty equal to nine (9) times the Interconnection customer's total study cost is imposed.

5.1.1.2 Combined System Impact and Interconnection Facilities Transitional Cluster Study.

An Interconnection Customer with an assigned Queue Position prior to September 27, 2019, may opt to enter the combined system impact and interconnection facilities transitional cluster study ("Transitional Cluster Study") if the Interconnection Customer: (1) meets each of the following requirements that demonstrate readiness; and (2) executes a Transitional Cluster Study Agreement in the form of Appendix

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5.1 to the Revised LGIP within thirty (30) Calendar Days of the Effective Date of this Revised LGIP. All Interconnection Requests that enter the Transitional Cluster Study shall be considered to have an equal Queue Position, and identified upgrade costs shall be allocated according to Section 4.2.4 of the Revised LGIP. The Transitional Cluster Study costs shall be allocated according to the method described in Section 4.2.3. Interconnection Customer may make a one-time extension to its requested Commercial Operation date upon entry into the Transitional Cluster Study and such an extension shall not be past 2023.

All of the following are required:

- a) Choice of requesting either ERIS or NRIS
- A deposit on the Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades expected to be identified in the Transitional Cluster Study. The deposit shall be equal to five million dollars (\$5,000,000) and be in the form of an irrevocable letter of credit upon which the Transmission Provider may draw or cash where cash deposits will be treated according to Section 7.7.5. If the Interconnection Customer does not withdraw, the deposit shall be reconciled with and applied towards future construction costs described in the LGIA. Any amounts in excess of the actual construction costs shall be returned to the customer. If the Interconnection Customer withdraws or otherwise does not reach Commercial Operation, the deposit is fully refundable once the final invoice for study costs and Withdrawal Penalty is settled.
- c) Exclusive Site Control for the entire Generating Facility.
- d) Interconnection Customer shall provide one following:
 - i. A contract, binding upon the parties to the contract, for sale of the Generating Facility's energy, or the entire constructed Generating Facility; where the term of sale is not less than five (5) years, or
 - ii. Reasonable evidence that the Generating Facility is included in an approved Resource Plan or Resource Solicitation Process, or
 - iii. An executed Provisional Large Generator Interconnection Agreement filed with FERC that is

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not in suspension with 1) a commitment to construct the facility, 2) a Commercial Operation Date no later than 2023 and 3) a security deposit in addition to the five million dollars identified in 5.1.1.2.a where the total security deposit represents a reasonable estimation of the potential costs that could be ultimately allocated to the project in the transitional cluster study.

After the Transitional Cluster Study report is published, the remaining process shall proceed according to Section 10 of this Revised LGIP. All LGIA negotiations shall be completed and the LGIA executed (or filed unexecuted) within sixty (60) Calendar Days of the tender of the draft LGIA or the Interconnection Request is deemed withdrawn unless extended by mutual agreement of Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer. A change in the Commercial Operation Date shall not delay the construction of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities or Network Upgrades if such delay negatively affects lower or equal queued projects.

If the Interconnection Customer withdraws or otherwise does not reach Commercial Operation, a Withdrawal Penalty equal to nine (9) times the Interconnection customer's total study cost is imposed.

Any Cluster Studies in-progress as of the effective date of this LGIP will conform to the requirements of Section 8 providing for a single Cluster Study Report, subject to any Cluster Study Restudies triggered by this Section 5.1.

5.2 New Transmission Provider.

If Transmission Provider transfers control of its Transmission System to a successor Transmission Provider during the period when an Interconnection Request is pending, the original Transmission Provider shall transfer to the successor Transmission Provider any amount of the deposit or payment with interest thereon that exceeds the cost that it incurred to evaluate the request for interconnection. Any difference between such net amount and the deposit or payment required by this Revised LGIP shall be paid by or refunded to the Interconnection Customer, as appropriate. The original Transmission Provider shall coordinate with the successor Transmission Provider to complete any Interconnection Study, as appropriate, that the original Transmission Provider has begun but has not completed.

If original Transmission Provider has tendered a draft LGIA to Interconnection Customer, but Interconnection Customer has not either executed the LGIA or requested the filing of an unexecuted LGIA with FERC, unless otherwise provided,

Interconnection Customer must complete negotiations with the successor Transmission Provider.

Section 6. Informational Provisional Interconnection Study.

6.1 Informational Provisional Interconnection Request and Study Agreement.

At any time, a customer may request, and Transmission Provider (either itself or through a consultant) shall perform a reasonable number of Informational Interconnection Studies. Provisional Interconnection Service maybe requested based on the results of the Informational Provisional Interconnection Study. Customers are encouraged to discuss the potential request with Transmission Provider ahead of submitting a request. Interconnection Customer shall first submit a separate Informational Interconnection Request for each site and may submit multiple Informational Interconnection Requests for a single site. Interconnection Customer must submit a deposit with each Informational Provisional Interconnection Request even when more than one request is submitted for a single site. An Informational Interconnection Request to evaluate one site at two different voltage levels shall be treated as two Informational Interconnection Requests. The request shall use the in the form inof Appendix 5.4 of the8 to this Revised LGIP and shall describe the assumptions that Interconnection Customer wishes. Transmission Provider to studyshall schedule an initial scoping meeting within the scope described in Section 6.2 of the Revised LGIP below. Within 10 Business Days of receipt of a completed request for Provisional Interconnection Service, unless a later date is mutually agreed. If the customer has provided sufficient information to initiate a study and has confirmed they desire a study, within five (5) Business Days after receipt of a request for an Informational Interconnection Studythe initial scoping meeting, or later upon mutual agreement, Transmission Provider shall provide to Interconnection Customer an Informational a Provisional Interconnection Study Agreement in the form of Appendix 5.5appendix 9.

The Informational Provisional Interconnection Study Agreement shall: (i) include the scope of work for the Informational Provisional Interconnection Study (ii) specify the technical data that Interconnection Customer must provide, (iii) specify the Informational Interconnection Studystudy case and assumptions, and (iv) identify the Transmission Provider's Provider's estimate of the cost of the Informational Provisional Interconnection Study. To the extent known by Transmission Provider at the time, such estimate shall include any costs expected to be incurred by any Affected System whose participation is necessary to complete the Informational Interconnection Study. Notwithstanding the above, Transmission Provider shall not be required as a result of an Informational Interconnection Study request to conduct any additional Interconnection Study.

Interconnection Customer shall execute the <u>Informational Provisional</u> Interconnection Study Agreement within ten (10) Business Days of receipt <u>of an agreed upon scope of work</u> and deliver the <u>Informational Provisional</u> Interconnection Study Agreement, the technical data, and a \$1045,000 deposit to Transmission Provider <u>within this timeframe</u>.

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The intent of the Informational Provisional Interconnection Study is to aididentify requirements to obtain Provisional Interconnection Customer in its business decisions related to interconnection of generation facilities prior to entering the Definitive Interconnection Process. Service. The Informational Provisional Interconnection Study shall consist of analysis based on the assumptions and scope of work specified by Interconnection Customer in the Informational Provisional Interconnection Study Agreement. The Informational Provisional Interconnection Study shallwill identify the potential Transmission Provider's Provider's Interconnection Facilities and the Network Upgrades, and the estimated cost thereof, that may be required to provide transmission service or Provisional Interconnection Service based upon the results and assumptions as described in Article 5.9.2 of the Informational Interconnection Study.LGIA. The Informational Interconnection Studystudy shall also estimate the amount of additional security that may be performed solely for informational purposes required as part of the Provisional Large Generator Agreement. Transmission Provider shall use Reasonable Efforts to coordinate the study with any Affected Systems that may be affected by the types of Interconnection Services that are being studied.request. Transmission Provider existing studies to the extent practicable in conducting the Informational Provisional Interconnection Study.

6.3 Informational Provisional Interconnection Study Procedures.

The executed Informational Interconnection Study Agreement, the deposit, and technical and other data called for therein must be provided to Transmission Provider within ten (10) Business Days of Interconnection Customer receipt of the Informational Interconnection Study Agreement. Transmission Provider shall use Reasonable Efforts to complete the Informational Provisional Interconnection Study within a mutually agreed upon time period specified within the Informational Provisional Interconnection Study Agreement. If Transmission Provider is unable to complete the Informational Provisional Interconnection Study within such time period, it shall notify Interconnection Customer and provide an estimated completion date and an explanation of the reasons why additional time is required. Any difference between the study payment deposit and the actual cost of the study shall be paid to Transmission Provider or refunded to Interconnection Customer, as appropriate. Upon request, Transmission Provider shall provide Interconnection Customer supporting documentation and work papers and databases or data developed in the preparation of the Informational Provisional Interconnection Study, subject to confidentiality arrangements consistent with Section 1214.1. The Provisional Interconnection Study results may be used to develop a Provisional Large Generator Interconnection Agreement at the discretion of Transmission Provider in accordance with Article 5.9.2 of the LGIA.

Section 7. Phase 1 through 3 of the Definitive Interconnection Study Process. Information Access

7.1 **Definitive**Publicly Posted Interconnection Information.

Transmission Provider shall maintain and make publicly available: (1) an interactive visual representation of the estimated incremental injection capacity (in megawatts) available at each point of interconnection in Transmission Provider's footprint under N-1 conditions, and (2) a table of metrics concerning the estimated impact of a potential Generating

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Facility on Transmission Provider's Transmission System Impact Study Agreement based on a user-specified addition of a particular number of megawatts at a particular voltage level at a particular point of interconnection. At a minimum, for each transmission facility impacted by the user-specified megawatt addition, the following information will be provided in the table: (1) the distribution factor; (2) the megawatt impact (based on the megawatt values of the proposed Generating Facility and the distribution factor); (3) the percentage impact on each impacted transmission facility (based on the megawatt values of the proposed Generating Facility and the facility rating); (4) the percentage of power flow on each impacted transmission facility before the injection of the proposed project; (5) the percentage power flow on each impacted transmission facility after the injection of the proposed Generating Facility. These metrics must be calculated based on the power flow model of the Transmission System with the transfer simulated from each point of interconnection to the whole Transmission Provider's footprint (to approximate Network Resource Interconnection Service), and with the incremental capacity at each point of interconnection decremented by the existing and queued Generating Facilities (based on the existing or requested interconnection service limit of the generation). These metrics must be updated within thirty (30) Calendar Days after the completion of each Cluster Study and Cluster Restudy. This information must be publicly posted, without a password or a fee. The website will define all underlying assumptions, including the name of the most recent Cluster Study or Restudy used in the Base Case. Transmission Provider will make this interactive visual and table of metrics publicly available following the completion of the first Cluster Study for Interconnection Requests submitted after the effective date of this LGIP.

Unless otherwise agreed, pursuant to the Scoping Meeting provided for in Section 3.4.4, within thirty (30) Calendar8. Cluster Study.

8.1 Cluster Study Agreement.

No later than five (5) Business Days acknowledgement of after the close of a Cluster Request Window, Transmission Provider shall tender to each to Interconnection Customer that submitted a valid Interconnection Request indicating that a Definitive Interconnection System Impact Study is to be performed, Transmission Provider shall provide to Interconnection Customer a DISISa Cluster Study Agreement in the form of Appendix 2 to this Revised LGIP. The DISISCluster Study Agreement shall provide that require Interconnection Customer shallto compensate Transmission Provider for the actual cost of the DISIS. At least seven (7) Calendar Days before the close of a Customer Engagement Window, Transmission Provider shall provide to Interconnection Customer a non-binding updated good faith estimate of the cost and timeframe for completing the Definitive Interconnection System Impact Study. Cluster Study pursuant to Section 14.3 of this LGIP. The specifications, assumptions, or other provisions in the appendices of the Cluster Study Agreement provided pursuant to Section 8.1 of this LGIP shall be subject to change by Transmission Provider following the conclusion of the Scoping Meeting..

78.2 Execution of Definitive Interconnection System Impact Cluster Study Agreement.

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Interconnection Customer shall execute the <u>DISISCluster Study</u> Agreement and deliver the executed <u>DISISCluster Study</u> Agreement to Transmission Provider no later than the close of the Customer Engagement Window.

7.3 Scope of Definitive Interconnection System Impact Study.

The Definitive Interconnection System Impact If Interconnection Customer does not provide all required technical data when it delivers the Cluster Study Agreement, Transmission Provider shall notify Interconnection Customer of the deficiency within five (5) Business Days of the receipt of the executed Cluster Study Agreement and Interconnection Customer shall cure the deficiency within ten (10) Business Days of receipt of the notice, provided, however, such deficiency does not include failure to deliver the executed Cluster Study Agreement or study deposit.

8.3 Scope of Cluster Study.

The Cluster Study shall evaluate the impact of the proposed interconnection on the reliability of the Transmission System. The Definitive Interconnection System ImpactCluster Study will consider be performed by updating the Base Case as well asto include all generating facilities (and with respect to (iii) and (iv) below, any identified Network Upgrades associated with such higher queued interconnection requests) that, on the date the DISIS Request Window closes Cluster Study is commenced: (i) are existing and directly interconnected to the Transmission Provider's Transmission System; (ii) are existing and interconnected to Affected Systems and may have an impact on the Interconnection Request; (iii) have a Interconnection Request to interconnect to higher queued the Transmission Provider's Transmission System; and (iv) have no Queue Position but have executed an LGIA or requested that an unexecuted LGIA be filed with FERC. Generating facilities with pending higher or equal queued NRIS requests, or and requests associated with Firm Transmission Service shall generally be modeled at fulldispatched in the study model at output whilelevels similar to the output levels of existing generation and may also be re-dispatched te-like existing generation in the study model to maintain system reliability, stress the system as appropriate, and/or accommodate new requests in the modelInterconnection Requests. Higher queued ERIS requests or in-service ERIS generators without associated Firm Transmission Service may be modeled offline or dispatched at zero in some study models. If the total requests output for all new Interconnection Requests for NRIS in a Cluster exceeds or otherwise cannot be sunk to the Network Load projected modeled in the Base Case, such exceedancethe excess output shall be assumed to be delivered outside of the Transmission Provider's Transmission System, in the study. In-service generation in the study model may be re-dispatched in the DISISCluster Study, but generally will not be studied at less than its minimum operating limit unless the generation owner agrees the Generating Facility should be modeled as if retired. Existing generation dispatch will be used, for instance, to maintain reliability and stress the system as appropriate. <u>Transmission Provider studies the new Interconnection</u> Requests using a study pocket approach – the NRIS requests in each study pocket are evaluated first, followed by evaluating the combined NRIS and ERIS requests

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in each study pocket. Additional study methodology details are included in the business practice manual posted on OASIS.

As discussed in more detail in Section 7.4 below, the Definitive Interconnection System Impact The Cluster Study is a phased study where the first phase (Phase 1) consists of a-will consist of power flow, stability and voltage analysis that is followed by a phase (Phase 2) that consists of a short circuit analysis and a stability analysis. Any DISIS re-studies (Phase 3) shall consist of a power flow/voltage analysis, a short circuit analysis, and/or a stability analysis as needed. The Definitive Interconnection System Impactanalyses, the results of which are documented in a single Cluster Study report Report, as applicable. At the conclusion of the Cluster Study, Transmission Provider shall issue a Cluster Study Report. The Cluster Study Report will state the assumptions upon which it is based; state the results of the analyses; and provide the requirements or potential impediments to providing the requested interconnection service Interconnection Service, including a preliminary indication of the cost and length of time that would be necessary to correct any problems identified in those analyses and implement the interconnection. The Cluster Study Report shall identify the Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades expected to be required to reliably interconnect the Generating Facilities in that Cluster Study at the requested Interconnection Service level and hsall provide non-binding cost estimates for required Network The Cluster Study Report shall identify each Interconnection Customer's estimated allocated costs for Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades pursuant to the method in Section 4.2.4 of this LGIP. Transmission Provider shall hold an open stakeholder meeting pursuant to Section 8.4 of this LGIP.

For purposes of determining necessary Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades, the Definitive Interconnection System ImpactCluster Study shall consideruse the level of Interconnection Service requested by the Interconnection Customer, unlessCustomers in the Cluster, except where the Transmission Provider otherwise required to determines that it must study the full Generating Facility Capacity due to safety or reliability concerns. The Definitive Interconnection System Impact Study

For purposes of determining necessary Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades, the Cluster Study shall use operating assumptions (i.e., whether the interconnecting Generating Facility will or will not charge at peak load) that reflect the proposed charging behavior of a Generating Facility that includes at least one electric storage resource as requested by Interconnection Customer, unless Transmission Provider determines that Good Utility Practice, including Applicable Reliability Standards, otherwise requires the use of different operating assumptions. Transmission Provider may require the inclusion of control technologies sufficient to limit the operation of the Generating Facility per the operating assumptions as set forth in the Interconnection Request and to respond to dispatch instructions by Transmission Provider. As determined by Transmission Provider, Interconnection Customer may be subject to testing and validation of those control technologies consistent with Article 6 of the LGIA.

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The Cluster Study shall evaluate the use of static synchronous compensators, static VAR compensators, advanced power flow control devices, transmission switching, synchronous condensers, voltage source converters, advanced conductors, and tower lifting. Transmission Provider shall evaluate each identified alternative transmission technology and determine whether the above technologies should be used, consistent with Good Utility Practice, Applicable Reliability Standards, and Applicable Laws and Regulations. Transmission Provider shall include an explanation of the results of Transmission Provider's evaluation for each technology in the Cluster Study Report. The Cluster Study Report will provide a list of facilities that are required as a result of the Interconnection RequestRequests within the Cluster and a non-binding good faith estimate of cost responsibility and a non-binding good faith estimated time to construct.

7.4 Definitive Interconnection System Impact8.4 Cluster Study Procedures.

Transmission Provider shall coordinate the <u>Definitive Interconnection System ImpactCluster</u> Study with any Affected System <u>Operator</u> that is affected by the Interconnection Request pursuant to Section 3.6 <u>aboveof this LGIP</u>. Transmission Provider shall utilize existing studies to the extent practicable when it performs the <u>DISIS-Cluster Study</u>. Interconnection Requests for <u>DISISa Cluster Study</u> may be submitted only within the <u>DISISCluster</u> Request Window and Transmission Provider shall initiate the <u>Definitive Interconnection Cluster</u> Study Process pursuant to Section <u>4.2.18</u> of this LGIP.

The diagrams attached as Appendix A-2 provides an overview and timeline of the Definitive Interconnection Study Process, including the Phases and milestones associated with the Definitive Interconnection System Impact Study.

- a. The DISIS Cluster shall consist of all eligible Interconnection Requests that have executed a DISIS Agreement and have provided all required information before the close of the Customer Engagement Window. Transmission Provider shall use Reasonable Efforts to complete the first phase (Phase 1) consisting of a power flow and voltage analysis within ninety (90) Calendar Days. The Phase 1 Report shall identify Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Transmission Provider's Network Upgrades that are expected to be required as a result of the Interconnection Request(s) and a non-binding good-faith indicative level estimate of cost responsibility and a non-binding good-faith estimated time to construct. Transmission Provider shall hold an open stakeholder meeting ("Phase 1 Report Meeting") within ten (10) Business Days of publishing the DISIS Phase 1 results on OASIS.
- b. Within twenty (20) Calendar Days of the Phase 1 Report Meeting, all Interconnection Customers are required to provide Readiness Milestone 2 ("M2") and continued evidence of Site Control as described in Section 7.7. Interconnection Customers that do not provide the Readiness Milestone (or provide security in lieu of the Readiness Milestone) or do not provide Site

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Control described in Section 7.7.6. by the required date shall be deemed withdrawn from the Queue pursuant to Section 3.7.

- c. Interconnection Customers whose M2 and Site Control are accepted by Transmission Provider shall continue in to the second phase ("Phase 2") of the Definitive Interconnection System Impact Study. Phase 2 consists of an updated power flow/voltage analysis (if necessary), stability analysis and short circuit analysis for the Interconnection Customers remaining in the DISIS Cluster. Transmission Provider shall use Reasonable Efforts to complete the Phase 2 analysis within one hundred fifty (150) Calendar Days. The results of this analysis shall identify Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Transmission Provider's Network Upgrades expected to be required to reliably interconnect the Generating Facilities in that DISIS Cluster at the requested Interconnection Service level and shall provide non-binding estimates for required upgrades. The Phase 2 Report shall identify each Interconnection Customer's estimated allocated costs for Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Transmission Provider's Network Upgrades. Transmission Provider shall hold an open stakeholder meeting ("Phase 2 Report Meeting") within ten (10) Business Days of publishing the **DISIS Phase 2 results on OASIS.**
- d. Within twenty (20) Calendar Days of the Phase 2 Report Meeting, each Interconnection Customer is required to provide Readiness Milestone 3 ("M3") and additional evidence of Site Control described in Section 7.7.6. Milestones for the Definitive Interconnection Study Process are described in Section 7.7. Interconnection Customers that do not provide the Readiness Milestone (or provide security in lieu of the Readiness Milestone) or do not provide Site Control described in Section 7.7.6. by the required date shall be deemed withdrawn from the Queue pursuant to Section 3.7.
 - i. If all Interconnection Customers in the Cluster provide M3 and no Interconnection Customers withdraw from the Queue at this stage, the Definitive Interconnection Study Process advances to the Interconnection Facilities Study (Section 7.4.g). Transmission Provider shall electronically notify Interconnection Customers in the Cluster that Phase 3 is not required and simultaneously provide the Interconnection Facilities Agreement in the form of Appendix 3.
 - ii. If one or more Interconnection Customer withdraws from the Cluster, Transmission Provider shall determine if a full system impact re-study is necessary. If Transmission Provider determines a re-study is not necessary and Phase 3 is not required, Transmission Provider shall provide an updated Phase 2 Report within thirty (30) Calendar Days of such determination and the Definitive Interconnection Study Process advances to the Interconnection Facilities Study (Section 7.4.g). When the updated Phase 2 report is issued, Transmission Provider shall electronically notify Interconnection Customers in the Cluster that Phase

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3 is not required and simultaneously provide the Interconnection Facilities Agreement in the form of Appendix 3.

- iii. If one or more Interconnection Customers withdraws from the Cluster and Transmission Provider determines a full system impact re-study is necessary, Transmission Provider will continue with System Impact re-studies ("Phase 3") as described in Section 7.4.e below, until Transmission Provider determines that no further re-studies are required. If a customer withdraws after Section 7.4.d.i or Section 7.4.d.ii or during the Interconnection Facilities Study and Transmission Provider determines system impact level studies are necessary, the Cluster shall be restudied under the terms of Phase 3. Transmission Provider shall electronically notify Interconnection Customers in the Cluster and post on OASIS that a re-study is required. Interconnection Customers that have elected NRIS may make a onetime change between Phase 2 and Phase 3 (before the re-study starts) to ERIS if they notify Transmission Provider of such change in election within five (5) Business Days of the Transmission Provider's notification the first re-study is required.
- e. Interconnection Customers whose M3 and additional evidence of Site Control is accepted by Transmission Provider shall continue with the third phase ("Phase 3") of the Definitive Interconnection System Impact Study. Phase 3 may consist of updated power flow/voltage analysis, stability analysis, and/or short circuit analysis if necessary for the Interconnection Customers remaining in the Cluster. Transmission Provider shall use Reasonable Efforts to complete the Phase 3 analysis within one hundred fifty (150) Calendar Days. The results of this analysis shall identify Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Transmission Provider's Network Upgrades expected to be required to reliably interconnect the Generating Facilities in that Cluster at the requested Interconnection Service level and shall provide non-binding estimates for required upgrades. The Phase 3 Report shall identify each Interconnection Customer's estimated allocated costs for Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Transmission Provider's Network Upgrades. Transmission Provider shall hold an open stakeholder meeting ("Phase 3 Report Meeting") within ten (10) Business Days of publishing the DISIS Phase 3 results on OASIS. If additional re-studies are required before moving to Phase 4 below, within twenty (20) Calendar Days of the Phase 3 Report Meeting (or Phase 3 Updated Report Meeting), all Interconnection Customers are required to provide an updated Readiness Milestone 3 ("M3"). Readiness Milestones for the Definitive Interconnection Study Process are described in Section 7.7. Interconnection Customers that do not provide the Readiness Milestone (or provide security in lieu of the Readiness Milestone) or do not provide Site Control described in Section 7.7.6. by the required date shall be deemed withdrawn from the Queue pursuant to Section 3.7. Transmission Provider shall electronically notify Interconnection Customers in the Cluster when no further re-studies are required and simultaneously provide the Interconnection Facilities Agreement in the form of Appendix 3.

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- f. Within twenty (20) Calendar Days of the notice that no System Impact restudies are needed, each Interconnection Customer is required to provide Readiness Milestone 4 ("M4"), Site Control requirements described in Section 7.7.6, and an executed Interconnection Facilities Agreement in the form of Appendix 3 (completed and including all required data identified therein). Readiness Milestones for the Definitive Interconnection System Process are described in Section 7.7. Interconnection Customers that do not provide the Readiness Milestone (or provide security in lieu of the Readiness Milestone) or do not provide Site Control described in Section 7.7.6. by the required date shall be deemed withdrawn from the Queue pursuant to Section 3.7.
- g. Twenty (20) Calendar Days after the notice that no further Re-Studies are needed, Transmission Provider shall proceed with the Interconnection Facilities Study phase ("Phase 4") of the Definitive Study Process, described in detail in Section 8 below. An additional study deposit is not required for Phase 4.

<u>Transmission Provider shall complete the Cluster Study within one hundred fifty (150) Calendar Days of the close of the Customer Engagement Window.</u>

Within ten (10) Business Days of simultaneously furnishing a Cluster Study Report to each Interconnection Customer within the Cluster and posting such report on OASIS, Transmission Provider shall convene a Cluster Study Report Meeting.

At the request of Interconnection Customer or at any time Transmission Provider determines that it will not meet the indicated timeframe for completing the DISISCluster Study, Transmission Provider shall notify Interconnection Customer(s) as to the schedule status of the DISIS-Cluster Study. If Transmission Provider is unable to complete the DISIS-Cluster Study within the time period, it shall notify Interconnection Customer(s) and provide an estimated completion date with an explanation of the reasons why additional time is required.

Upon request, Transmission Provider shall provide <u>to</u> Interconnection Customer(s)all supporting documentation, workpapers, and relevant pre-Interconnection Request and post-Interconnection Request power flow, short circuit and stability databases for the <u>DISISCluster Study</u>, subject to confidentiality arrangements consistent with Section <u>1214</u>.1 <u>of this LGIP</u>.

78.5 Cluster Study Restudies.

(1) Within twenty (20) Calendar Days after the Cluster Study Report Meeting with, Interconnection Customer must provide the following:

- (a) Demonstration of continued Site Control pursuant to Section 3.4.2(c) of this LGIP; and
- (b) a Readiness Demonstration 2 as required under Section 8.6.2 of this LGIP.

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Interconnection Customer shall promptly inform Transmission Provider, of any material change to Interconnection Customer's demonstration of Site Control under Section 3.4.2(c) of this LGIP. Upon Transmission Provider determining that Interconnection Customer no longer satisfies the Site Control requirement, Transmission Provider shall notify Interconnection Customer. Within ten (10) Business Days of such notification, Interconnection Customer must demonstrate compliance with the applicable requirement subject to Transmission Provider's approval, not to be unreasonably withheld. Absent such demonstration, Transmission Provider shall deem the subject Interconnection Request withdrawn pursuant to Section 3.7 of this LGIP.

Within ten (10) Business Days of furnishing a DISIS study report to

- (2) If no Interconnection Customer and posting the report on OASIS, Transmission Provider shall convene an open meeting withdraws from the Cluster after completion of the Cluster Study or Cluster Restudy or is deemed withdrawn pursuant to Section 3.7 of this LGIP after completion of the Cluster Study or Cluster Restudy, Transmission Provider shall notify Interconnection Customers in the Cluster that a Cluster Restudy is not required.
- (3) If one or more Interconnection Customers withdraw from the Cluster or are deemed withdrawn pursuant to discuss the study results. Section 3.7 of this LGIP, Transmission Provider shall, upon request, also make itself available to meet determine if a Cluster Restudy is necessary within thirty (30) Calendar Days after the Cluster Study Report Meeting. If Transmission Provider determines a Cluster Restudy is not necessary. Transmission Provider shall notify Interconnection Customers in the Cluster that a Cluster Restudy is not required and Transmission Provider shall provide an updated Cluster Study Report within thirty (30) Calendar Days of such determination.
- (4) If one or more Interconnection Customers withdraws from the Cluster or is deemed withdrawn pursuant to Section 3.7 of this LGIP, and Transmission Provider determines a Cluster Restudy is necessary as a result, Transmission Provider shall notify Interconnection Customers in the Cluster and post on OASIS that a Cluster Restudy is required within thirty (30) Calendar Days after the Cluster Study Report Meeting. Transmission Provider shall continue with individual Interconnection Customers after the study report is provided, such restudies until Transmission Provider determines that no further restudies are required. If an Interconnection Customer withdraws or is deemed withdrawn pursuant to Section 3.7 of this LGIP during the Interconnection Facilities Study, or after other Interconnection Customers in the same Cluster have executed LGIAs, or requested that unexecuted LGIAs be filed, and Transmission Provider determines a Cluster Restudy is necessary, the Cluster shall be restudied. If a Cluster Restudy is required due to a higher queued project withdrawing from the queue, or a modification of a higher or equally queued project subject to Section 4.4 of this LGIP, Transmission Provider shall so notify affected Interconnection Customers in writing. Except as provided in Section 3.7 of this LGIP in the case of withdrawing Interconnection Customers, any cost of Restudy shall be borne by Interconnection Customers being restudied.

7.6 Re-Study.

If Re-Study of the Definitive Interconnection System Impact Study other than the re-study described above in 7.4.e is required due to a higher or equal priority queued project dropping out of the Queue, or a modification of a higher queued

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project subject to Section 4.4, Transmission Provider shall notify Interconnection Customer(s) in writing. The Transmission Provider shall make Reasonable Efforts to ensure such Re-Study take no longer than one hundred fifty (150) Calendar Days from the date of notice. Any cost of Re-Study shall be borne by Interconnection Customer(s) being re-studied.

7.7 Readiness Milestones and Site Control.

(5) The scope of any Cluster Restudy shall be consistent with the scope of an initial Cluster Study pursuant to Section 8.3 of this LGIP. Transmission Provider shall complete the Cluster Restudy within one hundred fifty (150) Calendar Days of the Transmission Provider informing the Interconnection Customers in the cluster that restudy is needed. The results of the Cluster Restudy shall be combined into a single report (Cluster Restudy Report). Transmission Provider shall hold a meeting with the Interconnection Customers in the cluster (Cluster Restudy Report Meeting) within ten (10) Business Days of simultaneously furnishing the Cluster Restudy Report to each Interconnection Customer in the Cluster Restudy and publishing the Cluster Restudy Report on OASIS.

If additional restudies are required, Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider shall follow the procedures of this Section 8.5 of this LGIP until such time that Transmission Provider determines that no further restudies are required. Transmission Provider shall notify each Interconnection Customer within the Cluster when no further restudies are required.

Notwithstanding any provision of this Section 8.5 to the contrary, restudies may be required if projects in any prior Cluster withdraw and regardless of whether projects in the same Cluster withdraw. In the event restudies are required due to the withdrawal of projects in a prior Cluster, the general process laid out in this section shall be followed, except that Cluster Restudies shall proceed sequentially starting with the first-in-time impacted Cluster.

8.6 Readiness Milestones Demonstrations

Readiness Demonstrations are required throughoutat four separate stages of the Definitive InterconnectionCluster Study Process to demonstrate readiness.: (a) to enter the Cluster Study; (b) for any required Cluster Restudy, (c) to participate in the Interconnection Facilities Study; and (d) to execute an LGIA. A customer that does not sufficiently demonstrate readiness by providing a required Readiness Milestones Demonstration is subject to withdrawal as described in Section 3.7, which may include additional penalties.

There are three Readiness Milestone options that demonstrate readiness through the study process (i.e. for Readiness Milestones 1 (M1) through Readiness Milestones 4 (M4).

7.7.1 Readiness Milestone 1 ("M1").

M1 is satisfied by any one of the three options below (also described in 3.4.1.f) at Interconnection Customer's option. M1 may also be satisfied by providing additional security described in Section 7.7.5 below *in lieu* of providing one of the three options to demonstrate readiness.

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The Readiness Demonstrations are below and may be combined. For example, a 200 MW request may provide a contract for sale (i.e. 8.6.1.a) for 50 MW and evidence that 150 MW has been selected in a resource plan. Customers may update their Readiness Demonstrations at any time and shall provide notice to Transmission Provider if a previously supplied Readiness Demonstration is no longer valid (i.e. the contract for sale is terminated). Contracts provided under this section may be redacted. Transmission Provider shall accept reasonable modifications to Readiness Demonstrations 8.6.1.d, 8.6.2.d, or 8.6.3.d. that must change due to interconnection study results. For instance, delayed Network Upgrades may cause the in-service date to change, along with the milestones leading up to that new in-service date.

8.6.1 Readiness Demonstration 1

To enter a Cluster Study, any one or a combination of the options of this Section 8.6.1 of this LGIP must be provided at the time the Interconnection Customer submits an application to enter a Cluster Study pursuant to the provisions of Section 3.6 of this LGIP:

- a) Executed term sheet (or comparable evidence) related to a contract, binding upon the parties to the contract, for sale of (i) the constructed Generating Facility, (ii) the Generating Facility's energy, or (iii) the Generating Facility's ancillary services if the Generating Facility is an electric storage resource; where the term of sale is not less than five (5) years. The contract must include an end use customer (i.e. representing load) and may not be between Affiliates.;
- b) Reasonable evidence the project has been selected in a Resource Plan or Resource Solicitation Process; or.:
- c) Provisional Large Generator Interconnection Agreement accepted for filing at FERC. Such an agreement shall not be suspended and shall include a commitment to construct the Generating Facility.

7.7.2 Readiness Milestone 2 ("M2").

M2d) Applications for all required land, water and air permits required for the Generating Facility. If Interconnection Customer is unable to apply for a specific permit, Interconnection Customer must (1) describe the reasons it is unable to apply for the permit and (2) provide a detailed permitting plan that includes specific permitting milestones. Transmission Provider shall accept reasonable permitting plans and shall deem the Interconnection Request withdrawn if it does not meet the permitting milestones. Interconnection Customer shall provide evidence it is meeting permitting milestones or shall be withdrawn according to Section 3.7. Unless Transmission Provider is able to provide or has provided such information, applications for permits that

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require information associated Transmission Provider Interconnection Facilities or Network Upgrades are not required until thirty (30) Calendar Days after the draft Interconnection Facilities Study report is tendered.; or

e) Seven and a half million dollars (\$7,500,000) in security in the form of an irrevocable letter of credit, cash, surety bond, or other form of security that is reasonably acceptable to Transmission Provider.

8.6.2 Readiness Demonstration 2

If a Cluster Restudy is required, Readiness Demonstration 2 is required within twenty (20) Calendar Days after the Cluster Study Report Meeting. Readiness Demonstration 2 is satisfied by any one or combination of the three options below at Interconnection Customer's option. M2 may also be satisfied by providing additional security as described in Section 7.7.5 in lieu of providing one of the three options to demonstrate readiness.

- a) Executed term sheet (or comparable evidence) related to a contract, binding upon the parties to the contract, for sale of (i) the constructed Generating Facility, (ii) the Generating Facility's energy, or (iii) the Generating Facility's ancillary services if the Generating Facility is an electric storage resource; where the term of sale is not less than five (5) years.
- b) Reasonable evidence that the project has been selected in a Resource Plan or Resource Solicitation Process; or
- c) Provisional Large Generator Interconnection Agreement accepted for filing at FERC. Such an agreement shall not be suspended and shall include a commitment to construct the Generating Facility.

7.7.3 Readiness Milestone 3 ("M3").

M3 is satisfied by any one of the three options below at Interconnection Customer's option. M3 may also be satisfied by providing additional security described in Section 7.7.5 in lieu of providing one of the three options to demonstrate readiness.

a) Executed contract, binding upon the parties to the contract, for sale of (i) the constructed Generating Facility, (ii) the Generating Facility's energy, or (iii) the Generating Facility's ancillary services if the Generating Facility is an electric storage resource; where the term of sale is not less than five (5) years.

Contract must include an end use customer (i.e. representing load) and may not be between Affiliates;

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- Reasonable evidence that the project has been selected in an approved Resource Plan or Resource Solicitation Process; or.
- c) An unsuspended Provisional Large Generator Interconnection Agreement accepted for filing by FERC with reasonable evidence that the Generating Facility and Interconnection Facilities have commenced design and engineering.

7.7.4 Readiness Milestone 4 ("M4").

- M4d) In addition to the information described in 8.6.1.d, (1) evidence of Generating Facility, site and substation 60% design drawings are complete, (2) procurement plan for all Generating Facility equipment consistent with expected In-Service date, including (i) updated lead time for equipment, (ii) purchase orders of site-specific equipment consistent with procurement plan and (3) if required for the project, (i) completed Phase 1 Environmental Site Assessment and (ii) completed Wetland Delineation. Interconnection Customer shall provide reasonable evidence it is meeting milestones in the procurement plan or it shall be withdrawn according to Section 3.7; or
- e) Having previously satisfied 8.6.1.e or, if not, providing seven and a half million dollars (\$7,500,000) in security in the form of an irrevocable letter of credit.

8.6.3 Readiness Demonstration 3

Readiness Demonstration 3 is required to proceed to the Facilities Study and is satisfied by any one or combination of the three options below at Interconnection Customer's option. M4 may also be satisfied by providing additional security as described in Section 7.7.5 below in lieu of providing one of the three options to demonstrate readiness.

- a) Executed contract, binding upon the parties to the contract, for sale of (i) the constructed Generating Facility, (ii) the Generating Facility's energy, or (iii) the Generating Facility's ancillary services and capacity if the Generating Facility is an electric storage resource; where the term of sale is not less than five (5) years; Contract must include an end use customer (i.e. representing load) and may not be between Affiliates.;
- b) Reasonable evidence that the project has been selected in an approved Resource Plan or Resource Solicitation Process; or
- c) An unsuspended Provisional Large Generator Interconnection Agreement accepted for filing by FERC with reasonable evidence that the Generating Facility and Interconnection Facilities have commenced construction...

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7.7.5 Security Requirements.

A table showing the security required in each milestone is provided in Appendix A-2. The security amount is dependent on if the customer provided a Readiness Milestone and the study phase the customer is entering. All security described below shall be in the form of an irrevocable letter of credit upon which Transmission Provider may draw or cash. Thed) addition to the information described in 8.6.1.d and 8.6.2.d, (1) construction, engineering and procurement plan for the Generation Facility consistent with the expected In-Service Date, (2) reasonable evidence that any actions in the construction, engineering and procurement plan required to achieve the requested In-Service Date are complete, including execution of contracts, (3) all required permits (air, water, and land use) needed to construct the Generating Facility are approved, or if not yet approved, a detailed plan and schedule to achieve approval is developed, (4) if required for the project, a completed Natural and Cultural Resources Assessment, and (5) evidence of closing of project financing for the Generating Facility or proof of financial capability and commitment to construct the Generating Facility. Closing of project financing may be contingent on executing the LGIA with interconnection costs reasonably estimated by the Cluster Study results and may be provided up to sixty (60) Calendar Days after Readiness Demonstration 3 is due. Interconnection Customer shall provide reasonable evidence it has met each milestone identified in the construction, engineering and procurement plan by the date the milestone is due or shall be withdrawn according to Section 3.7.; or

e) Having previously satisfied 8.6.1.e or 8.6.2.e, or, if not, providing seven and a half million dollars (\$7,500,000) in security in the form of an irrevocable letter of credit, cash, surety bond, or other form of security that is reasonably acceptable to Transmission Provider.

8.6.4 Security Requirements and Readiness Demonstration 4

Readiness Demonstration 4 is required to proceed to an LGIA. Security shall be in the form of an irrevocable letter of credit, cash, asurety bond, or other form of security that is reasonably acceptable to Transmission Provider, upon which Transmission Provider may draw, or cash. Subject to the Withdrawal Penalty provisions of Section 3.7, the security is refunded to the Interconnection Customer upon withdrawal, LGIA termination, or Commercial Operation after any final invoice is settled. If cash is provided as security, it shall be refunded plus interest, where the interest is calculated in accordance with the methodology set forth in FERC's regulations at 18 CFR § 35.19a(a)(2)(iii) from the date the security is received to the date that it is refunded. Security may be

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drawn upon if costs under this LGIP, including the LGIA, remain unpaid as per this Revised LGIP and or the attached LGIA.

As part of a valid interconnection request all Interconnection Customers must provide security equal to the study deposit amount as described in Section 3.4.1.h1.a. The security provided in Section 3.1.4.h1.a will be applied towards the amount of security required for M5under this Section 8.6.4 if the final study invoice is paid and the Interconnection Request is not withdrawn or undergoing dispute resolution.

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All Interconnection Customer may optCustomers are required to provide security in *lieu*order to satisfy Readiness Demonstration 4 prior to full execution of providing Readiness Milestones 1 through 4, the LGIA as described above in Sections 7.7.1, 7.7.2, 7.7.3, and 7.7.4.Section 12. The security provided is applied towards the security amount required for each successive milestone if the Interconnection Customer does not withdraw from the queue. For example, the security provided for M2 is applied to the amount of security required for M3.

In lieu Readiness Demonstration for LGIA is equal to five (5) million dollars for projects not using the Readiness Demonstration options listed in 8.6.1.e, 8.6.2.e, or 8.6.3.e, and seven and a half (7.5) million dollars for projects using a Readiness Demonstration option in 8.6.1.e, 8.6.2.e, or 8.6.3.e, and in the form of providing a demonstrationan irrevocable letter of readiness for Milestones 1 through 4, the amountcredit, cash, surety bond, or other form of security required is a multiple of the study deposit described in Section 3.1 and is in addition to the security required for all Interconnection Customers under Sections 3.4.1.h. The that is reasonably acceptable to Transmission Provider, upon which Transmission Provider may draw, or cash. As the additional amount of security required for each milestone for Interconnection Customers that do not provide a demonstration of readiness is:

M1 = 1 times the study deposit amount

M2 = 2 times the study deposit amount

M3 = 4 times the study deposit amount

M4 = 6 times the study deposit amount

For clarity, the total (i.e. inclusive of the security required under Section 3.4.1.h) amount of security required for each milestone for Interconnection Customers that do not provide a demonstration of readiness is:

M1 = 2 times the study deposit amount

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M2 = 3 times the study deposit amount

M3 = 5 times the study deposit amount

M4 = 7 times the study deposit amount

All Interconnection Customers are required to provide security in order to satisfy Readiness Milestone 5 (M5) when the LGIA is executed as described in this Section 10.3. The amount of security required for M5 is equal to nine (9) times the Interconnection Customer's share of the Definitive Interconnection Study Process study costs. If this amount is not known, the study deposit amount shall be used as an estimate of study cost until such amounts are known. If initially estimated, M5 shall be updated when the final invoice for actual study costs is issued. As this M5 amount 8.6.4 is the total security required to satisfy Readiness Milestone 5 Demonstration 4, any security provided pursuant to Sections 3.4.1.h,7.7.5.1(a, 7.7.5.b, 7.7.1, 7.7.2, 7.7.3, and 7.7.4) shall be applied towardstoward the Readiness Milestone 5Demonstration 4 amount when the LGIA is executed. The Interconnection Customer shall only be responsible to provide the incremental amount of security to the Transmission Provider and any excess security provided shall be refunded to the Interconnection Customer. Transmission Provider shall refund all security provided under this section to the Interconnection Customer upon achieving Commercial Operation.

7.7.6 Site Control.

In addition to the above Readiness Milestones, Site Control is required to determine increased readiness through the Definitive Interconnection Study Process. Additional information on Site Control is posted on Transmission Provider's OASIS.

a) Before entering Phase 1 (concurrent with M1) demonstration of 50% Site Control and 0% Site Control of Interconnection Customer's

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- b) Before entering Phase 2 (concurrent with M2): continued demonstration of 50% Site Control and 0% Site Control of Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities is required.
- c) Before entering Phase 3 (concurrent with M3): demonstration of 60% Site Control and 0% Site Control of Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities is required.
- d) Before entering Phase 4 (concurrent with M4): demonstration of 75% Site Control and 0% Site Control of Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities is required.

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e) Before executing an LGIA (concurrent with M5): demonstration of 90% Site Control and 50% Site Control of Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities is required.

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9.1 Interconnection Facilities Study Agreement.

Simultaneously with the notice to Within five (5) Business Days following Transmission Provider notifying each Interconnection Customer(s) within the Cluster that Phase 3no further Cluster Restudy is complete or not required, (per Section 7.5 of this LGIP), Transmission Provider shall provide to Interconnection Customer an Interconnection Facilities Study Agreement in the form of Appendix 3 to this Revised LGIP. Within five (5) Business Days following the open DISIS results (Phase 2Cluster Report Meeting or Phase 3) meetingCluster Restudy Report Meeting if applicable, Transmission Provider shall provide to Interconnection Customer a non-binding good faith estimate of the cost and timeframe for completing the Interconnection Facilities Study. The Interconnection Facilities Study Agreement shall provide that Interconnection Customer shall compensate Transmission Provider for the actual cost of the Interconnection Facilities Study. Interconnection Customer shall execute the Interconnection Facilities Study Agreement and deliver the executed Interconnection Facilities Study Agreement to Transmission Provider within twenty (20) Calendar Days after its receipt, together with the required technical data, Readiness Milestone 4 and the Site Control requirements described in Section 7.7.6. Interconnection Customers that do not provide the Readiness Milestone (or additional security in lieu of the Readiness Milestone) and provide Site Control described in Section 7.7.6. by the required date shall be deemed withdrawn from the Queue pursuant to Section 3.7. thirty (30) Calendar Days after its receipt, together with:

8(1) any of the required technical data; and

(2) a Readiness Demonstration 3 pursuant to Section 8.6.3 of this LGIP. Any deposit paid pursuant to this Section 9 shall be refunded upon withdrawal in accordance with Section 3.7 of this LGIP.

Interconnection Customer shall promptly inform Transmission Provider of any material change to Interconnection Customer's demonstration of Site Control under Section 3.4.2(c) of this LGIP. Upon Transmission Provider determining separately that Interconnection Customer no longer satisfies the Site Control requirement, Transmission Provider shall notify Interconnection Customer. Within ten (10) Business Days of such notification, Interconnection Customer must demonstrate compliance with the applicable requirement subject to Transmission Provider's approval, not to be unreasonably withheld. Absent such demonstration, Transmission Provider shall deem the subject Interconnection Request withdrawn pursuant to Section 3.7 of this LGIP.

9.2 Scope of Interconnection Facilities Study.

The Interconnection Facilities Study shall be specific to each Interconnection Request and performed on an individual, i.e., non-clustered, basis. The

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Interconnection Facilities Study shall specify and provide a non-binding estimate of the cost of the equipment, engineering, procurement and construction work needed to implement the conclusions of the final Phase 2 or Phase 3 Cluster Study Report (as appropriate and any associated restudies) in accordance with Good Utility Practice to physically and electrically connect the Interconnection Facilities to the Transmission System. The Interconnection Facilities Study shall also identify the electrical switching configuration of the connection equipment, including, without limitation: the transformer, switchgear, meters, and other station and estimated cost of any equipment; the nature Transmission Provider's Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades necessary to accomplish the interconnection; and an estimate of the time required to complete the construction and installation of such facilities.

The Interconnection Facilities Study will also identify any potential control equipment for (1) requests for Interconnection Service that are lower than the Generating Facility Capacity, and/or (2) requests to study a Generating Facility that includes at least one electric storage resource using operating assumptions (i.e., whether the interconnecting Generating Facility will or will not charge at peak load) that reflect its proposed charging behavior, as requested by Interconnection Customer, unless Transmission Provider determines that Good Utility Practice, including Applicable Reliability Standards, otherwise require the use of different operating assumptions.

89.3 Interconnection Facilities Study Procedures.

- a. Transmission Provider shall coordinate the Interconnection Facilities Study with any Affected System Operator pursuant to Section 3.6 above of this LGIP. Transmission Provider shall utilize existing studies to the extent practicable in performing the Interconnection Facilities Study. Transmission Provider shall use Reasonable Efforts to complete the study and issue a draft Interconnection Facilities Study report to Interconnection Customer within ninety (90) Calendar Daysthe following number of days after acceptance receipt of the an executed Interconnection Facilities Study Agreement and Readiness Milestone 4.: ninety (90) Calendar Days, with no more than a +/- twenty percent (20%) cost estimate contained in the report; or one hundred eighty (180) Calendar Days, if Interconnection Customer requests a +/- ten percent (10%) cost estimate.
- b. At the request of Interconnection Customer or at any time Transmission Provider determines that it will not meet the required time frame for completing the Interconnection Facilities Study, Transmission Provider shall notify Interconnection Customer as to the schedule status of the Interconnection Facilities Study. If Transmission Provider is unable to complete the Interconnection Facilities Study and issue a draft Interconnection Facilities Study reportReport within the time identified, it shall notify Interconnection Customer and provide an estimated completion date and an explanation of the reasons why additional time is required.

Interconnection Customer may, within thirty (30) Calendar Days after C. receipt of the draft Interconnection Facilities Study report Report, provide written comments to Transmission Provider, which Transmission Provider shall consider in completing the final Interconnection Facilities Study reportReport. Transmission Provider shall issue the final Interconnection Facilities Study report Report within fifteen (15) Business Days of receiving Interconnection Customer's Customer's comments or promptly upon receiving Interconnection Customer's Customer's statement that it will not provide comments. Transmission Provider may reasonably extend such fifteen (15) Business Day period upon notice to Interconnection Customer if Interconnection Customer's Customer's comments require Transmission Provider to perform additional analyses or make other significant modifications prior to the issuance of the final Interconnection Facilities Study reportReport. Upon request, Transmission Provider shall provide Interconnection Customer supporting documentation, workpapers, and databases or data developed in the preparation of the Interconnection Facilities Study, subject to confidentiality arrangements consistent with Section 1214.1.

89.4 Meeting with Transmission Provider.

Within Transmission Provider shall offer a meeting scheduled within ten (10) Business Days of providing a draft Interconnection Facilities Study report to Interconnection Customer, Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer shall meet Report to discuss the results of the Interconnection Facilities Study. Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer shall work to hold such a meeting on a mutually agreeable date.

89.5 Re-Study Restudy.

If Re-Studyrestudy of the Interconnection Facilities Study is required due to a higher or equal priority queued project dropping out of withdrawing from the Queuequeue or a modification of a higher or equally queued project pursuant to Section 4.4 of this LGIP, Transmission Provider shall so notify Interconnection Customer in writing. The Transmission Provider shall make Reasonable Efforts to ensure such Re-Studythat such restudy takes no longer than sixty (60) Calendar Days from the date of notice provided that a Cluster Restudy is not also required. In the event a Cluster Restudy is required, the process associated with such Cluster Restudies must be completed before the restudy of the Interconnection Facilities Study. Except as provided in Section 3.7 of this LGIP in the case of withdrawing Interconnection Customers, any cost of Restudy shall be borne by Interconnection Customer(s) being restudied.

Section 10. Affected System Study

10.1 Applicability.

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This Section 10 outlines the duties of Transmission Provider when it receives notification that an Affected System Interconnection Customer's proposed interconnection to its host transmission provider may impact Transmission Provider's Transmission System.

10.2 Response to Notifications

10.2.1 Response to Initial Notification

When Transmission Provider receives initial notification either following the Cluster Study or Cluster Restudy that an Affected System Interconnection Customer's proposed interconnection to its host transmission provider may impact Transmission Provider's Transmission System, Transmission Provider must respond in writing within twenty (20) Business Days whether it intends to conduct an Affected System Study.

By fifteen (15) Business Days after the Transmission Provider responds with its affirmative intent to conduct an Affected System Study, Transmission Provider shall share with Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) and the Affected System Interconnection Customer's host transmission provider a non-binding good faith estimate of the cost and the schedule to complete the Affected System Study.

10.2.2 Response to Notification of Cluster Restudy

Within five (5) Business Days of receipt of notification of Cluster Restudy, Transmission Provider will send written notification to Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) involved in the Cluster Restudy and the host transmission provider that Transmission Provider intends to delay a planned or in-progress Affected System Study until after completion of the Cluster Restudy. If Transmission Provider decides to delay the Affected System Study, it is not required to meet its obligations under Section 9 of this LGIP until the time that it receives notification from the host transmission provider that the Cluster Restudy is complete. If Transmission Provider decides to move forward with its Affected System Study despite the Cluster Restudy, then it must meet all requirements under Section 9 of this LGIP.

10.3 Affected System Queue Position.

Transmission Provider must assign an Affected System Queue Position to Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) that require(s) an Affected System Study. Such Affected System Queue Position shall be assigned based upon the date of execution of the Affected System Study Agreement. Relative to Transmission Provider's Interconnection Customers, this Affected System Queue Position shall be higher-queued than any Cluster that has not yet received its Cluster Study Report and shall be lower-queued than any Cluster that has already received its Cluster Study Report. Consistent with Section 10.7 of this LGIP, Transmission Provider shall study the Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) via Clustering, and all Affected System Interconnection Customers that are equally queued, the Affected System Queue Position shall have no bearing on the assignment of Affected System Network Upgrades identified in the applicable Affected System Study. The costs of the Affected System

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Network Upgrades shall be allocated among the Affected System Interconnection Customers in accordance with Section 10.9 of this LGIP.

10.4 Affected System Study Agreement/Multiparty Affected System Study Agreement.

Unless otherwise agreed, Transmission Provider shall provide to Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) an Affected System Study Agreement/Multiparty Affected System Study Agreement, in the form of Appendix 4 or Appendix 5 to this LGIP, as applicable, within ten (10) Business Days of Transmission Provider sharing the schedule for the Affected System Study per Section 10.2 of this LGIP. Upon Affected System Interconnection Customer(s)' receipt of the Affected System Study Report, Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) shall compensate Transmission Provider for the actual cost of the Affected System Study. Any difference between the study deposit and the actual cost of the Affected System Study shall be paid by or refunded to the Affected System Interconnection Customer(s). Any invoices for the Affected System Study shall include a detailed and itemized accounting of the cost of the study. Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) shall pay any excess costs beyond the already-paid Affected System Study deposit or be reimbursed for any costs collected over the actual cost of the Affected System Study within thirty (30) Calendar Days of receipt of an invoice thereof. If Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) fail to pay such undisputed costs within the time allotted, it shall lose its Affected System Queue Position. Transmission Provider shall notify Affected System Interconnection Customer's host transmission provider of such failure to pay.

10.5 Execution of Affected System Study Agreement/Multiparty Affected System Study Agreement.

Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) shall execute the Affected System Study Agreement/Multiparty Affected System Study Agreement, deliver the executed Affected System Study Agreement to Transmission Provider, and provide the Affected System Study deposit within ten (10) Business Days of receipt. If Transmission Provider notifies Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) that it will delay the Affected System Study pursuant to Section 10.2.2 of this LGIP, Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) are neither required to execute and return the previously tendered Affected System Study Multiparty Affected System Study Agreement nor provide the Affected System Study Agreement.

If Affected System Interconnection Customer does not provide all required technical data when it delivers the Affected System Study Agreement/Multiparty Affected System Study Agreement. Transmission Provider shall notify the deficient Affected System Interconnection Customer, as well as the host transmission provider with which Affected System Interconnection Customer seeks to interconnect, of the technical data deficiency within five (5) Business Days of the receipt of the executed Affected System Study Agreement/Multiparty Affected System Study Agreement and the deficient Affected System Interconnection Customer shall cure the technical deficiency within ten (10) Business Days of receipt of the notice: provided, however, that such deficiency does not include failure to deliver the executed Affected System Study Agreement/Multiparty Affected System Study Agreement or deposit for the Affected System Study Agreement/Multiparty Affected System Study Agreement. If Affected System Interconnection Customer does not cure the technical data deficiency within the cure period or fails to execute the Affected System Study

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<u>Agreement/Multiparty Affected System Study Agreement or provide the deposit, the Affected System Interconnection Customer shall lose its Affected System Queue Position.</u>

10.6 Scope of Affected System Study.

The Affected System Study shall evaluate the impact that any Affected System Interconnection Customer's proposed interconnection to another transmission provider's transmission system will have on the reliability of Transmission Provider's Transmission System. The Affected System Study shall consider the Base Case as well as all Generating Facilities (and with respect to (iii) below, any identified Affected System Network Upgrades associated with such higher-queued Interconnection Request) that, on the date the Affected System Study is commenced: (i) are directly interconnected to Transmission Provider's Transmission System; (ii) are directly interconnected to another transmission provider's transmission system and may have an impact on Affected System Interconnection Customer's interconnection request; (iii) have a pending higher-queued Interconnection Request to interconnect to Transmission Provider's Transmission System; and (iv) have no queue position but have executed an LGIA or requested that an unexecuted LGIA be filed with FERC. Transmission Provider has no obligation to study impacts of Affected System Interconnection Customers of which it is not notified.

The Affected System Study shall consist of a power flow, stability, and short circuit analysis. The Affected System Study Report will: state the assumptions upon which it is based; state the results of the analyses; and provide the potential impediments to Affected System Interconnection Customer's receipt if interconnection service on its host transmission provider's transmission system, including a preliminary indication of the cost and length of time that would be necessary to correct any problems identified in those analyses and implement the interconnection. For purposes of determining necessary Affected System Network Upgrades, the Affected System Study shall consider the level of interconnection service requested in megawatts by Affected System Interconnection Customer, unless otherwise required to study the full generating facility capacity due to safety or reliability concerns. The Affected System Study Report shall provide a list of facilities that are required as a result of Affected System Interconnection Customer's proposed interconnection to another transmission provider's system, a nonbinding good faith estimate of cost responsibility, and a non-binding good faith estimated time to construct. The Affected System Study may consist of a system impact study, a facilities study, or some combination thereof.

10.7 Affected System Study Procedures.

Transmission Provider shall use Clustering in conducting the Affected System Study and shall use existing studies to the extent practicable, when multiple Affected System Interconnection Customers that are part of a single Cluster may cause the need for Affected System Network Upgrades. Transmission Provider shall complete the Affected System Study and provide the Affected System Study Report to Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) and the host transmission provider with whom interconnection has been requested within one hundred fifty (150) Calendar Days after the receipt of the Affected System Study Agreement and deposit.

At the request of Affected System Interconnection Customer, Transmission Provider shall notify Affected System Interconnection Customer as to the status of the Affected System Study. If Transmission Provider is unable to complete the Affected System Study within the requisite time

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period, it shall notify Affected System Interconnection Customer(s), as well as the transmission provider with which Affected System Interconnection Customer seeks to interconnect, and shall provide an estimated completion date with an explanation of the reasons why additional time is required. If Transmission Provider does not meet the deadlines in this section, Transmission Provider shall be subject to the financial penalties as described in Section 3.9 of this LGIP. Upon request, Transmission Provider shall provide Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) with all supporting documentation, workpapers and relevant power flow, short circuit and stability databases for the Affected System Study, subject to confidentiality arrangements consistent with Section 14.1 of this LGIP. Transmission Provider must study an Affected System Interconnection Customer using the Energy Resource Interconnection Service modeling standard used for Interconnection Requests on its own Transmission System, regardless of the level of interconnection service that Affected System Interconnection Customer is seeking from the host transmission provider with whom it seeks to interconnect.

10.8 Meeting with Transmission Provider.

Within ten (10) Business Days of providing the Affected System Study Report to Affected System Interconnection Customer(s), Transmission Provider and Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) shall meet to discuss the results of the Affected System Study.

10.9 Affected System Cost Allocation.

<u>Transmission Provider shall allocate Affected System Network Upgrade costs identified during the Affected System Study to Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) using a proportional impact method, consistent with Section 4.2.4(b) of this LGIP.</u>

10.10 Tender of Affected Systems Facilities Construction Agreement/Multiparty Affected System Facilities Construction Agreement.

Transmission Provider shall tender to Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) an Affected System Facilities Construction Agreement, Agreement, as applicable, in the form of Appendix 6 or 7 to this LGIP, within thirty (30) Calendar Days of providing the Affected System Study Report. Within ten (10) Business Days of the receipt of the Affected System Facilities Construction Agreement/Multiparty Affected System Facilities Construction Agreement, the Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) must execute the agreement or request the agreement to be filed unexecuted with FERC. Transmission Provider shall execute the agreement or file the agreement unexecuted within five (5) Business Days after receiving direction from Affected System Interconnection Customer(s). Affected System Interconnection Customer's failure to execute the Affected System Facilities Construction Agreement/Multiparty Affected System Facilities Construction Agreement, or failure to request the agreement to be filed unexecuted with FERC, shall result in the loss of its Affected System Queue Position.

10.11 Restudy.

If restudy of the Affected System Study is required, Transmission Provider shall notify Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) in writing within thirty (30) Calendar Days of discovery of the need for restudy. Such restudy shall take no longer than sixty (60) Calendar Days from the date

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of notice. Re-Studies that require rerunning the system impact study analysis may take longer than sixty days. Any cost of Re-Studyrestudy shall be borne by the Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) being re-studiedrestudied.

Section 911. Engineering & Procurement ("E&P") Agreement.

Prior to executing an LGIA, an Interconnection Customer may, in order to advance the implementation of its interconnection, request and Transmission Provider shall offer the Interconnection Customer, an E&P Agreement that authorizes Transmission Provider to begin engineering and procurement of long lead-time items necessary for the establishment of the interconnection. However, Transmission Provider shall not be obligated to offer an E&P Agreement if Interconnection Customer is in Dispute Resolution as a result of an allegation that Interconnection Customer has failed to meet any Readiness Milestones Demonstrations or comply with any prerequisites specified in other parts of the Revised LGIP. The E&P Agreement is an optional procedure and it will not alter the Interconnection Customer's Queue Position or In-Service Date. Customer's Queue Position or In-Service Date. At the Transmission Provider's sole discretion, Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer may enter into an E&P Agreement prior to the customer making an Interconnection Request. Transmission Provider may use an E&P Agreement to develop information Interconnection Customer may require to become a ready project such as for permitting applications, Generating Facility design or other activities associated with increasing readiness prior to entering the Queue. The E&P Agreement shall provide for Interconnection Customer to pay the cost of all activities authorized by Interconnection Customer and to make advance payments or provide other satisfactory security for such costs.

Interconnection Customer shall pay the cost of such authorized activities and any cancellation costs for equipment that is already ordered for its interconnection, which cannot be mitigated as hereafter described, whether or not such items or equipment later become unnecessary. If Interconnection Customer withdraws its application for interconnection or either Party terminates the E&P Agreement, to the extent the equipment ordered can be canceled under reasonable terms, Interconnection Customer shall be obligated to pay the associated cancellation costs. To the extent that the equipment cannot be reasonably canceled, Transmission Provider may elect: (i) to take title to the equipment, in which event Transmission Provider shall refund Interconnection Customer any amounts paid by Interconnection Customer for such equipment and shall pay the cost of delivery of such equipment, or (ii) to transfer title to and deliver such equipment to Interconnection Customer, in which event Interconnection Customer shall pay any unpaid balance and cost of delivery of such equipment.

Section 4012. Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement (LGIA).

1012.1 Tender.

Interconnection Customer shall tender comments on the draft Interconnection Facilities Study Reportreport within thirty (30) Calendar Days of receipt of the draft

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Interconnection Facilities Study report. Within thirty (30) Calendar Days (1) after the comments from Interconnection Customer are submitted or received, (2) after the Interconnection Customer notifies Transmission Provider that it will provide no comments, or (3) after thirty (30) Calendar Days if no comments are received, Transmission Provider shall tender (1) a draft LGIA, together with draft that includes appendices.—(partially or fully completed) and (2) a final Interconnection Facilities Study report. The draft LGIA shall be in the form of Transmission Provider's Provider's FERC-approved standard form LGIA, which is in Appendix 6. 12, unless parties have mutually agreed to develop a non-conforming agreement. Interconnection Customer shall return the completed draft appendices and execute the LGIA within thirty (30) Calendar Days unless of receiving the draft LGIA and final Interconnection Facilities Study unless (1) the sixty (60) Calendar Day negotiation period under Section 1012.2 has commenced, or (2) LGIA execution, or filing unexecuted, has been delayed to await the Affected System Study Report pursuant to Section 12.2.1 of this LGIP.

1012.2 Negotiation.

Notwithstanding Section <u>4012</u>.1 of this LGIP, at the request of Interconnection Customer, Transmission Provider shall begin negotiations with Interconnection Customer concerning the appendices to the LGIA at any time after Interconnection Customer executes the Interconnection Facilities Study Agreement.

Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer shall negotiate concerning any disputed provisions ofin the appendices to the draft LGIA for not more than sixty (60) Calendar Days after tender of the draft LGIA and final Interconnection Facilities Study Report. report.

If Interconnection Customer determines that negotiations are at an impasse, Interconnection Customer may request termination of the negotiations at any time after tender of the draft LGIA pursuant to Section 10.1 and request submission of thean unexecuted LGIA with FERC or initiate Dispute Resolution procedures pursuant to Section 1214.5 of this LGIP. If Interconnection Customer requests termination of the negotiations, but within sixty (60) Calendar Business Days thereafter fails to request either the filing of the unexecuted LGIA or initiate Dispute Resolution, it shall be deemed to have withdrawn its Interconnection Request. Unless otherwise agreed by the Parties, if Interconnection Customer has not executed the LGIA, requested filing requests submission of an unexecuted LGIA, or initiated Dispute Transmission Provider shall develop and provide to Interconnection Customer the final LGIA within (15) Business Days of such request.

<u>Unless otherwise mutually agreed by the Parties, if Interconnection Customer has not executed the LGIA, requested filing of an unexecuted LGIA, or initiated Dispute Resolution procedures pursuant to Section 4214.5 of this LGIP within sixty (60) Calendar Days of tender of draft LGIA and final Interconnection Facilities Study report, it shall be deemed to have withdrawn its Interconnection Request.</u>

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Transmission Provider shall provide to Interconnection Customer a final LGIA within fifteen (15) Business Days after the completion of the negotiation process.

1012.2.1 Delay in LGIA Execution, or Filing Unexecuted, to Await Affected System Study Report.

If Interconnection Customer has not received its Affected System Study Report from the Affected System Operator prior to the date that it would be required to execute its LGIA (or request that its LGIA be filed unexecuted) pursuant to Section 12.1 of this LGIP, Transmission Provider shall, upon request of Interconnection Customer, extend this deadline to thirty (30) Calendar Days after Interconnection Customer's receipt of the Affected System Study Report. If Interconnection Customer, after delaying LGIA execution, or requesting unexecuted filing, to await Affected System Study Report, decides to proceed to LGIA execution, or request unexecuted filing, without those results, it may notify Transmission Provider of its intent to proceed with LGIA execution (or request that its LGIA be filed unexecuted) pursuant to Section 12.1 of this LGIP. If Transmission Provider determines that further delay to the LGIA execution date would cause a material impact on the cost or timing of an equal- or lower-queued Interconnection Customer, Transmission Provider must notify Interconnection Customer of such impacts and set the deadline to execute the LGIA (or request that the LGIA be filed unexecuted) to thirty (30) Calendar Days after such notice is provided.

12.3 Execution and Filing.

Within fifteen (15

Simultaneously with submitting the executed LGIA to Transmission Provider, or within ten (10) Business Days after receipt of the finalInterconnection Customer requests that the Transmission Provider file the LGIA unexecuted at the Commission, Interconnection Customer shall (a) provide reasonable evidence that Transmission Provider with the following:

- (1) demonstration of continued Site Control as defined in Section 7.7.6 and (b) postfor Interconnection Customer's Generation Facilities pursuant to Section 3.4.2 of the LGIP;
- (2) demonstration of Site Control for 50% of Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities; and
- (3) Readiness Milestone 5 (Demonstration 4 equal to
 - <u>a.</u> security equal to nine (9) times that five million dollars (\$5,000,000) for Interconnection Customer's share of the Definitive Customers that have not used Section 8.6.1.e, 8.6.2.e, or 8.6.3.e); or
 - b. Interconnection Study Process study costs. If the actual study costs Customers that have used Section 8.6.1.e, 8.6.2.e, or 8.6.3.e, meaning they have provided seven and a half million dollars (\$7,500,000) in security, are not known at the time, study costs shall be estimated as the study deposit described in Section 3.1, and the M5 amount shall be updated when the study costs are known. If the considered to have met Readiness Demonstration 4.

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If Interconnection Customer does not reach Commercial Operation, upon payment of any final invoice, including any Withdrawal Penalty, Readiness Milestone 5Demonstration 4 shall be refunded to the Interconnection Customer, including any accumulated interest, if applicable. If the Interconnection Customer reaches Commercial Operation, Readiness Milestone 5 is refunded to the Interconnection Customer including any accumulated interest, if applicable. Demonstration 4 is refunded to the Interconnection Customer including any accumulated interest, if applicable. Interconnection Customer may not request to suspend its LGIA under LGIA Article 5.16 until Interconnection Customer has provided (1), (2), and (3) of this Section 12.3 to Transmission Provider. If Interconnection Customer fails to provide (1), (2), and (3) of this Section 12.3 to Transmission Provider within the thirty (30) Calendar Days allowed for returning the executed LGIA and appendices under LGIP Section 12.1, or within ten (10) Business Days after Interconnection Customer requests that Transmission Provider file the LGIA unexecuted at the Commission as allowed in this Section 12.3 of this LGIP, the Interconnection Request will be deemed withdrawn pursuant to Section 3.7 of this LGIP.

Within fifteen (15) Business Days after receipt of the final LGIA, Interconnection Customer also shall provide reasonable evidence that one or more of the following milestones in the development of the Large Generating Facility, at Interconnection Customer election, has been achieved: (i) (unless such milestone is inapplicable due to the characteristics of the Generating Facility): (i) the execution of a contract for the supply or transportation of fuel to the Large Generating Facility (not available for storage, wind or solar resources); (ii) the execution of a contract for the supply of cooling water to the Large Generating Facility (not available for storage, wind or solar resources); (iii) execution of a contract for the engineering for, procurement of major equipment for, or construction of, the Large Generating Facility; (iv) execution of a contract (or comparable evidence) for the sale of electric energy or capacity from the Large Generating Facility; or (v) application for an air, water, or land use permit.

Within fifteen (15) Business Days after receipt of the final LGIA, Interconnection Customer shall either: (i) execute two originals of the tendered final LGIA and return them to Transmission Provider; (or upon mutual agreement electronically execute the final LGIA); or (ii) request in writing that Transmission Provider file with FERC an LGIA in unexecuted form. As soon as practicable, but not later than ten (10) Business Days after receiving either the two executed originals of the tendered final LGIA (if it does not conform with a FERC-approved standard form of interconnection agreementStandard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement) or the request to file anthe final LGIA unexecuted LGIA, Transmission Provider shall file the final LGIA with FERC, together with its explanation of any matters as to which Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider disagree and support for the costs that Transmission Provider proposes to charge to Interconnection Customer under the LGIA. An unexecuted LGIA should contain terms and conditions deemed appropriate by Transmission Provider for the Interconnection Request. If the Parties agree to proceed with design, procurement,

and construction of facilities and upgrades under the agreed-upon terms of the unexecuted LGIA, they may proceed pending FERC action.

10If Interconnection Customer provides the requirements and executes final LGIAs as described above in this section, Transmission Provider shall fully execute the LGIA.

12.4 Commencement of Interconnection Activities.

If Interconnection Customer executes and Transmission Provider execute the final LGIA, Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer shall perform their respective obligations in accordance with the terms of the LGIA, subject to modification by FERC. Upon submission of an unexecuted LGIA to FERC, Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider shall promptly comply with the unexecuted LGIA, subject to modification by FERC.

Section 4413. Construction of Transmission Provider's Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades.

4413.1 Schedule.

Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer shall negotiate in good faith concerning a schedule for the construction of Transmission <u>Provider's Provider's Interconnection Facilities and the Network Upgrades.</u>

4113.2 Construction Sequencing.

1113.2.1 General.

In general, the In-Service Date of an Interconnection Customers Customer seeking interconnection to the Transmission System will determine the sequence of construction of Network Upgrades. Construction Sequencingsequencing may also apply to shared Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities in a similar manner as described below for Network Upgrades.

44<u>13</u>.2.2 Advance Construction of Network Upgrades that are an Obligation of an Entity other than Interconnection Customer.

An Interconnection Customer with an LGIA, in order to maintain its In-Service Date, may request that Transmission Provider advance to the extent necessary, the completion of Network Upgrades that: (i) were assumed in the Interconnection Studies for such Interconnection Customer, (ii) are necessary to support such In-Service Date, and (iii) would otherwise not be completed, pursuant to a contractual obligation of an entity other than Interconnection Customer that is seeking interconnection to the Transmission System, in time to support such In-Service Date. Upon such request, Transmission Provider will use Reasonable Efforts to advance the construction of such Network Upgrades to accommodate such request; provided that Interconnection Customer commits to pay Transmission Provider: (i) any associated expediting costs; and (ii) the cost of such Network Upgrades.

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Construction sequencing may result in a different interconnection configuration than identified in the interconnection studies (before any amendment described in Section 13.2.4, if appliable). The cost responsibility/allocation of upgrades between the other entity and the Interconnection Customer shall be determined by the interconnection or other study results (i.e. prior to any amendment described in Section 13.2.4, if appliable). The updated configuration and cost responsibilities shall be described in the LGIA and the other entity's LGIA. LGIAs shall be amended if necessary. To minimize costs, Transmission Provider may elect to only construct upgrades needed to meet the requested inservice date and may delay other upgrades until the other entity requires the remaining upgrades to be constructed.

Transmission Provider will refund to Interconnection Customer both the expediting costs and the cost of Network Upgrades, in accordance with Article 11.4 of the LGIA. Consequently, the entity with a contractual obligation to construct such Network Upgrades shall be obligated to pay only that portion of the costs of the Network Upgrades that Transmission Provider has not refunded to Interconnection Customer. Payment by that entity shall be due on the date that it would have been due had there been no request for advance construction. Transmission Provider shall forward to Interconnection Customer the amount paid by the entity with a contractual obligation to construct the Network Upgrades as payment in full for the outstanding balance owed to Interconnection Customer. Transmission Provider then shall refund to that entity the amount that it paid for the Network Upgrades, in accordance with Article 11.4 of the LGIA.

4413.2.3 Advancing Construction of Network Upgrades that are Part of an Expansion Plan of the Transmission Provider.

An Interconnection Customer with an LGIA, in order to maintain its In-Service Date, may request that Transmission Provider advance to the extent necessary the completion of Network Upgrades that: (i) are necessary to support such In-Service Date; and (ii) would otherwise not be completed, pursuant to an expansion plan of Transmission Provider, in time to support such In-Service Date. Upon such request, Transmission Provider will use Reasonable Efforts to advance the construction of such Network Upgrades to accommodate such request; provided that Interconnection Customer commits to pay Transmission Provider any associated expediting costs. Interconnection Customer shall be entitled to transmission credits, if any, for any expediting costs paid.

4113.2.4 Amended Definitive Cluster Study Report.

An Interconnection System ImpactCluster Study-

A Definitive Report or Interconnection System ImpactFacilities Study Report may be amended to determine the facilities necessary to

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support the requested In-Service Date. This amended study <u>report</u> will include those transmission and Large Generating Facilities that are expected to be in service on or before the requested In-Service Date.

Section <u>1214</u>. Miscellaneous.

1214.1 Confidentiality.

Confidential Information shall include, without limitation, all information relating to a Party'sParty's technology, research and development, business affairs, and pricing, and any information supplied by either of the Parties to the other prior to the execution of an LGIA.

Information is Confidential Information only if it is clearly designated or marked in writing as confidential on the face of the document, or, if the information is conveyed orally or by inspection, if the Party providing the information orally informs the Party receiving the information that the information is confidential.

If requested by either Party, the other Party shall provide in writing the basis for asserting that the information referred to in this Article warrants confidential treatment, and the requesting Party may disclose such writing to the appropriate Governmental Authority. Each Party shall be responsible for the costs associated with affording confidential treatment to its information.

1214.1.1 Scope.

Confidential Information shall not include information that the receiving Party can demonstrate: (1) is generally available to the public other than as a result of a disclosure by the receiving Party; (2) was in the lawful possession of the receiving Party on a non-confidential basis before receiving it from the disclosing Party; (3) was supplied to the receiving Party without restriction by a third party, who, to the knowledge of the receiving Party after due inquiry, was under no obligation to the disclosing Party to keep such information confidential; (4) was independently developed by the receiving Party without reference to Confidential Information of the disclosing Party; (5) is, or becomes, publicly known, through no wrongful act or omission of the receiving Party or Breach of the LGIA; or (6) is required, in accordance with Section 1214.1.6 of this LGIP, Order of Disclosure, to be disclosed by any Governmental Authority or is otherwise required to be disclosed by law or subpoena, or is necessary in any legal proceeding establishing rights and obligations under the LGIA.

Information designated as Confidential Information will no longer be deemed confidential if the Party that designated the information as confidential notifies the other Party that it no longer is confidential.

1214.1.2 Release of Confidential Information.

Neither Party shall release or disclose Confidential Information to any other person, except to its Affiliates (limited by the Standards of

Conduct requirements), employees, consultants, or to parties who may be or considering providing financing to or equity participation with Interconnection Customer, or to potential purchasers or assignees of Interconnection Customer, on a need-to-know basis in connection with these procedures, unless such person has first been advised of the confidentiality provisions of this Section 4214.1 and has agreed to comply with such provisions. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a Party providing Confidential Information to any person shall remain primarily responsible for any release of Confidential Information in contravention of this Section 4214.1.

1214.1.3 Rights.

Each Party retains all rights, title, and interest in the Confidential Information that each Party discloses to the other Party. The disclosure by each Party to the other Party of Confidential Information shall not be deemed a waiver by either Party or any other person or entity of the right to protect the Confidential Information from public disclosure.

1214.1.4 No Warranties.

By providing Confidential Information, neither Party makes any warranties or representations as to its accuracy or completeness. In addition, by supplying Confidential Information, neither Party obligates itself to provide any particular information or Confidential Information to the other Party nor to enter into any further agreements or proceed with any other relationship or joint venture.

1214.1.5 Standard of Care.

Each Party shall use at least the same standard of care to protect Confidential Information it receives as it uses to protect its own Confidential Information from unauthorized disclosure, publication or dissemination. Each Party may use Confidential Information solely to fulfill its obligations to the other Party under these procedures or its regulatory requirements.

1214.1.6 Order of Disclosure.

If a court or a Government Authority or entity with the right, power, and apparent authority to do so requests or requires either Party, by subpoena, oral deposition, interrogatories, requests for production of documents, administrative order, or otherwise, to disclose Confidential Information, that Party shall provide the other Party with prompt notice of such request(s) or requirement(s) so that the other Party may seek an appropriate protective order or waive compliance with the terms of the LGIA. Notwithstanding the absence of a protective order or waiver, the Party may disclose such Confidential Information which, in the opinion of its counsel, the Party is legally compelled to disclose. Each Party will use Reasonable Efforts to obtain reliable assurance that confidential treatment will be accorded any Confidential Information so furnished.

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1214.1.7 Remedies.

The Parties agree that monetary damages would be inadequate to compensate a Party for the other Party's Party's Breach of its obligations under this Section 1214.1. Each Party accordingly agrees that the other Party shall be entitled to equitable relief, by way of injunction or otherwise, if the first Party Breaches or threatens to Breach its obligations under this Section 4214.1, which equitable relief shall be granted without bond or proof of damages, and the receiving Party shall not plead in defense that there would be an adequate remedy at law. Such remedy shall not be deemed an exclusive remedy for the Breach of this Section 4214.1, but shall be in addition to all other remedies available at law or in equity. The Parties further acknowledge and agree that the covenants contained herein are necessary for the protection of legitimate business interests and are reasonable in scope. No Party, however, shall be liable for indirect, incidental, or consequential or punitive damages of any nature or kind resulting from or arising in connection with this Section 1214.1.

4214.1.8 Disclosure to FERC, its Staff, or a State.

Notwithstanding anything in this Section 4214.1 to the contrary, and pursuant to 18 CFR Section 1b.20, if FERC or its staff, during the course of an investigation or otherwise, requests information from one of the Parties that is otherwise required to be maintained in confidence pursuant to the Revisedthis LGIP, the Party shall provide the requested information to FERC or its staff, within the time provided for in the request for information. In providing the information to FERC or its staff, the Party must, consistent with 18 CFR Section 388.112, request that the information be treated as confidential and non-public by FERC and its staff and that the information be withheld from public disclosure. Parties are prohibited from notifying the other Party prior to the release of the Confidential Information to FERC or its staff. The Party shall notify the other Party to the LGIA when it is notified by FERC or its staff that a request to release Confidential Information has been received by FERC, at which time either of the Parties may respond before such information would be made public, pursuant to 18 CFR Section 388.112. Requests from a state regulatory body conducting a confidential investigation shall be treated in a similar manner, consistent with applicable state rules and regulations.

4214.1.9 Subject to the exception in Section 4214.1.8 of this LGIP, any information that a Party claims is competitively sensitive, commercial or financial information ("Confidential Information") shall not be disclosed by the other Party to any person not employed or retained by the other Party, except to the extent disclosure is (i) required by law; (ii) reasonably deemed by the disclosing Party to be required to be disclosed in connection with a dispute between or among the Parties, or the defense of litigation or dispute; (iii) otherwise permitted by

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consent of the other Party, such consent not to be unreasonably withheld; or (iv) necessary to fulfill its obligations under this Revised LGIP or as a transmission service provider or a Control Balancing Authority Area operator including disclosing the Confidential Information to an RTO or ISO or to a subregional, regional or national reliability organization or planning group. The Party asserting confidentiality shall notify the other Party in writing of the information it claims is confidential. Prior to any disclosures of the other Party's Party's Confidential Information under this subparagraph, or if any third party or Governmental Authority makes any request or demand for any of the information described in this subparagraph, the disclosing Party agrees to promptly notify the other Party in writing and agrees to assert confidentiality and cooperate with the other Party in seeking to protect the Confidential Information from public disclosure by confidentiality agreement, protective order or other reasonable measures.

1214.1.10 This provision shall not apply to any information that was or is hereafter in the public domain (except as a result of a Breach of this provision).

Transmission Provider shall, at Interconnection <u>Customer's Customer's</u> election, destroy, in a confidential manner, or return the Confidential Information provided at the time of Confidential Information is no longer needed.

1214.2 Delegation of Responsibility.

Transmission Provider may use the services of subcontractors as it deems appropriate to perform its obligations under this Revised_LGIP. Transmission Provider shall remain primarily liable to Interconnection Customer for the performance of such subcontractors and compliance with its obligations of this Revised_LGIP. The subcontractor shall keep all information provided confidential and shall use such information solely for the performance of such obligation for which it was provided and no other purpose.

1214.3 Obligation for Study Costs and Withdrawal Penalty

In the event an Interconnection Customer withdraws its Interconnection Request prior to the commencement of the Cluster Study, Interconnection Customer must pay Transmission Provider shall the actual costs of processing its Interconnection Request. In the event an Interconnection Customer withdraws after the commencement of the Cluster Study, Transmission Provider shall charge and Interconnection Customer shall pay the actual costs of the Interconnection Studies and the Withdrawal Penalty, as applicable. The costs of any interconnection study conducted on a clustered basis shall be allocated among each Interconnection Customer within the cluster as specified in Section 4.2.3 of this LGIP.

Any difference between the study deposit and the actual cost of the applicable Interconnection StudyStudies shall be paid by or refunded, except as otherwise provided herein, to Interconnection Customers. Any invoices for Interconnection

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Studies shall include a detailed and itemized accounting of the cost of each Interconnection Study as well as the Withdrawal Penalty, if applicable. Interconnection Customer Customers shall pay any such undisputed costs within thirty (30) Calendar Days of receipt of an invoice. Transmission Provider shall not be obligated to perform or continue to perform any studies unless of an Interconnection Customer has paid all fails to pay such undisputed amounts in compliance herewith. If invoices are not paid within thirty (30) Calendar Days of receipt of an invoice, Transmission Provider costs within the time allotted, its Interconnection Request shall draw upon the security provided under this Revised LGIP to settle all accounts, which shall include any offsets of amounts due be deemed withdrawn from the Cluster Study Process and owing by Transmission Provider. After the final invoice is paid and all accounts are settled, Transmission Provider shall refund all remaining security will be subject to Withdrawal Penalties pursuant to Section 3.7 of this LGIP.

1214.4 Third Parties Conducting Studies.

If (i) at the time of the signing of an Interconnection Study Agreement there is disagreement as to the estimated time to complete an Interconnection Study, (ii) Interconnection Customer receives notice pursuant to Sections 78.4 or 89.3 of this LGIP that Transmission Provider will not complete an Interconnection Study within the applicable timeframe for such Interconnection Study, or (iii) Interconnection Customer receives neither the Interconnection Study nor a notice under Sections 78.4 or 89.3 of this LGIP within the applicable timeframe for such Interconnection Study, then Interconnection Customer may require Transmission Provider to utilize a third party consultant reasonably acceptable to Interconnection Study under the direction of Transmission Provider. At other times, Transmission Provider may also utilize a third party consultant to perform such Interconnection Study, either in response to a general request of Interconnection Customer, or on its own volition.

In all cases, use of a third party consultant shall be in accord with Article 26 of the LGIA (Subcontractors) and limited to situations where Transmission Provider determines that doing so will help maintain or accelerate the study process for Interconnection Customer's Customer's pending Interconnection Request and not interfere with Transmission Provider's Provider's progress on Interconnection Studies for other pending Interconnection Requests. In cases where Interconnection Customer requests use of a third party consultant to perform such Interconnection Study, Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider shall negotiate all of the pertinent terms and conditions, including reimbursement arrangements and the estimated study completion date and study review deadline. Transmission Provider shall convey all workpapers, data bases, study results and all other supporting documentation prepared to date with respect to the Interconnection Request as soon as practicable upon Interconnection Customer's Customer's request subject to the confidentiality provision in Section 4214.1 of this LGIP. In any case, such third party contract may be entered into with either Interconnection Customer or Transmission Provider at Transmission Provider's Provider's discretion. In the case of clause (iii), above, Interconnection

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Customer maintains its right to submit a claim to Dispute Resolution to recover the costs of such third party study. Such third party consultant shall be required to comply with this Revised-LGIP, Article 26 of the LGIA (Subcontractors), and the relevant Tariff procedures and protocols as would apply if Transmission Provider were to conduct the Interconnection Study and shall use the information provided to it solely for purposes of performing such services and for no other purposes. Transmission Provider shall cooperate with such third party consultant and Interconnection Customer to complete and issue the Interconnection Study in the shortest reasonable time.

1214.5 Disputes.

1214.5.1 Submission.

In the event either Party has a dispute, or asserts a claim, that arises out of or in connection with the LGIA, the Revised LGIP, or their performance, such Party (the "disputing Party") shall provide the other Party with written notice of the dispute or claim ("Notice of Dispute")."). Such dispute or claim shall be referred to a designated senior representative of each Party for resolution on an informal basis as promptly as practicable after receipt of the Notice of Dispute by the other Party. In the event the designated representatives are unable to resolve the claim or dispute through unassisted or assisted negotiations within thirty (30) Calendar Days of the other Party's Party's receipt of the Notice of Dispute, such claim or dispute may, upon mutual agreement of the Parties, be submitted to arbitration and resolved in accordance with the arbitration procedures set forth below. In the event the Parties do not agree to submit such claim or dispute to arbitration, each Party may exercise whatever rights and remedies it may have in equity or at law consistent with the terms of this LGIA.

1214.5.2 External Arbitration Procedures.

Any arbitration initiated under these procedures shall be conducted before a single neutral arbitrator appointed by the Parties. If the Parties fail to agree upon a single arbitrator within ten (10) Calendar Days of the submission of the dispute to arbitration, each Party shall choose one arbitrator who shall sit on a three-member arbitration panel. The two arbitrators so chosen shall within twenty (20) Calendar Days select a third arbitrator to chair the arbitration panel. In either case, the arbitrators shall be knowledgeable in electric utility matters, including electric transmission and bulk power issues, and shall not have any current or past substantial business or financial relationships with any party to the arbitration (except prior arbitration). The arbitrator(s) shall provide each of the Parties an opportunity to be heard and, except as otherwise provided herein, shall conduct the arbitration in accordance with the Commercial Arbitration Rules of the American Arbitration Association ("("Arbitration Rules")") and any applicable FERC regulations or RTO rules; provided, however, in the event of a conflict Attachment N
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between the Arbitration Rules and the terms of this Section <u>1214</u>, the terms of this Section <u>1214</u> shall prevail.

1214.5.3 Arbitration Decisions.

Unless otherwise agreed by the Parties, the arbitrator(s) shall render a decision within ninety (90) Calendar Days of appointment and shall notify the Parties in writing of such decision and the reasons therefore. The arbitrator(s) shall be authorized only to interpret and apply the provisions of the LGIA and Revised-LGIP and shall have no power to modify or change any provision of the LGIA and Revised-LGIP in any manner. The decision of the arbitrator(s) shall be final and binding upon the Parties, and judgment on the award may be entered in any court having jurisdiction. The decision of the arbitrator(s) may be appealed solely on the grounds that the conduct of the arbitrator(s), or the decision itself, violated the standards set forth in the Federal Arbitration Act or the Administrative Dispute Resolution Act. The final decision of the arbitrator must also be filed with FERC if it affects jurisdictional rates, terms and conditions of service, Interconnection Facilities, or Network Upgrades.

1214.5.4 Costs.

Each Party shall be responsible for its own costs incurred during the arbitration process and for the following costs, if applicable: (1) the cost of the arbitrator chosen by the Party to sit on the three member panel and one-half of the cost of the third arbitrator chosen; or (2) one-half the cost of the single arbitrator jointly chosen by the Parties.

1214.5.5 Non-Binding Dispute Resolution Procedures.

If a Party has submitted a Notice of Dispute pursuant to Section 1214.5.1 of this LGIP, and the Parties are unable to resolve the claim or dispute through unassisted or assisted negotiations within the thirty (30) Calendar Days provided in that section, and the Parties cannot reach mutual agreement to pursue the Section 4214.5 arbitration process, a Party may request that Transmission Provider engage in Non-binding Dispute Resolution pursuant to this sectionSection by providing written notice to Transmission Provider ("Request for Nonbinding Dispute Resolution"). Conversely, either Party may file a Request for Non-binding Dispute Resolution pursuant to this sectionSection without first seeking mutual agreement to pursue the Section 4214.5 arbitration process. The process in Section 4214.5.5 shall serve as an alternative to, and not a replacement of, the Section 1214.5 arbitration process. Pursuant to this process, Transmission Provider must within thirty (30) Calendar Days of receipt of the Request for Non-binding Dispute Resolution appoint a neutral decision-maker that is an independent subcontractor that shall not have any current or past substantial business or financial relationships with either Party. Unless otherwise agreed by the Parties, the decision-maker shall render a decision within sixty (60) Calendar Days of appointment and

shall notify the Parties in writing of such decision and reasons therefore. This decision-maker shall be authorized only to interpret and apply the provisions of the Revised-LGIP and LGIA and shall have no power to modify or change any provision of the Revised-LGIP and LGIA in any manner. The result reached in this process is not binding, but, unless otherwise agreed, the Parties may cite the record and decision in the non-binding dispute resolution process in future dispute resolution processes, including in Section 4214.5 arbitration, or in a Federal Power Act Section 206 complaint. Each Party shall be responsible for its own costs incurred during the process and the cost of the decision-maker shall be divided equally among each Party to the dispute.

1214.6 Local Furnishing Bonds.

1214.6.1 Transmission Providers That Own Facilities Financed by Local Furnishing Bonds.

This provision is applicable only to a Transmission Provider that has financed facilities for the local furnishing of electric energy with tax-exempt bonds, as described in Section 142(f) of the Internal Revenue Code ("("local furnishing bonds")."). Notwithstanding any other provision of this LGIA and Revised LGIP, Transmission Provider shall not be required to provide Interconnection Service to Interconnection Customer pursuant to this LGIA and Revised LGIP if the provision of such Transmission Service would jeopardize the tax-exempt status of any local furnishing bond(s) used to finance Transmission Provider's facilities that would be used in providing such Interconnection Service.

4214.6.2 Alternative Procedures for Requesting Interconnection Service.

If Transmission Provider determines that the provision of Interconnection Service requested by Interconnection Customer would jeopardize the tax-exempt status of any local furnishing bond(s) used to finance its facilities that would be used in providing such Interconnection Service, it shall advise Interconnection Customer within thirty (30) Calendar Days of receipt of the Interconnection Request.

Interconnection Customer thereafter may renew its request for interconnection using the process specified in Article 5.2(ii) of the Transmission Provider's Tariff.

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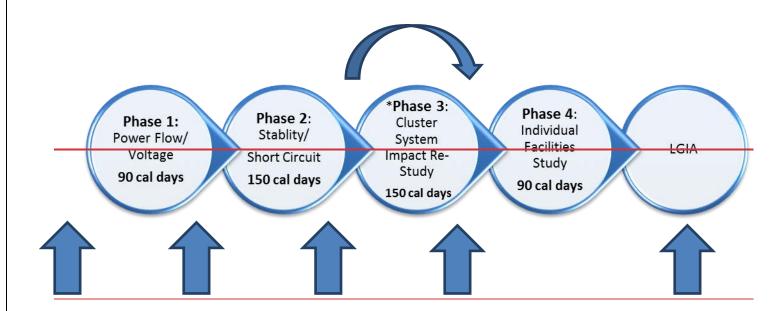
Timeline: Appendix A-1 – Start of the DISIS Cluster

The dates are illustrative only

95 Day Customer Engagement 5/2-8/5 3/15: DISIS Rquest Window opens 5/1: DISIS Request Window closes 95 calendar days following close of DISIS window *All requests must have an executed Study Agreement by end of Customer Engagement Window.

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Timeline: Appendix A-2



| М1 | M2 | M3 | MA | M5 |
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| Milestone | Total Security Required (Multiple of Section 3.1 Study Deposit) If Demonstration of Readiness IS Provided | If | Demonstration of Site Control for All Fuel Types | Site Control of ICIF's |
|---------------|---|---------------|---|------------------------------|
| M1 | 1 x | 2x | 50% | 0% |
| M2 | 1x | 3x | 50% | 0% |
| M3 | 1x | 5x | 60% | 0% |
| M4 | 1x | 7 x | 75% | 0% |
| M5 | 9x | 9x | 90% | 50% |

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Phase 1: Power Flow/Voltage: Within 90 calendar days

- Transmission Provider to perform Power Flow and Voltage Analysis.
- Transmission Provider to complete Phase 1 report within 90 calendar days and post results on OASIS.
- Transmission Provider to hold open Stakeholder Meeting within 10 business days of publishing DISIS Phase 1 results on OASIS.
- Interconnection Customer demonstrate M2 Readiness within 20 business days following open Stakeholder Meeting

Phase 2: Stability/Short Circuit: Within 150 calendar days

- Transmission Provider to complete Phase 2 analysis within 150 calendar and post results on OASIS.
- Transmission Provider to hold Phase 2 Report Meeting within 10 business days of publishing report results on OASIS.
- Interconnection Customer to demonstrate M3 (if Re-Study is necessary) or M4 Readiness within 20 business days of Report Meeting.

*Phase 3: Iterative Cluster System Impact Re-Study: Within 150 calendar days **May not be necessary**

- If a Re-Study is needed, Transmission Provider perform Phase 3 Re-Study within 150 calendar days and post Re-Study results on OASIS.
- Transmission Provider to hold open Interconnection Customer Report Meeting within 10 business days of publishing Re-Study results on OASIS.
- Interconnection Customer to demonstrate M4 Readiness if no further System Impact Re-Studies are necessary within 20 business days of Report Meeting.

Phase 4: Individual Facilities Study: Within 90 calendar days

- Transmission Provider to complete Facilities Study, complete and submit draft Facilities Study Report to Interconnection Customer and post results of Study on OASIS within 90 calendar days from start of Phase 4.
- Transmission Provider to hold open Interconnection Customer Report Meeting within 10 business days of end of Phase 4.
- Interconnection Customer to provide written comments of Facilities Study Report to Transmission Provider within 30 days of receipt of draft Facilities Study Report.
- Transmission Provider to issue Final Facilities Study Report to Customer within 15 business days of receiving Interconnection Customer's comments or promptly upon receiving Interconnection Customer's statement that it will not provide comments.

Phase 5: LGIA:

- Transmission Provider to provide Interconnection Customer with draft LGIA within 30 calendar days of receipt of Interconnection Customer's Facilities Study comments.
- Interconnection Customer to execute and return completed draft appendices within 30 calendar days of receipt of draft LGIA.
- Deadline for LGIA negotiations to be completed within 60 calendar days of after tender of the final Interconnection Facilities Study Report.
- Deadline for filing or executing LGIA is within 60 calendar days of after tender the draft LGIA provided to Interconnection Customer.
- Interconnection Customer to satisfy Readiness Milestone 5 within 15 business days of receiving final LGIA

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| 1. | The undersigned Interconnection Customer submits this request to interconnect its Large Generating Facility with Transmission Provider's Provider's Transmission System pursuant to a Tariff. |
|----|---|
| 2. | This Interconnection Request is for (check one): A proposed new Large Generating Facility. An increase in the generating capacity or a Material Modification of an existing Generating Facility. A Generating Facility proposed for inclusion in a resource solicitation process. Replacement of Existing Generating Facility with no increase in capacity. Surplus Interconnection Service |
| 3. | The type of interconnection service requested (check one):Energy Resource Interconnection ServiceNetwork Resource Interconnection Service Check here only if Interconnection Customer requesting Network Resource Interconnection Service also seeks to have its Generating Facility studied for Energy Resource Interconnection Service |
| 4. | Interconnection Customer provides the following information: |
| | a. Address or location or the proposed new Large Generating Facility site (to the extent known) or, in the case of an existing Generating Facility, the name and specific location of the existing Generating Facility; |
| | Maximum summer at degrees C and winter at degrees C megawatt electrical output of the proposed new Large Generating Facility or the amount of megawatt increase in the generating capacity of an existing Generating Facility; |
| | c. General description of the equipment configuration; |
| | d. Commercial Operation Date (Day, Month, Day, and Year); e. Name, address, telephone number, and e-mail address of Interconnection Customer's Customer's contact person; |
| | f. Approximate location of the proposed Point of Interconnection (optional); |
| | g. Interconnection Customer Data (set forth in Attachment Appendix A) |
| | h. Primary frequency response operating range for electric storage resources. |
| | i. Requested capacity (in MW) of Interconnection Service (if lower than the |
| | Generating Facility Capacity). |
| | j. If this Interconnection Request is for Generation Replacement, Interconnection |
| | Customer must submit: |
| | Planned or Actual date of cessation of operation for the Existing Generating |
| | Facility: |

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| Expected | Commercial (| Operation | Date for the | Replacement | Generating |
|-----------|--------------|-----------|--------------|-------------|------------|
| Facility: | | | | | |

- k. If applicable, (1) the requested operating assumptions (i.e., whether the interconnecting Generating Facility will or will not charge at peak load) to be used by Transmission Provider that reflect the proposed charging behavior of a Generating Facility that includes at least one electric storage resource, and (2) a description of any control technologies (software and/or hardware) that will limit the operation of the Generating Facility to its intended operation.
- 5. Interconnection Customer provides applicable study deposit amount as specified in the Revised-LGIP.

\$75,000 for requests of less than 50 MW; or \$150,000 for requests of 50 MW and Greater, but less than 200 MW; or \$250,000 for requests of 200 MW and greater

- 6. Interconnection Customer provides Readiness Milestone Demonstration 1—(M1) as specified in the Revised LGIP-
- M1 is satisfied by any one of the three options below (also described in 3.4.1.f of the Revised LGIP) at Interconnection Customer's option. M1 may also be satisfied by providing additional security described in (Section 8.6.1).
 - 7.7.5 in lieu of providing one of the three options to demonstrate readiness.
 - i. Executed term sheet (or comparable evidence) related to a contract, binding upon the parties to the contract, for sale of (i) the constructed Generating Facility, (ii) the Generating Facility's energy, or (iii) the Generating Facility's ancillary services if the Generating Facility is an electric storage resource; where the term of sale is not less than five (5) years;
 - ii. Reasonable evidence the project has been selected in a Resource Plan or Resource Solicitation Process: or
 - iii. Provisional Large Generator Interconnection Agreement accepted for filing with FERC. Such an agreement shall not be suspended and shall include a commitment to construct the Generating Facility.
- Interconnection Customer provides security equal to one times the study deposit described in Section 3.1 of the Revised-LGIP in the form of an irrevocable letter of credit or cash, cash, a surety bond, or other form of security that is reasonably acceptable to Transmission Provider.
- 8. If requesting NRIS: 8. If the request is for NRIS and if Transmission Provider has not been notified pursuant to Section 29.2 of Part III of the Tariff that Interconnection Customer's

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proposed Generating Facility is to be designated as a Network Resource, Interconnection

| | Customer | provides | the to | <u>provide:</u> |
|---------------|---|--|---|--|
| | designated a Network R system: or 3) The georgraphic location System at which the Inter | nt of delivery to deliver or to an adjoining Control / desource pursuant to Sect | Delivery within the Tra Area if the Generating Fa- ion 30.2 of the Tariff. Tra mission Provider's Tra ands to deliver the general | insmission cility is not insmission insmission tion output |
| 9. | Interconnection Customer p Revised LGIP and Transmis | | | |
| 10. below: | This Interconnection Reques | st shall be submitted to the | representativeemail box | <u>c</u> indicated |
| | [To be completed by | Transmission Provider] | | |
| PSCoi 11. | nterconnection@xcelenergy.c Representative of Interconne | | t: | |
| | [To be completed by | Interconnection Customer |] | |
| 12. | This Interconnection Reques | st is submitted by: | | |
| | Name of Interconnection Cu | stomer: | | _ |
| | By (signature): | | | |
| | Name (type or print): | | | |
| | Title: | | | |
| | Date: | <u> </u> | | |
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Appendix A to Appendix 1 Interconnection Request

LARGE GENERATING FACILITY DATA

UNIT RATINGS

| kVA | °F | Voltage |
|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| Power Factor | - | <u> </u> |
| Speed (RPM) | Connection (e.g. Wye) | |
| Short Circuit Ratio | Frequency, Hertz | <u></u> |
| Stator Amperes at Rated kVA | | Field Volts |
| Max Turbine MW | °F | |
| Primary frequency response | onse operating range for el | ectric storage resources. |
| Minimum State of Cha Maximum State of Cha | | <u> </u> |
| COMBINED TUR | BINE-GENERATOR-EXCITE | ER INERTIA DATA |
| Inertia Constant, H = Moment-of-Inertia, WR ² = | kW sec/kVA lb. ft.² | |
| REACTA | NCE DATA (PER UNIT-RA | ΓED KVA) |
| DIR | ECT AXIS QUADRATURE | AXIS |
| Synchronous – saturated | X _{dv} | X _{qv} |
| Synchronous – unsaturated | X_{di} | X_{qi} |
| Transient – saturated | $\mathbf{X}_{dv}^{\underline{\prime}}$ | X' _{qv} X' _{qv} |
| Transient – unsaturated | X' _{di} X' _{di} | X' _{qi} X' _{qi} |
| Subtransient – saturated | X" _{dv} | X" _{qv} |
| Subtransient – unsaturated | X" _{di} | X"qi |
| Negative Sequence – saturated | X2 _v | |
| Negative Sequence – unsaturate | ed X2 _i | |
| Zero Sequence – saturated | X0 _v | |
| Zero Sequence – unsaturated | X0 _i | |
| Leakage Reactance | XI_{m} | |

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| Open Circuit | | | T'_{do}T'_{do} | <u> </u> |
|---|--|---|--|---|
| Three-Phase Sh | ort Circuit Trans | sient | T' _{d3} T' _{d3} | <u> </u> |
| Line to Line Sho | ort Circuit Transi | ent | T'_{d1}<u>T'_{d1}</u> | |
| Short Circuit Su | btransient | | T" _d | T" _q |
| Open Circuit Su | btransient | | T' _{d2} T' _{d2} | |
| Line to Neutral S | Short Circuit Tra | nsient | T" _{do} | T" _{qo} |
| | | | ONSTANT DATA CONSTANT DA | |
| Three Phase Sh Line to Line Sho Line to Neutral S | ort Circuit | T _{a3} T _{a2} T _{a1} | | |
| NOTE: If request | ed information is | s not applic | able, indicate by | marking "N/A." |
| | | | ND PLANT CONF CATING FACILIT | |
| | ARMATURE | WINDING I | RESISTANCE DA | ATA (PER UNIT) |
| Positive Negative Zero | | R ₁ R ₂ R ₀ | <u> </u> | |
| Rotor Short Time Field Current at F Field Current at F Three Phase Arm Field Winding Re Armature Winding | Rated kVA, Arma Rated kVA and A nature Winding (sistance = | ature Volta Armature V Capacitanc ohms | oltage, 0 PF = e =micro °C | amps ofarad |
| | | (| CURVES | |
| | · · | | | Temperature Correction curves. ting range for multiple curves. |
| | GENERATOR | STEP-UP | TRANSFORMER | DATA RATINGS |
| Capacity | Self-cooled/ Maximum Nan / | neplate kVA | | |
| Voltage Ratio(Ge | nerator Side/Sy | stem side/ | Tertiary) | |

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List of adjustable setpoints for the protective equipment or software:

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Note: A completed General Electric Company Power Systems Load Flow (PSLF) data sheet or other compatible formats, such as IEEE and PTI power flow models, must be supplied with the Interconnection Request- as specified in the business practice manual or other OASIS postings. If other data sheets are more appropriate to the proposed device, then they shall be provided and discussed at Scoping Meeting.

| Project Information: Site Control and Adequacy |
|--|
| Total acres required to construct the Generating Facility: |
| Total acres under site control for the Generating Facility at the time of application: |
| Is Site Control required for Interconnection Facilities, i.e. transmission gen-tie or substation, to interconnect the Generating Facility? Y N |
| If yes, how many miles of gen-tie right-of-way are required? What is the total number of acres required to build the gen-tie? How many miles of gen-tie right-of-way are under Site Control at the time of this application? |
| |
| List any local, state, or federal government permits required to construct the Generating Facility and any applicable Interconnection Facilities, i.e. transmission gen-tie: |

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INDUCTION GENERATORS

| (*) Field Volts: | | |
|--|-------------------------|----------------------|
| (*) Field Amperes: | | |
| (*) Motoring Power (kV | V): | |
| (*) Neutral Grounding | Resistor (If Applicable | : |
| (*) I ₂ ² t or K (Heating Ti | me Constant): | |
| (*) Rotor Resistance: _ | | |
| (*) Stator Resistance: | | |
| (*) Stator Reactance: _ | | |
| (*) Rotor Reactance: _ | | |
| (*) Magnetizing Reacta | ance: | _ |
| (*) Short Circuit Reacta | ance: | <u></u> |
| (*) Exciting Current: | | |
| (*) Temperature Rise: | | |
| (*) Frame Size: | | |
| (*) Design Letter: | | |
| (*) Reactive Power Re | quired In Vars (No Loa | ad): |
| (*) Reactive Power Re | quired In Vars (Full Lo | ead): |
| (*) Total Rotating Inert | ia, H: | Per Unit on KVA Base |

Note: Please consult Transmission Provider prior to submitting the Interconnection Request to determine if the information designated by (*) is required.

MODELS FOR NON-SYNCHRONOUS GENERATORS For a non-synchronous Large Generating Facility, Interconnection Customer shall provide (1) a validated user-defined root mean squared (RMS) positive sequence dynamics model; (2) an appropriately parameterized generic library RMS positive sequence dynamics model, including model block diagram of the inverter control and plant control systems, as defined by the selection in Table 1 or a model otherwise approved by the Western Electricity Coordinating Council, that corresponds to Interconnection Customer's Large Generating Facility; and (3) if applicable, a validated electromagnetic transient model if Transmission Provider performs an electromagnetic transient study as part of the interconnection study process. A user-defined model is a set of programming code created by equipment manufacturers or developers that captures the latest features of controllers that are mainly software based and represents the entities' control strategies but does not necessarily correspond to any generic library model. Interconnection Customer must also demonstrate that the model is validated by providing evidence that the equipment behavior is consistent with the model behavior (e.g., an attestation from Interconnection Customer that the model accurately represents the entire Large Generating Facility; attestations from each equipment manufacturer that the user defined model accurately represents the component of the Large Generating Facility; or test data).

Table 1: Acceptable Generic Library RMS Positive Sequence Dynamics Models

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| GE PSLF | Siemens PSS/E* | PowerWorld Simulator | <u>Description</u> |
|---------|--------------------|-------------------------|--|
| pvd1 | | PVD1 | <u>Distributed PV system model</u> |
| der_a | DERAU1 | DER_A | <u>Distributed energy resource model</u> |
| regc_a | REGCAU1, REGCA1 | REGC_A | Generator/converter model |
| regc b | REGCBU1 | REGC B | Generator/converter model |
| wt1g | WT1G1 | WT1G and WT1G1 | Wind turbine model for Type-1 wind turbines (conventional directly connected induction generator) |
| wt2g | WT2G1 | WT2G and WT2G1 | Generator model for generic Type-2 wind turbines |
| wt2e | WT2E1 | WT2E and WT2E1 | Rotor resistance control model for wound-rotor induction wind-turbine generator wt2g |
| reec a | REECAU1, REECA1 | REEC A | Renewable energy electrical control model |
| reec_c | REECCU1 | REEC_C | Electrical control model for battery energy storage system |
| reec_d | REECDU1 | REEC_D | Renewable energy electrical control model |
| wt1t | <u>WT12T1</u> | WT1T and WT12T1 | Wind turbine model for Type-1 wind turbines (conventional directly connected induction generator) |
| wt1p b | wt1p b | WT12A1U B | Generic wind turbine pitch controller for WTGs of Types 1 and 2 |
| wt2t | <u>WT12T1</u> | WT2T | Wind turbine model for Type-2 wind turbines (directly connected induction generator wind turbines with an external rotor resistance) |
| wtgt_a | WTDTAU1, WTDTA1 | WTGT_A | Wind turbine drive train model |

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| GE PSLF | Siemens PSS/E* | PowerWorld Simulator | <u>Description</u> |
|------------|--|-------------------------|---|
| wtga_a | WTARAU1, WTARA1 | WTGA_A | Simple aerodynamic model |
| wtgp a | WTPTAU1, WTPTA1 | WTGPT A | Wind Turbine Generator Pitch controller |
| wtgq a | WTTQAU1, WTTQA1 | WTGTRQ A | Wind Turbine Generator Torque controller |
| wtgwgo_a | WTGWGOAU | WTGWGO_A | Supplementary control model for Weak Grids |
| wtgibffr a | WTGIBFFRA | WTGIBFFR A | Inertial-base fast frequency response control |
| wtgp b | WTPTBU1 | WTGPT B | Wind Turbine Generator Pitch controller |
| wtgt_b | WTDTBU1 | WTGT_B | Drive train model |
| repc_a | Type 4: REPCAU1 (v33), REPCA1 (v34) | REPC_A | Power Plant Controller |
| | <u>Type 3:</u> <u>REPCTAU1</u> (v33), <u>REPCTA1</u> (v34) | | |

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| GE PSLF | Siemens PSS/E* | PowerWorld Simulator | <u>Description</u> |
|---------|-------------------|-------------------------|---|
| repc_b | PLNTBU1 | REPC_B | Power Plant Level Controller for controlling several plants/devices |
| | | | In regard to Siemens PSS/E*: |
| | | | Names of other models for interface with other devices: |
| | | | REA3XBU1, REAX4BU1- for interface with Type 3 and 4 renewable machines |
| | | | SWSAXBU1- for interface with SVC (modeled as switched shunt in powerflow) |
| | | | SYNAXBU1- for interface with synchronous condenser |
| | | | FCTAXBU1- for interface with FACTS device |
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System Impact Study. If Interconnection Customer modifies its designated Point of Interconnection, Interconnection Request, or the technical information provided therein is modified, the time to complete the Definitive Interconnection System Impact Study may be extended. Cluster Study.

- 5.0 The Definitive Interconnection System Impact Study report (Phase 2 or Phase 3 Cluster Study Report) shall provide the following information, as appropriate:
- identification of any circuit breaker short circuit capability limits exceeded as a result of the interconnection;
- identification of any thermal overload or voltage limit violations resulting from the interconnection;
- identification of any instability or inadequately damped response to system disturbances resulting from the interconnection; and
- description and non-binding, good faith estimated cost of facilities required to interconnect the Large Generating Facility to the Transmission System and to address the identified short circuit, instability, and power flow issues.
- Interconnection Customer shall provide the any deposit as or Readiness Demonstration specified in SectionSections 3.1.1 and 8.6 of the Revised LGIP, as applicable, for the performance of the Definitive Interconnection System Impact Study and the Interconnection Facilities Study. Transmission Provider's Cluster. Transmission Provider's good faith estimate for the time of completion of the Definitive Interconnection System Impact Study (Phase 2) Cluster Study is [insert date].
 - Upon receipt of the Interconnection Facilities Cluster Study results (Phase 4 Results), or withdrawal of the Interconnection Request, Transmission Provider shall charge and Interconnection Customer shall pay its share of the actual costs of the Definitive Interconnection System Impact Cluster Study, and the Withdrawal Penalty, as applicable, allocated according to Sections 4.2.3 and 83.7.1 of the Revised LGIP and the cost of the individual Interconnection Facilities Study.
 - Any difference between the study deposit and the actual cost of the study shall be paid by or refunded to Interconnection Customer, as appropriate, except as otherwise provided herein- and in the LGIP. As provided in Section 4214.3 of the Revised LGIP, Interconnection Customer has thirty (30) Calendar Days of receipt of an invoice from Transmission Provider to pay any undisputed costs. If invoices are not paid within thirty (30) Calendar Days of receipt of an invoice, Transmission Provider shall draw upon the security provided to settle all accounts, which shall include any offsets of amounts due and owing by Transmission Provider. After the final invoice is paid and all accounts are settled, Transmission Provider shall refund all remaining security.
- 7.0 Miscellaneous. The Definitive Interconnection System Impact Cluster Study Agreement shall include standard miscellaneous terms including, but not limited to, indemnities, representations, disclaimers, warranties, governing law, amendment, execution,

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waiver, enforceability and assignment, that reflect best practices in the electric industry, that are consistent with regional practices, Applicable Laws and Regulations and the organizational nature of each Party. All of these provisions, to the extent practicable, shall be consistent with the provisions of the Revised LGIP and the LGIA.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, the Parties have caused this Agreement to be duly executed by their duly authorized officers or agents on the day and year first above written.

| [Insert name of Transmissio | n Provider or Transmission Owner, if a | pplicable] |
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Appendix A to Appendix 2
Cluster Study Agreement

ASSUMPTIONS USED IN CONDUCTING THE DEFINITIVE INTERCONNECTION SYSTEM IMPACTCLUSTER STUDY

The <u>Definitive Interconnection System ImpactCluster</u> Study <u>shallwill</u> be based upon the <u>technical</u> information <u>set forthprovided by Interconnection Customer</u> in the Interconnection Request(s) and results of applicable prior studies, subject to any modifications in accordance with Section 4.4 of <u>the Revisedthis</u> LGIP, and the following assumptions:

Designation of Point of Interconnection and configuration to be studied.

[Designation of alternative Point(s) of Interconnection and configuration.

{Above assumptions to be completed by Interconnection Customer and other assumptions to be provided by Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider}

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APPENDIX 3 to Revised LGIP INTERCONNECTION FACILITIES STUDY AGREEMENT

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Generating Facility to the Transmission System and (ii) shall address the short circuit, instability, and power flow issues identified in the Definitive Interconnection System ImpactCluster Study.

- 5.0 Interconnection Customer shall meet the requirements specified under Section 89.1 of the Revised LGIP prior to the performance of the Interconnection Facilities Study. The time for completion of the Interconnection Facilities Study is specified in AttachmentAppendix A.
- 6.0 Interconnection Customer shall have provided the deposit as Readiness Demonstrations specified in Section 3.18.6 of the Revised LGIP for the performance of the Definitive Interconnection System Impact Cluster Study and the Interconnection Facilities Study.

Upon receipt of the Interconnection Facilities Study results (Phase 4 Results). Transmission Provider shall charge and Interconnection Customer shall pay the actual costs of the Definitive Interconnection System ImpactCluster Study which includes costs allocated according to Section 4.2.3 of the Revised-LGIP, the cost of the individual Interconnection Facilities Study, and the withdraw penalty calculated pursuant to 3.7.1.1, if applicable.

Any difference between the study deposit and the actual cost of the study shall be paid by or refunded to Interconnection Customer, as appropriate, except as otherwise provided herein. As provided in Section 1214.3 of the Revised LGIP, Interconnection Customer has thirty (30) Calendar Days of receipt of an invoice from Transmission Provider to pay any undisputed costs. If invoices are not paid within thirty (30) Calendar Days of receipt of an invoice, Transmission Provider shall draw upon the security provided to settle all accounts, which shall include any offsets of amounts due and owing by Transmission Provider. After the final invoice is paid and all accounts are settled, Transmission Provider shall refund all remaining security.

7.0 Miscellaneous. The Interconnection Facilities Study Agreement shall include standard miscellaneous terms including, but not limited to, indemnities, representations, disclaimers, warranties, governing law, amendment, execution, waiver, enforceability and assignment, that reflect best practices in the electric industry, and that are consistent with regional practices, Applicable Laws and Regulations, and the organizational nature of each Party. All of these provisions, to the extent practicable, shall be consistent with the provisions of the Revised LGIP and the LGIA.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have caused this Agreement to be duly executed by their duly authorized officers or agents on the day and year first above written.

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Appendix A to Appendix 3
Interconnection Facilities
Study Agreement

INTERCONNECTION CUSTOMER SCHEDULE ELECTION FOR CONDUCTING THE INTERCONNECTION FACILITIES STUDY

<u>Transmission Provider shall complete the study and issue a draft Interconnection Facilities</u>
<u>Study Report to Interconnection Customer within the following number of days after receipt of an executed copy of this Interconnection Facilities Study Agreement:</u>

- ninety (90) Calendar Days with no more than a +/- 20 percent cost estimate contained in the report, or
- one hundred eighty (180) Calendar Days with no more than a +/- 10 percent cost estimate contained in the report.

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Interconnection Facilities Study Agreement

DATA FORM TO BE PROVIDED BY INTERCONNECTION CUSTOMER WITH THE INTERCONNECTION FACILITIES STUDY AGREEMENT

Provide location plan and simplified one-line diagram of the plant and station facilities. For staged projects, please indicate future generation, transmission circuits, etc.

One set of metering is required for each generation connection to the new ring bus or existing Transmission Provider station. Number of generation connections:

On the one line diagram indicate the generation capacity attached at each metering location. (Maximum load on CT/PT)

(Maximum load on CT/PT)

On the one line diagram indicate the location of auxiliary power. (Minimum load on CT/PT) Amps

Will an alternate source of auxiliary power be available during CT/PT maintenance?

____Yes ______No

Will a transfer bus on the generation side of the metering require that each meter set be designed for the total plant generation? _____Yes ______No (Please indicate on one line diagram).

What type of control system or PLC will be located at Interconnection Customer's Customer's Large Generating Facility?

What protocol does the control system or PLC use?

Please provide a 7.5-minute quadrangle of the site. Sketch the plant, station, transmission line, and property line.

Physical dimensions of the proposed interconnection station:

Bus length from generation to interconnection station:

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| Line length from interconnection station to Tra | nsmission Provider's <u>Provider's</u> transmission line.<u>:</u> |
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| Tower number observed in the field. (Painted o | on tower leg)* |
| Number of third party easements required for t | |
| * To be completed in coordination with | Transmission Provider. |
| Is the Large Generating Facility in Transmissic | on Provider's Provider's service area? |
| Yes No Local provider: _ | |
| Please provide proposed schedule dates: | |
| Begin Construction | Date: |
| Generator step-up transformer receives back feed power | Date: |
| Generation Testing | Date: |
| Commercial Operation | Date: |

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APPENDIX 4 to Revised LGIP

Transitional Serial Interconnection Facilities Study Agreement

THISAPPENDIX 4 to LGIP TWO-PARTY AFFECTED SYSTEM STUDY AGREEMENT

| THIS AGRE | <u>EEMENT</u> is made a | nd entered i | nto this | day | of, |
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| | <u>,</u> 20—, | by | and | between- | , |
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RECITALS

WHEREAS, Affected System Interconnection Customer is proposing to develop a Large Generating Facility {description of generating facility or generating capacity addition to an existing Generating Facilitygenerating facility} consistent with the Interconnection Request interconnection request submitted by Affected System Interconnection Customer to {name of host transmission provider}, dated _______, for which {name of host transmission provider} found impacts on Transmission Provider's Transmission System; and

WHEREAS, Affected System Interconnection Customer desires to interconnect the Large Generating Facility{generating facility} with the Transmission System; and{name of host transmission provider}'s transmission system;

WHEREAS, Interconnection Customer has requested Transmission Provider to continue processing its Interconnection Facilities Study to specify and estimate the cost of the equipment, engineering, procurement and construction work needed to implement the conclusions of the System Impact Study in accordance with Good Utility Practice to physically and electrically connect the Large Generating Facility to the Transmission System; and

WHEREAS, Interconnection Customer has executed and Transmission Provider has accepted an Interconnection Facilities Study Agreement prior to September 27, 2019; and

WHEREAS, Interconnection Customer has provided certain requirements described in Section 5.1.1.1 of the Revised LGIP including a deposit on Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of and subject to the mutual covenants contained herein, the Parties <u>agreedagree</u> as follows:

Revisedthis LGIP.

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When used in this Agreement, with initial capitalization, the terms specified shall have the meanings indicated in Transmission Provider's FERC approved

- 2.0 Interconnection Customer elects and Transmission Provider shall cause coordinate with Affected System Interconnection Customer to be performed perform an Interconnection Facilities Affected System Study consistent with Section 810 of this Revised LGIP in accordance with the Tariff.
- 3.0 The scope of the Interconnection Facilities Affected System Study shall be subject to the assumptions set forth in Attachment Appendix A to this Agreement which shall be the same assumptions as the previous Interconnection Facilities Study Agreement.
- 4.0 The Interconnection Facilities Study report (i) shall provide a description, estimated cost of (consistent with Attachment A), schedule for required facilities to interconnect the Large Generating Facility to the Transmission System and (ii) shall address the short circuit, instability, and power flow issues identified in the most recently published System Impact Study.
- 5.0 Interconnection Customer has met certain requirements described in Section 5.1.1.1 of the Revised LGIP. The time for completion of the Interconnection Facilities Study is specified in Attachment A.
- 6.0 Interconnection Customer shall have previously provided the deposit of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000.00) for the performance of the Interconnection Facilities Study.
 - Upon receipt of the Interconnection Facilities Study results, Transmission Provider shall charge and Interconnection Customer shall pay the actual costs of the Interconnection Facilities Study.
 - Any difference between the study deposit and the actual cost of the study shall be paid by or refunded to Interconnection Customer, as appropriate.
- 7.0 Miscellaneous. The Interconnection Facilities Study Agreement shall include standard miscellaneous terms including, but not limited to, indemnities, representations, disclaimers, warranties, governing law, amendment, execution, waiver, enforceability and assignment, that reflect best practices in the electric industry, and that are consistent with regional practices, Applicable Laws and Regulations, and the organizational nature of each Party. All of these provisions, to the extent practicable, shall be consistent with the provisions of the Revised LGIP and the LGIA.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have caused this Agreement to be duly executed by their duly authorized officers or agents on the day and year first above written.

| [Insert name of Transmission | n Provider or Transmission Owner, if applicab | le] |
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| Ву: | By: | |
| Title: | Title: | |
| Date: | Date: | |
| [Insert name of Interconnec | ion Customer] | |
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ASSUMPTIONS USED IN CONDUCTING THE TRANSITIONAL SERIAL INTERCONNECTION FACILITIES STUDY

[Assumptions to be completed by Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider]

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in the Interconnection Request.and {name of host transmission provider}. Transmission Provider reserves the right to request additional technical

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information from Affected System Interconnection Customer as may reasonably become necessary consistent with Good Utility Practice during the course of the Transitional Cluster Study and Interconnection Customer shall provide such data as quickly as reasonable. Affected System Study.

- 4<u>5</u>.0 The <u>Transitional ClusterAffected System</u> Study <u>report</u> shall provide the following information:
 - identification of any circuit breaker short circuit capability limits exceeded as a result of the interconnection;
 - -_ identification of any thermal overload or voltage limit violations resulting from the interconnection;
 - identification of any instability or inadequately damped response to system disturbances resulting from the interconnection—and;
 - shall provide a description, non-binding, good faith estimated cost of, schedule for and time required to construct facilities to interconnect the Large Generating Facility to the required on Transmission Provider's Transmission System and (ii) shall address the to accommodate the interconnection of the {generating facility} to the transmission system of the host transmission provider; and
 - <u>description of how such facilities will address the identified</u> short circuit,
 instability, and power flow issues identified in the most recently published.
 - 6.0 Affected System Impact Study.
 - 5.0 Interconnection Customer has met certain requirements described in Section 5.1.1.2 of the Revised LGIP.
 - 6.0 Interconnection Customer shall have previously provided provide a deposit of ______for the performance of Interconnection Studies.

the Affected System Study. Upon receipt of the Transitional Cluster Study results of the Affected System Study by the Affected System Interconnection Customer, Transmission Provider shall charge, and Affected System Interconnection Customer shall pay, the actual costs of the Transitional Cluster Affected System Study. Any difference between the study deposit and the actual cost of the study Affected System Study shall be paid by or refunded to Affected System Interconnection Customer, as appropriate.

7.0 Miscellaneous. The Interconnection Facilities Study Agreement shall include standard miscellaneous terms, including, but not limited to, indemnities, representations, disclaimers, warranties, governing law, amendment, execution,

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waiver, enforceability and assignment, that reflect best practices in the electric industry, and that are consistent with regional practices, Applicable Laws and Regulations, and the organizational nature of each Party. All of these provisions, to the extent practicable, shall be consistent with the provisions of the Revised LGIP and the LGIA interest calculated in accordance with section 35.19a(a)(2) of FERC's regulations.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have caused this Agreement to be duly executed by their duly authorized officers or agents on the day and year first above written.

| [Insert name of Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner, if applicable] | | | |
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| Title: | | | |
| Date: | Date: | | |
| [Insert name of Interconnection Custor | ner] | | |
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ASSUMPTIONS USED IN CONDUCTING THE TRANSITIONAL CLUSTER STUDY (A COMBINED SYSTEM IMPACT AND INTERCONNECTION FACILITIES STUDY)

[Assumptions to be completed by Interconnection Customer Transmission Provider]

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APPENDIX 5.2 to REVISED LGIP PROVISIONAL INTERCONNECTION STUDY AGREEMENT

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| WHEREAS, Interconnection | nterconnection Customer has submitted to Transmission Provider an Request; and |
| NOW, THEREI the Parties agre | FORE, in consideration of and subject to the mutual covenants contained hereinge as follows: |
| 1.0 | When used in this Agreement, with initial capitalization, the terms specified shall have the meanings indicated in Transmission Provider's FERC-approved Revised LGIP. |
| 2.0 | Interconnection Customer elects and Transmission Provider shall cause a Provisional Interconnection Study in order to provide the service described in Article 5.9.2. |
| 3.0 | 3.0 The Provisional Interconnection Study will determine if stability, short circuit, thermal, and/or voltage issues would arise if Interconnection Customer interconnects with Provisional Interconnection Service. Transmission Provider shall determine any Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades, Distribution Upgrades, or System Protection Facilities necessary to meet the requirements of NERC, or any applicable Regional Entity for the interconnection of the new, modified and/or expanded Generating Facility. |
| 4.0 | 4.0 The Provisional Interconnection Study shall determine the initial maximum permissible output of the Generating Facility. |
| 5.0 | The scope of the Provisional Interconnection Study shall be subject to the assumptions set forth in Attachment A to this Agreement. |

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6.0 Interconnection Customer shall provide a deposit of \$10,000 for the performance of the Provisional Interconnection Study. Transmission Provider's good faith estimate for the time of completion of the Provisional Interconnection Service Study is [insert date].

Upon receipt of the Provisional Interconnection Study, Transmission Provider shall charge and Interconnection Customer shall pay the actual costs of the Provisional Interconnection Study.

Any difference between the initial payment and the actual cost of the study shall be paid by or refunded to Interconnection Customer, as appropriate.

7.0 Miscellaneous. The Provisional Interconnection Study

This Agreement shall include standard miscellaneous terms including, but not limited to, indemnities, representations, disclaimers, warranties, governing law, amendment, execution, waiver, enforceability, and assignment, that which reflect best practices in the electric industry, and that are consistent with regional practices, Applicable Laws and Regulations, and the organizational nature of each Party. All of these provisions, to the extent practicable, shall be consistent with the provisions of the Revised LGIP and the LGIA.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have caused this Agreement to be duly executed by their duly authorized officers or agents on the day and year first above written.

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[To be completed by Transmission Provider consistent with Article 5.9.2 of the LGIA.]

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| between | | . 3 | organized and existing unde |
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| the laws of the | State of | , | , ("Interconnection Customer,") and |
| | | | existing under the laws of the State of |
| . ("Transmissio | | | ner and Transmission Provider each may be |
| 1 (| "Party," or collectively as | | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · |
| | | RECITALS | € |
| | terconnection Customer i Section 3.3 of the Revise | | g to utilize Surplus Interconnection Service |
| WHEREAS, In: Transmission S | | proposing to | o utilize an existing interconnection with the |
| NOW, THERE | • | [:] and subject | t to the mutual covenants contained herei |
| 1.0 | | • | ith initial capitalization, the terms specified in Transmission Provider's FERC approved |
| 2.0 | | n Study cons | and Transmission Provider shall cause a sistent with Section 3.3 of this Revised LGII h the Tariff. |
| 3.0 | • | | connection Study shall be subject to the nt A to this Agreement. |
| 4.0 | short circuit/fault duty Steady-state (thermal, ensure that all requir Interconnection Service steady state analyses demonstrate reliable original System Impacts Service, both off-peak existing Generating | , stability and voltage) and red reliability se was not seems. Shall be pereperation of the Study is not and peak and peak and peak and reacility assee. The reacility assee. | on Service shall consist of reactive power allyses, and any other appropriate studies alyses may be performed as necessary to conditions are studied. If the Surplustudied under off-peak conditions, off-peak reformed to the required level necessary to the Surplus Interconnection Service. If the ot available for the Surplus Interconnection analysis may need to be performed for the sociated with the request for Surplustive power, short circuit/fault duty, stability |

additional Interconnection Facilities and/or Network Upgrades. Surplus

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Interconnection Service is only available up to the amount that can be accommodated without requiring new Network Upgrades.

5.0 Interconnection Customer shall provide a deposit of \$10,000 for the performance of the Surplus Interconnection Study. Transmission Provider's good faith estimate for the time of completion of the Surplus Interconnection Study is [insert date].

Upon receipt of the Surplus Interconnection Study, Transmission Provider shall charge and Interconnection Customer shall pay the actual costs of the Surplus Interconnection Study.

Any difference between the initial payment and the actual cost of the study shall be paid by or refunded to Interconnection Customer, as appropriate.

7.0 Miscellaneous. The Surplus Interconnection Study shall include standard miscellaneous terms including, but not limited to, indemnities, representations, disclaimers, warranties, governing law, amendment, execution, waiver, enforceability and assignment, that reflect best practices in the electric industry, and that are consistent with regional practices, Applicable Laws and Regulations, and the organizational nature of each Party. All of these provisions, to the extent practicable, shall be consistent with the provisions of the Revised-LGIP and the LGIA.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF THEREOF, the Parties have caused this Agreement to be duly executed by their duly authorized officers or agents on the day and year first above written.

| K Insert name of Transmission Provide By: | r -or Transmission Owner, if applicable] } — | Ву |
|---|--|--------|
| Title: | = | Title: |
| Date: | Date: | |
| {Insert name of <u>Affected System</u> Interest | connection Customer <mark>}}</mark> | |
| By: | | |
| By: Title: | <u> </u> | |
| Date: | | |

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To The Affected System Study will be based upon the following assumptions:

{Assumptions to be completed by Affected System Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider}

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APPENDIX 5 to LGIP MULTIPARTY AFFECTED SYSTEM STUDY AGREEMENT

| THIS AGREEMENT is made and er | ntered into this | day of | <u>, 20 </u> |
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| by and among | , a | orgar | nized and |
| existing under the laws of the State | of | (Affected | System |
| Interconnection Customer); | , a | | organized |
| and existing under the laws of the Sta | ate of | (Affected | System |
| Interconnection Customer); and | , a | orgar | nized and |
| existing under the laws of the State of | | (Transmission Provider). | Affected |
| System Interconnection Customers and Ti | ransmission Pro | ovider each may be referre | d to as a |
| "Party," or collectively as the "Parties." W | hen it is not im | portant to differentiate amo | ong them, |
| Affected System Interconnection Custome | ers each may | be referred to as "Affected | d System |
| Interconnection Customer" or collectively as | s the "Affected S | System Interconnection Cust | omers." |

RECITALS

WHEREAS, Affected System Interconnection Customers are proposing to develop {description of generating facilities or generating capacity additions to an existing generating facility}, consistent with the interconnection requests submitted by Affected System Interconnection Customers to {name of host transmission provider}, dated for which {name of host transmission provider} found impacts on Transmission Provider's Transmission System; and

WHEREAS, Affected System Interconnection Customers desire to interconnect the {generating facilities} with {name of host transmission provider}'s transmission system;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of and subject to the mutual covenants contained herein, the Parties agree as follows:

- 1.0 When used in this Agreement, with initial capitalization, the terms specified shall have the meanings indicated in this LGIP.
- 2.0 Transmission Provider shall coordinate with Affected System Interconnection Customers to perform an Affected System Study consistent with Section 10 of this LGIP.
- 3.0 The scope of the Affected System Study shall be subject to the assumptions set forth in Appendix A to this Agreement.
- 4.0 The Affected System Study will be based upon the technical information provided by Affected System Interconnection Customers and {name of host transmission provider}. Transmission Provider reserves the right to request additional technical information from Affected System Interconnection Customers as may reasonably become necessary consistent with Good Utility Practice during the course of the Affected System Study.

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5.0 The Affected System Study shall provide the following information:

- identification of any circuit breaker short circuit capability limits exceeded
 as a result of the interconnection;
- identification of any thermal overload or voltage limit violations resulting from the interconnection;
- identification of any instability or inadequately damped response to system disturbances resulting from the interconnection;
- non-binding, good faith estimated cost and time required to construct facilities required on Transmission Provider's Transmission System to accommodate the interconnection of the {generating facilities} to the transmission system of the host transmission provider; and
- description of how such facilities will address the identified short circuit,
 instability, and power flow issues.
- 6.0 Affected System Interconnection Customers shall each provide a deposit of
 for performance of the Affected System Study. Upon receipt of the
 results of the Affected System Study by the Affected System Interconnection
 Customers, Transmission Provider shall charge, and Affected System
 Interconnection Customers shall pay, the actual cost of the Affected System
 Study. Any difference between the deposit and the actual cost of the Affected
 System Study shall be paid by or refunded to Affected System Interconnection
 Customers, as appropriate, including interest calculated in accordance with
 section 35.19a(a)(2) of FERC's regulations.
- 7.0 This Agreement shall include standard miscellaneous terms including, but not limited to, indemnities, representations, disclaimers, warranties, governing law, amendment, execution, waiver, enforceability, and assignment, which reflect best practices in the electric industry, that are consistent with regional practices, Applicable Laws and Regulations, and the organizational nature of each Party. All of these provisions, to the extent practicable, shall be consistent with the provisions of the LGIP.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, the Parties have caused this Agreement to be duly executed by their duly authorized officers or agents on the day and year first above written.

| {Insert name of Transmission Provider} | |
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| By: | By: |
| Title: | Title: |
| Date: | Date: |

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| {Insert name of Affected System Intercon | nection Customer} |
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| By: | |
| Title: | |
| Date: | |
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| Insert name of Affected System Intercon | nection Customer} |
| By: | - |
| Title: | |
| Date: | |
| | Project No. |

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Appendix A to Appendix 5 Multiparty Affected System Study Agreement

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The Affected System Study will be based upon the following assumptions:

{Assumptions to be completed by Affected System Interconnection Customers and Transmission Provider}

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| TWO-PARTY AFFECTED SYSTEM FACILITIES CONSTRUCTION AGREEMENT | | | | |
| THIS AGREEMENT is made and entered into this day of , 20 , by and between , organized and existing under the laws of the State of | | | | |
| (Affected System Interconnection Customer) and | | | | |
| an entity organized under the laws of the State of (Transmission Provider). | | | | |
| Affected System Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider each may be referred to | | | | |
| as a "Party" or collectively as the "Parties." | | | | |
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| <u>RECITALS</u> | | | | |
| WHEREAS, Affected System Interconnection Customer is proposing to develop a {description of | | | | |
| generating facility or generating capacity addition to an existing generating facility consistent with | | | | |
| the interconnection request submitted by Affected System Interconnection Customer to {name of | | | | |
| host transmission provider}, dated , for which {name of host transmission | | | | |
| provider} found impacts on Transmission Provider's Transmission System; and | | | | |
| | | | | |
| WHEREAS, Affected System Interconnection Customer desires to interconnect the {generating | | | | |
| facility} to {name of host transmission provider}'s transmission system; and | | | | |
| | | | | |
| WHEREAS, additions, modifications, and upgrade(s) must be made to certain existing facilities | | | | |
| of Transmission Provider's Transmission System to accommodate such interconnection; and | | | | |
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| WHEREAS, Affected System Interconnection Customer has requested, and Transmission | | | | |
| Provider has agreed, to enter into this Agreement for the purpose of facilitating the construction | | | | |
| of necessary Affected System Network Upgrade(s); | | | | |
| NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of and subject to the mutual covenants contained herein, | | | | |
| the Parties agree as follows: | | | | |
| and that the digital desiration of the second secon | | | | |
| ARTICLE 1 DEFINITIONS | | | | |

When used in this Agreement, with initial capitalization, the terms specified and not otherwise defined in this Agreement shall have the meanings indicated in this LGIP.

ARTICLE 2 TERM OF AGREEMENT

Effective Date. This Agreement shall become effective upon execution by the Parties subject to acceptance by FERC (if applicable), or if filed unexecuted, upon the date specified by FERC.

2.2 Term.

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- 2.2.1 General. This Agreement shall become effective as provided in Article 2.1 and shall continue in full force and effect until the earlier of (1) the final repayment, where applicable, by Transmission Provider of the amount funded by Affected System Interconnection Customer for Transmission Provider's design, procurement, construction and installation of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) provided in Appendix A; (2) the Parties agree to mutually terminate this Agreement; (3) earlier termination is permitted or provided for under Appendix A of this Agreement; or (4) Affected System Interconnection Customer terminates this Agreement after providing Transmission Provider with written notice at least sixty (60) Calendar Days prior to the proposed termination date, provided that Affected System Interconnection Customer has no outstanding contractual obligations to Transmission Provider under this Agreement. termination of this Agreement shall be effective until the Parties have complied with all Applicable Laws and Regulations applicable to such termination. The term of this Agreement may be adjusted upon mutual agreement of the Parties if (1) the commercial operation date for the {generating facility} is adjusted in accordance with the rules and procedures established by {name of host transmission provider} or (2) the in-service date for the Affected System Network <u>Upgrade(s)</u> is adjusted in accordance with the rules and procedures established by Transmission Provider.
- 2.2.2 Termination Upon Default. Default shall mean the failure of a Breaching Party to cure its Breach in accordance with Article 5 of this Agreement where Breach and Breaching Party are defined in Article 5. Defaulting Party shall mean the Party that is in Default. In the event of a Default by a Party, the non-Defaulting Party shall have the termination rights described in Articles 5 and 6; provided, however, Transmission Provider may not terminate this Agreement if Affected System Interconnection Customer is the Defaulting Party and compensates Transmission Provider within thirty (30) Calendar Days for the amount of damages billed to Affected System Interconnection Customer by Transmission Provider for any such damages, including costs and expenses, incurred by Transmission Provider as a result of such Default.
- <u>either Party, other than a termination by Affected System Interconnection Customer due to a Default by Transmission Provider, Affected System Interconnection Customer shall be responsible for the payment to Transmission Provider of all amounts then due and payable for construction and installation of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) (including, without limitation, any equipment ordered related to such construction), plus all out-of-pocket expenses incurred by Transmission Provider in connection with the construction and installation of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s), through the date of termination, and, in the event of the termination of the entire Agreement, any actual costs which Transmission Provider reasonably incurs in (1) winding up work and construction demobilization and (2) ensuring the safety of persons and property and the integrity and safe and reliable operation of Transmission Provider's Transmission System. Transmission Provider shall use Reasonable Efforts to minimize such costs.</u>

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- 2.2.4 Reservation of Rights. Transmission Provider shall have the right to make a unilateral filing with FERC to modify this Agreement with respect to any rates, terms and conditions, charges, classifications of service, rule or regulation under section 205 or any other applicable provision of the Federal Power Act and FERC's rules and regulations thereunder, and Affected System Interconnection Customer shall have the right to make a unilateral filing with FERC to modify this Agreement pursuant to section 206 or any other applicable provision of the Federal Power Act and FERC's rules and regulations thereunder; provided that each Party shall have the right to protest any such filing by the other Party and to participate fully in any proceeding before FERC in which such modifications may be considered. Nothing in this Agreement shall limit the rights of the Parties or of FERC under sections 205 or 206 of the Federal Power Act and FERC's rules and regulations thereunder, except to the extent that the Parties otherwise mutually agree as provided herein.
- 2.3 Filing. Transmission Provider shall file this Agreement (and any amendment hereto) with the appropriate Governmental Authority, if required. Affected System Interconnection Customer may request that any information so provided be subject to the confidentiality provisions of Article 8. If Affected System Interconnection Customer has executed this Agreement, or any amendment thereto, Affected System Interconnection Customer shall reasonably cooperate with Transmission Provider with respect to such filing and to provide any information reasonably requested by Transmission Provider needed to comply with applicable regulatory requirements.
- 2.4 Survival. This Agreement shall continue in effect after termination, to the extent necessary, to provide for final billings and payments and for costs incurred hereunder, including billings and payments pursuant to this Agreement; to permit the determination and enforcement of liability and indemnification obligations arising from acts or events that occurred while this Agreement was in effect; and to permit each Party to have access to the lands of the other Party pursuant to this Agreement or other applicable agreements, to disconnect, remove, or salvage its own facilities and equipment.
- 2.5 Termination Obligations. Upon any termination pursuant to this Agreement, Affected System Interconnection Customer shall be responsible for the payment of all costs or other contractual obligations incurred prior to the termination date, including previously incurred capital costs, penalties for early termination, and costs of removal and site restoration.

ARTICLE 3 CONSTRUCTION OF AFFECTED SYSTEM NETWORK UPGRADE(S)

3.1 Construction.

3.1.1 Transmission Provider Obligations. Transmission Provider shall (or shall cause such action to) design, procure, construct, and install, and Affected System Interconnection Customer shall pay, consistent with Article 3.2, the costs of all Affected System Network Upgrade(s) identified in Appendix A. All Affected System Network Upgrade(s) designed, procured, constructed, and installed by Transmission Provider pursuant to this Agreement shall satisfy all

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requirements of applicable safety and/or engineering codes and comply with Good Utility Practice, and further, shall satisfy all Applicable Laws and Regulations. Transmission Provider shall not be required to undertake any action which is inconsistent with its standard safety practices, its material and equipment specifications, its design criteria and construction procedures, its labor agreements, or any Applicable Laws and Regulations.

3.1.2 Suspension of Work.

3.1.2.1 Right to Suspend. Affected System Interconnection Customer must provide to Transmission Provider written notice of its request for suspension. Only the milestones described in the Appendices of this Agreement are subject to suspension under this Article 3.1.2. Affected System Network Upgrade(s) will be constructed on the schedule described in the Appendices of this Agreement unless: (1) construction is prevented by the order of a Governmental Authority; (2) the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) are not needed by any other Interconnection Customer; or (3) Transmission Provider determines that a Force Majeure event prevents construction. In the event of (1), (2), or (3), any security paid to Transmission Provider under Article 4.1 of this Agreement shall be released by Transmission Provider upon the determination by Transmission Provider that the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) will no longer be constructed. If suspension occurs, Affected System Interconnection Customer shall be responsible for the costs which Transmission Provider incurs (i) in accordance with this Agreement prior to the suspension; (ii) in suspending such work, including any costs incurred to perform such work as may be necessary to ensure the safety of persons and property and the integrity of Transmission Provider's Transmission System and, if applicable, any costs incurred in connection with the cancellation of contracts and orders for material which Transmission Provider cannot reasonably avoid; and (iii) reasonably incurs in winding up work and construction demobilization; provided, however, that, prior to canceling any such contracts or orders, Transmission Provider shall obtain Affected System Interconnection Customer's authorization. Affected System Interconnection Customer shall be responsible for all costs incurred in connection with Affected System Interconnection Customer's failure to authorize cancellation of such contracts or orders.

Interest on amounts paid by Affected System Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider for the design, procurement, construction, and installation of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) shall not accrue during periods in which Affected System Interconnection Customer has suspended construction under this Article 3.1.2.

Transmission Provider shall invoice Affected System Interconnection Customer pursuant to Article 4 and will use Reasonable Efforts to minimize its costs. In the event Affected System Interconnection Customer suspends work by Affected System Transmission Provider required under this Agreement pursuant to this Article 3.1.2.1, and has not requested Affected System Transmission Provider to recommence the work required under this Agreement on or before the expiration of three (3) years following commencement of such suspension, this Agreement shall be deemed terminated. The three-year period shall begin on the date the suspension is requested, or the date of the written notice to Affected System Transmission Provider, whichever is earlier, if no effective date of suspension is specified.

3.1.2.2 Recommencing of Work. If Affected System Interconnection Customer requests that Transmission Provider recommence construction of Affected System Network Upgrade(s),

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Transmission Provider shall have no obligation to afford such work the priority it would have had but for the prior actions of Affected System Interconnection Customer to suspend the work. In such event, Affected System Interconnection Customer shall be responsible for any costs incurred in recommencing the work. All recommenced work shall be completed pursuant to an amended schedule for the interconnection agreed to by the Parties. Transmission Provider has the right to conduct a restudy of the Affected System Study if conditions have materially changed subsequent to the request to suspend. Affected System Interconnection Customer shall be responsible for the costs of any studies or restudies required.

- 3.1.2.3 Right to Suspend Due to Default. Transmission Provider reserves the right, upon written notice to Affected System Interconnection Customer, to suspend, at any time, work by Transmission Provider due to Default by Affected System Interconnection Customer. Affected System Interconnection Customer shall be responsible for any additional expenses incurred by Transmission Provider associated with the construction and installation of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) (as set forth in Article 2.2.3) upon the occurrence of either a Breach that Affected System Interconnection Customer is unable to cure-pursuant to Article 5 or a Default pursuant to Article 5. Any form of suspension by Transmission Provider shall not be barred by Articles 2.2.2, 2.2.3, or 5.2.2, nor shall it affect Transmission Provider's right to terminate the work or this Agreement pursuant to Article 6.
- 3.1.3 Construction Status. Transmission Provider shall keep Affected System Interconnection Customer advised periodically as to the progress of its design, procurement and construction efforts, as described in Appendix A. Affected System Interconnection Customer may, at any time and reasonably, request a progress report from Transmission Provider. If, at any time, Affected System Interconnection Customer determines that the completion of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) will not be required until after the specified in-service date, Affected System Interconnection Customer will provide written notice to Transmission Provider of such later date upon which the completion of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) would be required. Transmission Provider may delay the in-service date of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) accordingly.
- **3.1.4 Timely Completion.** Transmission Provider shall use Reasonable Efforts to design, procure, construct, install, and test the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) in accordance with the schedule set forth in Appendix A, which schedule may be revised from time to time by mutual agreement of the Parties. If any event occurs that will affect the time or ability to complete the Affected System Network Upgrade(s), Transmission Provider shall promptly notify Affected System Interconnection Customer. In such circumstances, Transmission Provider shall, within fifteen (15) Calendar Days of such notice, convene a meeting with Affected System Interconnection Customer to evaluate the alternatives available to Affected System Interconnection Customer. Transmission Provider shall also make available to Affected System Interconnection Customer all studies and work papers related to the event and corresponding delay, including all information that is in the possession of Transmission Provider that is reasonably needed by Affected System Interconnection Customer to evaluate alternatives, subject to confidentiality arrangements consistent with Article 8. Transmission Provider shall, at Affected System Interconnection Customer's request and expense, use Reasonable Efforts to accelerate its work under this Agreement to meet the schedule set forth in Appendix A, provided that (1) Affected System Interconnection Customer authorizes such actions, such authorization to be withheld, conditioned, or delayed by Affected System Interconnection Customer only if it

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<u>can demonstrate that the acceleration would have a material adverse effect on it; and (2) the</u> Affected System Interconnection Customer funds costs associated therewith in advance.

3.2 Interconnection Costs.

- 3.2.1 Costs. Affected System Interconnection Customer shall pay to Transmission Provider costs (including taxes and financing costs) associated with seeking and obtaining all necessary approvals and of designing, engineering, constructing, and testing the Affected System Network Upgrade(s), as identified in Appendix A, in accordance with the cost recovery method provided herein. Unless Transmission Provider elects to fund the Affected System Network Upgrade(s), they shall be initially funded by Affected System Interconnection Customer.
- 3.2.1.1 Lands of Other Property Owners. If any part of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) is to be installed on property owned by persons other than Affected System Interconnection Customer or Transmission Provider, Transmission Provider shall, at Affected System Interconnection Customer's expense, use efforts similar in nature and extent to those that it typically undertakes on its own behalf or on behalf of its Affiliates, including use of its eminent domain authority to the extent permitted and consistent with Applicable Laws and Regulations and, to the extent consistent with such Applicable Laws and Regulations, to procure from such persons any rights of use, licenses, rights-of-way, and easements that are necessary to construct, operate, maintain, test, inspect, replace, or remove the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) upon such property.

3.2.2 Repayment.

- 3.2.2.1 Repayment. Consistent with Articles 11.4.1 and 11.4.2 of the Transmission Provider's pro forma LGIA, Affected System Interconnection Customer shall be entitled to a cash repayment by Transmission Provider of the amount paid to Transmission Provider, if any, for the Affected System Network Upgrade(s), including any tax gross-up or other tax-related payments associated with the Affected System Network Upgrade(s), and not refunded to Affected System Interconnection Customer pursuant to Article 3.3.1 or otherwise. The Parties may mutually agree to a repayment schedule, to be outlined in Appendix A, not to exceed twenty (20) years from the commercial operation date, for the complete repayment for all applicable costs associated with the Affected System Network Upgrade(s). Any repayment shall include interest calculated in accordance with the methodology set forth in FERC's regulations at 18 CFR 35.19 a(a)(2)(iii) from the date of any payment for Affected System Network Upgrade(s) through the date on which Affected System Interconnection Customer receives a repayment of such payment pursuant to this subparagraph. Interest shall not accrue during periods in which Affected System Interconnection Customer has suspended construction pursuant to Article 3.1.2. Affected System Interconnection Customer may assign such repayment rights to any person.
- 3.2.2.2 Impact of Failure to Achieve Commercial Operation. If the Affected System Interconnection Customer's generating facility fails to achieve commercial operation, but it or another generating facility is later constructed and makes use of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s), Transmission Provider shall at that time reimburse Affected System Interconnection Customer for the amounts advanced for the Affected System Network Upgrade(s). Before any such reimbursement can occur, Affected System Interconnection Customer (or the entity that

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ultimately constructs the generating facility, if different), is responsible for identifying the entity to which the reimbursement must be made.

3.3 Taxes.

3.3.1 Indemnification for Contributions in Aid of Construction. With regard only to payments made by Affected System Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider for the installation of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s), Transmission Provider shall not include a gross-up for income taxes in the amounts it charges Affected System Interconnection Customer for the installation of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) unless (1) Transmission Provider has determined, in good faith, that the payments or property transfers made by Affected System Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider should be reported as income subject to taxation, or (2) any Governmental Authority directs Transmission Provider to report payments or property as income subject to taxation. Affected System Interconnection Customer shall reimburse Transmission Provider for such costs on a fully grossed-up basis, in accordance with this Article, within thirty (30) Calendar Days of receiving written notification from Transmission Provider of the amount due, including detail about how the amount was calculated.

The indemnification obligation shall terminate at the earlier of (1) the expiration of the ten (10)year testing period and the applicable statute of limitation, as it may be extended by Transmission Provider upon request of the Internal Revenue Service, to keep these years open for audit or adjustment, or (2) the occurrence of a subsequent taxable event and the payment of any related indemnification obligations as contemplated by this Article. Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Article 3.3.1, and to the extent permitted by law, to the extent that the receipt of such payments by Transmission Provider is determined by any Governmental Authority to constitute income by Transmission Provider subject to taxation, Affected System Interconnection Customer shall protect, indemnify, and hold harmless Transmission Provider and its Affiliates, from all claims by any such Governmental Authority for any tax, interest, and/or penalties associated with such determination. Upon receiving written notification of such determination from the Governmental Authority, Transmission Provider shall provide Affected System Interconnection Customer with written notification within thirty (30) Calendar Days of such determination and notification. Transmission Provider, upon the timely written request by Affected System Interconnection Customer and at Affected System Interconnection Customer's expense, shall appeal, protest, seek abatement of, or otherwise oppose such determination. Transmission Provider reserves the right to make all decisions with regard to the prosecution of such appeal, protest, abatement or other contest, including the compromise or settlement of the claim; provided that Transmission Provider shall cooperate and consult in good faith with Affected System Interconnection Customer regarding the conduct of such contest. Affected System Interconnection Customer shall not be required to pay Transmission Provider for the tax, interest, and/or penalties prior to the seventh (7th) Calendar Day before the date on which Transmission Provider (1) is required to pay the tax, interest, and/or penalties or other amount in lieu thereof pursuant to a compromise or settlement of the appeal, protest, abatement, or other contest; (2) is required to pay the tax, interest, and/or penalties as the result of a final, non-appealable order by a Governmental Authority; or (3) is required to pay the tax, interest, and/or penalties as a prerequisite to an appeal, protest, abatement, or other contest. In the event such appeal, protest, abatement, or other contest results in a determination that Transmission Provider is not liable for any portion of any tax, interest, and/or penalties for which Affected System Interconnection Customer has already made payment to Transmission Provider, Transmission Provider shall

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promptly refund to Affected System Interconnection Customer any payment attributable to the amount determined to be non-taxable, plus any interest (calculated in accordance with 18 CFR 35.19a(a)(2)(iii)) or other payments Transmission Provider receives or which Transmission Provider may be entitled with respect to such payment. Affected System Interconnection Customer shall provide Transmission Provider with credit assurances sufficient to meet Affected System Interconnection Customer's estimated liability for reimbursement of Transmission Provider for taxes, interest, and/or penalties under this Article 3.3.1. Such estimated liability shall be stated in Appendix A.

To the extent that Transmission Provider is a limited liability company and not a corporation, and has elected to be taxed as a partnership, then the following shall apply: Transmission Provider represents, and the Parties acknowledge, that Transmission Provider is a limited liability company and is treated as a partnership for federal income tax purposes. Any payment made by Affected System Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider for Affected System Network Upgrade(s) is to be treated as an upfront payment. It is anticipated by the Parties that any amounts paid by Affected System Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider for Affected System Network Upgrade(s) will be reimbursed to Affected System Interconnection Customer in accordance with the terms of this Agreement, provided Affected System Interconnection Customer fulfills its obligations under this Agreement.

3.3.2 Private Letter Ruling. At Affected System Interconnection Customer's request and expense, Transmission Provider shall file with the Internal Revenue Service a request for a private letter ruling as to whether any property transferred or sums paid, or to be paid, by Affected System Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider under this Agreement are subject to federal income taxation. Affected System Interconnection Customer will prepare the initial draft of the request for a private letter ruling and will certify under penalties of perjury that all facts represented in such request are true and accurate to the best of Affected System Interconnection Customer's knowledge. Transmission Provider and Affected System Interconnection Customer shall cooperate in good faith with respect to the submission of such request.

3.3.3 Other Taxes. Upon the timely request by Affected System Interconnection Customer, and at Affected System Interconnection Customer's sole expense, Transmission Provider shall appeal, protest, seek abatement of, or otherwise contest any tax (other than federal or state income tax) asserted or assessed against Transmission Provider for which Affected System Interconnection Customer may be required to reimburse Transmission Provider under the terms of this Agreement. Affected System Interconnection Customer shall pay to Transmission Provider on a periodic basis, as invoiced by Transmission Provider, Transmission Provider's documented reasonable costs of prosecuting such appeal, protest, abatement, or other contest. Affected System Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider shall cooperate in good faith with respect to any such contest. Unless the payment of such taxes is a prerequisite to an appeal or abatement or cannot be deferred, no amount shall be payable by Affected System Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider for such taxes until they are assessed by a final, nonappealable order by any court or agency of competent jurisdiction. In the event that a tax payment is withheld and ultimately due and payable after appeal, Affected System Interconnection Customer will be responsible for all taxes, interest and penalties, other than penalties attributable to any delay caused by Transmission Provider. Each Party shall cooperate with the other Party to maintain each Party's tax status. Nothing in this Agreement is intended to adversely affect any

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<u>Party's tax-exempt status with respect to the issuance of bonds including, but not limited to, local furnishing bonds, as described in section 142(f) of the Internal Revenue Code.</u>

ARTICLE 4 SECURITY, BILLING, AND PAYMENTS

4.1 Provision of Security. By the earlier of (1) thirty (30) Calendar Days prior to the due date for Affected System Interconnection Customer's first payment under the payment schedule specified in Appendix A, or (2) the first date specified in Appendix A for the ordering of equipment by Transmission Provider for installing the Affected System Network Upgrade(s), Affected System Interconnection Customer shall provide Transmission Provider, at Affected System Interconnection Customer's option, a guarantee, a surety bond, letter of credit or other form of security that is reasonably acceptable to Transmission Provider. Such security for payment shall be in an amount sufficient to cover the costs for constructing, procuring, and installing the applicable portion of Affected System Network Upgrade(s) and shall be reduced on a dollar-for-dollar basis for payments made to Transmission Provider for these purposes.

The guarantee must be made by an entity that meets the creditworthiness requirements of Transmission Provider and contain terms and conditions that guarantee payment of any amount that may be due from Affected System Interconnection Customer, up to an agreed-to maximum amount. The letter of credit must be issued by a financial institution reasonably acceptable to Transmission Provider and must specify a reasonable expiration date.

- **4.2 Invoice.** Each Party shall submit to the other Party, on a monthly basis, invoices of amounts due, if any, for the preceding month. Each invoice shall state the month to which the invoice applies and fully describe the services and equipment provided. The Parties may discharge mutual debts and payment obligations due and owing to each other on the same date through netting, in which case all amounts a Party owes to the other Party under this Agreement, including interest payments, shall be netted so that only the net amount remaining due shall be paid by the owing Party.
- **4.3 Payment.** Invoices shall be rendered to the paying Party at the address specified by the Parties. The Party receiving the invoice shall pay the invoice within thirty (30) Calendar Days of receipt. All payments shall be made in immediately available funds payable to the other Party, or by wire transfer to a bank named and account designated by the invoicing Party. Payment of invoices by a Party will not constitute a waiver of any rights or claims that Party may have under this Agreement.
- 4.4 Final Invoice. Within six (6) months after completion of the construction of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s), Transmission Provider shall provide an invoice of the final cost of the construction of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) and shall set forth such costs in sufficient detail to enable Affected System Interconnection Customer to compare the actual costs with the estimates and to ascertain deviations, if any, from the cost estimates. Transmission Provider shall refund, with interest (calculated in accordance with 18 CFR 35.19a(a)(2)(iii)), to Affected System Interconnection Customer any amount by which the actual payment by Affected System Interconnection Customer for estimated costs exceeds the actual costs of construction within thirty (30) Calendar Days of the issuance of such final construction invoice.

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- **4.5** Interest. Interest on any unpaid amounts shall be calculated in accordance with 18 CFR 35.19a(a)(2)(iii).
- 4.6 Payment During Dispute. In the event of a billing dispute among the Parties, Transmission Provider shall continue to construct the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) under this Agreement as long as Affected System Interconnection Customer: (1) continues to make all payments not in dispute; and (2) pays to Transmission Provider or into an independent escrow account the portion of the invoice in dispute, pending resolution of such dispute. If Affected System Interconnection Customer fails to meet these two requirements, then Transmission Provider may provide notice to Affected System Interconnection Customer of a Default pursuant to Article 5. Within thirty (30) Calendar Days after the resolution of the dispute, the Party that owes money to another Party shall pay the amount due with interest calculated in accordance with the methodology set forth in 18 CFR 35.19a(a)(2)(iii).

ARTICLE 5 BREACH, CURE AND DEFAULT

- **5.1 Events of Breach.** A Breach of this Agreement shall include the:
- (a) Failure to pay any amount when due;
- (b) Failure to comply with any material term or condition of this Agreement, including but not limited to any material Breach of a representation, warranty, or covenant made in this Agreement;
- (c) Failure of a Party to provide such access rights, or a Party's attempt to revoke access or terminate such access rights, as provided under this Agreement; or
- (d) Failure of a Party to provide information or data to another Party as required under this Agreement, provided the Party entitled to the information or data under this Agreement requires such information or data to satisfy its obligations under this Agreement.
- **5.2 Definition.** Breaching Party shall mean the Party that is in Breach.
- 5.3 Notice of Breach, Cure, and Default. Upon the occurrence of an event of Breach, the Party not in Breach, when it becomes aware of the Breach, shall give written notice of the Breach to the Breaching Party and to any other person representing a Party to this Agreement identified in writing to the other Party in advance. Such notice shall set forth, in reasonable detail, the nature of the Breach, and where known and applicable, the steps necessary to cure such Breach.
- 5.3.1 Upon receiving written notice of the Breach hereunder, the Breaching Party shall have a period to cure such Breach (hereinafter referred to as the "Cure Period") which shall be sixty (60) Calendar Days.
- **5.3.2** In the event the Breaching Party fails to cure within the Cure Period, the Breaching Party will be in Default of this Agreement, and the non--Defaulting Party may terminate this Agreement in accordance with Article 6.2 of this Agreement or take whatever action at law or in equity as may appear necessary or desirable to enforce the performance or observance of any rights, remedies, obligations, agreement, or covenants under this Agreement.

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5.4 Rights in the Event of Default. Notwithstanding the foregoing, upon the occurrence of a Default, the non-Defaulting Party shall be entitled to exercise all rights and remedies it may have in equity or at law.

ARTICLE 6
TERMINATION OF AGREEMENT

- **6.1 Expiration of Term.** Except as otherwise specified in this Article 6, the Parties' obligations under this Agreement shall terminate at the conclusion of the term of this Agreement.
- **6.2 Termination.** In addition to the termination provisions set forth in Article 2.2, a Party may terminate this Agreement upon the Default of the other Party in accordance with Article 5.2.2 of this Agreement. Subject to the limitations set forth in Article 6.3, in the event of a Default, the termination of this Agreement by the non-Defaulting Party shall require a filing at FERC of a notice of termination, which filing must be accepted for filing by FERC.
- 6.3 Disposition of Facilities Upon Termination of Agreement.
- <u>**6.3.1 Transmission Provider Obligations.** Upon termination of this Agreement, unless otherwise agreed to by the Parties in writing, Transmission Provider:</u>
- (a) shall, prior to the construction and installation of any portion of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) and to the extent possible, cancel any pending orders of, or return, such equipment or material for such Affected System Network Upgrade(s);
- (b) may keep in place any portion of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) already constructed and installed; and,
- shall perform such work as may be necessary to ensure the safety of persons and property and to preserve the integrity of Transmission Provider's Transmission System (e.g., construction demobilization to return the system to its original state, wind-up work).
- 6.3.2 Affected System Interconnection Customer Obligations. Upon billing by Transmission Provider, Affected System Interconnection Customer shall reimburse Transmission Provider for any costs incurred by Transmission Provider in performance of the actions required or permitted by Article 6.3.1 and for the cost of any Affected System Network Upgrade(s) described in Appendix A. Transmission Provider shall use Reasonable Efforts to minimize costs and shall offset the amounts owed by any salvage value of facilities, if applicable. Affected System Interconnection Customer shall pay these costs pursuant to Article 4.3 of this Agreement.
- 6.3.3 Pre-construction or Installation. Upon termination of this Agreement and prior to the construction and installation of any portion of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s), Transmission Provider may, at its option, retain any portion of such Affected System Network Upgrade(s) not cancelled or returned in accordance with Article 6.3.1(a), in which case Transmission Provider shall be responsible for all costs associated with procuring such Affected System Network Upgrade(s). To the extent that Affected System Interconnection Customer has already paid Transmission Provider for any or all of such costs, Transmission Provider shall

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refund Affected System Interconnection Customer for those payments. If Transmission Provider elects to not retain any portion of such facilities, Transmission Provider shall convey and make available to Affected System Interconnection Customer such facilities as soon as practicable after Affected System Interconnection Customer's payment for such facilities.

6.4 Survival of Rights. Termination or expiration of this Agreement shall not relieve either Party of any of its liabilities and obligations arising hereunder prior to the date termination becomes effective, and each Party may take whatever judicial or administrative actions as appear necessary or desirable to enforce its rights hereunder. The applicable provisions of this Agreement will continue in effect after expiration, or early termination hereof to the extent necessary to provide for (1) final billings, billing adjustments, and other billing procedures set forth in this Agreement; (2) the determination and enforcement of liability and indemnification obligations arising from acts or events that occurred while this Agreement was in effect; and (3) the confidentiality provisions set forth in Article 8.

ARTICLE 7 SUBCONTRACTORS

- **7.1 Subcontractors.** Nothing in this Agreement shall prevent a Party from utilizing the services of subcontractors, as it deems appropriate, to perform its obligations under this Agreement; provided, however, that each Party shall require its subcontractors to comply with all applicable terms and conditions of this Agreement in providing such services, and each Party shall remain primarily liable to the other Party for the performance of such subcontractor.
- 7.1.1 Responsibility of Principal. The creation of any subcontract relationship shall not relieve the hiring Party of any of its obligations under this Agreement. In accordance with the provisions of this Agreement, each Party shall be fully responsible to the other Party for the acts or omissions of any subcontractor it hires as if no subcontract had been made. Any applicable obligation imposed by this Agreement upon a Party shall be equally binding upon, and shall be construed as having application to, any subcontractor of such Party.
- 7.1.2 No Third-Party Beneficiary. Except as may be specifically set forth to the contrary herein, no subcontractor or any other party is intended to be, nor will it be deemed to be, a third-party beneficiary of this Agreement.
- 7.1.3 No Limitation by Insurance. The obligations under this Article 7 will not be limited in any way by any limitation of any insurance policies or coverages, including any subcontractor's insurance.

ARTICLE 8 CONFIDENTIALITY

8.1 Confidentiality. Confidential Information shall include, without limitation, all information relating to a Party's technology, research and development, business affairs, and pricing, and any information supplied to the other Party prior to the execution of this Agreement.

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Information is Confidential Information only if it is clearly designated or marked in writing as confidential on the face of the document, or, if the information is conveyed orally or by inspection, if the Party providing the information orally informs the Party receiving the information that the information is confidential. The Parties shall maintain as confidential any information that is provided and identified by a Party as Critical Energy Infrastructure Information (CEII), as that term is defined in 18 CFR 388.113(c).

Such confidentiality will be maintained in accordance with this Article 8. If requested by the receiving Party, the disclosing Party shall provide in writing, the basis for asserting that the information referred to in this Article warrants confidential treatment, and the requesting Party may disclose such writing to the appropriate Governmental Authority. Each Party shall be responsible for the costs associated with affording confidential treatment to its information.

- **8.1.1 Term.** During the term of this Agreement, and for a period of three (3) years after the expiration or termination of this Agreement, except as otherwise provided in this Article 8 or with regard to CEII, each Party shall hold in confidence and shall not disclose to any person Confidential Information. CEII shall be treated in accordance with FERC policies and regulations.
- **8.1.2 Scope.** Confidential Information shall not include information that the receiving Party can demonstrate: (1) is generally available to the public other than as a result of a disclosure by the receiving Party; (2) was in the lawful possession of the receiving Party on a non-confidential basis before receiving it from the disclosing Party; (3) was supplied to the receiving Party without restriction by a non-Party, who, to the knowledge of the receiving Party after due inquiry, was under no obligation to the disclosing Party to keep such information confidential; (4) was independently developed by the receiving Party without reference to Confidential Information of the disclosing Party; (5) is, or becomes, publicly known, through no wrongful act or omission of the receiving Party or Breach of this Agreement; or (6) is required, in accordance with Article 8.1.6 of this Agreement, to be disclosed by any Governmental Authority or is otherwise required to be disclosed by law or subpoena, or is necessary in any legal proceeding establishing rights and obligations under this Agreement. Information designated as Confidential Information will no longer be deemed confidential if the Party that designated the information as confidential notifies the receiving Party that it no longer is confidential.
- 8.1.3 Release of Confidential Information. No Party shall release or disclose Confidential Information to any other person, except to its Affiliates (limited by the Standards of Conduct requirements), subcontractors, employees, agents, consultants, or to non-Parties that may be or are considering providing financing to or equity participation with Affected System Interconnection Customer, or to potential purchasers or assignees of Affected System Interconnection Customer, on a need-to-know basis in connection with this Agreement, unless such person has first been advised of the confidentiality provisions of this Article 8 and has agreed to comply with such provisions. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a Party providing Confidential Information to any person shall remain primarily responsible for any release of Confidential Information in contravention of this Article 8.
- **8.1.4 Rights.** Each Party shall retain all rights, title, and interest in the Confidential Information that it discloses to the receiving Party. The disclosure by a Party to the receiving Party of Confidential Information shall not be deemed a waiver by the disclosing Party or any other person or entity of the right to protect the Confidential Information from public disclosure.

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- 8.1.5 Standard of Care. Each Party shall use at least the same standard of care to protect Confidential Information it receives as it uses to protect its own Confidential Information from unauthorized disclosure, publication, or dissemination. Each Party may use Confidential Information solely to fulfill its obligations to the other Party under this Agreement or its regulatory requirements.
- 8.1.6 Order of Disclosure. If a court or a Government Authority or entity with the right, power, and apparent authority to do so requests or requires either Party, by subpoena, oral deposition, interrogatories, requests for production of documents, administrative order, or otherwise, to disclose Confidential Information, that Party shall provide the disclosing Party with prompt notice of such request(s) or requirement(s) so that the disclosing Party may seek an appropriate protective order or waive compliance with the terms of this Agreement. Notwithstanding the absence of a protective order or waiver, the Party may disclose such Confidential Information which, in the opinion of its counsel, the Party is legally compelled to disclose. Each Party will use Reasonable Efforts to obtain reliable assurance that confidential treatment will be accorded any Confidential Information so furnished.
- **8.1.7 Termination of Agreement.** Upon termination of this Agreement for any reason, each Party shall, within ten (10) Business Days of receipt of a written request from the other Party, use Reasonable Efforts to destroy, erase, or delete (with such destruction, erasure, and deletion certified in writing to the requesting Party) or return to the requesting Party any and all written or electronic Confidential Information received from the requesting Party, except that each Party may keep one copy for archival purposes, provided that the obligation to treat it as Confidential Information in accordance with this Article 8 shall survive such termination.
- 8.1.8 Remedies. The Parties agree that monetary damages would be inadequate to compensate a Party for the other Party's Breach of its obligations under this Article 8. Each Party accordingly agrees that the disclosing Party shall be entitled to equitable relief, by way of injunction or otherwise, if the receiving Party Breaches or threatens to Breach its obligations under this Article 8, which equitable relief shall be granted without bond or proof of damages, and the breaching Party shall not plead in defense that there would be an adequate remedy at law. Such remedy shall not be deemed an exclusive remedy for the Breach of this Article 8, but it shall be in addition to all other remedies available at law or in equity. The Parties further acknowledge and agree that the covenants contained herein are necessary for the protection of legitimate business interests and are reasonable in scope. Neither Party, however, shall be liable for indirect, incidental, or consequential or punitive damages of any nature or kind resulting from or arising in connection with this Article 8.
- 8.1.9 Disclosure to FERC, its Staff, or a State Regulatory Body. Notwithstanding anything in this Article 8 to the contrary, and pursuant to 18 CFR 1b.20, if FERC or its staff, during the course of an investigation or otherwise, requests information from a Party that is otherwise required to be maintained in confidence pursuant to this Agreement, the Party shall provide the requested information to FERC or its staff, within the time provided for in the request for information. In providing the information to FERC or its staff, the Party must, consistent with 18 CFR 388.112, request that the information be treated as confidential and non-public by FERC and its staff and that the information be withheld from public disclosure. Parties are prohibited from notifying the other Party to this Agreement prior to the release of the Confidential Information

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to FERC or its staff. The Party shall notify the other Party to the Agreement when it is notified by FERC or its staff that a request to release Confidential Information has been received by FERC, at which time either of the Parties may respond before such information would be made public, pursuant to 18 CFR 388.112. Requests from a state regulatory body conducting a confidential investigation shall be treated in a similar manner if consistent with the applicable state rules and regulations.

8.1.10 Subject to the exception in Article 8.1.9, any information that a disclosing Party claims is competitively sensitive, commercial, or financial information under this Agreement shall not be disclosed by the receiving Party to any person not employed or retained by the receiving Party, except to the extent disclosure is (1) required by law; (2) reasonably deemed by the disclosing Party to be required to be disclosed in connection with a dispute between or among the Parties, or the defense of litigation or dispute; (3) otherwise permitted by consent of the disclosing Party, such consent not to be unreasonably withheld; or (4) necessary to fulfill its obligations under this Agreement or as the Transmission Provider or a balancing authority, including disclosing the Confidential Information to a regional or national reliability organization. The Party asserting confidentiality shall notify the receiving Party in writing of the information that Party claims is confidential. Prior to any disclosures of that Party's Confidential Information under this subparagraph, or if any non-Party or Governmental Authority makes any request or demand for any of the information described in this subparagraph, the Party that received the Confidential Information from the disclosing Party agrees to promptly notify the disclosing Party in writing and agrees to assert confidentiality and cooperate with the disclosing Party in seeking to protect the Confidential Information from public disclosure by confidentiality agreement, protective order, or other reasonable measures.

ARTICLE 9 INFORMATION ACCESS AND AUDIT RIGHTS

- 9.1 Information Access. Each Party shall make available to the other Party information necessary to verify the costs incurred by the other Party for which the requesting Party is responsible under this Agreement and carry out obligations and responsibilities under this Agreement, provided that the Parties shall not use such information for purposes other than those set forth in this Article 9.1 and to enforce their rights under this Agreement.
- **9.2** Audit Rights. Subject to the requirements of confidentiality under Article 8 of this Agreement, the accounts and records related to the design, engineering, procurement, and construction of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) shall be subject to audit during the period of this Agreement and for a period of twenty-four (24) months following Transmission Provider's issuance of a final invoice in accordance with Article 4.4. Affected System Interconnection Customer at its expense shall have the right, during normal business hours, and upon prior reasonable notice to Transmission Provider, to audit such accounts and records. Any audit authorized by this Article 9.2 shall be performed at the offices where such accounts and records are maintained and shall be limited to those portions of such accounts and records that relate to obligations under this Agreement.

ARTICLE 10 NOTICES

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10.1 General. Any notice, demand, or request required or permitted to be given by a Party to the other Party, and any instrument required or permitted to be tendered or delivered by a Party in writing to another Party, may be so given, tendered, or delivered, as the case may be, by depositing the same with the United States Postal Service with postage prepaid, for transmission by certified or registered mail, addressed to the Parties, or personally delivered to the Parties, at the address set out below:

To Transmission Provider:

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To Affected System Interconnection Customer:

- **10.2 Billings and Payments.** Billings and payments shall be sent to the addresses shown in Article 10.1 unless otherwise agreed to by the Parties.
- 10.3 Alternative Forms of Notice. Any notice or request required or permitted to be given by a Party to the other Party and not required by this Agreement to be given in writing may be so given by telephone, facsimile or email to the telephone numbers and email addresses set out below:

To Transmission Provider:

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To Affected System Interconnection Customer:

two originals of this tendered Agreement and return them to Transmission Provider; or (ii) request in writing that Transmission Provider file with FERC this Agreement in unexecuted form. As soon as practicable, but not later than ten (10) Business Days after receiving either the two executed originals of this tendered Agreement (if it does not conform with a FERC-approved standard form of this Agreement) or the request to file this Agreement unexecuted, Transmission Provider shall file this Agreement with FERC, together with its explanation of any matters as to which Affected System Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider disagree and support for the costs that Transmission Provider proposes to charge to Affected System Interconnection Customer under this Agreement. An unexecuted version of this Agreement should contain terms and conditions deemed appropriate by Transmission Provider for the Affected System Interconnection Customer's generating facility. If the Parties agree to proceed with design, procurement, and construction of facilities and upgrades under the agreed-upon terms of the unexecuted version of this Agreement, they may proceed pending FERC action.

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ARTICLE 11 MISCELLANEOUS

11.1 This Agreement shall include standard miscellaneous terms including, but not limited to, indemnities, representations, disclaimers, warranties, governing law, amendment, execution, waiver, enforceability and assignment, which reflect best practices in the electric industry, that are consistent with regional practices, Applicable Laws and Regulations and the organizational nature of each Party. All of these provisions, to the extent practicable, shall be consistent with the provisions of this LGIP.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have executed this Agreement electronically or in multiple originals, each of which shall constitute and be an original Agreement among the Parties.

Transmission Provider
{Transmission Provider}
By:
Name:
Title:

Affected System Interconnection Customer
{Affected System Interconnection Customer}
By:
Name:
Title:

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Appendix A to Appendix 6 Two-Party Affected System Facilities Construction Agreement

AFFECTED SYSTEM NETWORK UPGRADE(S), COST ESTIMATES AND RESPONSIBILITY, CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE AND MONTHLY PAYMENT SCHEDULE

This Appendix A is a part of the Affected System Facilities Construction Agreement between Affected System Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider.

1.1 Affected System Network Upgrade(s) to be installed by Transmission Provider.

{description}

1.2 First Equipment Order (including permitting).

{description}

1.2.1. Permitting and Land Rights – Transmission Provider Affected System Network Upgrade(s)

{description}

1.3 Construction Schedule. Where applicable, construction of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) is scheduled as follows and will be periodically updated as necessary:

Table 1: Transmission Provider Construction Activities

| MILESTONE NUMBER | DESCRIPTION | START DATE | END DATE |
|---------------------|-------------|---------------|-------------|
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Note: Construction schedule assumes that Transmission Provider has obtained final authorizations and security from Affected System Interconnection Customer and all necessary permits from Governmental Authorities as necessary prerequisites to commence construction of any of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s).

1.4 Payment Schedule.

1.4.1 Timing of and Adjustments to Affected System Interconnection Customer's Payments and Security.

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1.4.2 Monthly Payment Schedule. Affected System Interconnection Customer's payment schedule is as follows.

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Table 2: Affected System Interconnection Customer's Payment/Security Obligations for Affected System Network Upgrade(s).

| MILESTONE NUMBER | DESCRIPTION | DATE |
|---------------------|-------------|------|
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| _ | _ | |
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Note: Affected System Interconnection Customer's payment or provision of security as provided in this Agreement operates as a condition precedent to Transmission Provider's obligations to construct any Affected System Network Upgrade(s), and failure to meet this schedule will constitute a Breach pursuant to Article 5.1 of this Agreement.

1.5 Permits, Licenses, and Authorizations.

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Appendix B to Appendix 6 Two-Party Affected System Facilities Construction Agreement

NOTIFICATION OF COMPLETED CONSTRUCTION

This Appendix B is a part of the Affected Systems Facilities Construction Agreement between Affected System Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider. Where applicable, when Transmission Provider has completed construction of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s). Transmission Provider shall send notice to Affected System Interconnection Customer in substantially the form following:

{Date}

Affected System Interconnection Customer Address

Re: Completion of Affected System Network Upgrade(s)

Dear {Name or Title}:

On {Date}, Transmission Provider completed to its satisfaction all work on the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) required to facilitate the safe and reliable interconnection and operation of Affected System Interconnection Customer's {description of generating facility}. Transmission Provider confirms that the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) are in place.

Thank you.

{Signature}

{Transmission Provider Representative}

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Appendix C to Appendix 6 Two-Party Affected System Facilities Construction Agreement

EXHIBITS

This Appendix C is a part of the Affected System Facilities Construction Agreement among Affected System Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider.

Exhibit A1 Transmission Provider Site Map

Exhibit A2
Site Plan

Exhibit A3 Affected System Network Upgrade(s) Plan & Profile

Exhibit A4 Estimated Cost of Affected System Network Upgrade(s)

| _ | Location | Facilities to Be Constructed by Transmission Provider | Estimate in Dollars |
|---|----------|---|---------------------------|
| _ | _ | _ | _ |
| _ | _ | <u>Total:</u> | _ |

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APPENDIX 7 TO LGIP MULTIPARTY AFFECTED SYSTEM FACILITIES CONSTRUCTION AGREEMENT

| THIS. | <u>AGREEI</u> | <u>MENT is n</u> | <u>nade and entered</u> | <u>into this</u> | day of | | , 20 | <u>, by a</u> | <u>nd among</u> |
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| of th | e State | of | | (Affected | Syste | em Inter | conne | ction C | Customer); |
| <u>and</u> | | | , an entity orga | nized under th | ne laws | of the St | tate of | | |
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RECITALS

WHEREAS, Affected System Interconnection Customers are proposing to develop {description of generating facilities or generating capacity additions to an existing generating facility}, consistent with the interconnection requests submitted by Affected System Interconnection Customers to {name of host transmission provider}, dated , for which {name of host transmission provider} found impacts on Transmission Provider's Transmission System; and

WHEREAS, Affected System Interconnection Customers desire to interconnect the {generating facilities} to {name of host transmission provider}'s transmission system; and

WHEREAS, additions, modifications, and upgrade(s) must be made to certain existing facilities of Transmission Provider's Transmission System to accommodate such interconnection; and

WHEREAS, Affected System Interconnection Customers have requested, and Transmission Provider has agreed, to enter into this Agreement for the purpose of facilitating the construction of necessary Affected System Network Upgrade(s);

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of and subject to the mutual covenants contained herein, the Parties agree as follows:

ARTICLE 1 DEFINITIONS

When used in this Agreement, with initial capitalization, the terms specified and not otherwise defined in this Agreement shall have the meanings indicated in this LGIP.

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TERM OF AGREEMENT

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2.1 Effective Date. This Agreement shall become effective upon execution by the Parties subject to acceptance by FERC (if applicable), or if filed unexecuted, upon the date specified by FERC.

2.2 Term.

- 2.2.1 General. This Agreement shall become effective as provided in Article 2.1 and shall continue in full force and effect until the earlier of (1) the final repayment, where applicable, by Transmission Provider of the amount funded by Affected System Interconnection Customers for Transmission Provider's design, procurement, construction, and installation of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) provided in Appendix A; (2) the Parties agree to mutually terminate this Agreement; (3) earlier termination is permitted or provided for under Appendix A of this Agreement; or (4) Affected System Interconnection Customers terminate this Agreement after providing Transmission Provider with written notice at least sixty (60) Calendar Days prior to the proposed termination date, provided that Affected System Interconnection Customers have no outstanding contractual obligations to Transmission Provider under this Agreement. termination of this Agreement shall be effective until the Parties have complied with all Applicable Laws and Regulations applicable to such termination. The term of this Agreement may be adjusted upon mutual agreement of the Parties if the commercial operation date(s) for the {generating facilities} is adjusted in accordance with the rules and procedures established by {name of host transmission provider} or the in-service date for the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) is adjusted in accordance with the rules and procedures established by Transmission Provider.
- 2.2.2 Termination Upon Default. Default shall mean the failure of a Breaching Party to cure its Breach in accordance with Article 5 of this Agreement where Breach and Breaching Party are defined in Article 5. Defaulting Party shall mean the Party that is in Default. In the event of a Default by a Party, each non-Defaulting Party shall have the termination rights described in Articles 5 and 6; provided, however, Transmission Provider may not terminate this Agreement if an Affected System Interconnection Customer is the Defaulting Party and compensates Transmission Provider within thirty (30) Calendar Days for the amount of damages billed to Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) by Transmission Provider for any such damages. including costs and expenses incurred by Transmission Provider as a result of such Default. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Default by one or more Affected System Interconnection Customers shall not provide the other Affected System Interconnection Customer(s), either individually or in concert, with the right to terminate the entire Agreement. The non-Defaulting Party/Parties may, individually or in concert, initiate the removal of an Affected System Interconnection Customer that is a Defaulting Party from this Agreement. Transmission Provider shall not terminate this Agreement or the participation of any Affected System Interconnection Customer without provision being made for Transmission Provider to be fully reimbursed for all of its costs incurred under this Agreement.
- 2.2.3 Consequences of Termination. In the event of a termination by a Party, other than a termination by Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) due to a Default by Transmission Provider, each Affected System Interconnection Customer whose participation in this Agreement is terminated shall be responsible for the payment to Transmission Provider of all amounts then due and payable for construction and installation of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s)

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(including, without limitation, any equipment ordered related to such construction), plus all out-of-pocket expenses incurred by Transmission Provider in connection with the construction and installation of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s), through the date of termination, and, in the event of the termination of the entire Agreement, any actual costs which Transmission Provider reasonably incurs in (1) winding up work and construction demobilization and (2) ensuring the safety of persons and property and the integrity and safe and reliable operation of Transmission Provider's Transmission System. Transmission Provider shall use Reasonable Efforts to minimize such costs. The cost responsibility of other Affected System Interconnection Customers shall be adjusted, as necessary, based on the payments by an Affected System Interconnection Customer that is terminated from the Agreement.

- **2.2.4 Reservation of Rights.** Transmission Provider shall have the right to make a unilateral filing with FERC to modify this Agreement with respect to any rates, terms and conditions, charges, classifications of service, rule or regulation under section 205 or any other applicable provision of the Federal Power Act and FERC's rules and regulations thereunder, and Affected System Interconnection Customers shall have the right to make a unilateral filing with FERC to modify this Agreement pursuant to section 206 or any other applicable provision of the Federal Power Act and FERC's rules and regulations thereunder; provided that each Party shall have the right to protest any such filing by the other Party and to participate fully in any proceeding before FERC in which such modifications may be considered. Nothing in this Agreement shall limit the rights of the Parties or of FERC under sections 205 or 206 of the Federal Power Act and FERC's rules and regulations thereunder, except to the extent that the Parties otherwise mutually agree as provided herein.
- 2.3 Filing. Transmission Provider shall file this Agreement (and any amendment hereto) with the appropriate Governmental Authority, if required. Affected System Interconnection Customers may request that any information so provided be subject to the confidentiality provisions of Article 8. Each Affected System Interconnection Customer that has executed this Agreement, or any amendment thereto, shall reasonably cooperate with Transmission Provider with respect to such filing and to provide any information reasonably requested by Transmission Provider needed to comply with applicable regulatory requirements.
- 2.4 Survival. This Agreement shall continue in effect after termination, to the extent necessary, to provide for final billings and payments and for costs incurred hereunder, including billings and payments pursuant to this Agreement; to permit the determination and enforcement of liability and indemnification obligations arising from acts or events that occurred while this Agreement was in effect; and to permit each Party to have access to the lands of the other Party pursuant to this Agreement or other applicable agreements, to disconnect, remove, or salvage its own facilities and equipment.
- 2.5 Termination Obligations. Upon any termination pursuant to this Agreement or termination of the participation in this Agreement of an Affected System Interconnection Customer, each Affected System Interconnection Customer shall be responsible for the payment of its proportionate share of all costs or other contractual obligations incurred prior to the termination date, including previously incurred capital costs, penalties for early termination, and costs of removal and site restoration. The cost responsibility of the other Affected System Interconnection Customers shall be adjusted as necessary.

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ARTICLE 3
CONSTRUCTION OF AFFECTED SYSTEM NETWORK UPGRADE(S)

3.1 Construction.

3.1.1 Transmission Provider Obligations. Transmission Provider shall (or shall cause such action to) design, procure, construct, and install, and Affected System Interconnection Customers shall pay, consistent with Article 3.2, the costs of all Affected System Network Upgrade(s) identified in Appendix A. All Affected System Network Upgrade(s) designed, procured, constructed, and installed by Transmission Provider pursuant to this Agreement shall satisfy all requirements of applicable safety and/or engineering codes and comply with Good Utility Practice, and further, shall satisfy all Applicable Laws and Regulations. Transmission Provider shall not be required to undertake any action which is inconsistent with its standard safety practices, its material and equipment specifications, its design criteria and construction procedures, its labor agreements, or any Applicable Laws and Regulations.

3.1.2 Suspension of Work.

3.1.2.1 Right to Suspend. Affected System Interconnection Customers must jointly provide to Transmission Provider written notice of their request for suspension. Only the milestones described in the Appendices of this Agreement are subject to suspension under this Article 3.1.2. Affected System Network Upgrade(s) will be constructed on the schedule described in the Appendices of this Agreement unless: (1) construction is prevented by the order of a Governmental Authority; (2) the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) are not needed by any other Interconnection Customer; or (3) Transmission Provider determines that a Force Majeure event prevents construction. In the event of (1), (2), or (3), any security paid to Transmission Provider under Article 4.1 of this Agreement shall be released by Transmission Provider upon the determination by Transmission Provider that the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) will no longer be constructed. If suspension occurs, Affected System Interconnection Customers shall be responsible for the costs which Transmission Provider incurs (i) in accordance with this Agreement prior to the suspension; (ii) in suspending such work, including any costs incurred to perform such work as may be necessary to ensure the safety of persons and property and the integrity of Transmission Provider's Transmission System and, if applicable, any costs incurred in connection with the cancellation of contracts and orders for material which Transmission Provider cannot reasonably avoid; and (iii) reasonably incurs in winding up work and construction demobilization; provided, however, that, prior to canceling any such contracts or orders, Transmission Provider shall obtain Affected System Interconnection Customers' authorization. Affected System Interconnection Customers shall be responsible for all costs incurred in connection with Affected System Interconnection Customers' failure to authorize cancellation of such contracts or orders.

Interest on amounts paid by Affected System Interconnection Customers to Transmission Provider for the design, procurement, construction, and installation of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) shall not accrue during periods in which Affected System Interconnection Customers have suspended construction under this Article 3.1.2.

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Transmission Provider shall invoice Affected System Interconnection Customers pursuant to Article 4 and will use Reasonable Efforts to minimize its costs. In the event Affected System Interconnection Customers suspend work by Affected System Transmission Provider required under this Agreement pursuant to this Article 3.1.2.1, and have not requested Affected System Transmission Provider to recommence the work required under this Agreement on or before the expiration of three (3) years following commencement of such suspension, this Agreement shall be deemed terminated. The three-year period shall begin on the date the suspension is requested, or the date of the written notice to Affected System Transmission Provider, whichever is earlier, if no effective date of suspension is specified.

- 3.1.2.2 Recommencing of Work. If Affected System Interconnection Customers request that Transmission Provider recommence construction of Affected System Network Upgrade(s). Transmission Provider shall have no obligation to afford such work the priority it would have had but for the prior actions of Affected System Interconnection Customers to suspend the work. In such event, Affected System Interconnection Customers shall be responsible for any costs incurred in recommencing the work. All recommenced work shall be completed pursuant to an amended schedule for the interconnection agreed to by the Parties. Transmission Provider has the right to conduct a restudy of the Affected System Study if conditions have materially changed subsequent to the request to suspend. Affected System Interconnection Customers shall be responsible for the costs of any studies or restudies required.
- 3.1.2.3 Right to Suspend Due to Default. Transmission Provider reserves the right, upon written notice to Affected System Interconnection Customers, to suspend, at any time, work by Transmission Provider due to a Default by Affected System Interconnection Customer(s). Defaulting-Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) shall be responsible for any additional expenses incurred by Transmission Provider associated with the construction and installation of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) (as set forth in Article 2.2.3) upon the occurrence of a Default pursuant to Article 5. Any form of suspension by Transmission Provider shall not be barred by Articles 2.2.2, 2.2.3, or 5.2.2, nor shall it affect Transmission Provider's right to terminate the work or this Agreement pursuant to Article 6.
- Customers advised periodically as to the progress of its design, procurement, and construction efforts, as described in Appendix A. An Affected System Interconnection Customer may, at any time and reasonably, request a progress report from Transmission Provider. If, at any time, an Affected System Interconnection Customer determines that the completion of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) will not be required until after the specified in-service date, such Affected System Interconnection Customer will provide written notice to all other Parties of such later date for which the completion of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) would be required. Transmission Provider may delay the in-service date of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) accordingly, but only if agreed to by all other Affected System Interconnection Customers.
- 3.1.4 Timely Completion. Transmission Provider shall use Reasonable Efforts to design, procure, construct, install, and test the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) in accordance with the schedule set forth in Appendix A, which schedule may be revised from time to time by mutual agreement of the Parties. If any event occurs that will affect the time or ability to complete the Affected System Network Upgrade(s), Transmission Provider shall promptly notify all other Parties. In such circumstances, Transmission Provider shall, within fifteen (15) Calendar Days of

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such notice, convene a meeting with Affected System Interconnection Customers to evaluate the alternatives available to Affected System Interconnection Customers. Transmission Provider shall also make available to Affected System Interconnection Customers all studies and work papers related to the event and corresponding delay, including all information that is in the possession of Transmission Provider that is reasonably needed by Affected System Interconnection Customers to evaluate alternatives, subject to confidentiality arrangements consistent with Article 8. Transmission Provider shall, at any Affected System Interconnection Customer's request and expense, use Reasonable Efforts to accelerate its work under this Agreement to meet the schedule set forth in Appendix A, provided that (1) Affected System Interconnection Customers jointly authorize such actions, such authorizations to be withheld, conditioned, or delayed by a given Affected System Interconnection Customer only if it can demonstrate that the acceleration would have a material adverse effect on it; and (2) the requesting Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) funds the costs associated therewith in advance, or all Affected System Interconnection Customers agree in advance to fund such costs based on such other allocation method as they may adopt.

3.2 Interconnection Costs.

- 3.2.1 Costs. Affected System Interconnection Customers shall pay to Transmission Provider costs (including taxes and financing costs) associated with seeking and obtaining all necessary approvals and of designing, engineering, constructing, and testing the Affected System Network Upgrade(s), as identified in Appendix A, in accordance with the cost recovery method provided herein. Except as expressly otherwise agreed, Affected System Interconnection Customers shall be collectively responsible for these costs, based on their proportionate share of cost responsibility, as provided in Appendix A. Unless Transmission Provider elects to fund the Affected System Network Upgrade(s), they shall be initially funded by the applicable Affected System Interconnection Customer.
- 3.2.1.1 Lands of Other Property Owners. If any part of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) is to be installed on property owned by persons other than Affected System Interconnection Customers or Transmission Provider, Transmission Provider shall, at Affected System Interconnection Customers' expense, use efforts similar in nature and extent to those that it typically undertakes on its own behalf or on behalf of its Affiliates, including use of its eminent domain authority to the extent permitted and consistent with Applicable Laws and Regulations and, to the extent consistent with such Applicable Laws and Regulations, to procure from such persons any rights of use, licenses, rights-of-way, and easements that are necessary to construct, operate, maintain, test, inspect, replace, or remove the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) upon such property.

3.2.2 Repayment.

3.2.2.1 Repayment. Consistent with articles 11.4.1 and 11.4.2 of the Transmission Provider's pro forma LGIA, each Affected System Interconnection Customer shall be entitled to a cash repayment by Transmission Provider of the amount each Affected System Interconnection Customer paid to Transmission Provider, if any, for the Affected System Network Upgrade(s), including any tax gross-up or other tax-related payments associated with the Affected System Network Upgrade(s), and not refunded to Affected System Interconnection Customer pursuant to Article 3.3.1 or otherwise. The Parties may mutually agree to a repayment schedule, to be

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outlined in Appendix A, not to exceed twenty (20) years from the commercial operation date, for the complete repayment for all applicable costs associated with the Affected System Network Upgrade(s). Any repayment shall include interest calculated in accordance with the methodology set forth in FERC's regulations at 18 CFR 35.19 a(a)(2)(iii) from the date of any payment for Affected System Network Upgrade(s) through the date on which Affected System Interconnection Customers receive a repayment of such payment pursuant to this subparagraph. Interest shall not accrue during periods in which Affected System Interconnection Customers have suspended construction pursuant to Article 3.1.2.1. Affected System Interconnection Customers may assign such repayment rights to any person.

3.2.2.2 Impact of Failure to Achieve Commercial Operation. If an Affected System Interconnection Customer's generating facility fails to achieve commercial operation, but it or another generating facility is later constructed and makes use of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s), Transmission Provider shall at that time reimburse such Affected System Interconnection Customers for the portion of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) it funded. Before any such reimbursement can occur, Affected System Interconnection Customer (or the entity that ultimately constructs the generating facility, if different), is responsible for identifying the entity to which the reimbursement must be made.

3.3 Taxes.

3.3.1 Indemnification for Contributions in Aid of Construction. With regard only to payments made by Affected System Interconnection Customers to Transmission Provider for the installation of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s), Transmission Provider shall not include a gross-up for income taxes in the amounts it charges Affected System Interconnection Customers for the installation of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) unless (1) Transmission Provider has determined, in good faith, that the payments or property transfers made by Affected System Interconnection Customers to Transmission Provider should be reported as income subject to taxation, or (2) any Governmental Authority directs Transmission Provider to report payments or property as income subject to taxation. Affected System Interconnection Customers shall reimburse Transmission Provider for such costs on a fully grossed-up basis, in accordance with this Article, within thirty (30) Calendar Days of receiving written notification from Transmission Provider of the amount due, including detail about how the amount was calculated.

The indemnification obligation shall terminate at the earlier of (1) the expiration of the ten (10)-year testing period and the applicable statute of limitation, as it may be extended by Transmission Provider upon request of the Internal Revenue Service, to keep these years open for audit or adjustment, or (2) the occurrence of a subsequent taxable event and the payment of any related indemnification obligations as contemplated by this Article. Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Article 3.3.1, and to the extent permitted by law, to the extent that the receipt of such payments by Transmission Provider is determined by any Governmental Authority to constitute income by Transmission Provider subject to taxation, Affected System Interconnection Customers shall protect, indemnify, and hold harmless Transmission Provider and its Affiliates, from all claims by any such Governmental Authority for any tax, interest, and/or penalties associated with such determination. Upon receiving written notification of such determination from the Governmental Authority, Transmission Provider shall provide Affected System Interconnection Customers with written notification within thirty (30) Calendar Days of such

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determination and notification. Transmission Provider, upon the timely written request by any one or more Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) and at the expense of such Affected System Interconnection Customer(s), shall appeal, protest, seek abatement of, or otherwise oppose such determination. Transmission Provider reserves the right to make all decisions with regard to the prosecution of such appeal, protest, abatement or other contest, including the compromise or settlement of the claim; provided that Transmission Provider shall cooperate and consult in good faith with the requesting Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) regarding the conduct of such contest. Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) shall not be required to pay Transmission Provider for the tax, interest, and/or penalties prior to the seventh (7th) Calendar Day before the date on which Transmission Provider (1) is required to pay the tax, interest, and/or penalties or other amount in lieu thereof pursuant to a compromise or settlement of the appeal, protest, abatement, or other contest; (2) is required to pay the tax, interest, and/or penalties as the result of a final, non-appealable order by a Governmental Authority; or (3) is required to pay the tax, interest, and/or penalties as a prerequisite to an appeal, protest, abatement, or other contest. In the event such appeal, protest, abatement, or other contest results in a determination that Transmission Provider is not liable for any portion of any tax, interest, and/or penalties for which any Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) has already made payment to Transmission Provider, Transmission Provider shall promptly refund to such Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) any payment attributable to the amount determined to be non-taxable, plus any interest (calculated in accordance with 18 CFR 35.19a(a)(2)(iii)) or other payments Transmission Provider receives or to which Transmission Provider may be entitled with respect to such payment. Each Affected System Interconnection Customer shall provide Transmission Provider with credit assurances sufficient to meet each Affected System Interconnection Customer's estimated liability for reimbursement of Transmission Provider for taxes, interest, and/or penalties under this Article 3.3.1. Such estimated liability shall be stated in Appendix A.

To the extent that Transmission Provider is a limited liability company and not a corporation, and has elected to be taxed as a partnership, then the following shall apply: Transmission Provider represents, and the Parties acknowledge, that Transmission Provider is a limited liability company and is treated as a partnership for federal income tax purposes. Any payment made by Affected System Interconnection Customers to Transmission Provider for Affected System Network Upgrade(s) is to be treated as an upfront payment. It is anticipated by the Parties that any amounts paid by each Affected System Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider for Affected System Network Upgrade(s) will be reimbursed to such Affected System Interconnection Customer in accordance with the terms of this Agreement, provided such Affected System Interconnection Customer fulfills its obligations under this Agreement.

3.3.2 Private Letter Ruling. At the request and expense of any Affected System Interconnection Customer(s), Transmission Provider shall file with the Internal Revenue Service a request for a private letter ruling as to whether any property transferred or sums paid, or to be paid, by such Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) to Transmission Provider under this Agreement are subject to federal income taxation. Each Affected System Interconnection Customer desiring such a request will prepare the initial draft of the request for a private letter ruling and will certify under penalties of perjury that all facts represented in such request are true and accurate to the best of such Affected System Interconnection Customer's knowledge. Transmission Provider and such Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) shall cooperate in good faith with respect to the submission of such request.

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3.3.3 Other Taxes. Upon the timely request by any one or more Affected System Interconnection Customer(s), and at such Affected System Interconnection Customer(s)' sole expense, Transmission Provider shall appeal, protest, seek abatement of, or otherwise contest any tax (other than federal or state income tax) asserted or assessed against Transmission Provider for which such Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) may be required to reimburse Transmission Provider under the terms of this Agreement. Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) who requested the action shall pay to Transmission Provider on a periodic basis, as invoiced by Transmission Provider, Transmission Provider's documented reasonable costs of prosecuting such appeal, protest, abatement, or other contest. The requesting Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) and Transmission Provider shall cooperate in good faith with respect to any such contest. Unless the payment of such taxes is a prerequisite to an appeal or abatement or cannot be deferred, no amount shall be payable by Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) to Transmission Provider for such taxes until they are assessed by a final, non-appealable order by any court or agency of competent jurisdiction. In the event that a tax payment is withheld and ultimately due and payable after appeal, Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) will be responsible for all taxes, interest, and penalties, other than penalties attributable to any delay caused by Transmission Provider. Each Party shall cooperate with the other Party to maintain each Party's tax status. Nothing in this Agreement is intended to adversely affect any Party's tax-exempt status with respect to the issuance of bonds including, but not limited to, local furnishing bonds, as described in section 142(f) of the Internal

ARTICLE 4 SECURITY, BILLING, AND PAYMENTS

4.1 Provision of Security. By the earlier of (1) thirty (30) Calendar Days prior to the due date for each Affected System Interconnection Customer's first payment under the payment schedule specified in Appendix A, or (2) the first date specified in Appendix A for the ordering of equipment by Transmission Provider for installing the Affected System Network Upgrade(s), each Affected System Interconnection Customer shall provide Transmission Provider, at each Affected System Interconnection Customer's option, a guarantee, a surety bond, letter TLof credit, or other form of security that is reasonably acceptable to Transmission Provider. Such security for payment shall be in an amount sufficient to cover the costs for constructing, procuring, and installing the applicable portion of Affected System Network Upgrade(s) and shall be reduced on a dollar-fordollar basis for payments made to Transmission Provider for these purposes.

The guarantee must be made by an entity that meets the creditworthiness requirements of Transmission Provider and contain terms and conditions that guarantee payment of any amount that may be due from such Affected System Interconnection Customer, up to an agreed-to maximum amount. The letter of credit must be issued by a financial institution reasonably acceptable to Transmission Provider and must specify a reasonable expiration date.

4.2 Invoice. Each Party shall submit to the other Parties, on a monthly basis, invoices of amounts due, if any, for the preceding month. Each invoice shall state the month to which the invoice applies and fully describe the services and equipment provided. The Parties may discharge mutual debts and payment obligations due and owing to each other on the same date through netting, in which case all amounts a Party owes to another Party under this Agreement,

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including interest payments, shall be netted so that only the net amount remaining due shall be paid by the owing Party.

- **Payment.** Invoices shall be rendered to the paying Party at the address specified by the Parties. The Party receiving the invoice shall pay the invoice within thirty (30) Calendar Days of receipt. All payments shall be made in immediately available funds payable to the other Party, or by wire transfer to a bank named and account designated by the invoicing Party. Payment of invoices by a Party will not constitute a waiver of any rights or claims that Party may have under this Agreement.
- 4.4 Final Invoice. Within six (6) months after completion of the construction of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) Transmission Provider shall provide an invoice of the final cost of the construction of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) and shall set forth such costs in sufficient detail to enable each Affected System Interconnection Customer to compare the actual costs with the estimates and to ascertain deviations, if any, from the cost estimates. Transmission Provider shall refund, with interest (calculated in accordance with 18 CFR 35.19a(a)(2)(iii)), to each Affected System Interconnection Customer any amount by which the actual payment by Affected System Interconnection Customer for estimated costs exceeds the actual costs of construction within thirty (30) Calendar Days of the issuance of such final construction invoice.
- **4.5** Interest. Interest on any unpaid amounts shall be calculated in accordance with 18 CFR 35.19a(a)(2)(iii).
- 4.6 Payment During Dispute. In the event of a billing dispute among the Parties, Transmission Provider shall continue to construct the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) under this Agreement as long as each Affected System Interconnection Customer: (1) continues to make all payments not in dispute; and (2) pays to Transmission Provider or into an independent escrow account the portion of the invoice in dispute, pending resolution of such dispute. If any Affected System Interconnection Customer fails to meet these two requirements, then Transmission Provider may provide notice to such Affected System Interconnection Customer of a Default pursuant to Article 5. Within thirty (30) Calendar Days after the resolution of the dispute, the Party that owes money to another Party shall pay the amount due with interest calculated in accordance with the methodology set forth in 18 CFR 35.19a(a)(2)(iii).

ARTICLE 5 BREACH, CURE, AND DEFAULT

- **5.1 Events of Breach.** A Breach of this Agreement shall include the:
- (a) Failure to pay any amount when due;
- (b) Failure to comply with any material term or condition of this Agreement, including but not limited to any material Breach of a representation, warranty, or covenant made in this Agreement;
- (c) Failure of a Party to provide such access rights, or a Party's attempt to revoke access or terminate such access rights, as provided under this Agreement; or

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- (d) Failure of a Party to provide information or data to another Party as required under this Agreement, provided the Party entitled to the information or data under this Agreement requires such information or data to satisfy its obligations under this Agreement.
- **5.2 Definition.** Breaching Party shall mean the Party that is in Breach.
- 5.3 Notice of Breach, Cure, and Default. Upon the occurrence of an event of Breach, any Party aggrieved by the Breach, when it becomes aware of the Breach, shall give written notice of the Breach to the Breaching Party and to any other person representing a Party to this Agreement identified in writing to the other Party in advance. Such notice shall set forth, in reasonable detail, the nature of the Breach, and where known and applicable, the steps necessary to cure such Breach.
- 5.2.1 Upon receiving written notice of the Breach hereunder, the Breaching Party shall have a period to cure such Breach (hereinafter referred to as the "Cure Period") which shall be sixty (60) Calendar Days. If an Affected System Interconnection Customer is the Breaching Party and the Breach results from a failure to provide payments or security under Article 4.1 of this Agreement, the other Affected System Interconnection Customers, either individually or in concert, may cure the Breach by paying the amounts owed or by providing adequate security, without waiver of contribution rights against the breaching Affected System Interconnection Customer. Such cure for the Breach of an Affected System Interconnection Customer is subject to the reasonable consent of Transmission Provider. Transmission Provider may also cure such Breach by funding the proportionate share of the Affected System Network Upgrade costs related to the Breach of Affected System Interconnection Customer. Transmission Provider must notify all Parties that it will exercise this option within thirty (30) Calendar Days of notification that an Affected System Interconnection Customer has failed to provide payments or security under Article 4.1.
- 5.2.2 In the event the Breach is not cured within the Cure Period, the Breaching Party will be in Default of this Agreement, and the non-Defaulting Parties may (1) act in concert to amend the Agreement to remove an Affected System Interconnection Customer that is in Default from this Agreement for cause and to make other changes as necessary, or (2) either in concert or individually take whatever action at law or in equity as may appear necessary or desirable to enforce the performance or observance of any rights, remedies, obligations, agreement, or covenants under this Agreement.
- 5.3 Rights in the Event of Default. Notwithstanding the foregoing, upon the occurrence of Default, the non-Defaulting Parties shall be entitled to exercise all rights and remedies it may have in equity or at law.

ARTICLE 6
TERMINATION OF AGREEMENT

- **6.1 Expiration of Term.** Except as otherwise specified in this Article 6, the Parties' obligations under this Agreement shall terminate at the conclusion of the term of this Agreement.
- <u>6.2 Termination and Removal.</u> Subject to the limitations set forth in Article 6.3, in the event of a Default, termination of this Agreement, as to a given Affected System Interconnection

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<u>Customer or in its entirety, shall require a filing at FERC of a notice of termination, which filing must be accepted for filing by FERC.</u>

- 6.3 Disposition of Facilities Upon Termination of Agreement.
- <u>**6.3.1 Transmission Provider Obligations.** Upon termination of this Agreement, unless otherwise agreed to by the Parties in writing, Transmission Provider:</u>
- (a) shall, prior to the construction and installation of any portion of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) and to the extent possible, cancel any pending orders of, or return, such equipment or material for such Affected System Network Upgrade(s);
- (b) may keep in place any portion of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) already constructed and installed; and,
- c) shall perform such work as may be necessary to ensure the safety of persons and property and to preserve the integrity of Transmission Provider's Transmission System (e.g., construction demobilization to return the system to its original state, wind-up work).
- 6.3.2 Affected System Interconnection Customer Obligations. Upon billing by Transmission Provider, each Affected System Interconnection Customer shall reimburse Transmission Provider for its share of any costs incurred by Transmission Provider in performance of the actions required or permitted by Article 6.3.1 and for its share of the cost of any Affected System Network Upgrade(s) described in Appendix A. Transmission Provider shall use Reasonable Efforts to minimize costs and shall offset the amounts owed by any salvage value of facilities, if applicable. Each Affected System Interconnection Customer shall pay these costs pursuant to Article 4.3 of this Agreement.
- 6.3.3 Pre-construction or Installation. Upon termination of this Agreement and prior to the construction and installation of any portion of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s). Transmission Provider may, at its option, retain any portion of such Affected System Network Upgrade(s) not cancelled or returned in accordance with Article 6.3.1(a), in which case Transmission Provider shall be responsible for all costs associated with procuring such Affected System Network Upgrade(s). To the extent that an Affected System Interconnection Customer has already paid Transmission Provider for any or all of such costs, Transmission Provider shall refund Affected System Interconnection Customer for those payments. If Transmission Provider elects to not retain any portion of such facilities, and one or more of Affected System Interconnection Customers wish to purchase such facilities, Transmission Provider shall convey and make available to the applicable Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) such facilities as soon as practicable after Affected System Interconnection Customer(s)' payment for such facilities.
- 6.4 Survival of Rights. Termination or expiration of this Agreement shall not relieve any Party of any of its liabilities and obligations arising hereunder prior to the date termination becomes effective, and each Party may take whatever judicial or administrative actions as appear necessary or desirable to enforce its rights hereunder. The applicable provisions of this Agreement will continue in effect after expiration, or early termination hereof, to the extent necessary to provide for (1) final billings, billing adjustments, and other billing procedures set forth

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in this Agreement; (2) the determination and enforcement of liability and indemnification obligations arising from acts or events that occurred while this Agreement was in effect; and (3) the confidentiality provisions set forth in Article 8.

ARTICLE 7 SUBCONTRACTORS

- 7.1 Subcontractors. Nothing in this Agreement shall prevent a Party from utilizing the services of subcontractors, as it deems appropriate, to perform its obligations under this Agreement; provided, however, that each Party shall require its subcontractors to comply with all applicable terms and conditions of this Agreement in providing such services, and each Party shall remain primarily liable to the other Parties for the performance of such subcontractor.
- 7.1.1 Responsibility of Principal. The creation of any subcontract relationship shall not relieve the hiring Party of any of its obligations under this Agreement. In accordance with the provisions of this Agreement, each Party shall be fully responsible to the other Parties for the acts or omissions of any subcontractor it hires as if no subcontract had been made. Any applicable obligation imposed by this Agreement upon a Party shall be equally binding upon, and shall be construed as having application to, any subcontractor of such Party.
- 7.1.2 No Third-Party Beneficiary. Except as may be specifically set forth to the contrary herein, no subcontractor or any other party is intended to be, nor will it be deemed to be, a third-party beneficiary of this Agreement.
- **7.1.3 No Limitation by Insurance.** The obligations under this Article 7 will not be limited in any way by any limitation of any insurance policies or coverages, including any subcontractor's insurance.

ARTICLE 8 CONFIDENTIALITY

8.1 Confidentiality. Confidential Information shall include, without limitation, all information relating to a Party's technology, research and development, business affairs, and pricing, and any information supplied to the other Parties prior to the execution of this Agreement.

Information is Confidential Information only if it is clearly designated or marked in writing as confidential on the face of the document, or, if the information is conveyed orally or by inspection, if the Party providing the information orally informs the Party receiving the information that the information is confidential. The Parties shall maintain as confidential any information that is provided and identified by a Party as Critical Energy Infrastructure Information (CEII), as that term is defined in 18 CFR 388.113(c).

Such confidentiality will be maintained in accordance with this Article 8. If requested by the receiving Party, the disclosing Party shall provide in writing, the basis for asserting that the information referred to in this Article warrants confidential treatment, and the requesting Party may disclose such writing to the appropriate Governmental Authority. Each Party shall be responsible for the costs associated with affording confidential treatment to its information.

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- **8.1.1 Term.** During the term of this Agreement, and for a period of three (3) years after the expiration or termination of this Agreement, except as otherwise provided in this Article 8 or with regard to CEII, each Party shall hold in confidence and shall not disclose to any person Confidential Information. CEII shall be treated in accordance with FERC policies and regulations.
- 8.1.2 Scope. Confidential Information shall not include information that the receiving Party can demonstrate: (1) is generally available to the public other than as a result of a disclosure by the receiving Party; (2) was in the lawful possession of the receiving Party on a non-confidential basis before receiving it from the disclosing Party; (3) was supplied to the receiving Party without restriction by a non-Party, who, to the knowledge of the receiving Party after due inquiry, was under no obligation to the disclosing Party to keep such information confidential; (4) was independently developed by the receiving Party without reference to Confidential Information of the disclosing Party; (5) is, or becomes, publicly known, through no wrongful act or omission of the receiving Party or Breach of this Agreement; or (6) is required, in accordance with Article 8.1.6 of this Agreement, to be disclosed by any Governmental Authority or is otherwise required to be disclosed by law or subpoena, or is necessary in any legal proceeding establishing rights and obligations under this Agreement. Information designated as Confidential Information will no longer be deemed confidential if the Party that designated the information as confidential notifies the receiving Party that it no longer is confidential.
- 8.1.3 Release of Confidential Information. No Party shall release or disclose Confidential Information to any other person, except to its Affiliates (limited by the Standards of Conduct requirements), subcontractors, employees, agents, consultants, or to non-Parties that may be or are considering providing financing to or equity participation with Affected System Interconnection Customer(s), or to potential purchasers or assignees of Affected System Interconnection Customer(s), on a need-to-know basis in connection with this Agreement, unless such person has first been advised of the confidentiality provisions of this Article 8 and has agreed to comply with such provisions. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a Party providing Confidential Information to any person shall remain primarily responsible for any release of Confidential Information in contravention of this Article 8.
- **8.1.4 Rights.** Each Party shall retain all rights, title, and interest in the Confidential Information that it discloses to the receiving Party. The disclosure by a Party to the receiving Party of Confidential Information shall not be deemed a waiver by the disclosing Party or any other person or entity of the right to protect the Confidential Information from public disclosure.
- 8.1.5 Standard of Care. Each Party shall use at least the same standard of care to protect Confidential Information it receives as it uses to protect its own Confidential Information from unauthorized disclosure, publication, or dissemination. Each Party may use Confidential Information solely to fulfill its obligations to the other Party under this Agreement or its regulatory requirements.
- 8.1.6 Order of Disclosure. If a court or a Government Authority or entity with the right, power, and apparent authority to do so requests or requires any Party, by subpoena, oral deposition, interrogatories, requests for production of documents, administrative order, or otherwise, to disclose Confidential Information, that Party shall provide the disclosing Party with prompt notice of such request(s) or requirement(s) so that the disclosing Party may seek an appropriate protective order or waive compliance with the terms of this Agreement. Notwithstanding the

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absence of a protective order or waiver, the Party may disclose such Confidential Information which, in the opinion of its counsel, the Party is legally compelled to disclose. Each Party will use Reasonable Efforts to obtain reliable assurance that confidential treatment will be accorded any Confidential Information so furnished.

- 8.1.7 Termination of Agreement. Upon termination of this Agreement for any reason, each Party shall, within ten (10) Business Days of receipt of a written request from the other Party, use Reasonable Efforts to destroy, erase, or delete (with such destruction, erasure, and deletion certified in writing to the requesting Party) or return to the requesting Party any and all written or electronic Confidential Information received from the requesting Party, except that each Party may keep one copy for archival purposes, provided that the obligation to treat it as Confidential Information in accordance with this Article 8 shall survive such termination.
- 8.1.8 Remedies. The Parties agree that monetary damages would be inadequate to compensate a Party for another Party's Breach of its obligations under this Article 8. Each Party accordingly agrees that the disclosing Party shall be entitled to equitable relief, by way of injunction or otherwise, if the receiving Party Breaches or threatens to Breach its obligations under this Article 8, which equitable relief shall be granted without bond or proof of damages, and the Breaching Party shall not plead in defense that there would be an adequate remedy at law. Such remedy shall not be deemed an exclusive remedy for the Breach of this Article 8, but it shall be in addition to all other remedies available at law or in equity. The Parties further acknowledge and agree that the covenants contained herein are necessary for the protection of legitimate business interests and are reasonable in scope. No Party, however, shall be liable for indirect, incidental, or consequential or punitive damages of any nature or kind resulting from or arising in connection with this Article 8.
- 8.1.9 Disclosure to FERC, its Staff, or a State Regulatory Body. Notwithstanding anything in this Article 8 to the contrary, and pursuant to 18 CFR 1b.20, if FERC or its staff, during the course of an investigation or otherwise, requests information from a Party that is otherwise required to be maintained in confidence pursuant to this Agreement, the Party shall provide the requested information to FERC or its staff, within the time provided for in the request for information. In providing the information to FERC or its staff, the Party must, consistent with 18 CFR 388.112, request that the information be treated as confidential and non-public by FERC and its staff and that the information be withheld from public disclosure. Parties are prohibited from notifying the other Parties to this Agreement prior to the release of the Confidential Information to FERC or its staff. The Party shall notify the other Parties to the Agreement when it is notified by FERC or its staff that a request to release Confidential Information has been received by FERC, at which time either of the Parties may respond before such information would be made public, pursuant to 18 CFR 388.112. Requests from a state regulatory body conducting a confidential investigation shall be treated in a similar manner if consistent with the applicable state rules and regulations.
- **8.1.10** Subject to the exception in Article 8.1.9, any information that a disclosing Party claims is competitively sensitive, commercial, or financial information under this Agreement shall not be disclosed by the receiving Party to any person not employed or retained by the receiving Party, except to the extent disclosure is (1) required by law; (2) reasonably deemed by the disclosing Party to be required to be disclosed in connection with a dispute between or among the Parties, or the defense of litigation or dispute; (3) otherwise permitted by consent of the disclosing Party,

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such consent not to be unreasonably withheld; or (4) necessary to fulfill its obligations under this Agreement or as Transmission Provider or a balancing authority, including disclosing the Confidential Information to a regional or national reliability organization. The Party asserting confidentiality shall notify the receiving Party in writing of the information that Party claims is confidential. Prior to any disclosures of that Party's Confidential Information under this subparagraph, or if any non-Party or Governmental Authority makes any request or demand for any of the information described in this subparagraph, the Party that received the Confidential Information from the disclosing Party agrees to promptly notify the disclosing Party in writing and agrees to assert confidentiality and cooperate with the disclosing Party in seeking to protect the Confidential Information from public disclosure by confidentiality agreement, protective order, or other reasonable measures.

ARTICLE 9
INFORMATION ACCESS AND AUDIT RIGHTS

- 9.1 Information Access. Each Party shall make available to the other Parties information necessary to verify the costs incurred by the other Parties for which the requesting Party is responsible under this Agreement and carry out obligations and responsibilities under this Agreement, provided that the Parties shall not use such information for purposes other than those set forth in this Article 9.1 and to enforce their rights under this Agreement.
- Agreement, the accounts and records related to the design, engineering, procurement, and construction of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) shall be subject to audit during the period of this Agreement and for a period of twenty-four (24) months following Transmission Provider's issuance of a final invoice in accordance with Article 4.4. Affected System Interconnection Customers may, jointly or individually, at the expense of the requesting Party(ies), during normal business hours, and upon prior reasonable notice to Transmission Provider, audit such accounts and records. Any audit authorized by this Article 9.2 shall be performed at the offices where such accounts and records are maintained and shall be limited to those portions of such accounts and records that relate to obligations under this Agreement.

ARTICLE 10 NOTICES

10.1 General. Any notice, demand, or request required or permitted to be given by a Party to the other Parties, and any instrument required or permitted to be tendered or delivered by a Party in writing to another Party, may be so given, tendered, or delivered, as the case may be, by depositing the same with the United States Postal Service with postage prepaid, for transmission by certified or registered mail, addressed to the Parties, or personally delivered to the Parties, at the address set out below:

To Transmission Provider:

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To Affected System Interconnection Customers:

| Xcel Energy Operating Companies |
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| FERC FPA Electric Tariff |
| Third Revised Volume No. 1 |

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- **10.2** Billings and Payments. Billings and payments shall be sent to the addresses shown in Article 10.1 unless otherwise agreed to by the Parties.
- **10.3** Alternative Forms of Notice. Any notice or request required or permitted to be given by a Party to the other Parties and not required by this Agreement to be given in writing may be so given by telephone, facsimile, or email to the telephone numbers and email addresses set out below:

To Transmission Provider:

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To Affected System Interconnection Customers:

10.4 Execution and Filing. Affected System Interconnection Customers shall either: (i) execute two originals of this tendered Agreement and return them to Transmission Provider; or (ii) request in writing that Transmission Provider file with FERC this Agreement in unexecuted form. As soon as practicable, but not later than ten (10) Business Days after receiving either the two executed originals of this tendered Agreement (if it does not conform with a FERC-approved standard form of this Agreement) or the request to file this Agreement unexecuted, Transmission Provider shall file this Agreement with FERC, together with its explanation of any matters as to which Affected System Interconnection Customers and Transmission Provider disagree and support for the costs that Transmission Provider proposes to charge to Affected System Interconnection Customers under this Agreement. An unexecuted version of this Agreement should contain terms and conditions deemed appropriate by Transmission Provider for the Affected System Interconnection Customers' generating facilities. If the Parties agree to proceed with design, procurement, and construction of facilities and upgrades under the agreed-upon terms of the unexecuted version of this Agreement, they may proceed pending FERC action.

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ARTICLE 11 MISCELLANEOUS

11.1 This Agreement shall include standard miscellaneous terms including, but not limited to, indemnities, representations, disclaimers, warranties, governing law, amendment, execution, waiver, enforceability, and assignment, which reflect best practices in the electric industry, that are consistent with regional practices, Applicable Laws and Regulations, and the organizational nature of each Party. All of these provisions, to the extent practicable, shall be consistent with the provisions of this LGIP.

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| IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have executed this Agreement electronically or in multiple |
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| originals, each of which shall constitute and be an original Agreement among the Parties. |
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| <u>-</u> |
| <u>Transmission Provider</u> |
| {Transmission Provider} |
| By: |
| Name: |
| Title: |
| |
| |
| Affected System Interconnection Customer |
| {Affected System Interconnection Customer} |
| By: |
| Name: |
| Title: |
| |
| |
| Project No. |
| |
| Affected System Interconnection Customer |
| {Affected System Interconnection Customer} |
| By: |
| Name: |
| Title: |
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Appendix A to Appendix 7 Multiparty Affected System Facilities Construction Agreement

AFFECTED SYSTEM NETWORK UPGRADE(S), COST ESTIMATES AND RESPONSIBILITY, CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE, AND MONTHLY PAYMENT SCHEDULE

This Appendix A is a part of the Multiparty Affected System Facilities Construction Agreement between Affected System Interconnection Customers and Transmission Provider.

1.1 Affected System Network Upgrade(s) to be installed by Transmission Provider.

-{description}

1.2 First Equipment Order (including permitting).

{description}

1.2.1. Permitting and Land Rights – Transmission Provider Affected System Network Upgrade(s)

{description}

1.3 Construction Schedule. Where applicable, construction of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) is scheduled as follows and will be periodically updated as necessary:

Table 3: Transmission Provider Construction Activities

| MILESTONE NUMBER | DESCRIPTION | START DATE | END DATE |
|---------------------|-------------|---------------|-------------|
| _ | _ | _ | _ |
| _ | _ | _ | _ |
| _ | _ | _ | _ |
| _ | _ | _ | _ |
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| _ | _ | _ | _ |
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Note: Construction schedule assumes that Transmission Provider has obtained final authorizations and security from Affected System Interconnection Customers and all necessary

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permits from Governmental Authorities as necessary prerequisites to commence construction of any of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s).

1.4 Payment Schedule.

1.4.1 Timing of and Adjustments to Affected System Interconnection Customers'
Payments and Security.
{description}

1.4.2 Monthly Payment Schedule. Affected System Interconnection Customers' payment schedule is as follows.

{description}

<u>Table 4: Affected System Interconnection Customers' Payment/Security Obligations for Affected System Network Upgrade(s).</u>

| MILESTONE NUMBER | DESCRIPTION | DATE |
|---------------------|-------------|------|
| | _ | _ |
| _ | _ | |
| _ | _ | _ |
| _ | _ | _ |
| _ | _ | _ |
| _ | _ | _ |
| _ | | _ |
| _ | | _ |

* Affected System Interconnection Customers' proportionate responsibility for each payment is as follows:

Affected System Interconnection Customer 1 . %
Affected System Interconnection Customer 2 . %
Affected System Interconnection Customer N . %

Note: Affected System Interconnection Customers' payment or provision of security as provided in this Agreement operates as a condition precedent to Transmission Provider's obligations to construct any Affected System Network Upgrade(s), and failure to meet this schedule will constitute a Breach pursuant to Article 5.1 of this Agreement.

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1.5 Permits, Licenses, and Authorizations.

{description}

Appendix B to Appendix 7 Multiparty Affected System Facilities Construction Agreement

NOTIFICATION OF COMPLETED CONSTRUCTION

This Appendix B is a part of the Multiparty Affected System Facilities Construction Agreement among Affected System Interconnection Customers and Transmission Provider. Where applicable, when Transmission Provider has completed construction of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s), Transmission Provider shall send notice to Affected System Interconnection Customers in substantially the form following:

{Date}

Affected System Interconnection Customers Addresses

Re: Completion of Affected System Network Upgrade(s)

Dear {Name or Title}:

This letter is sent pursuant to the Multiparty Affected System Facilities Construction Agreement among {Transmission Provider} and {Affected System Interconnection Customers}, dated _______, 20 ___.

On {Date}, Transmission Provider completed to its satisfaction all work on the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) required to facilitate the safe and reliable interconnection and operation of Affected System Interconnection Customer's generating facilities. Transmission Provider confirms that the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) are in place.

Thank you.

{Signature}

{Transmission Provider Representative}

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EXHIBITS

This Appendix C is a part of the Multiparty Affected System Facilities Construction Agreement among Affected System Interconnection Customers and Transmission Provider.

Exhibit A1 Transmission Provider Site Map

Exhibit A2
Site Plan

Exhibit A3 Affected System Network Upgrade(s) Plan & Profile

Exhibit A4 Estimated Cost of Affected System Network Upgrade(s)

| | Location | Facilities to Be Constructed by Transmission Provider | Estimate in Dollars |
|---|----------|---|---------------------------|
| | | | |
| _ | _ | <u>Total:</u> | _ |

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APPENDIX 8 to LGIP PROVISIONAL INTERCONNECTION STUDY REQUEST

| 1. | provis | undersigned Interconnection Customer submits this request to evaluate the ional interconnection of its Generating Facility with Transmission ler'sProvider's Transmission System pursuant to the Tariff. | | | | | |
|----|--|---|--|--|--|--|--|
| 2. | The type of interconnection service to be evaluated (check one): Energy Resource Interconnection ServiceNetwork Resource Interconnection Service | | | | | | |
| 3. | Interco | onnection Customer provides the following information: | | | | | |
| | a. | Address or location or the proposed new Large Generating Facility site (to the extent known) or, in the case of an existing Generating Facility, the name and specific location of the existing Generating Facility; | | | | | |
| | b. | Maximum summer at degrees C and winter at degrees C megawatt electrical output of the proposed new Large Generating Facility or the amount of megawatt increase in the generating capacity of an existing Generating Facility; | | | | | |
| | C. | General description of the equipment configuration; | | | | | |
| | d. | Commercial Operation Date to be studied (Day, Month, Day, and Year); | | | | | |
| | e. Name, address, telephone number, and e-mail address of Interconnectio Customer's Customer's contact person; | | | | | | |
| | f. | Approximate location of the proposed Point of Interconnection; | | | | | |
| | g. | Interconnection Customer Data (set forth in AttachmentAppendix A) | | | | | |
| | h. | Primary frequency response operating range for electric storage resources. | | | | | |
| | i. | Requested capacity (in MW) of Interconnection Service (if lower than the Generating Facility Capacity); and | | | | | |
| | j. A Scope of Work including any additional information that may be reasonably required. | | | | | | |
| | <u>k.</u> | If applicable, (1) the requested operating assumptions (i.e., whether the interconnecting Generating Facility will or will not charge at peak load) to be used by Transmission Provider that reflect the proposed charging behavior of a Generating Facility that includes at least one electric storage resource, and (2) a description of any control technologies (software and/or hardware) that will limit the operation of the Generating Facility to its intended operation. | | | | | |
| | 4.0 : - | | | | | | |

- 4. \$\frac{1045}{000}\$ study deposit amount as specified in the Revised LGIP.
- 5. For study purposes, the point of delivery to deliver within the Control Area or to adjoining Control Area if the Generating Facility is not designated a Network Resource pursuant to Section 30.2 of the Tariff.
- 6. This Informational Provisional Interconnection Study Request shall be submitted to the representativee-mail box indicated below:

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[To be completed by Transmission Provider]

PSCointerconnection@xcelenergy.comRepresentative of Interconnection Representative of Interconnection Customer to contact:

[To be completed by Interconnection Customer]

| 8. | This Interconnection Request is submitted by: |
|----|---|
| | Name of Interconnection Customer: |
| | By (signature): |
| | Name (type or print): |
| | Title: |
| | Date: |

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LARGE GENERATING FACILITY DATA

UNIT RATINGS

| kVA | °F | Voltage |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---|
| Power Factor | | |
| Speed (RPM) | Connection (e.g. Wye) | |
| Short Circuit Ratio | Frequency, Hertz | |
| Stator Amperes at Rated kVA | | Field Volts |
| Max Turbine MW | °F | |
| Primary frequency response | onse operating range for | electric storage resources. |
| Minimum State of Cha | rge: | |
| Maximum State of Cha | | |
| | | |
| COMBINED TURI | BINE-GENERATOR-EXCI | TER INERTIA DATA |
| Inertia Constant, H = | kW sec/kVA | |
| Moment-of-Inertia, WR ² = | lb. ft. ² | |
| REACTA | NCE DATA (PER UNIT-R | ATED KVA) |
| DIR | ECT AXIS QUADRATURI | E AXIS |
| Synchronous – saturated | X _{dv} | X _{qv} |
| Synchronous – unsaturated | X_{di} | X_{qi} |
| Transient – saturated | <u>X¹</u> dv <u>X'dv</u> | X'_{qv}X'_{qv} |
| Transient – unsaturated | X' _{di} X' _{di} | X' _{qi} X' _{qi} |
| Subtransient – saturated | X" _{dv} | X" _{qv} |
| Subtransient – unsaturated | X" _{di} | X"qi |
| Negative Sequence – saturated | X2 _v | |
| Negative Sequence – unsaturate | ed X2 _i | |
| Zero Sequence – saturated | X0 _v | |
| Zero Sequence – unsaturated | X0 _i | |
| Leakage Reactance | XI_{m} | |

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| Open Circuit | | T'_{do}T'_{do} | T' q <u>o</u> T' <u>qo</u> |
|--|---|---|--|
| Three-Phase Sho | rt Circuit Transient | T' _{d3} T' _{d3} | <u> </u> |
| Line to Line Short | Circuit Transient | T'_{d1}T'_{d1} | |
| Short Circuit Subt | ransient | T" _d | T" _q |
| Open Circuit Subt | ransient | T'_{d2}T'_{d2} | |
| Line to Neutral Sh | ort Circuit Transient | T" _{do} | T" _{qo} |
| Three Phase Sho | ARMATURE TI | E CONSTANT DA IME CONSTANT | |
| Line to Line Short Line to Neutral Sh | Circuit T _{a2} | | |
| NOTE: If requested | d information is not ap | plicable, indicate | by marking "N/A." |
| | MW CAPABILITY LARGE GEN | AND PLANT CO | |
| | ARMATURE WINDIN | G RESISTANCE | EDATA (PER UNIT) |
| Positive Negative Zero | R ₁ R ₂ R ₀ | | |
| Field Current at Ra Field Current at Ra Three Phase Arma Field Winding Resi | Thermal Capacity I ₂ ² t = ted kVA, Armature Vo ted kVA and Armature ture Winding Capacita stance = ohr Resistance (Per Phas | oltage and PF =_ e Voltage, 0 PF = ance =m ms °C | =amps iicrofarad |
| | | CURVES | |
| | | | city Temperature Correction curve erating range for multiple curves. |
| G | SENERATOR STEP-U | JP TRANSFORM | IER DATA RATINGS |
| . , | Self-cooled/ Maximum Nameplate | | |

 $_{\mathsf{kVA}}$

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| Voltage Ratio(Generator Side/System side/Tertiary) | _kV | | |
|--|-------------------------------------|--|--|
| Winding Connections (Low V/High V/Tertiary V (Delta or V | | | |
| Fixed Taps Available | | | |
| Present Tap Setting | | | |
| If more than one transformer stage is used to deliver the the Transmission System, please provide the informatransformer type. | | | |
| IMPEDANCE | | | |
| Positive Z ₁ (on self-cooled kVA rating)9 | %X/R | | |
| Zero Z_0 (on self-cooled kVA rating) | %X/R | | |
| EXCITATION SYSTEM | DATA | | |
| Identify appropriate IEEE model block diagram of excitation system and power system stabilizer (PSS) for computer representation in power system stability simulations and the corresponding excitation system and PSS constants for use in the model. | | | |
| GOVERNOR SYSTEM | DATA | | |
| Identify appropriate IEEE model block diagram of governin power system stability simulations and the correspond in the model. | | | |
| WIND GENERATOR | RS | | |
| Number of generators to be interconnected pursua | nt to this Interconnection Request: | | |
| Elevation: <u>for Wind)</u> Single Phase | Three Phase | | |
| Inverter manufacturer, model name, number, and version | : | | |

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List of adjustable setpoints for the protective equipment or software:

Note: A completed General Electric Company Power Systems Load Flow (PSLF) data sheet or other compatible formats, such as IEEE and PTI power flow models, must be supplied with the Interconnection Request- as specified in the business practice manual or other OASIS postings. If other data sheets are more appropriate to the proposed device, then they shall be provided and discussed at Scoping Meeting.

INDUCTION GENERATORS

| (*) Field Volts: | |
|--|-----------------------|
| *) Field Amperes: | |
| *) Motoring Power (kW): | |
| *) Neutral Grounding Resistor (If Applicable: | |
| *) I ₂ ² t or K (Heating Time Constant): | |
| (*) Rotor Resistance: | |
| (*) Stator Resistance: | |
| (*) Stator Reactance: | |
| (*) Rotor Reactance: | |
| (*) Magnetizing Reactance: | _ |
| (*) Short Circuit Reactance: | _ |
| (*) Exciting Current: | |
| (*) Temperature Rise: | |
| (*) Frame Size: | |
| (*) Design Letter: | |
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Note: Please consult Transmission Provider prior to submitting the <u>Informational Provisional</u> Interconnection—Study Request to determine if the information designated by (*) is required.

MODELS FOR NON-SYNCHRONOUS GENERATORS For a non-synchronous Large Generating Facility, Interconnection Customer shall provide (1) a validated user-defined root mean squared (RMS) positive sequence dynamics model; (2) an appropriately parameterized generic library RMS positive sequence dynamics model, including model block diagram of the inverter control and plant control systems, as defined by the selection in Table 1 or a model otherwise approved by the Western Electricity Coordinating Council, that corresponds to Interconnection Customer's Large Generating Facility; and (3) if applicable, a validated electromagnetic transient model if Transmission Provider performs an electromagnetic transient study as part of the interconnection study process. A user-defined model is a set of programming code created by equipment manufacturers or developers that captures the latest features of controllers that are mainly software based and represents the entities' control strategies but does not necessarily correspond to any generic library model. Interconnection Customer must also demonstrate that the model is validated by providing evidence that the equipment behavior is

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consistent with the model behavior (e.g., an attestation from Interconnection Customer that the model accurately represents the entire Large Generating Facility; attestations from each equipment manufacturer that the user defined model accurately represents the component of the Large Generating Facility; or test data).

Table 1: Acceptable Generic Library RMS Positive Sequence Dynamics Models

| GE PSLF | Siemens PSS/E* | PowerWorld Simulator | Description |
|---------|--------------------|-------------------------|--|
| pvd1 | | PVD1 | Distributed PV system model |
| der a | DERAU1 | DER A | Distributed energy resource model |
| regc a | REGCAU1, REGCA1 | REGC A | Generator/converter model |
| regc_b | REGCBU1 | REGC_B | Generator/converter model |
| wt1g | WT1G1 | WT1G and WT1G1 | Wind turbine model for Type-1 wind turbines (conventional directly connected induction generator) |
| wt2g | WT2G1 | WT2G and WT2G1 | Generator model for generic Type-2 wind turbines |
| wt2e | WT2E1 | WT2E and WT2E1 | Rotor resistance control model for wound-rotor induction wind-turbine generator wt2g |
| reec_a | REECAU1, REECA1 | REEC_A | Renewable energy electrical control model |
| reec c | REECCU1 | REEC C | Electrical control model for battery energy storage system |
| reec_d | REECDU1 | REEC_D | Renewable energy electrical control model |
| wt1t | WT12T1 | WT1T and WT12T1 | Wind turbine model for Type-1 wind turbines (conventional directly connected induction generator) |
| wt1p_b | wt1p_b | WT12A1U_B | Generic wind turbine pitch controller for WTGs of Types 1 and 2 |
| wt2t | <u>WT12T1</u> | WT2T | Wind turbine model for Type-2 wind turbines (directly connected induction generator wind turbines with an external rotor resistance) |
| wtgt a | WTDTAU1, WTDTA1 | WTGT A | Wind turbine drive train model |

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| GE PSLF | Siemens PSS/E* | PowerWorld Simulator | <u>Description</u> |
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| wtga a | WTARAU1, WTARA1 | WTGA A | Simple aerodynamic model |
| wtgp_a | WTPTAU1, WTPTA1 | WTGPT_A | Wind Turbine Generator Pitch controller |
| wtgq a | WTTQAU1, WTTQA1 | WTGTRQ A | Wind Turbine Generator Torque controller |
| wtgwgo_a | WTGWGOAU | WTGWGO_A | Supplementary control model for Weak Grids |
| wtgibffr_a | WTGIBFFRA | WTGIBFFR_A | Inertial-base fast frequency response control |
| wtgp_b | WTPTBU1 | WTGPT_B | Wind Turbine Generator Pitch controller |
| wtgt b | WTDTBU1 | WTGT B | Drive train model |
| repc a | Type 4: REPCAU1 (v33). REPCA1 (v34) Type 3: REPCTAU1 (v33). REPCTA1 (v34) | REPC A | Power Plant Controller |
| repc b | PLNTBU1 | REPC B | Power Plant Level Controller for controlling several plants/devices In regard to Siemens PSS/E*: Names of other models for interface with other devices: REA3XBU1, REAX4BU1- for interface with Type 3 and 4 renewable machines SWSAXBU1- for interface with SVC (modeled as switched shunt in powerflow) SYNAXBU1- for interface with synchronous condenser FCTAXBU1- for interface with FACTS device |
| repc c | REPCCU | REPC C | Power plant controller |

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| | terconnection Customer has submitted to Transmission Provider an Informations |
| | StudyRequest or pledges to submit such a request in the next available Request Window; and |
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- <u>5.0</u> The scope of the <u>Informational Provisional</u> Interconnection Study shall be subject to the assumptions set forth in <u>AttachmentAppendix</u> A to this Agreement.
- 4.0 The Informational Interconnection Study shall be performed solely for informational purposes.

5.0 The Informational Interconnection Study report shall provide a sensitivity analysis based on the assumptions specified by Interconnection Customer in Attachment A to this Agreement. The Informational Interconnection Study shall identify Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and the Network Upgrades, and the estimated cost thereof that may be required to provide transmission service or Interconnection Service based upon the assumptions specified by Interconnection Customer in Attachment A.

Interconnection Customer shall provide a deposit of ten thousand dollars (\$10\$45,000.00) for the performance of the Informational Provisional Interconnection Study. Transmission Provider's Provider's good faith estimate for the time of completion of the Informational Provisional Interconnection Service Study is [insert date].

Upon receipt of the <u>Informational Provisional</u> Interconnection Study, Transmission Provider shall charge and Interconnection Customer shall pay the actual costs of the <u>Informational Provisional</u> Interconnection Study.

Any difference between the initial deposit payment and the actual cost of the study shall be paid by or refunded to Interconnection Customer, as appropriate.

7.0 Miscellaneous. The Informational Provisional Interconnection Study Agreement shall include standard miscellaneous terms including, but not limited to, indemnities, representations, disclaimers, warranties, governing law, amendment, execution, waiver, enforceability and assignment, that reflect best practices in the electric industry, and that are consistent with regional practices, Applicable Laws and Regulations, and the organizational nature of each Party. All of these provisions, to the extent practicable, shall be consistent with the provisions of the Revised LGIP and the LGIA.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have caused this Agreement to be duly executed by their duly authorized officers or agents on the day and year first above written.

[Insert name of Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner, if applicable]

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Appendix A
Appendix 9
Provisional Interconnection
Study Agreement

ASSUMPTIONS USED IN CONDUCTING THE PROVISIONAL INTERCONNECTION STUDY

[To be completed by Transmission Provider consistent with Article 5.9.2 of the LGIA.]

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APPENDIX 10 to LGIP SURPLUS INTERCONNECTION STUDY AGREEMENT

| THIS AGREEMENT is made | e and entered into this | day of | , 20 | by and |
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| between | , a | - | organized and exist | ing under |
| the laws of the State of | | , ("In | terconnection Custom | er,") and |
| | а | existin | g under the laws of the | e State of |
| , ("Transmission Provider"). Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider each may be | | | | |
| referred to as a "Party," or co | | | | • |

RECITALS

WHEREAS, Interconnection Customer is requesting to utilize Surplus Interconnection Service as described in Section 3.3 of the LGIP; and

WHEREAS, Interconnection Customer is proposing to utilize an existing interconnection with the Transmission System; and

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of and subject to the mutual covenants contained herein the Parties agree as follows:

- 1.0 When used in this Agreement, with initial capitalization, the terms specified shall have the meanings indicated in Transmission Provider's FERC-approved LGIP.
- 2.0 Interconnection Customer elects and Transmission Provider shall cause an Surplus Interconnection Study consistent with Section 3.3 of this LGIP to be performed in accordance with the Tariff.
- 3.0 The scope of the Surplus Interconnection Study shall be subject to the assumptions set forth in Appendix A to this Agreement.
- Studies for Surplus Interconnection Service shall consist of reactive power, short circuit/fault duty, stability analyses, and any other appropriate studies. Steady-state (thermal/voltage) analyses may be performed as necessary to ensure that all required reliability conditions are studied. If the Surplus Interconnection Service was not studied under off-peak conditions, off-peak steady state analyses shall be performed to the required level necessary to demonstrate reliable operation of the Surplus Interconnection Service. If the original System Impact Study is not available for the Surplus Interconnection Service, both off-peak and peak analysis may need to be performed for the existing Generating Facility associated with the request for Surplus Interconnection Service. The reactive power, short circuit/fault duty, stability, and steady-state analyses for Surplus Interconnection Service will identify any additional Interconnection Facilities and/or Network Upgrades. Surplus

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Interconnection Service is only available up to the amount that can be accommodated without requiring new Network Upgrades.

5.0 Interconnection Customer shall provide a deposit of \$10,000 for the performance of the Surplus Interconnection Study. Transmission Provider's good faith estimate for the time of completion of the Surplus Interconnection Study is [insert date].

<u>Upon receipt of the Surplus Interconnection Study, Transmission Provider shall charge and Interconnection Customer shall pay the actual costs of the Surplus Interconnection Study.</u>

Any difference between the initial payment and the actual cost of the study shall be paid by or refunded to Interconnection Customer, as appropriate.

Miscellaneous. The Surplus Interconnection Study shall include standard miscellaneous terms including, but not limited to, indemnities, representations, disclaimers, warranties, governing law, amendment, execution, waiver, enforceability and assignment, that reflect best practices in the electric industry, and that are consistent with regional practices, Applicable Laws and Regulations, and the organizational nature of each Party. All of these provisions, to the extent practicable, shall be consistent with the provisions of the LGIP and the LGIA.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have caused this Agreement to be duly executed by their duly authorized officers or agents on the day and year first above written.

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| Date: | |
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| By: | |
| Title: | |
| Date: | |

[Insert name of Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner, if applicable]

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Surplus Interconnection Study Agreement

ASSUMPTIONS USED IN CONDUCTING
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To be completed by Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider consistent with Section 3.3.1 of the LGIP.

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| THIS AGREEME between | NT is made and entered into , a | thisday of | , 20 by and organized and existing under nterconnection Customer,") and ng under the laws of the State of |
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| the laws of the | State of | | nterconnection Customer,") and |
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| | rred to as a "Party," or collect | connection Custo | mer and Transmission Provider |
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| | rconnection Customer is pro Section 3. <mark>9<u>10</u> of the Revised l</mark> | | ate Generation Replacement in |
| required under S | | _GIP, including a | mission Provider all information n updatedapplicable sections of |
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| 2.0 | Replacement Impact Study, Replacement Interconnectio | a Reliability Asse n Facilities Study | mission Provider shall cause a ssment Study, and a Generation (if necessary) to be performed LGIP and in accordance with the |
| 3.0 | (\$50,000.00) for the performation Assessment Study, and Facilities Study (if required | ance of the Repla any Generation l). Transmission mpletion of the F | eposit of fifty thousand dollars cement Impact Study, Reliability Replacement Interconnection Provider's Provider's good faith Replacement Impact Study and |
| | Upon receipt of the final stud | y results, Transm | ission Provider shall charge, and |

Interconnection Customer shall pay the actual costs of the Informational

Interconnectionthis Generation Replacement Study.

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Any difference between the initial deposit and the actual cost of the study shall be paid by or refunded to Interconnection Customer, as appropriate.

4.0 Miscellaneous. This Generation Interconnection Replacement Study Agreement shall include standard miscellaneous terms including, but not limited to, indemnities, representations, disclaimers, warranties, governing law, amendment, execution, waiver, enforceability and assignment, that reflect best practices in the electric industry, and that are consistent with regional practices, Applicable Laws and Regulations, and the organizational nature of each Party. All of these provisions, to the extent practicable, shall be consistent with the provisions of the Revised LGIP and the LGIA.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have caused this Agreement to be duly executed by their duly authorized officers or agents on the day and year first above written.

[Insert name of Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner, if applicable]

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(Applicable to Generating Facilities that exceed 20 MW)

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| THIS STANDARD LARGE GENERATOR INT | ERCONNECTION AGREEMENT ("Agreement" or |
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| "LGIA") is made and entered into this | day of 20, by and between |
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| laws of the State/Commonwealth of | , ("Interconnection Customer" |
| with a Large Generating Facility | |
| , organized | <u> </u> |
| State/Commonwealth of | , ("Transmission Provider and/or |
| | MW of {Energy Resource Interconnection |
| Service/Network Resource Interconnection | |
| Transmission Provider each may be referred to | o as a "Party" or collectively as the "Parties." |
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Recitals

WHEREAS, Transmission Provider operates the Transmission System; and

WHEREAS, Interconnection Customer intends to own, lease and/or control and operate the Generating Facility identified as a Large Generating Facility in Appendix C to this Agreement; and,

WHEREAS, Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider have agreed to enter into this Agreement for the purpose of interconnecting the Large Generating Facility with the Transmission System;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of and subject to the mutual covenants contained herein, it is agreed:

When used in this Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement, terms with initial capitalization that are not defined in Article 1 shall have the meanings specified in the Article in which they are used or the Open Access Transmission Tariff (Tariff).

Article 1. Definitions

Adverse System Impact shall mean the negative effects due to technical or operational limits on conductors or equipment being exceeded that may compromise the safety and reliability of the electric system.

Affected System shall mean an electric system other than the Transmission Provider's Provider's Transmission System that may be affected by the proposed interconnection.

Affected System Operator shall mean the entity that operates an Affected System.

Affiliate shall mean, with respect to a corporation, partnership or other entity, each such other corporation, partnership or other entity that directly or indirectly, through one or more

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intermediaries, controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with, such corporation, partnership or other entity.

Ancillary Services shall mean those services that are necessary to support the transmission of capacity and energy from resources to loads while maintaining reliable operation of the Transmission Provider's Transmission System in accordance with Good Utility Practice.

Applicable Laws and Regulations shall mean all duly promulgated applicable federal, state and local laws, regulations, rules, ordinances, codes, decrees, judgments, directives, or judicial or administrative orders, permits and other duly authorized actions of any Governmental Authority.

Applicable Reliability Council shall mean the reliability council applicable to the Transmission System to which the Generating Facility is directly interconnected.

Applicable Reliability Standards shall mean the <u>current</u> requirements and guidelines of <u>NERC</u>, the <u>ApplicableElectric</u> Reliability <u>Council,Organization</u> and the <u>ControlBalancing Authority</u> Area of the Transmission System to which the Generating Facility is directly interconnected.

Balancing Authority shall mean an entity that integrates resource plans ahead of time, maintains demand and resource balance within a Balancing Authority Area, and supports interconnection frequency in real time.

Balancing Authority Area shall mean the collection of generation, transmission, and loads within the metered boundaries of the Balancing Authority. The Balancing Authority maintains load-resource balance within this area.

Base Case shall mean the base case power flow, short circuit, and stability data bases used for the Interconnection Studies by the Transmission Provider or Interconnection Customer.

Breach shall mean the failure of a Party to perform or observe any material term or condition of the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement.

Breaching Party shall mean a Party that is in Breach of the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement.

Business Day shall mean Monday through Friday, excluding Federal Holidays.

Calendar Day shall mean any day including Saturday, Sunday or a Federal Holiday. If a requirement due date lands on a Saturday, Sunday or Federal Holiday, the requirement is due the next Business Day.

Cluster shall mean a group of Interconnection Requests (one or more) that are studied together for the purpose of conducting the Interconnection Studies Cluster Study.

<u>Cluster Restudy</u> shall mean a restudy of a Cluster Study conducted pursuant to Section 8.5 of the LGIP.

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<u>Cluster Study</u> shall mean the evaluation of one or more Interconnection Requests within a Cluster as described in Section 8 of the LGIP.

Clustering shall mean the process whereby a group of Interconnection Requests (one or more) that are studied together for the purpose of conducting the Interconnection Studies as described in Section 8 of the LGIP.

Commercial Operation shall mean the status of a Generating Facility, or Replacement Generating Facility, that has commenced generating electricity for sale, excluding electricity generated during Trial Operation.

Commercial Operation Date of a unit shall mean the date on which the Generating Facility, or Replacement Generating Facility, commences Commercial Operation as agreed to by the Parties pursuant to Appendix E to the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement.

Confidential Information shall mean any confidential, proprietary or trade secret information of a plan, specification, pattern, procedure, design, device, list, concept, policy or compilation relating to the present or planned business of a Party, which is designated as confidential by the Party supplying the information, whether conveyed orally, electronically, in writing, through inspection, or otherwise.

Control Area shall mean an electrical system or systems bounded by interconnection metering and telemetry, capable of controlling generation to maintain its interchange schedule with other Control Areas and contributing to frequency regulation of the interconnection. A Control Area must be certified by an Applicable NERC Regional Reliability Entity. Control Area shall have the same meaning as Balancing Authority Area as defined by NERC.

Contingent Facilities shall mean those unbuilt Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades upon which the Interconnection Request's costs, timing, and study findings are dependent, and if delayed or not built, could cause a need for restudies of the Interconnection Request or a reassessment of the Interconnection Facilities and/or Network Upgrades and/or costs and timing.

Default shall mean the failure of a Breaching Party to cure its Breach in accordance with Article 17 of the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement.

Definitive Interconnection Study Process ("Definitive Interconnection Study") shall mean the complete definitive study process inclusive of the DISIS Request Window, Customer Engagement Window, Definitive Interconnection System Impact Study, and the Interconnection Facilities Study. Both the Resource Solicitation Cluster and the DISIS Cluster are processed under the Definitive Interconnection Study.

Definitive Interconnection System Impact Study ("DISIS") shall mean an engineering study that evaluates the impact of a Cluster of Interconnection Requests on the safety and reliability of the Transmission System and, if applicable, an Affected System.

Definitive Interconnection System Impact Study Agreement ("DISIS Agreement") shall mean the form of agreement contained in Appendix 2 of the Revised LGIP for conducting the Definitive Interconnection System Impact Study.

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Definitive Interconnection System Impact Study Cluster ("DISIS Cluster") shall mean an engineering study that evaluates the impact of a Cluster of Interconnection Requests on the safety and reliability of Transmission System and, if applicable, an Affected System.

DISIS Request Window shall have the meaning set forth in Section 4.2.1 of the Revised LGIP.

Dispute Resolution shall mean the procedure for resolution of a dispute between the Parties in which they will first attempt to resolve the dispute on an informal basis.

Distribution System shall mean the Transmission Provider's Provider's facilities and equipment used to transmit electricity to ultimate usage points such as homes and industries directly from nearby generators or from interchanges with higher voltage transmission networks which transport bulk power over longer distances. The voltage levels at which distribution systems operate differ among areas.

Distribution Upgrades shall mean the additions, modifications, and upgrades to the Transmission Provider's Distribution System at or beyond the Point of Interconnection to facilitate interconnection of the Generating Facility and render the transmission service necessary to affect Interconnection Customer's Customer's wholesale sale of electricity in interstate commerce. Distribution Upgrades do not include Interconnection Facilities.

Effective Date shall mean the date on which the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement becomes effective upon execution by the Parties subject to acceptance by FERC, or if filed unexecuted, upon the date specified by FERC.

Electric Reliability Organization shall mean the North American Electric Reliability Corporation or its successor organization.

Emergency Condition shall mean a condition or situation: (1) that in the judgment of the Party making the claim is imminently likely to endanger life or property; or (2) that, in the case of a Transmission Provider, is imminently likely (as determined in a non-discriminatory manner) to cause a material adverse effect on the security of, or damage to Transmission Provider's Provider's Transmission System, Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities or the electric systems of others to which the Transmission Provider's Provider's Transmission System is directly connected; or (3) that, in the case of Interconnection Customer, is imminently likely (as determined in a non-discriminatory manner) to cause a material adverse effect on the security of, or damage to, the Generating Facility or Interconnection Customer's Customer's Interconnection Facilities. System restoration and black start shall be considered Emergency Conditions; provided, that Interconnection Customer is not obligated by the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement to possess black start capability.

Energy Resource Interconnection Service shall mean an Interconnection Service that allows the Interconnection Customer to connect its Generating Facility to the Transmission Provider's Provider's Transmission System to be eligible to deliver the Generating Facility's Facility's electric output using the existing firm or non-firm capacity of the Transmission Provider's Provider's Transmission System on an as available basis. Energy Resource Interconnection Service in and of itself does not convey transmission service.

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Engineering & Procurement (E&P) Agreement shall mean an agreement that authorizes the Transmission Provider to begin engineering and procurement of long lead-time items necessary for the establishment of the interconnection in order to advance the implementation of the Interconnection Request.

Environmental Law shall mean Applicable Laws or Regulations relating to pollution or protection of the environment or natural resources.

Existing Generating Facility shall mean a Generating Facility that is either in service or under construction with an unsuspended interconnection agreement.

Federal Power Act shall mean the Federal Power Act, as amended, 16 U.S.C. §§ 791a et seq.

FERC shall mean the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) or its successor.

Force Majeure shall mean any act of God, labor disturbance, act of the public enemy, war, insurrection, riot, fire, storm or flood, explosion, breakage or accident to machinery or equipment, any order, regulation or restriction imposed by governmental, military or lawfully established civilian authorities, or any other cause beyond a Party's Party's control. A Force Majeure event does not include acts of negligence or intentional wrongdoing by the Party claiming Force Majeure.

Generating Facility shall mean Interconnection <u>Customer's deviceCustomer's devices</u> for the production and/or storage for later injection of electricity identified in the Interconnection Request, but shall not include <u>the Interconnection Customer's Customer's Interconnection Facilities</u>. A Generating Facility consists of one or more generating unit(s) and/or storage device(s) which usually can operate independently and be brought online or taken offline individually.

Generating Facility Capacity shall mean the net capacity of the Generating Facility and aggregate net capacity of the Generating Facility where it includes multiple energymore than one device for the production devices and/or storage for later injection of electricity.

Generating Facility Modification shall mean modification to an Existing Generating Facility, including comparable replacement of only a portion of its equipment at the Existing Generating Facility.

Generation Replacement shall mean replacement of one or more generating units and/or storage devices at an Existing Generating Facility with one or more new generating units or storage devices at the same electrical Point of Interconnection as those being decommissioned and electrically disconnected.

Generator Replacement Interconnection Facilities Study shall mean a study to determine a list of facilities to grant an Interconnection Customer's request to interconnect a Replacement Generating Facility, the cost of those facilities, and the time required to interconnect those facilities. The scope of the study is defined in Section 3.10.4 3.9.4 of the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Procedures.

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Good Utility Practice shall mean any of the practices, methods and acts engaged in or approved by a significant portion of the electric industry during the relevant time period, or any of the practices, methods and acts which, in the exercise of reasonable judgment in light of the facts known at the time the decision was made, could have been expected to accomplish the desired result at a reasonable cost consistent with good business practices, reliability, safety and expedition. Good Utility Practice is not intended to be limited to the optimum practice, method, or act to the exclusion of all others, but rather to be acceptable practices, methods, or acts generally accepted in the region.

Governmental Authority shall mean any federal, state, local or other governmental regulatory or administrative agency, court, commission, department, board, or other governmental subdivision, legislature, rulemaking board, tribunal, or other governmental authority having jurisdiction over the Parties, their respective facilities, or the respective services they provide, and exercising or entitled to exercise any administrative, executive, police, or taxing authority or power; provided, however, that such term does not include Interconnection Customer, Transmission Provider, or any Affiliate thereof.

Hazardous Substances shall mean any chemicals, materials or substances defined as or included in the definition of "-"hazardous substances," "," "hazardous wastes," "," "hazardous materials," "," "hazardous constituents," "," "restricted hazardous materials," "," "extremely hazardous substances," "," "toxic substances," "," "radioactive substances," "," "contaminants," "," "pollutants," "," "toxic pollutants," or words of similar meaning and regulatory effect under any applicable Environmental Law, or any other chemical, material or substance, exposure to which is prohibited, limited or regulated by any applicable Environmental Law.

Informational Interconnection Study shall mean an analysis based on assumptions specified by Interconnection Customer in the Informational Interconnection Study Agreement.

Informational Interconnection Study Agreement shall mean the form of agreement contained in Appendix 7 of the Revised LGIP for conducting the Informational Interconnection Study.

Initial Synchronization Date shall mean the date upon which the Generating Facility is initially synchronized and upon which Trial Operation begins.

In-Service Date shall mean the date upon which the Interconnection Customer reasonably expects it will be ready to begin use of the Transmission <u>Provider's Provider's Interconnection Facilities to obtain back feed power.</u>

Interconnection Customer shall mean any entity, including the Transmission Provider, Transmission Owner or any of the Affiliates or subsidiaries of either, that proposes to interconnect its Generating Facility with the Transmission Provider's Provider's Transmission System.

Interconnection <u>Customer's Customer's</u> Interconnection Facilities shall mean all facilities and equipment, as identified in Appendix A of the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement, that are located between the Generating Facility and the Point of Change of Ownership, including any modification, addition, or upgrades to such facilities and equipment necessary to physically and electrically interconnect the Generating Facility to the Transmission

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<u>Provider's Provider's</u> Transmission System. Interconnection <u>Customer's Customer's</u> Interconnection Facilities are sole use facilities (e.g. for generator interconnection).

Interconnection Facilities shall mean the Transmission Provider's Provider's Interconnection Facilities and the Interconnection Customer's Customer's Interconnection Facilities. Collectively, Interconnection Facilities include all facilities and equipment between the Generating Facility and the Point of Interconnection, including any modification, additions or upgrades that are necessary to physically and electrically interconnect the Generating Facility to the Transmission Provider's Provider's Transmission System. Interconnection Facilities are sole use facilities (e.g. for generator interconnection) and shall not include Distribution Upgrades, Stand Alone Network Upgrades or Network Upgrades. Interconnection Facilities may be shared by more than one Generating Facility in a Cluster.

Interconnection Facilities Study shall mean a study conducted by the Transmission Provider or a third party consultant for the Interconnection Customer to determine a list of facilities (including Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades as identified in the Definitive Interconnection System ImpactCluster Study), the cost of those facilities, and the time required to interconnect the Generating Facility or Replacement Generating Facility with the Transmission Provider's Provider's Transmission System. The scope of the study is defined in Section 89 of the Revised LGIP.

Interconnection Facilities Study Agreement shall mean the form of agreement contained in Appendix 3 of the Revised LGIP for conducting the Interconnection Facilities Study.

Interconnection Request shall mean an Interconnection Customer's request, in the form of Appendix 1 to the Revised_LGIP, in accordance with the Tariff, to (1) interconnect a new Generating Facility, or to(2) increase the capacity of, or (3) make a Material Modification to the operating characteristics of, (a) an existing Existing Generating Facility that is interconnected with the Transmission Provider's Transmission System or (b) a Generating Facility with an LGIA that is not yet interconnected.

Interconnection Service shall mean the service provided by the Transmission Provider associated with interconnecting the Interconnection <u>Customer's Customer's</u> Generating Facility to the Transmission <u>Provider's Provider's</u> Transmission System and enabling it to receive electric energy and capacity from the Generating Facility at the Point of Interconnection, pursuant to the terms of the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement and, if applicable, the Transmission <u>Provider's Provider's</u> Tariff.

Interconnection Study shall mean any of the following various interconnection studies: the Replacement Impact Study, the Reliability Assessment Study, Generator Replacement Interconnection Facilities Study, the Informational Interconnection Study, the Definitive Interconnection System Impact Study, and the Interconnection Facilities Study described in the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Procedures or Revised LGIP.

Interconnection Study Agreement shall mean an agreement relating to the performance of any of the following agreements: the Informational Interconnection Study Agreement, the Definitive Interconnection System Impact Study Agreement, or the Interconnection Facilities Study

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Agreementvarious interconnection studies described in the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Procedures or Revised LGIP.

IRS shall mean the Internal Revenue Service.

Joint Operating Committee shall be a group made up of representatives from Interconnection Customers and the Transmission Provider to coordinate operating and technical considerations of Interconnection Service.

Large Generating Facility shall mean a Generating Facility having a Generating Facility Capacity of more than 20 MW or any size Generating Facility requesting NRIS.

LGIA Milestone Deposit shall mean the deposit Interconnection Customer submits when returning the executed LGIA, or within 10 Business Days of requesting that the LGIA be filed unexecuted at the Commission, in accordance with Section 12.3 of the LGIP.

LGIA Readiness Demonstration shall mean milestones provided in Appendix B of this LGIA.

LGIP shall mean the Large Generator Interconnection Process as described in this Attachment N.

Loss shall mean any and all losses relating to injury to or death of any person or damage to property, demand, suits, recoveries, costs and expenses, court costs, attorney fees, and all other obligations by or to third parties, arising out of or resulting from the other Party's Party's Par

Material Modification shall mean: (1) modification to an Interconnection Request in the queue that has a material adverse impact on the cost or timing of any other Interconnection Request with <u>aan equal</u> later queue priority date; or (2) planned modification to an Existing Generating Facility that is undergoing evaluation for a Generating Facility Modification or Generation Replacement, and has a material adverse impact on the Transmission System, as compared to the impacts of the Existing Generating Facility prior to the modification or replacement, with respect to: i) steady-state thermal or voltage limits, ii) dynamic system stability and response, or iii) short-circuit capability limit.

Metering Equipment shall mean all metering equipment installed or to be installed at the Generating Facility pursuant to the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement at the metering points, including but not limited to instrument transformers, MWh-meters, data acquisition equipment, transducers, remote terminal unit, communications equipment, phone lines, and fiber optics.

NERC shall mean the North American Electric Reliability Council or its successor organization.

Network Resource shall mean any designated generating resource owned, purchased, or leased by a Network Customer under the Network Integration Transmission Service Tariff. Network Resources do not include any resource, or any portion thereof, that is committed for sale to third

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parties or otherwise cannot be called upon to meet the Network Customer's Customer's Network Load on a non-interruptible basis.

Network Resource Interconnection Service shall mean an Interconnection Service that allows the Interconnection Customer to integrate its Large Generating Facility with the Transmission Provider's Transmission System (1) in a manner comparable to that in which the Transmission Provider integrates its generating facilities to serve native load customers; or (2) in an RTO or ISO with market based congestion management, in the same manner as Network Resources. Network Resource Interconnection Service in and of itself does not convey transmission service.

Network Upgrades shall mean the additions, modifications, and upgrades to the Transmission Provider's Provider's Transmission System required at or beyond the point at which the Interconnection Facilities connect to the Transmission Provider's Provider's Transmission System to accommodate the interconnection of the Large Generating Facility to the Transmission Provider's Provider's Transmission System.

Notice of Dispute shall mean a written notice of a dispute or claim that arises out of or in connection with the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement or its performance.

OASIS shall mean the Transmission Provider's Open Access Same-Time Information System

Party or Parties shall mean Transmission Provider, Transmission Owner, Interconnection Customer or any combination of the above.

Phase ("Phase 1, Phase 2, Phase 3, or Phase 4") shall mean a distinct part of the Definitive Study Process as described in Section 7.

Point of Change of Ownership shall mean the point, as set forth in Appendix A to the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement, where the Interconnection Customer's Customer's Interconnection Facilities connect to the Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities.

Point of Interconnection shall mean the point, as set forth in Appendix A to the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement, where the Interconnection Facilities connect to the Transmission Provider's Transmission System.

Proportional Impact Method shall mean a technical analysis conducted by Transmission Provider to determine the degree to which each Generating Facility in the Cluster Study contributes to the need for a specific System Network Upgrade.

Provisional Interconnection Service shall mean interconnection service provided by Transmission Provider associated with interconnecting—the Interconnection Customer's Generating Facility to Transmission Provider's Transmission System and enabling that Transmission System to receive electric energy and capacity from the Generating Facility at the Point of Interconnection, pursuant to the terms of the Provisional Large Generator Interconnection Agreement and, if applicable, the Tariff.

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Provisional Large Generator Interconnection Agreement (PLGIA) shall mean the interconnection agreement for Provisional Interconnection Service established between Transmission Provider and/or the Transmission Owner and the Interconnection Customer. This The pro forma agreement shall take is provided in Appendix 8 and takes the form of the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement, modified for provisional purposes. Provisional Large Generator Interconnection Agreements are not eligible for suspension.

Queue shall mean a queue for valid Interconnection Requests for the Definitive Interconnection Study Process.

Queue Position shall mean the order of a valid Interconnection Request, relative to all other pending valid Interconnection Requests, in the Definitive Interconnection Study Process. The Queue Position is established based upon the date and time Interconnection Customer satisfies allestablished pursuant to Section 4 of the requirements of Section 7.2 of the Revised-LGIP to enter the Definitive Interconnection Study Process.

Readiness Milestone Demonstration(s) shall have the meaning set forth in Section 7.78.6 of the Revised LGIP.

Reasonable Efforts shall mean, with respect to an action required to be attempted or taken by a Party under the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement, efforts that are timely and consistent with Good Utility Practice and are otherwise substantially equivalent to those a Party would use to protect its own interests.

Reliability Assessment Study shall mean an engineering study that evaluates the impact of a proposed Generation Replacement on the reliability of the Transmission System during the time period between the date that the Existing Generating Facility ceases commercial operations and the expected Commercial Operation Date of the Replacement Generating Facility.

Replacement Generating Facility shall mean a Generating Facility that replaces an Existing Generating Facility, or a portion thereof, at the same electrical Point of Interconnection pursuant to Section 3.9 of the Large Generator Interconnection Procedures.

Replacement Impact Study shall mean an engineering study that evaluates the impact of a proposed Generation Replacement on the reliability of the Transmission System.

Revised LGIP shall mean the Large Generator Interconnection Process ad described in this Attachment N.

Resource Plan shall mean any process authorized or required by Applicable Laws and Regulations for, *inter alia*, the selection of Generating Facilities interconnected to the Transmission System of Transmission Provider

Resource Planning Entity shall mean any entity subject to or conducting a Resource Solicitation Process.

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Resource Solicitation Cluster shall mean a Cluster Study associated with a Resource Planning Process.

Resource Solicitation Process shall mean any process authorized or required by Applicable Laws and Regulations for the acquisition of Network Resources by an entity interconnected to the Transmission System of Transmission Provider.

Scoping Meeting shall mean the meeting between representatives of the Interconnection Customer(s) and Transmission Provider conducted for the purpose of discussing the proposed Interconnection Request, and any alternative interconnection options, to exchange exchanging information including any transmission data and earlier study evaluations that would be reasonably expected to affect such interconnection options, to analyze refining information and models provided by Interconnection Customer(s), discussing Cluster Study materials posted to OASIS pursuant to Section 3.4.6 of the LGIP, and analyzing such information, and to determine the potential feasible Points of Interconnection.

Site Control shall mean the exclusive land right to develop, construct, operate, and maintain the Generating Facility over the term of expected operation of the Generating Facility. Site Control shall include the right to develop, construct, operate, and maintain Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities. Site Control may be demonstrated by documentation establishing: (1) ownership of, a leasehold interest in, or a right to develop a site of sufficient size to construct and operate the Generating Facility—and—associated—Interconnection—Customer's—Interconnection—Facilities; (2) an option to purchase or acquire a leasehold interest in a site of sufficient size to construct and operate the Generating Facility and associated Interconnection—Facilities for such purpose; or (3) any other documentation that clearly demonstrates the right of the Interconnection Customer to exclusively occupy a site of sufficient size to construct and operate the Generating Facility. Site Control for any co-located project is demonstrated by a contract or other agreement demonstrating shared land use for all co-located projects that meet the aforementioned provisions of this Site Control definition. Transmission Provider will maintain acreage requirements for each Generating Facility type on its OASIS or public website.

Small Generating Facility shall mean a Generating Facility that has a Generating Facility Capacity of no more than 20 MW not requesting NRIS.

Stand Alone Network Upgrades shall mean Network Upgrades that are not a part of an Affected System that an Interconnection Customer may construct without affecting day-to-day operations of the Transmission System during their construction. Both the and the following conditions are met: (1) a Substation Network Upgrade must only be required for a single Interconnection Customer in the Cluster and no other Interconnection Customer in that Cluster is required to interconnect to the same Substation Network Upgrades, and (2) a System Network Upgrade must only be required for a single Interconnection Customer in the Cluster, as indicated under Transmission Provider's Proportional Impact Method. Both Transmission Provider and the Interconnection Customer must agree as to what constitutes Stand Alone Network Upgrades and identify them in Appendix A to the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement. If the Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer disagree about whether a particular Network Upgrade is a Stand Alone Network Upgrade, the Transmission Provider must provide the Interconnection Customer a written technical explanation outlining why the Transmission

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Provider does not consider the Network Upgrade to be a Stand Alone Network Upgrade within 15 days Business Days of its determination.

Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement (LGIA) shall mean the form of interconnection agreement applicable to an Interconnection Request pertaining to a Large Generating Facility that is included in the Transmission Provider's Provider's Tariff.

Standard Large Generator Interconnection Procedures (LGIP) shall mean the interconnection procedures applicable to an Interconnection Request pertaining to a Large Generating Facility that are included in the Transmission Provider's Provider's Tariff.

<u>Substation Network Upgrades</u> shall mean Network Upgrades that are required at the substation located at the Point of Interconnection.

Surplus Interconnection Service shall mean any unneeded portion of Interconnection Service established in a <u>Standard</u> Large Generator Interconnection Agreement, such that if Surplus Interconnection Service is utilized the total amount of Interconnection Service at the Point of Interconnection would remain the same.

<u>System Network Upgrades</u> shall mean Network Upgrades that are required beyond the substation located at the Point of Interconnection.

System Protection Facilities shall mean the equipment, including necessary protection signal communications equipment, required to protect (1) the Transmission Provider's Provider's Transmission System from faults or other electrical disturbances occurring at the Generating Facility and (2) the Generating Facility from faults or other electrical system disturbances occurring on the Transmission Provider's Provider's Transmission System or on other delivery systems or other generating systems to which the Transmission Provider's Provider's Transmission System is directly connected.

Tariff shall mean the Transmission Provider's Provider's Tariff through which open access transmission service and Interconnection Service are offered, as filed with FERC, and as amended or supplemented from time to time, or any successor tariff.

Transmission Owner shall mean an entity that owns, leases or otherwise possesses an interest in the portion of the Transmission System at the Point of Interconnection and may be a Party to the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement to the extent necessary.

Transmission Provider shall mean the public utility (or its designated agent) that owns, controls, or operates transmission or distribution facilities used for the transmission of electricity in interstate commerce and provides transmission service under the Tariff. The term Transmission Provider should be read to include the Transmission Owner when the Transmission Owner is separate from the Transmission Provider.

Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities shall mean all facilities and equipment owned, controlled or operated by the Transmission Provider from the Point of Change of Ownership to the Point of Interconnection as identified in Appendix A to the Standard Large

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Generator Interconnection Agreement, including any modifications, additions or upgrades to such facilities and equipment. Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities are sole use facilities (e.g. for generator interconnection) and shall not include Distribution Upgrades, Stand Alone Network Upgrades or Network Upgrades. Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities may be shared by more than one Generating Facility in a given Cluster Study.

Transmission System shall mean the facilities owned, controlled or operated by the Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner that are used to provide transmission service under the Tariff.

Trial Operation shall mean the period during which Interconnection Customer is engaged in onsite test operations and commissioning of the Generating Facility prior to Commercial Operation.

Variable Energy Resource shall mean a device for the production of electricity that is characterized by an energy source that: (1) is renewable; (2) cannot be stored by the facility owner or operator; and (3) has variability that is beyond the control of the facility owner or operator.

Withdrawal Penalty shall have mean the meaning penalty assessed by Transmission Provider to an Interconnection Customer that chooses to withdraw or is deemed withdrawn from Transmission Provider's interconnection queue or whose Generating Facility does not otherwise reach Commercial Operation. The calculation of the Withdrawal Penalty is set forth in Section 3.7.1 of the Revised-LGIP.

Article 2. Effective Date, Term, and Termination

2.1 Effective Date.

This LGIA shall become effective upon execution by the Parties subject to acceptance by FERC (if applicable), or if filed unexecuted, upon the date specified by FERC. Transmission Provider shall promptly file this LGIA with FERC upon execution in accordance with Article 3.1, if required.

2.2 Term of Agreement.

Subject to the provisions of Article 2.3, this LGIA shall remain in effect for a period of ten (10) years from the Effective Date or such other longer period as Interconnection Customer may request (Term to be specified in individual agreements) and shall be automatically renewed for each successive one-year period thereafter.

2.3 Termination Procedures.

2.3.1 Written Notice.

This LGIA may be terminated by Interconnection Customer after giving Transmission Provider ninety (90) Calendar Days advance written notice, or by Transmission Provider notifying FERC after the Generating Facility permanently ceases Commercial Operation. This LGIA shall be terminated by Transmission Provider if the Generating Facility or a portion of the Generating Facility fails to achieve Commercial Operation by the Commercial Operation Date established in accordance with Section 4.4.5 of the Revised LGIP,

including any extension provided thereunder, or, having previously achieved Commercial Operation, has ceased Commercial Operation for three (3) consecutive years, beginning with the last date of Commercial Operation for the Generating Facility, after giving Interconnection Customer ninety (90) Calendar Days advance written notice. Notwithstanding the forgoing, this LGIA shall not be terminated if the Interconnection customer has been approved for replacing or modifying its Generating Facility per Section 3.910 of the Revised LGIP until the LGIA associated with the replacement facility is in effect. When only a portion of the Generating Facility fails to achieve Commercial Operation by the Commercial Operation Date established in accordance with Section 4.4.5 of the Revised LGIP, including any extension provided thereunder, Transmission Provider shall terminate only that portion of the LGIA. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the limited circumstance that the Interconnection Request is served by a Contingent Facility with an in-service date that is later than the Commercial Operation Date permitted under Section 4.4.5 of the Revised LGIP, Transmission Provider shall terminate this LGIA only for failure to achieve Commercial Operation by ninety (90) Calendar Days after that later in-service date of the Contingent Facility. The Generating Facility will not be deemed to have ceased Commercial Operation for purposes of this Article 2.3.1 if Interconnection Customer can document that it has taken other significant steps to maintain or restore operational readiness of the Generating Facility for the purpose of returning the Generating Facility to Commercial Operation as soon as possible.

2.3.2 Default.

Either Party may terminate this LGIA in accordance with Article 17.

2.3.3 Notwithstanding Articles 2.3.1 and 2.3.2, no termination shall become effective until the Parties have complied with all Applicable Laws and Regulations applicable to such termination, including the filing with FERC of a notice of termination of this LGIA, which notice has been accepted for filing by FERC.

2.4 Termination Costs.

If a Party elects to terminate this Agreement pursuant to Article 2.3 above, each Party shall pay all costs incurred (including any cancellation costs relating to orders or contracts for Interconnection Facilities and equipment) or charges assessed by the other Party, as of the date of the other Party's receipt of such notice of termination, that are the responsibility of the Terminating Party under this LGIA. In the event of termination by a Party, the Parties shall use commercially Reasonable Efforts to mitigate the costs, damages and charges arising as a consequence of termination. Upon termination of this LGIA, unless otherwise ordered or approved by FERC:

2.4.1 With respect to any portion of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities that have not yet been constructed or installed, Transmission Provider shall to the extent possible and with Interconnection Customer's Customer's authorization cancel any pending orders of, or return, any materials or equipment for, or contracts for construction of, such facilities; provided that in the event Interconnection Customer elects not to authorize

such cancellation, Interconnection Customer shall assume all payment obligations with respect to such materials, equipment, and contracts, and Transmission Provider shall deliver such material and equipment, and, if necessary, assign such contracts, to Interconnection Customer as soon as practicable, at Interconnection Customer's Customer's expense. To the extent that Interconnection Customer has already paid Transmission Provider for any or all such costs of materials or equipment not taken by Interconnection Customer, Transmission Provider shall promptly refund such amounts to Interconnection Customer, less any costs, including penalties incurred by Transmission Provider to cancel any pending orders of or return such materials, equipment, or contracts.

If an Interconnection Customer terminates this LGIA, it shall be responsible for all costs incurred in association with that Interconnection Customer's Customer's interconnection, including any cancellation costs relating to orders or contracts for Interconnection Facilities and equipment, and other expenses including any Network Upgrades for which Transmission Provider has incurred expenses and has not been reimbursed by Interconnection Customer.

- 2.4.2 Transmission Provider may, at its option, retain any portion of such materials, equipment, or facilities that Interconnection Customer chooses not to accept delivery of, in which case Transmission Provider shall be responsible for all costs associated with procuring such materials, equipment, or facilities.
- 2.4.3 With respect to any portion of the Interconnection Facilities, and any other facilities already installed or constructed pursuant to the terms of this LGIA, Interconnection Customer shall be responsible for all costs associated with the removal, relocation or other disposition or retirement of such materials, equipment, or facilities.
- 2.4.4 Transmission Provider shall refund the security provided under Section 402.3 of the Revised LGIP, including any accumulated interest, if applicable. Notwithstanding the foregoing, prior to remitting such security, plus accumulated interest, Transmission Provider shall offset against such security, and accumulated interest, any unpaid costs or penalties arising out of this Agreement or the Revised LGIP. Monies due to the Interconnection Customer shall be remitted within 90 days of the later of the date of termination or completion of any restudy triggered by the LGIA termination.

2.5 Disconnection.

Upon termination of this LGIA, the Parties will take all appropriate steps to disconnect the Large Generating Facility from the Transmission System. All costs required to effectuate such disconnection shall be borne by the terminating Party, unless such termination resulted from the non-terminating Party's Party's Default of this LGIA or such non-terminating Party otherwise is responsible for these costs under this LGIA.

2.6 Survival.

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This LGIA shall continue in effect after termination to the extent necessary to provide for final billings and payments and for costs incurred hereunder, including billings and payments pursuant to this LGIA; to permit the determination and enforcement of liability and indemnification obligations arising from acts or events that occurred while this LGIA was in effect; and to permit each Party to have access to the lands of the other Party pursuant to this LGIA or other applicable agreements, to disconnect, remove or salvage its own facilities and equipment

Article 3. Regulatory Filings

3.1 Filing.

Transmission Provider shall file this LGIA (and any amendment hereto) with the appropriate Governmental Authority, if required. Interconnection Customer may request that any information so provided be subject to the confidentiality provisions of Article 22. If Interconnection Customer has executed this LGIA, or any amendment thereto, Interconnection Customer shall reasonably cooperate with Transmission Provider with respect to such filing and to provide any information reasonably requested by Transmission Provider needed to comply with applicable regulatory requirements.

Article 4. Scope of Service

4.1 Interconnection Product Options.

Interconnection Customer has selected the following (checked) type of Interconnection Service:

4.1.1 Energy Resource Interconnection Service. [Selected/Not Selected]

4.1.1.1 The Product.

Energy Resource Interconnection Service allows Interconnection Customer to connect the Large Generating Facility to the Transmission System and be eligible to deliver the Large Generating Facility's output using the existing firm or non-firm capacity of the Transmission System on an "as available" basis. To the extent Interconnection Customer wants to receive Energy Resource Interconnection Service, Transmission Provider shall construct facilities identified in AttachmentAppendix A.

4.1.1.2 Transmission Delivery Service Implications.

Under Energy Resource Interconnection Service, Interconnection Customer will be eligible to inject power from the Large Generating Facility into and deliver power across the interconnecting Transmission Provider's Provider's Transmission System on an "as available" basis up to the amount of MWs identified in the applicable stability and steady state studies to the extent the upgrades initially required to qualify for Energy Resource Interconnection Service have been constructed. Where eligible to do so (e.g., PJM, ISO-NE, NYISO), Interconnection Customer may place a bid to sell into the market up to the maximum identified Large Generating Facility output, subject to any conditions specified in the interconnection

service approval, and the Large Generating Facility will be dispatched to the extent Interconnection Customer's Customer's bid clears. In all other instances, no transmission delivery service from the Large Generating Facility is assured, but Interconnection Customer may obtain Point-to-Point Transmission Service, Network Integration Transmission Service, or be used for secondary network transmission service, pursuant to Transmission Provider's Provider's Tariff, up to the maximum output identified in the stability and steady state studies. In those instances, in order for Interconnection Customer to obtain the right to deliver or inject energy beyond the Large Generating Facility Point of Interconnection or to improve its ability to do so, transmission delivery service must be obtained pursuant to the provisions of Transmission Provider's Provider's Tariff. The Interconnection Customer's Customer's ability to inject its Large Generating Facility output beyond the Point of Interconnection, therefore, will depend on the existing capacity of Transmission Provider's Provider's Transmission System at such time as a transmission service request is made that would accommodate such delivery. The provision of firm Point-to-Point Transmission Service or Network Integration Transmission Service may require the construction of additional Network Upgrades.

4.1.2 Network Resource Interconnection Service. [Selected/Not Selected]

4.1.2.1 The Product.

Transmission Provider must conduct the necessary studies and construct the Network Upgrades needed to integrate the Large Generating Facility (1) in a manner comparable to that in which Transmission Provider integrates its generating facilities to serve native load customers; or (2) in an ISO or RTO with market based congestion management, in the same manner as all Network Resources. To the extent Interconnection Customer wants to receive Network Resource Interconnection Service, Transmission facilities identified Provider shall construct the in Attachment Appendix A to this LGIA.

4.1.2.2 Transmission Delivery Service Implications.

Network Resource Interconnection Service allows Interconnection Customer's Customer's Large Generating Facility to be designated by any Network Customer under the Tariff on Transmission Provider's Transmission System as a Network Resource, up to the Large Generating Facility's Facility's full output, on the same basis as existing Network Resources interconnected to Transmission Provider's Provider's Transmission System, and to be studied as a Network Resource on the assumption that such a designation will occur. Although Network Resource Interconnection Service does not convey a reservation of transmission service, any

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Network Customer under the Tariff can utilize its network service under the Tariff to obtain delivery of energy from the interconnected Interconnection Customer's Customer's Large Generating Facility in the same manner as it accesses Network Resources. A Large Generating Facility receiving Network Resource Interconnection Service may also be used to provide Ancillary Services after technical studies and/or periodic analyses are performed with respect to the Large Generating Facility's Facility's ability to provide any applicable Ancillary Services, provided that such studies and analyses have been or would be required in connection with the provision of such Ancillary Services by any existing Network Resource. However, if an Interconnection Customer's Customer's Large Generating Facility has not been designated as a Network Resource by any load, it cannot be required to provide Ancillary Services except to the extent such requirements extend to all generating facilities that are similarly situated. The provision of Network Integration Transmission Service or firm Point-to-Point Transmission Service may require additional studies and the construction of additional upgrades. Because such studies and upgrades would be associated with a request for delivery service under the Tariff, cost responsibility for the studies and upgrades would be in accordance with FERC's policy for pricing transmission delivery services.

Network Resource Interconnection Service does not necessarily provide Interconnection Customer with the capability to physically deliver the output of its Large Generating Facility to any particular load on Transmission Provider's Provider's Transmission System without incurring congestion costs. In the event of transmission constraints on Transmission Provider's Provider's Transmission System, Interconnection Customer's Customer's Large Generating Facility shall be subject to the applicable congestion management procedures in Transmission Provider's Provider's Transmission System in the same manner as Network Resources.

There is no requirement either at the time of study or interconnection, or at any point in the future, that Interconnection Customer's Customer's Large Generating Facility be designated as a Network Resource by a Network Service Customer under the Tariff or that Interconnection Customer identify a specific buyer (or sink). To the extent a Network Customer does designate the Large Generating Facility as a Network Resource, it must do so pursuant to Transmission Provider's Provider's Tariff.

Once an Interconnection Customer satisfies the requirements for obtaining Network Resource Interconnection Service, any future transmission service request for delivery from the Large Generating Facility within Transmission Provider's Provider's Transmission

System of any amount of capacity and/or energy, up to the amount initially studied, will not require that any additional studies be performed or that any further upgrades associated with such Large Generating Facility be undertaken, regardless of whether or not such Large Generating Facility is ever designated by a Network Customer as a Network Resource and regardless of changes in ownership of the Large Generating Facility. However, the reduction or elimination of congestion or redispatch costs may require additional studies and the construction of additional upgrades.

To the extent Interconnection Customer enters into an arrangement for long term transmission service for deliveries from the Large Generating Facility outside Transmission Provider's Provider's Transmission System, such request may require additional studies and upgrades in order for Transmission Provider to grant such request.

4.2 Provision of Service.

Transmission Provider shall provide Interconnection Service for the Large Generating Facility at the Point of Interconnection.

4.3 Performance Standards.

Each Party shall perform all of its obligations under this LGIA in accordance with Applicable Laws and Regulations, Applicable Reliability Standards, and Good Utility Practice, and to the extent a Party is required or prevented or limited in taking any action by such regulations and standards, such Party shall not be deemed to be in Breach of this LGIA for its compliance therewith. If such Party is a Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner, then that Party shall amend the LGIA and submit the amendment to FERC for approval.

4.4 No Transmission Delivery Service.

The execution of this LGIA does not constitute a request for, nor the provision of, any transmission delivery service under Transmission Provider's Provider's Tariff, and does not convey any right to deliver electricity to any specific customer or Point of Delivery.

4.5 Interconnection Customer Provided Services.

The services provided by Interconnection Customer under this LGIA are set forth in Article 9.6 and Article 13.5.1. Interconnection Customer shall be paid for such services in accordance with Article 11.6.

Article 5. Interconnection Facilities Engineering, Procurement, and Construction

5.1 Options.

Unless otherwise mutually agreed to between the Parties, Interconnection Customer shall select the In-Service Date, Initial Synchronization Date, and Commercial Operation Date; and either the Standard Option or Alternate Option set forth below for completion of Transmission Provider's Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades as set forth in Appendix A, Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades, and such dates and

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selected option shall be set forth in Appendix B, Milestones. At the same time, Interconnection Customer shall indicate whether it elects to exercise the Option to Build set forth in Article 5.1.3 below. If the dates designated by Interconnection Customer are not acceptable to Transmission Provider, Transmission Provider shall so notify Interconnection Customer within thirty (30) Calendar Days. Upon receipt of the notification that Interconnection Customer's designated dates are not acceptable to Transmission Provider, the Interconnection Customer shall notify Transmission Provider within thirty (30) Calendar Days whether it elects to exercise the Option to Build if it has not already elected to exercise the Option to Build.

5.1.1 Standard Option. [Selected/Not Selected]

Transmission Provider shall design, procure, and construct Transmission Provider's Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades, using complete Transmission Provider's Provider's Reasonable Efforts to Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades by the dates set forth in Appendix B, LGIA Milestones. Transmission Provider shall not be required to undertake any action which is inconsistent with its standard safety practices. its material and equipment specifications, its design criteria and construction procedures, its labor agreements, and Applicable Laws and Regulations. In the event Transmission Provider reasonably expects that it will not be able to complete Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades by the specified dates, Transmission Provider shall promptly provide written notice to Interconnection Customer and shall undertake Reasonable Efforts to meet the earliest dates thereafter.

5.1.2 Alternate Option.

If the dates designated by Interconnection Customer are acceptable to Transmission Provider, Transmission Provider shall so notify Interconnection Customer within thirty (30) Calendar Days, and shall assume responsibility for the design, procurement and construction of Transmission Provider's Provider's Interconnection Facilities by the designated dates.

If Transmission Provider subsequently fails to complete Transmission Provider's Provider's Interconnection Facilities by the In-Service Date, to the extent necessary to provide back feed power; or fails to complete Network Upgrades by the Initial Synchronization Date to the extent necessary to allow for Trial Operation at full power output, unless other arrangements are made by the Parties for such Trial Operation; or fails to complete the Network Upgrades by the Commercial Operation Date, as such dates are reflected in Appendix B, LGIA Milestones; Transmission Provider shall pay Interconnection Customer liquidated damages in accordance with Article 5.3, Liquidated Damages, provided, however, the dates designated by Interconnection Customer shall be extended day for day for each day that the applicable RTO or ISO refuses to grant clearances to install equipment.

5.1.3 Option to Build. [Selected/Not Selected]

<u>Individual or Multiple</u> Interconnection Customer(s) shall have the option to assume responsibility for the design, procurement and construction of

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Transmission Provider's Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades on the dates specified in Article 5.1.2. Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer, if the requirements of this Article 5.1.3 are met. When multiple Interconnection Customers exercise this option, multiple Interconnection Customers may agree to exercise this option provided (1) all Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network upgrades constructed under this option are only required for Interconnection Customers in a single Cluster and (2) all impacted Interconnection Customers execute and provide to Transmission Provider an agreement regarding responsibilities and payment for the construction of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades planned to be built under this option. Transmission Provider and the individual Interconnection Customer or each of the multiple Interconnection Customers must agree as to what constitutes Stand Alone Network Upgrades and identify such Stand Alone Network Upgrades in Appendix A. Except for Stand Alone Network Upgrades, Interconnection Customer shall have no right to construct Network Upgrades under this option.

5.1.4 Negotiated Option.

If the dates designated by Interconnection Customer are not acceptable to Transmission Provider, the Parties shall in good faith attempt to negotiate terms and conditions (including revision of the specified dates and liquidated damages, the provision of incentives, or the procurement and construction of all facilities other than Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades if the Interconnection Customer elects to exercise the Option to Build under Article 5.1.3) If the Parties are unable to reach agreement on such terms and conditions, then, pursuant to Article 5.1.1 (Standard Option), Transmission Provider shall assume responsibility for the design, procurement and construction of all facilities other than Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades if the Interconnection Customer elects to exercise the Option to Build.

5.2 General Conditions Applicable to Option to Build.

If Interconnection Customer assumes responsibility for the design, procurement and construction of Transmission <u>Provider's Provider's</u> Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades,

- (1) Interconnection Customer shall engineer, procure equipment, and construct Transmission Provider's Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades (or portions thereof) using Good Utility Practice and using standards and specifications provided in advance by Transmission Provider;
- (2) Interconnection <u>Customer's Customer's</u> engineering, procurement and construction of Transmission <u>Provider's Provider's</u> Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades shall comply with all requirements of law to which Transmission Provider would be subject in the engineering, procurement or construction of Transmission

<u>Provider's Provider's</u> Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades;

- (3) Transmission Provider shall review and approve the engineering design, equipment acceptance tests, and the construction of Transmission Provider's Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades;
- (4) Prior to commencement of construction, Interconnection Customer shall provide to Transmission Provider a schedule for construction of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades, and shall promptly respond to requests for information from Transmission Provider:
- (5) At any time during construction, Transmission Provider shall have the right to gain unrestricted access to Transmission <u>Provider's Provider's</u> Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades and to conduct inspections of the same;
- At any time during construction, should any phase of the engineering, (6) equipment procurement, or construction of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades not meet the standards and specifications provided by Transmission Provider, Interconnection Customer shall be obligated remedy deficiencies in portion that of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades;
- (7) Interconnection Customer shall indemnify Transmission Provider for claims arising from Interconnection Customer's Customer's construction of Transmission Provider's Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades under the terms and procedures applicable to Article 18.1 Indemnity;
- (8) Interconnection Customer shall transfer control of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades to Transmission Provider;
- (9) Unless Parties otherwise agree, Interconnection Customer shall transfer ownership of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand-Alone Network Upgrades to Transmission Provider;
- (10) Transmission Provider shall approve and accept for operation and maintenance Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades to the extent engineered, procured, and constructed in accordance with this Article 5.2; and

- (11) Interconnection Customer shall deliver to Transmission Provider "asbuilt" drawings, information, and any other documents that are reasonably required by Transmission Provider to assure that the Interconnection Facilities and Stand-Alone Network Upgrades are built to the standards and specifications required by Transmission Provider.
- (12) If Interconnection Customer exercises the Option to Build pursuant to Article 5.1.3, Interconnection Customer shall pay Transmission Provider the agreed upon amount of [\$ PLACEHOLDER] for Transmission Provider to execute the responsibilities enumerated to Transmission Provider under Article 5.2. Transmission Provider shall invoice Interconnection Customer for this total amount to be divided on a monthly basis pursuant to Article 12.

5.3 Liquidated Damages.

The actual damages to Interconnection Customer, in the event Transmission Provider's Provider's Interconnection Facilities or Network Upgrades are not completed by the dates designated by Interconnection Customer and accepted by Transmission Provider pursuant to subparagraphs 5.1.2 or 5.1.4, above, may include Interconnection Customer's Customer's fixed operation and maintenance costs and lost opportunity costs. Such actual damages are uncertain and impossible to determine at this time. Because of such uncertainty, any liquidated damages paid by Transmission Provider to Interconnection Customer in the event that Transmission Provider does not complete any portion of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities or Network Upgrades by the applicable dates, shall be an amount equal to ½ of 1 percent per day of the actual cost of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades, in the aggregate, for which Transmission Provider has assumed responsibility to design, procure and construct.

However, in no event shall the total liquidated damages exceed 20 percent of the actual cost of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades for which Transmission Provider has assumed responsibility to design, procure, and construct. The foregoing payments will be made by Transmission Provider to Interconnection Customer as just compensation for the damages caused to Interconnection Customer, which actual damages are uncertain and impossible to determine at this time, and as reasonable liquidated damages, but not as a penalty or a method to secure performance of this LGIA. Liquidated damages, when the Parties agree to them, are the exclusive remedy for the Transmission Provider's Provider's failure to meet its schedule.

No liquidated damages shall be paid to Interconnection Customer if: (1) Interconnection Customer is not ready to commence use of Transmission Provider's Provider's Provider's Interconnection Facility's Facility's Trial Operation or to export power from the Large Generating Facility on the specified dates, unless Interconnection Customer would have been able to commence use of Transmission Provider's Provider's Interconnection Facilities or Network Upgrades to take the delivery of power for Large Generating Facility's Facility's Trial Operation or to export power from the Large Generating Facility,

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but for Transmission Provider's Provider's delay; (2) Transmission Provider's Provider's failure to meet the specified dates is the result of the action or inaction of Interconnection Customer or any other Interconnection Customer who has entered into an LGIA with Transmission Provider or any cause beyond Transmission Provider's Provider's reasonable control or reasonable ability to cure; (3) the Interconnection Customer has assumed responsibility for the design, procurement and construction of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades; or (4) the Parties have otherwise agreed.

5.4 Power System Stabilizers.

The Interconnection Customer shall procure, install, maintain and operate Power System Stabilizers in accordance with the guidelines and procedures established by the Applicable Electric Reliability Council Organization. Transmission Provider reserves the right to reasonably establish minimum acceptable settings for any installed Power System Stabilizers, subject to the design and operating limitations of the Large Generating Facility. If the Large Generating Facility's Power System Stabilizers are removed from service or not capable of automatic operation, Interconnection Customer shall immediately notify Transmission Provider's Provider's system operator, or its designated representative. The requirements of this paragraph shall not apply to wind generators.

5.5 Equipment Procurement.

If responsibility for construction of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities or Network Upgrades is to be borne by Transmission Provider, then Transmission Provider shall commence design of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities or Network Upgrades and procure necessary equipment as soon as practicable after all of the following conditions are satisfied, unless the Parties otherwise agree in writing:

- Transmission Provider has completed the Interconnection Facilities Study pursuant to the Interconnection Facilities Study Agreement;
- Transmission Provider has received written authorization to proceed with design and procurement from Interconnection Customer by the date specified in Appendix B, LGIA Milestones; and
- 5.5.3 Interconnection Customer has provided security to Transmission Provider in accordance with Article 11.5 by the dates specified in Appendix B, LGIA Milestones.

5.6 Construction Commencement.

Transmission Provider shall commence construction of Transmission Provider's Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades for which it is responsible as soon as practicable after the following additional conditions are satisfied:

5.6.1 Approval of the appropriate Governmental Authority has been obtained for any facilities requiring regulatory approval;

- Necessary real property rights and rights-of-way have been obtained, to the extent required for the construction of a discrete aspect of Transmission <a href="https://example.com/Provider's_Provider
- 5.6.3 Transmission Provider has received written authorization to proceed with construction from Interconnection Customer by the date specified in Appendix B, LGIA Milestones; and
- 5.6.4 Interconnection Customer has provided security to Transmission Provider in accordance with Article 11.5 by the dates specified in Appendix B, LGIA Milestones.

5.7 Work Progress.

The Parties will keep each other advised periodically as to the progress of their respective design, procurement and construction efforts. Either Party may, at any time, request a progress report from the other Party. If, at any time, Interconnection Customer determines that the completion of Transmission Provider's Provider's Interconnection Facilities will not be required until after the specified In-Service Date, Interconnection Customer will provide written notice to Transmission Provider of such later date upon which the completion of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities will be required.

5.8 Information Exchange.

As soon as reasonably practicable after the Effective Date, the Parties shall exchange information regarding the design and compatibility of the Parties' Interconnection Facilities and compatibility of the Interconnection Facilities with Transmission Provider's Transmission System, and shall work diligently and in good faith to make any necessary design changes.

5.9 Other Interconnection Options

5.9.1 Limited Operation.

If any of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities or Network Upgrades are not reasonably expected to be completed prior to the Commercial Operation Date of the Large Generating Facility, Transmission Provider shall, upon the request and at the expense of Interconnection Customer, perform operating studies on a timely basis to determine the extent Facility which the Large Generating and Interconnection Customer's Customer's Interconnection Facilities may operate prior to the completion of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities or Network Upgrades consistent with Applicable Laws and Regulations, Applicable Reliability Standards, Good Utility Practice, and this LGIA. Transmission Provider shall permit Interconnection Customer to operate the Large Generating Facility and Interconnection Customer's Customer's Interconnection Facilities in accordance with the results of such studies.

5.9.2 Provisional Interconnection Service.

Upon the request of Interconnection Customer, and prior to completion of requisite Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades, Distribution Upgrades,

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or System Protection Facilities Transmission Provider may execute a Provisional Large Generator Interconnection Agreement or Interconnection Customer may request the filing of an unexecuted Provisional Large Generator Interconnection Agreement with the Interconnection Customer for limited Interconnection Service at the discretion of Transmission Provider based upon an evaluation that will consider the results of available studies. Transmission Provider shall determine, through available studies or additional studies as necessary, whether stability, short circuit, thermal, and/or voltage issues would arise if Interconnection Customer interconnects without modifications to the Generating Facility or Transmission System. Transmission Provider shall determine whether any Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades, Distribution Upgrades, or System Protection Facilities that are necessary to meet the requirements of NERCthe Electric Reliability Organization, or any applicable Regional Entity for the interconnection of a new, modified and/or expanded Generating Facility are in place prior to the commencement of Interconnection Service from the Generating Facility. Where available studies indicate that such, Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades, Distribution Upgrades, and/or System Protection Facilities that are required for the interconnection of a new, modified and/or expanded Generating Facility are not currently in place, Transmission Provider will perform a study, at the Interconnection Customer's expense, to confirm the facilities that are required for Provisional Interconnection Service. The maximum permissible output of the Generating Facility in the Provisional Large Generator Interconnection Agreement shall be reviewed quarterly and updated if there are changes to system conditions compared to the system conditions previously used to determine of the maximum permissible output. Any necessary study is conducted at the Interconnection Customer's expense. Interconnection Customer assumes all risk and liabilities with respect to changes between the Provisional Large Generator Interconnection Agreement and the Large Generator Interconnection Agreement, including changes in output limits and Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades, Distribution Upgrades, and/or System Protection Facilities cost responsibilities.

5.10 Interconnection Customer's Customer's Interconnection Facilities ("ICIF").

Interconnection Customer shall, at its expense, design, procure, construct, own and install the ICIF, as set forth in Appendix A, Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades and Distribution Upgrades.

5.10.1 Interconnection <u>Customer's Customer's</u> Interconnection Facility Specifications.

Interconnection Customer shall submit initial specifications for the ICIF, including System Protection Facilities, to Transmission Provider at least one-hundred eighty (180) Calendar Days prior to the Initial Synchronization Date; and final specifications for review and comment at least ninety (90) Calendar Days prior to the Initial Synchronization Date. Transmission Provider shall review such specifications to ensure that the ICIF are compatible with the technical specifications, operational control, and safety requirements of Transmission Provider and comment on such specifications within thirty (30)

Calendar Days of Interconnection <u>Customer's Customer's</u> submission. All specifications provided hereunder shall be deemed confidential.

5.10.2 Transmission Provider's Provider's Review.

Transmission Provider's Provider's review of Interconnection Customer's Customer's final specifications shall not be construed as confirming, endorsing, or providing a warranty as to the design, fitness, safety, durability or reliability of the Large Generating Facility, or the ICIF. Interconnection Customer shall make such changes to the ICIF as may reasonably be required by Transmission Provider, in accordance with Good Utility Practice, to ensure that the ICIF are compatible with the technical specifications, operational control, and safety requirements of Transmission Provider.

5.10.3 ICIF Construction.

The ICIF shall be designed and constructed in accordance with Good Utility Practice. Within one-hundred twenty (120) Calendar Days after the Commercial Operation Date, unless the Parties agree on another mutually acceptable deadline, Interconnection Customer shall deliver to Transmission Provider "as-built" drawings, information and documents for the ICIF, such as: a one-line diagram, a site plan showing the Large Generating Facility and the ICIF, plan and elevation drawings showing the layout of the ICIF, a relay functional diagram, relaying AC and DC schematic wiring diagrams and relay settings for all facilities associated with Interconnection Customer's Customer's step-up transformers, the facilities connecting the Large Generating Facility to the step-up transformers and the ICIF, and the impedances (determined by factory tests) for the associated step-up transformers and the Large Generating Facility. The Interconnection Customer shall provide Transmission Provider specifications for the excitation system, automatic voltage regulator, Large Generating Facility control and protection settings, transformer tap settings, and communications, if applicable.

5.11 Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities Construction.

Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities shall be designed and constructed in accordance with Good Utility Practice. Upon request, within one-hundred twenty (120) Calendar Days after the Commercial Operation Date, unless the Parties agree on another mutually acceptable deadline, Transmission Provider shall deliver to Interconnection Customer the following "as-built" drawings, information and documents for Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities [include appropriate drawings and relay diagrams]. Transmission Provider will obtain control of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades upon completion of such facilities.

5.12 Access Rights.

Upon reasonable notice and supervision by a Party, and subject to any required or necessary regulatory approvals, a Party ("Granting Party") shall furnish at no cost to the other Party ("Access Party") any rights of use, licenses, rights of way and easements with respect to lands owned or controlled by the Granting Party, its agents (if allowed under

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the applicable agency agreement), or any Affiliate, that are necessary to enable the Access Party to obtain ingress and egress to construct, operate, maintain, repair, test (or witness testing), inspect, replace or remove facilities and equipment to: (i) interconnect the Large Generating Facility with the Transmission System; (ii) operate and maintain the Large Generating Facility, the Interconnection Facilities and the Transmission System; and (iii) disconnect or remove the Access Party's Party's facilities and equipment upon termination of this LGIA. In exercising such licenses, rights of way and easements, the Access Party shall not unreasonably disrupt or interfere with normal operation of the Granting Party's party's business and shall adhere to the safety rules and procedures established in advance, as may be changed from time to time, by the Granting Party and provided to the Access Party.

5.13 Lands of Other Property Owners.

If any part of Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner's Owner's Interconnection Facilities and/or Network Upgrades is to be installed on property owned by persons other than Interconnection Customer or Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner, Provider or Transmission Transmission Owner shall at Interconnection Customer's Customer's expense use efforts, similar in nature and extent to those that it typically undertakes on its own behalf or on behalf of its Affiliates, including use of its eminent domain authority, and to the extent consistent with state law, to procure from such persons any rights of use, licenses, rights of way and easements that are necessary to construct, operate, maintain, test, inspect, replace or remove Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner's Owner's Interconnection Facilities and/or Network Upgrades upon such property.

5.14 Permits.

Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner and Interconnection Customer shall cooperate with each other in good faith in obtaining all permits, licenses, and authorizations that are necessary to accomplish the interconnection in compliance with Applicable Laws and Regulations. With respect to this paragraph, Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner shall provide permitting assistance to Interconnection Customer comparable to that provided to Transmission Provider's own, or an Affiliate's generation.

5.15 Early Construction of Base Case Facilities.

Interconnection Customer may request Transmission Provider to construct, and Transmission Provider shall construct, using Reasonable Efforts to accommodate Interconnection Customer's In-Service Date, all or any portion of any Network Upgrades required for Interconnection Customer to be interconnected to the Transmission System which are included in the Base Case of the Interconnection Facilities Study for Interconnection Customer, and which also are required to be constructed for another Interconnection Customer, but where such construction is not scheduled to be completed in time to achieve Interconnection Customer's Customer's In-Service Date.

5.16 Suspension.

Interconnection Customer reserves the right, upon written notice to Transmission Provider, to suspend at any time all work by Transmission Provider associated with the construction and installation of Transmission Provider's Interconnection

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Facilities and/or Network Upgrades required under this LGIA with the condition that Transmission System shall be left in a safe and reliable condition in accordance with Good Utility Practice and Transmission Provider's Provider's safety and reliability criteria. In such event, Interconnection Customer shall be responsible for all reasonable and necessary costs which Transmission Provider (i) has incurred pursuant to this LGIA prior to the suspension and (ii) incurs in suspending such work, including any costs incurred to perform such work as may be necessary to ensure the safety of persons and property and the integrity of the Transmission System during such suspension and, if applicable, any costs incurred in connection with the cancellation or suspension of material, equipment and labor contracts which Transmission Provider cannot reasonably avoid; provided, however, that prior to canceling or suspending any such material, equipment or labor contract, Transmission Provider shall obtain Interconnection Customer's Customer's authorization to do so.

Transmission Provider shall invoice Interconnection Customer for such costs pursuant to Article 12 and shall use due diligence to minimize its costs. In the event Interconnection Customer suspends work by Transmission Provider required under this LGIA pursuant to this Article 5.16, and has not requested Transmission Provider to recommence the work required under this LGIA on or before the expiration of three (3) years following commencement of such suspension, this LGIA shall be deemed terminated. The three-year period shall begin on the date the suspension is requested, or the date of the written notice to Transmission Provider, if no effective date is specified.

5.16.1 Effect of Missed Interconnection Customer LGIA Milestones.

If Interconnection Customer fails to provide notice of suspension pursuant to Article 5.16, and Interconnection Customer fails to fulfill or complete any Interconnection Customer LGIA Milestone provided in Appendix B ("LGIA Milestone"), this constitutes a Breach under this LGIA. Depending upon the consequences of the Breach and effectiveness of the cure pursuant to Article 17, Transmission Provider's LGIA Milestones may be revised, following consultation with Interconnection Customer, consistent with Reasonable Efforts, and in consideration of all relevant circumstances. Parties shall employ Reasonable Efforts to maintain their remaining respective LGIA Milestones.

5.16.2 Effect of Suspension; Parties Obligations.

In the event that Interconnection Customer suspends work pursuant to this Article 5.16, the applicable construction duration, timelines and schedules set forth in Appendix B shall be suspended during the period of suspension. Should Interconnection Customer thereafter request that work be recommenced, Appendix A and Appendix B may be revised to account for construction sequencing and modified milestones. If the Commercial Operation Date is extended beyond three (3) cumulative years described in Section 4.4.5 of the Revised LGIP and Article 2.3.1 of this LGIA, such an extension may be considered a Material Modification and result in the termination of the LGIA under Article 2.3.1. Interconnection Customer is required to maintain Site Control while this LGIA is in effect, including during suspension.

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5.17.1 Interconnection Customer Payments Not Taxable.

The Parties intend that all payments or property transfers made by Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider for the installation of Transmission Provider's Provider's Interconnection Facilities and the Network Upgrades shall be non-taxable, either as contributions to capital, or as an advance, in accordance with the Internal Revenue Code and any applicable state income tax laws and shall not be taxable as contributions in aid of construction or otherwise under the Internal Revenue Code and any applicable state income tax laws.

5.17.2 Representations and Covenants.

In accordance with IRS Notice 2001-82 and IRS Notice 88-129, Interconnection Customer represents and covenants that (i) ownership of the electricity generated at the Large Generating Facility will pass to another party prior to the transmission of the electricity on the Transmission System, (ii) for income tax purposes, the amount of any payments and the cost of any property transferred to Transmission Provider for Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities will be capitalized by Interconnection Customer as an intangible asset and recovered using the straight-line method over a useful life of twenty (20) years, and (iii) any portion of Transmission Provider's Provider's Interconnection Facilities that is a "dual-use intertie," within the meaning of IRS Notice 88-129, is reasonably expected to carry only a de minimis amount of electricity in the direction of the Large Generating Facility. For this purpose, "de minimis amount" means no more than percent of the total power flows in both directions, calculated in accordance with the "5 percent test" set forth in IRS Notice 88-129. This is not intended to be an exclusive list of the relevant conditions that must be met to conform to IRS requirements for non-taxable treatment.

At Transmission Provider's Provider's request, Interconnection Customer shall provide Transmission Provider with a report from an independent engineer confirming its representation in clause (iii), above. Transmission Provider represents and covenants that the cost of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities paid for by Interconnection Customer will have no net effect on the base upon which rates are determined.

5.17.3 Indemnification for the Cost Consequences of Current Tax Liability Imposed Upon the Transmission Provider.

Notwithstanding Article 5.17.1, Interconnection Customer shall protect, indemnify and hold harmless Transmission Provider from the cost consequences of any current tax liability imposed against Transmission Provider as the result of payments or property transfers made by Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider under this LGIA for Interconnection Facilities, as well as any interest and penalties, other than interest and penalties attributable to any delay caused by Transmission Provider.

Transmission Provider shall not include a gross-up for the cost consequences of any current tax liability in the amounts it charges Interconnection Customer under this LGIA unless (i) Transmission Provider has determined, in good faith, that the

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payments or property transfers made by Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider should be reported as income subject to taxation or (ii) any Governmental Authority directs Transmission Provider to report payments or property as income subject to taxation; provided, however, that Transmission Provider may require Interconnection Customer to provide security for Interconnection Facilities, in a form reasonably acceptable to Transmission Provider (such as a parental guarantee or a letter of credit), in an amount equal to the cost consequences of any current tax liability under this Article 5.17. Interconnection Customer shall reimburse Transmission Provider for such costs on a fully grossed-up basis, in accordance with Article 5.17.4, within thirty (30) Calendar Days of receiving written notification from Transmission Provider of the amount due, including detail about how the amount was calculated.

The indemnification obligation shall terminate at the earlier of (1) the expiration of the ten-year testing period and the applicable statute of limitation, as it may be extended by Transmission Provider upon request of the IRS, to keep these years open for audit or adjustment, or (2) the occurrence of a subsequent taxable event and the payment of any related indemnification obligations as contemplated by this Article 5.17.

5.17.4 Tax Gross-Up Amount.

Interconnection Customer's Customer's liability for the cost consequences of any current tax liability under this Article 5.17 shall be calculated on a fully grossed-up basis. Except as may otherwise be agreed to by the parties, this means that Interconnection Customer will pay Transmission Provider, in addition to the amount paid for the Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades, an amount equal to (1) the current taxes imposed on Transmission Provider ("Current Taxes") on the excess of (a) the gross income realized by Transmission Provider as a result of payments or property transfers made by Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider under this LGIA (without regard to any payments under this Article 5.17) (the "Gross Income Amount") over (b) the present value of future tax deductions for depreciation that will be available as a result of such payments or property transfers (the "Present Value Depreciation Amount"), plus (2) an additional amount sufficient to permit Transmission Provider to receive and retain, after the payment of all Current Taxes, an amount equal to the net amount described in clause (1).

For this purpose, (i) Current Taxes shall be computed based on Transmission Provider's Provider's composite federal and state tax rates at the time the payments or property transfers are received and Transmission Provider will be treated as being subject to tax at the highest marginal rates in effect at that time (the "Current Tax Rate"), and (ii) the Present Value Depreciation Amount shall be computed by discounting Transmission Provider's Provider's anticipated tax depreciation deductions as a result of such payments or property transfers by Transmission Provider's Current weighted average cost of capital. Thus, the formula for calculating Interconnection Customer's Customer's liability to Transmission Owner pursuant to this Article 5.17.4 can be expressed as follows: (Current Tax Rate x (Gross Income Amount – Present Value of Tax Depreciation))/(1-Current

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Tax Rate). Interconnection <u>Customer's Customer's</u> estimated tax liability in the event taxes are imposed shall be stated in Appendix A, Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades and Distribution Upgrades.

5.17.5 Private Letter Ruling or Change or Clarification of Law.

At Interconnection Customer's Customer's request and expense, Transmission Provider shall file with the IRS a request for a private letter ruling as to whether any property transferred or sums paid, or to be paid, by Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider under this LGIA are subject to federal income taxation. Interconnection Customer will prepare the initial draft of the request for a private letter ruling, and will certify under penalties of perjury that all facts represented in such request are true and accurate to the best of Interconnection Customer's Customer's knowledge. Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer shall cooperate in good faith with respect to the submission of such request. Transmission Provider shall keep Interconnection Customer fully informed of the status of such request for a private letter ruling and shall execute either a privacy act waiver or a limited power of attorney, in a form acceptable to the IRS that authorizes Interconnection Customer to participate in all discussions with the IRS regarding such request for a private letter ruling. Transmission Provider shall allow Interconnection Customer to attend all meetings with IRS officials about the request and shall permit Interconnection Customer to prepare the initial drafts of any follow-up letters in connection with the request.

5.17.6 Subsequent Taxable Events.

If, within ten (10) years from the date on which the relevant Transmission Provider's Provider's Interconnection Facilities are placed in service, (i) Interconnection Customer Breaches the covenants contained in Article 5.17.2, (ii) a "disqualification event" occurs within the meaning of IRS Notice 88-129, or (iii) this LGIA terminates and Transmission Provider retains ownership of the Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades, Interconnection Customer shall pay a tax gross-up for the cost consequences of any current tax liability imposed on Transmission Provider, calculated using the methodology described in Article 5.17.4 and in accordance with IRS Notice 90-60.

5.17.7 Contests.

In the event any Governmental Authority determines that Transmission Provider's Provider's receipt of payments or property constitutes income that is subject to taxation, Transmission Provider shall notify Interconnection Customer, in writing, within thirty (30) Calendar Days of receiving notification of such determination by a Governmental Authority. Upon the timely written request by Interconnection Customer and at Interconnection Customer's sole expense, Transmission Provider may appeal, protest, seek abatement of, or determination. otherwise oppose such Upon Interconnection Customer's Customer's written request and sole expense, Transmission Provider may file a claim for refund with respect to any taxes paid under this Article 5.17, whether or not it has received such a determination. Transmission Provider reserves the right to make all decisions with regard to the prosecution of such appeal, protest, abatement or other contest, including the selection of counsel and

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compromise or settlement of the claim, but Transmission Provider shall keep Interconnection Customer informed, shall consider in good faith suggestions from Interconnection Customer about the conduct of the contest, and shall reasonably permit Interconnection Customer or an Interconnection Customer representative to attend contest proceedings.

Interconnection Customer shall pay to Transmission Provider on a periodic basis, as invoiced by Transmission Provider, Transmission Provider's Provider's documented reasonable costs of prosecuting such appeal, protest, abatement or other contest. At any time during the contest, Transmission Provider may agree to a settlement either with Interconnection Customer's Customer's consent or after obtaining written advice from nationally-recognized tax counsel, selected by Transmission Provider, but reasonably acceptable to Interconnection Customer, that the proposed settlement represents a reasonable settlement given the hazards of litigation. Interconnection Customer's Customer's obligation shall be based on the amount of the settlement agreed to by Interconnection Customer, or if a higher amount, so much of the settlement that is supported by the written advice from nationally-recognized tax counsel selected under the terms of the preceding sentence. The settlement amount shall be calculated on a fully grossedup basis to cover any related cost consequences of the current tax liability. Any settlement without Interconnection Customer's Customer's consent or such written advice will relieve Interconnection Customer from any obligation to indemnify Transmission Provider for the tax at issue in the contest.

5.17.8 Refund.

In the event that (a) a private letter ruling is issued to Transmission Provider which holds that any amount paid or the value of any property transferred by Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider under the terms of this LGIA is not subject to federal income taxation, (b) any legislative change or administrative announcement, notice, ruling or other determination makes it reasonably clear to Transmission Provider in good faith that any amount paid or the value of any property transferred by Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider under the terms of this LGIA is not taxable to Transmission Provider, (c) any abatement, appeal, protest, or other contest results in a determination that any payments or transfers made by Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider are not subject to federal income tax, or (d) if Transmission Provider receives a refund from any taxing authority for any overpayment of tax attributable to any payment or property transfer made by Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider pursuant to this LGIA, Transmission Provider shall promptly refund to Interconnection Customer the following:

- (i) any payment made by Interconnection Customer under this Article 5.17 for taxes that is attributable to the amount determined to be nontaxable, together with interest thereon,
- (ii) interest on any amount paid by Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider for such taxes which Transmission Provider did not submit to the taxing authority, calculated in accordance with the

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methodology set forth in FERC's regulations at 18 CFR § 35.19a(a)(2)(iii) from the date payment was made by Interconnection Customer to the date Transmission Provider refunds such payment to Interconnection Customer, and

(iii) with respect to any such taxes paid by Transmission Provider, any refund or credit Transmission Provider receives or to which it may be entitled from any Governmental Authority, interest (or that portion thereof attributable to the payment described in clause (i), above) owed to Transmission Provider for such overpayment of taxes (including any reduction in interest otherwise payable by Transmission Provider to any Governmental Authority resulting from an offset or credit); provided, however, that Transmission Provider will remit such amount promptly to Interconnection Customer only after and to the extent that Transmission Provider has received a tax refund, credit or offset from any Governmental Authority for any applicable overpayment of income tax related to Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities.

The intent of this provision is to leave the Parties, to the extent practicable, in the event that no taxes are due with respect to any payment for Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades hereunder, in the same position they would have been in had no such tax payments been made.

5.17.9 Taxes Other Than Income Taxes.

Upon the timely request by Interconnection Customer, and at Interconnection Customer's Customer's sole expense, Transmission Provider may appeal, protest, seek abatement of, or otherwise contest any tax (other than federal or state income tax) asserted or assessed against Transmission Provider for which Interconnection Customer may be required to reimburse Transmission Provider under the terms of this LGIA. Interconnection Customer shall pay to Transmission Provider on a periodic basis, as invoiced by Transmission Provider, Transmission Provider's Provider's documented reasonable costs of prosecuting such appeal. protest, abatement, or other contest. Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider shall cooperate in good faith with respect to any such contest. Unless the payment of such taxes is a prerequisite to an appeal or abatement or cannot be deferred, no amount shall be payable by Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider for such taxes until they are assessed by a final, nonappealable order by any court or agency of competent jurisdiction. In the event that a tax payment is withheld and ultimately due and payable after appeal, Interconnection Customer will be responsible for all taxes, interest and penalties, other than penalties attributable to any delay caused by Transmission Provider.

5.17.10 Transmission Owners Who Are Not Transmission Providers.

If Transmission Provider is not the same entity as the Transmission Owner, then (i) all references in this Article 5.17 to Transmission Provider shall be deemed also to refer to and to include the Transmission Owner, as appropriate, and (ii) this LGIA shall not become effective until such Transmission Owner shall have agreed

in writing to assume all of the duties and obligations of Transmission Provider under this Article 5.17 of this LGIA.

5.18 Tax Status.

Each Party shall cooperate with the other to maintain the other Party's Party's tax status. Nothing in this LGIA is intended to adversely affect any Transmission Provider's Provider's tax exempt status with respect to the issuance of bonds including, but not limited to, Local Furnishing Bonds.

5.19 Modification.

5.19.1 **General.**

Either Party may undertake modifications to its facilities. If a Party plans to undertake a modification that reasonably may be expected to affect the other Party's facilities, that Party shall provide to the other Party sufficient information regarding such modification so that the other Party may evaluate the potential impact of such modification prior to commencement of the work. Such information shall be deemed to be confidential hereunder and shall include information concerning the timing of such modifications and whether such modifications are expected to interrupt the flow of electricity from the Large Generating Facility. The Party desiring to perform such work shall provide the relevant drawings, plans, and specifications to the other Party at least ninety (90) Calendar Days in advance of the commencement of the work or such shorter period upon which the Parties may agree, which agreement shall not unreasonably be withheld, conditioned or delayed.

In the case of a proposed Generating Facility Modification to an Existing Generating Facility that is not a Material Modification and does not require Interconnection Customer to submit an Interconnection Request, Transmission Provider shall provide, within thirty (30) Calendar Days (or such other time as the Parties may agree), an estimate of any additional modifications to the Transmission System, Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities or Network Upgrades necessitated by such Interconnection Customer modification and a good faith estimate of the costs thereof.

5.19.2 Standards.

Any additions, modifications, or replacements made to a <u>Party'sParty's</u> facilities shall be designed, constructed, and operated in accordance with this LGIA and Good Utility Practice.

5.19.3 Modification Costs.

Interconnection Customer shall not be directly assigned for the costs of any additions, modifications, or replacements that Transmission Provider makes to Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities or the Transmission System to facilitate the interconnection of a third party to Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities or the Transmission System, or to provide transmission service to a third party under Transmission Provider's Tariff. Interconnection Customer shall be

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responsible for the costs of any additions, modifications, or replacements to Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities that may be necessary to maintain or upgrade such Interconnection Customer's Customer's Interconnection Facilities consistent with Applicable Laws and Regulations, Applicable Reliability Standards or Good Utility Practice.

Article 6. Testing and Inspection

6.1 Pre-Commercial Operation Date Testing and Modifications.

Prior to the Commercial Operation Date, Transmission Provider shall test Transmission Provider's Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades and Interconnection Facility Customer shall test the Large Generating and Interconnection Customer's Customer's Interconnection Facilities to ensure their safe and reliable operation. Similar testing may be required after initial operation. Each Party shall make any modifications to its facilities that are found to be necessary as a result of such testing. Interconnection Customer shall bear the cost of all such testing and modifications. Interconnection Customer shall generate test energy at the Large Generating Facility only if it has arranged for the delivery of such test energy.

6.2 Post-Commercial Operation Date Testing and Modifications.

Each Party shall at its own expense perform routine inspection and testing of its facilities and equipment in accordance with Good Utility Practice as may be necessary to ensure the continued interconnection of the Large Generating Facility with the Transmission System in a safe and reliable manner. Each Party shall have the right, upon advance written notice, to require reasonable additional testing of the other Party's facilities, at the requesting Party's expense, as may be in accordance with Good Utility Practice.

6.3 Right to Observe Testing.

Each Party shall notify the other Party in advance of its performance of tests of its Interconnection Facilities. The other Party has the right, at its own expense, to observe such testing.

6.4 Right to Inspect.

Each Party shall have the right, but shall have no obligation to: (i) observe the other Party's Party's tests and/or inspection of any of its System Protection Facilities and other protective equipment, including Power System Stabilizers; (ii) review the settings of the other Party's Party's System Protection Facilities and other protective equipment; and (iii) review the other Party's Party's maintenance records relative to the Interconnection Facilities, the System Protection Facilities and other protective equipment. A Party may exercise these rights from time to time as it deems necessary upon reasonable notice to the other Party. The exercise or non-exercise by a Party of any such rights shall not be construed as an endorsement or confirmation of any element or condition of the Interconnection Facilities or the System Protection Facilities or other protective equipment or the operation thereof, or as a warranty as to the fitness, safety, desirability, or reliability of same. Any information that a Party obtains through the exercise of any of its rights under this Article 6.4 shall be deemed to be Confidential Information and treated pursuant to Article 22 of this LGIA.

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Article 7. Metering

7.1 General.

Each Party shall comply with the Applicable Electric Reliability Council Organization requirements. Unless otherwise agreed by the Parties, Transmission Provider shall install Metering Equipment at the Point of Interconnection prior to any operation of the Large Generating Facility and shall own, operate, test and maintain such Metering Equipment. Power flows to and from the Large Generating Facility shall be measured at or, at Transmission Provider's Provider's option, compensated to, the Point of Interconnection. Transmission Provider shall provide metering quantities, in analog and/or digital form, to Interconnection Customer upon request. Interconnection Customer shall bear all reasonable documented costs associated with the purchase, installation, operation, testing and maintenance of the Metering Equipment.

7.2 Check Meters.

Interconnection Customer, at its option and expense, may install and operate, on its premises and on its side of the Point of Interconnection, one or more check meters to check Transmission Provider's Provider's Provider's meters. Such check meters shall be for check purposes only and shall not be used for the measurement of power flows for purposes of this LGIA, except as provided in Article 7.4 below. The check meters shall be subject at all reasonable times to inspection and examination by Transmission Provider or its designee. The installation, operation and maintenance thereof shall be performed entirely by Interconnection Customer in accordance with Good Utility Practice.

7.3 Standards.

Transmission Provider shall install, calibrate, and test revenue quality Metering Equipment in accordance with applicable ANSI standards.

7.4 Testing of Metering Equipment.

Transmission Provider shall inspect and test all Transmission Provider-owned Metering Equipment upon installation and at least once every two (2) years thereafter. If requested to do so by Interconnection Customer, Transmission Provider shall, at Interconnection Customer's Customer's expense, inspect or test Metering Equipment more frequently than every two (2) years. Transmission Provider shall give reasonable notice of the time when any inspection or test shall take place, and Interconnection Customer may have representatives present at the test or inspection. If at any time Metering Equipment is found to be inaccurate or defective, it shall be adjusted, repaired or replaced at Interconnection Customer's Customer's expense, in order to provide accurate metering, unless the inaccuracy or defect is due to Transmission Provider's Provider's failure to maintain, then Transmission Provider shall pay. If Metering Equipment fails to register, or if the measurement made by Metering Equipment during a test varies by more than two percent from the measurement made by the standard meter used in the test, Transmission Provider shall adjust the measurements by correcting all measurements for the period during which Metering Equipment was in error by using Interconnection Customer's Customer's check meters, if installed. If no such check meters are installed or if the period cannot be reasonably ascertained, the adjustment shall be for the period

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immediately preceding the test of the Metering Equipment equal to one-half the time from the date of the last previous test of the Metering Equipment.

7.5 Metering Data.

At Interconnection <u>Customer's Customer's</u> expense, the metered data shall be telemetered to one or more locations designated by Transmission Provider and one or more locations designated by Interconnection Customer. Such telemetered data shall be used, under normal operating conditions, as the official measurement of the amount of energy delivered from the Large Generating Facility to the Point of Interconnection.

Article 8. Communications

8.1 Interconnection Customer Obligations.

Interconnection Customer shall maintain satisfactory operating communications with Transmission Provider's Transmission System dispatcher or representative designated by Transmission Provider. Interconnection Customer shall provide standard voice line, dedicated voice line and facsimile communications at its Large Generating Facility control room or central dispatch facility through use of either the public telephone system, or a voice communications system that does not rely on the public telephone system. Interconnection Customer shall also provide the dedicated data circuit(s) necessary to provide Interconnection Customer data to Transmission Provider as set forth in Appendix D, Security Arrangements Details. The data circuit(s) shall extend from the Large Generating Facility to the location(s) specified by Transmission Provider. Any required maintenance of such communications equipment shall be performed by Interconnection Customer. Operational communications shall be activated and maintained under, but not be limited to, the following events: system paralleling or separation, scheduled and unscheduled shutdowns, equipment clearances, and hourly and daily load data

8.2 Remote Terminal Unit.

Prior to the Initial Synchronization Date of the Large Generating Facility, a Remote Terminal Unit, or equivalent data collection and transfer equipment acceptable to the Parties, shall be installed by Interconnection Customer, or by Transmission Provider at Interconnection Customer's expense, to gather accumulated and instantaneous data to be telemetered to the location(s) designated by Transmission Provider through use of a dedicated point-to-point data circuit(s) as indicated in Article 8.1. The communication protocol for the data circuit(s) shall be specified by Transmission Provider. Instantaneous bi-directional analog real power and reactive power flow information must be telemetered directly to the location(s) specified by Transmission Provider.

Each Party will promptly advise the other Party if it detects or otherwise learns of any metering, telemetry or communications equipment errors or malfunctions that require the attention and/or correction by the other Party. The Party owning such equipment shall correct such error or malfunction as soon as reasonably feasible.

8.3 No Annexation.

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Any and all equipment placed on the premises of a Party shall be and remain the property of the Party providing such equipment regardless of the mode and manner of annexation or attachment to real property, unless otherwise mutually agreed by the Parties.

8.4 Provision of Data from a Variable Energy Resource.

The Interconnection Customer whose Generating Facility iscontains at least one a Variable Energy Resource shall provide meteorological and forced outage data to the Transmission Provider to the extent necessary for the Transmission Provider's development and deployment of power production forecasts for that class of Variable Energy Resources.

The Interconnection Customer with a Variable Energy Resource having wind as the energy source, at a minimum, will be required to provide the Transmission Provider with site-specific meteorological data including: manufacturer, model, and year of all wind turbines and meteorological instrumentation, latitude, longitude and hub height at every wind turbine and meteorological tower, real-time data including turbine generation (kW), wind speed (mph), turbine availability, wind direction (in degrees relative to true north), temperature (Celsius and F), pressure (mb), air density and turbine manufacturer power curve. The information provided shall be refreshed in approximately four-ten (4-10) second intervals with regard to its generation of Renewable Energy at the Facility.

The Interconnection Customer with a Variable Energy Resource having solar as the energy source, at a minimum, will be required to provide the Transmission Provider with site-specific meteorological data including: manufacturer, model and year of all panels, inverters and meteorological instrumentation, latitude and longitude of the center of the solar panels for every inverter and every meteorological tower, real-time data including inverter generation (kW), inverter availability, direct normal solar insolation (solar intensity), temperature, barometric pressure, wind speed (mph), wind direction (degrees relative to true north) and solar panel manufacturer power curve. The information provided shall be refreshed as frequently as allowed by the SCADA System, not to exceed sixty (60) second intervals.

The Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer whose Generating Facility iscontains a Variable Energy Resource shall mutually agree to any additional meteorological data that are required for the development and deployment of a power production forecast. The Interconnection Customer whose Generating Facility iscontains a Variable Energy Resource also shall submit data to the Transmission Provider regarding all forced outages to the extent necessary for the Transmission Provider's development and deployment of power production forecasts for that class of Variable Energy Resources. The exact specifications of the meteorological and forced outage data to be provided by the Interconnection Customer to the Transmission Provider including the frequency and timing of data submittals shall be made taking into account the size and configuration of the Variable Energy Resource, its characteristics, location, and its importance in maintaining generation resource adequacy and transmission system reliability in its area. All requirements for meteorological and forced outage data must be commensurate with the power production forecasting employed by the Transmission Provider. Such requirements for meteorological and forced outage data are set forth in Appendix C, Interconnection Details, of this LGIA, as they may change from time to time.

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Article 9. Operations

- **9.1 General**. Each Party shall comply with the Applicable Electric Reliability Council Organization requirements. Each Party shall provide to the other Party all information that may reasonably be required by the other Party to comply with Applicable Laws and Regulations and Applicable Reliability Standards.
- 9.2 ControlBalancing Authority Area Notification. At least three months before Initial Synchronization Date, Interconnection Customer shall notify Transmission Provider in writing of the ControlBalancing Authority Area in which the Large Generating Facility will be located. If Interconnection Customer elects to locate the Large Generating Facility in a ControlBalancing Authority Area other than the ControlBalancing Authority Area in which the Large Generating Facility is physically located, and if permitted to do so by the relevant transmission tariffs, all necessary arrangements, including but not limited to those set forth in Article 7 and Article 8 of this LGIA, and remote ControlBalancing Authority Area generator interchange agreements, if applicable, and the appropriate measures under such agreements, shall be executed and implemented prior to the placement of the Large Generating Facility in the other ControlBalancing Authority Area.
- 9.3 Transmission Provider Obligations. Transmission Provider shall cause the Transmission System and Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities to be operated, maintained and controlled in a safe and reliable manner and in accordance with this LGIA. Transmission Provider may provide operating instructions to Interconnection Customer consistent with this LGIA and Transmission Provider's Provider's operating protocols and procedures as they may change from time to Transmission Provider will consider changes to its operating protocols and procedures proposed by Interconnection Customer.
- 9.4 Interconnection Customer Obligations. Interconnection Customer shall at its own expense operate, maintain and control the Large Generating Facility and Interconnection Customer's Customer's Interconnection Facilities in a safe and reliable manner and in accordance with this LGIA. Interconnection Customer shall operate the Large Generating Facility and Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities in accordance with all applicable requirements of the ControlBalancing Authority Area of which it is part, as such requirements are set forth in Appendix C, Interconnection Details, of this LGIA. Appendix C, Interconnection Details, will be modified to reflect changes to the requirements as they may change from time to time. Either Party may request that the other Party provide copies of the requirements set forth in Appendix C, Interconnection Details, of this LGIA.
- **9.5 Start-Up and Synchronization**. Consistent with the <u>Parties'Parties'</u> mutually acceptable procedures, Interconnection Customer is responsible for the proper synchronization of the Large Generating Facility to Transmission <u>Provider's Provider's Transmission System.</u>
- 9.6 Reactive Power and Primary Frequency Response.
 - 9.6.1 Power Factor Design Criteria.

- 9.6.1.1 Synchronous Generation. Interconnection Customer shall design the Large Generating Facility to maintain a composite power delivery at continuous rated power output at the Point of Interconnection at a power factor within the range of 0.95 leading to 0.95 lagging, unless the Transmission Provider has established different requirements that apply to all synchronous generators in the ControlBalancing Authority Area on a comparable basis.
- 9.6.1.2 Non-Synchronous Generation. Interconnection Customer shall design the Large Generating Facility to maintain a composite power delivery at continuous rated power output at the high-side of the generator substation at a power factor within the range of 0.95 leading to 0.95 lagging, unless the Transmission Provider has established a different power factor range that applies to all nonsynchronous generators in the Control Balancing Authority Area on a comparable basis. This power factor range standard shall be dynamic and can be met using, for example, power electronics designed to supply this level of reactive capability (taking into account any limitations due to voltage level, real power output, etc.) or fixed and switched capacitors, or a combination of the two. This requirement shall only apply to newly interconnecting nonsynchronous generators that have not yet executed a Facilities Study Agreement as of the effective date of the Final Rule establishing this requirement (Order No. 827).1 This requirement also applies to existing non-synchronous generators making upgrades that require a new Generator Interconnection Agreement where the System Impact Study shows the need for reactive power as a result of an upgrade.
- [1] The effective date of Order 827 is October 14, 2016.
- 9.6.2 Voltage Schedules. Once Interconnection Customer has synchronized the Large Generating Facility with the Transmission System, Transmission Provider shall require Interconnection Customer to operate the Large Generating Facility to produce or absorb reactive power within the design limitations of the Large Generating Facility set forth in Article 9.6.1 (Power Factor Design Criteria). Transmission Provider's Provider's voltage schedules shall treat all sources of reactive power in the Control Balancing Authority Area in an equitable and not unduly discriminatory manner. Transmission Provider shall exercise Reasonable Efforts to provide Interconnection Customer with such schedules at least one (1) day in advance, and may make changes to such schedules as necessary to maintain the reliability of the Transmission System. Interconnection Customer shall operate the Large Generating Facility to maintain the specified output voltage or power factor at the Point of Interconnection within the design limitations of the Large Generating Facility set forth in Article 9.6.1 (Power Factor Design Criteria). If Interconnection

Customer is unable to maintain the specified voltage or power factor, it shall promptly notify the System Operator.

9.6.2.1 Voltage Regulators.

Whenever the Large Generating Facility is operated in parallel with the Transmission System and voltage regulators are capable of operation, Interconnection Customer shall operate the Large Generating Facility with its voltage regulators in automatic operation. If the Large Generating Facility's Facility's voltage regulators are not capable of such automatic operation, Interconnection Customer shall immediately notify Transmission Provider's Provider's system operator, or its designated representative. and ensure that such Large Generating Facility's reactive power production or absorption (measured in MVARs) are within the design capability of the Large Generating Facility's generating unit(s) and steady state stability limits. Interconnection Customer shall not cause its Large Generating Facility to disconnect automatically or instantaneously from the Transmission System or trip any generating unit comprising the Large Generating Facility for an under or over frequency condition unless the abnormal frequency condition persists for a time period beyond the limits set forth in ANSI/IEEE Standard C37.106, or such other standard as applied to other generators in the Control Balancing Authority Area on a comparable basis.

9.6.3 Payment for Reactive Power.

Transmission Provider is required to pay Interconnection Customer for reactive power that Interconnection Customer provides or absorbs from the Large Generating Facility when Transmission Provider requests Interconnection Customer to operate its Large Generating Facility outside the range specified in Article 9.6.1, provided that if Transmission Provider pays its own or affiliated generators for reactive power service within the specified range, it must also pay Interconnection Customer. Payments shall be pursuant to Article 11.6 or such other agreement to which the Parties have otherwise agreed.

9.6.4 Primary Frequency Response.

Interconnection Customer shall ensure the primary frequency response capability of its Large Generating Facility by installing, maintaining, and operating a functioning governor or equivalent controls. The term "functioning governor or equivalent controls" as used herein shall mean the required hardware and/or software that provides frequency responsive real power control with the ability to sense changes in system frequency and autonomously adjust the Large Generating Facility's real power output in accordance with the droop and deadband parameters and in the direction needed to correct frequency deviations. Interconnection Customer is required to install a governor or equivalent

controls with the capability of operating: (1) with a maximum 5 percent droop and ±0.036 Hz deadband; or (2) in accordance with the relevant droop, deadband, and timely and sustained response settings from an approved NERCElectric Reliability Organization Reliability Standard providing for equivalent or more stringent parameters. The droop characteristic shall be: (1) based on the nameplate capacity of the Large Generating Facility, and shall be linear in the range of frequencies between 59 to 61 Hz that are outside of the deadband parameter; or (2) based on an approved NERCElectric Reliability Organization Reliability Standard providing for an equivalent or more stringent parameter. The deadband parameter shall be: the range of frequencies above and below nominal (60 Hz) in which the governor or equivalent controls is not expected to adjust the Large Generating Facility's real power output in response to frequency deviations. The deadband shall be implemented: (1) without a step to the droop curve, that is, once the frequency deviation exceeds the deadband parameter, the expected change in the Large Generating Facility's real power output in response to frequency deviations shall start from zero and then increase (for under-frequency deviations) or decrease (for overfrequency deviations) linearly in proportion to the magnitude of the frequency deviation; or (2) in accordance with an approved NERC Electric Reliability Organization Reliability Standard providing for an equivalent or more stringent parameter. Interconnection Customer shall notify Transmission Provider that the primary frequency response capability of the Large Generating Facility has been tested and confirmed during commissioning. Once Interconnection Customer has synchronized the Large Generating Facility with the Transmission System, Interconnection Customer shall operate the Large Generating Facility consistent with the provisions specified in Articles 9.6.4.1 and 9.6.4.2 of this Agreement. The primary frequency response requirements contained herein shall apply to both synchronous and non-synchronous Large Generating Facilities.

9.6.4.1 Governor or Equivalent Controls.

Whenever the Large Generating Facility is operated in parallel with the Transmission System, Interconnection Customer shall operate the Large Generating Facility with its governor or equivalent controls in service and responsive to frequency. Interconnection Customer shall: (1) in coordination with Transmission Provider and/or the relevant balancing authority, set the deadband parameter to: (1) a maximum of ±0.036 Hz and set the droop parameter to a maximum of 5 percent or (2) implement the relevant droop and deadband settings from an approved NERCElectric Reliability Organizaiton Reliability Standard that provides for equivalent or more stringent parameters. Interconnection Customer shall be required to provide the status and settings of the governor or equivalent controls to Transmission Provider and/or the relevant balancing authority upon request. If Interconnection Customer

needs to operate the Large Generating Facility with its governor or equivalent controls not in service, Interconnection Customer shall immediately notify Transmission Provider and the relevant balancing authority, and provide both with the following information: (1) the operating status of the governor or equivalent controls (i.e., whether it is currently out of service or when it will be taken out of service); (2) the reasons for removing the governor or equivalent controls from service; and (3) a reasonable estimate of when the governor or equivalent controls will be returned to service. Interconnection Customer shall make Reasonable Efforts to return its governor or equivalent controls into service as soon as practicable. Interconnection Customer shall make Reasonable Efforts to keep outages of the Large Generating Facility's governor or equivalent controls to a minimum whenever the Large Generating Facility is operated in parallel with the Transmission System.

9.6.4.2 Timely and Sustained Response.

Interconnection Customer shall ensure that the Large Generating Facility's real power response to sustained frequency deviations outside of the deadband setting is automatically provided and shall begin immediately after frequency deviates outside of the deadband, and to the extent the Large Generating Facility has operating capability in the direction needed to correct the frequency deviation. Interconnection Customer shall not block or otherwise inhibit the ability of the governor or equivalent controls to respond and shall ensure that the response is not inhibited, except under certain operational constraints including, but not limited to, ambient temperature limitations, physical energy limitations, outages of mechanical equipment, or regulatory requirements. The Large Generating Facility shall sustain the real power response at least until system frequency returns to a value within the deadband setting of the governor or equivalent controls. A Commissionapproved Reliability Standard with equivalent or more stringent requirements shall supersede the above requirements.

9.6.4.3 Exemptions.

Large Generating Facilities that are regulated by the United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission shall be exempt from Articles 9.6.4, 9.6.4.1, and 9.6.4.2 of this Agreement. Large Generating Facilities that are behind the meter generation that is sized-to-load (i.e., the thermal load and the generation are near-balanced in real-time operation and the generation is primarily controlled to maintain the unique thermal, chemical, or mechanical output necessary for the operating requirements of its host facility) shall be required to install primary frequency response capability in accordance with the droop and deadband capability requirements specified in Article 9.6.4, but shall be otherwise exempt from the operating

requirements in Articles 9.6.4, 9.6.4.1, 9.6.4.2, and 9.6.4.4 of this Agreement.

9.6.4.4 Electric Storage Resources.

Interconnection Customer interconnecting a Generating Facility that contains an electric storage resource shall establish an operating range in Appendix C of its LGIA that specifies a minimum state of charge and a maximum state of charge between which the electric storage resource will be required to provide primary frequency response consistent with the conditions set forth in Articles 9.6.4, 9.6.4.1, 9.6.4.2, and 9.6.4.3 of this Agreement. Appendix C shall specify whether the operating range is static or dynamic, and shall consider (1) the expected magnitude of frequency deviations in the interconnection; (2) the expected duration that system frequency will remain outside of the deadband parameter in the interconnection; (3) the expected incidence of frequency deviations outside of the deadband parameter in the interconnection; (4) the physical capabilities of the electric storage resource; (5) operational limitations of the electric storage resource due to manufacturer specifications; and (6) any other relevant factors agreed to by Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer, and in consultation with the relevant transmission owner or balancing authority as appropriate. If the operating range is dynamic, then Appendix C must establish how frequently the operating range will be reevaluated and the factors that may be considered during its reevaluation.

Interconnection Customer's electric storage resource is required to provide timely and sustained primary frequency response consistent with Article 9.6.4.2 of this Agreement when it is online and dispatched to inject electricity to the Transmission System and/or receive electricity from the Transmission System. This excludes circumstances when the electric storage resource is not dispatched to inject electricity to the Transmission System and/or dispatched to receive electricity from the Transmission System. If Interconnection Customer's electric storage resource is charging at the time of a frequency deviation outside of its deadband parameter, it is to increase (for over-frequency deviations) or decrease (for under-frequency deviations) the rate at which it is charging in accordance with its droop parameter. Interconnection Customer's electric storage resource is not required to change from charging to discharging, or vice versa, unless the response necessitated by the droop and deadband settings requires it to do so and it is technically capable of making such a transition.

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9.7.1 Outages.

9.7.1.1 Outage Authority and Coordination.

Each Party may in accordance with Good Utility Practice in coordination with the other Party remove from service any of its respective Interconnection Facilities or Network Upgrades that may impact the other Party's Party's facilities as necessary to perform maintenance or testing or to install or replace equipment. Absent an Emergency Condition, the Party scheduling a removal of such facility(ies) from service will use Reasonable Efforts to schedule such removal on a date and time mutually acceptable to the Parties. In all circumstances, any Party planning to remove such facility(ies) from service shall use Reasonable Efforts to minimize the effect on the other Party of such removal.

9.7.1.2 Outage Schedules.

Transmission Provider shall post scheduled outages of its transmission facilities on the OASIS. Interconnection Customer shall submit its planned maintenance schedules for the Large Generating Facility to Transmission Provider for a minimum of a rolling twenty-four month period. Interconnection Customer shall update its planned maintenance schedules as necessary. Transmission Provider may request Interconnection Customer to reschedule its maintenance as necessary to maintain the reliability of the Transmission System; provided, however, adequacy of generation supply shall not be a criterion in determining Transmission System reliability. Transmission Provider shall compensate Interconnection Customer for any additional direct costs that Interconnection Customer incurs as a result of having to reschedule maintenance, including any additional overtime, breaking of maintenance contracts or other costs above and beyond the cost Interconnection Customer would have incurred absent Transmission Provider's Provider's request to reschedule maintenance. Interconnection Customer will not be eligible to receive compensation, if during the twelve (12) months prior to the date of the scheduled maintenance, Interconnection Customer had modified its schedule of maintenance activities.

9.7.1.3 Outage Restoration.

If an outage on a Party'sParty's Interconnection Facilities or Network Upgrades adversely affects the other Party'sParty's operations or facilities, the Party that owns or controls the facility that is out of service shall use Reasonable Efforts to promptly restore such facility(ies) to a normal operating condition consistent with the nature of the outage. The Party that owns or controls the facility that is out of service shall provide the other Party, to the extent such information is known, information on the nature of the Emergency Condition, an estimated time of restoration, and any

corrective actions required. Initial verbal notice shall be followed up as soon as practicable with written notice explaining the nature of the outage.

9.7.2 Interruption of Service.

If required by Good Utility Practice to do so, Transmission Provider may require Interconnection Customer to interrupt or reduce deliveries of electricity if such delivery of electricity could adversely affect Transmission Provider's Provider's ability to perform such activities as are necessary to safely and reliably operate and maintain the Transmission System. The following provisions shall apply to any interruption or reduction permitted under this Article 9.7.2:

- **9.7.2.1** The interruption or reduction shall continue only for so long as reasonably necessary under Good Utility Practice;
- 9.7.2.2 Any such interruption or reduction shall be made on an equitable, non-discriminatory basis with respect to all generating facilities directly connected to the Transmission System;
- 9.7.2.3 When the interruption or reduction must be made under circumstances which do not allow for advance notice, Transmission Provider shall notify Interconnection Customer by telephone as soon as practicable of the reasons for the curtailment, interruption, or reduction, and, if known, its expected duration. Telephone notification shall be followed by written notification as soon as practicable;
- 9.7.2.4 Except during the existence of an Emergency Condition, when the interruption or reduction can be scheduled without advance notice, Transmission Provider shall notify Interconnection Customer in advance regarding the timing of such scheduling and further notify Interconnection Customer of the expected duration. Transmission Provider shall coordinate with Interconnection Customer using Good Utility Practice to schedule the interruption or reduction during periods of least impact to Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider: and
- 9.7.2.5 The Parties shall cooperate and coordinate with each other to the extent necessary in order to restore the Large Generating Facility, Interconnection Facilities, and the Transmission System to their normal operating state, consistent with system conditions and Good Utility Practice.

9.7.3 <u>Under-Frequency Ride Through Capability</u> and <u>Over Frequency Conditions. Performance</u>

The Transmission System is designed to automatically activate a load-shed program as required by the Applicable <u>Electric</u> Reliability <u>CouncilOrganization</u> in the event of an under-frequency system disturbance. Interconnection

Customer shall implement under-frequency and over-frequency relay set points for the Large Generating Facility as required by the Applicable Electric Reliability Council Organization to ensure frequency "ride through" capability of the Transmission System. Large Generating Facility response to frequency deviations of pre-determined magnitudes, both under-frequency and overfrequency deviations, shall be studied and coordinated with Transmission Provider in accordance with Good Utility Practice. Interconnection Customer shall also implement under-voltage and over-voltage relay set points, or equivalent electronic controls, as required by the Electric Reliability Organization to ensure voltage "ride through" capability of the Transmission System. The term "ride through" as used herein shall mean the ability of a Generating Facility to stay connected to and synchronized with the Transmission System during system disturbances within a range of underfrequency and over-frequency conditions, in accordance with Good Utility Practice, over-frequency, under-voltage and over-voltage conditions, in accordance with Good Utility Practice and consistent with any standards and guidelines that are applied to other Generating Facilities in the Balancing Authority Area on a comparable basis. For abnormal frequency conditions and voltage conditions within the "no trip zone" defined by Reliability Standard PRC-024-3 or successor mandatory ride through reliability standards, the nonsynchronous Large Generating Facility must ensure that, within any physical limitations of the Large Generating Facility, its control and protection settings are configured or set to (1) continue active power production during disturbance and post disturbance periods at pre-disturbance levels, unless reactive power priority mode is enabled or unless providing primary frequency response or fast frequency response; (2) minimize reductions in active power and remain within dynamic voltage and current limits, if reactive power priority mode is enabled, unless providing primary frequency response or fast frequency response; (3) not artificially limit dynamic reactive power capability during disturbances; and (4) return to pre-disturbance active power levels without artificial ramp rate limits if active power is reduced, unless providing primary frequency response or fast frequency response.

9.7.4 System Protection and Other Control Requirements.

9.7.4.1 System Protection Facilities. Interconnection Customer shall, at its expense, install, operate and maintain System Protection Facilities as a part of the Large Generating Facility or Interconnection Customer's Customer's Interconnection Facilities. Provider shall install at Interconnection Transmission Customer's Customer's expense any System Protection Facilities that may be required on Transmission Provider's Provider's Interconnection Facilities or the Transmission System as a result of the interconnection of the Large Generating Facility and Interconnection Customer's Customer's Interconnection Facilities.

- **9.7.4.2** Each Party's protection facilities shall be designed and coordinated with other systems in accordance with Good Utility Practice.
- **9.7.4.3** Each Party shall be responsible for protection of its facilities consistent with Good Utility Practice.
- 9.7.4.4 Each Party's protective relay design shall incorporate the necessary test switches to perform the tests required in Article 6. The required test switches will be placed such that they allow operation of lockout relays while preventing breaker failure schemes from operating and causing unnecessary breaker operations and/or the tripping of Interconnection Customer's Customer's units.
- **9.7.4.5** Each Party will test, operate and maintain System Protection Facilities in accordance with Good Utility Practice.
- 9.7.4.6 Prior to the In-Service Date, and again prior to the Commercial Operation Date, each Party or its agent shall perform a complete calibration test and functional trip test of the System Protection Facilities. At intervals suggested by Good Utility Practice and following any apparent malfunction of the System Protection Facilities, each Party shall perform both calibration and functional trip tests of its System Protection Facilities. These tests do not require the tripping of any in-service generation unit. These tests do, however, require that all protective relays and lockout contacts be activated

9.7.5 Requirements for Protection.

In compliance with Good Utility Practice, Interconnection Customer shall provide, install, own, and maintain relays, circuit breakers and all other devices necessary to remove any fault contribution of the Large Generating Facility to any short circuit occurring on the Transmission System not otherwise isolated by Transmission Provider's Provider's equipment, such that the removal of the fault contribution shall be coordinated with the protective requirements of the Transmission System. Such protective equipment shall include, without limitation, a disconnecting device or switch with load-interrupting capability located between the Large Generating Facility and the Transmission System at a site selected upon mutual agreement (not to be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed) of the Parties. Interconnection Customer shall be responsible for protection of the Large Generating Facility and Interconnection Customer's Output equipment from such conditions as negative sequence currents, over- or under-frequency, sudden load rejection, over- or under-voltage, and generator loss-of-field. Interconnection Customer shall be solely responsible to disconnect the Large Generating Facility and Interconnection Customer's Customer's other equipment if conditions on the Transmission System could adversely affect the Large Generating Facility.

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9.7.6 Power Quality.

Neither Party's Party's facilities shall cause excessive voltage flicker nor introduce excessive distortion to the sinusoidal voltage or current waves as defined by ANSI Standard C84.1-1989, in accordance with IEEE Standard 519, or any applicable superseding electric industry standard. In the event of a conflict between ANSI Standard C84.1-1989, or any applicable superseding electric industry standard, ANSI Standard C84.1-1989, or the applicable superseding electric industry standard, shall control.

9.8 Switching and Tagging Rules.

Each Party shall provide the other Party a copy of its switching and tagging rules that are applicable to the other Party's activities. Such switching and tagging rules shall be developed on a non-discriminatory basis. The Parties shall comply with applicable switching and tagging rules, as amended from time to time, in obtaining clearances for work or for switching operations on equipment.

9.9 Use of Interconnection Facilities by Third Parties.

9.9.1 Purpose of Interconnection Facilities.

Except as may be required by Applicable Laws and Regulations, or as otherwise agreed to among the Parties, the Interconnection Facilities shall be constructed for the sole purpose of interconnecting the Large Generating Facility to the Transmission System and shall be used for no other purpose.

9.9.2 Third Party Users.

If required by Applicable Laws and Regulations or if the Parties mutually agree, such agreement not to be unreasonably withheld, to allow one or more third parties to use Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities, or any part thereof, Interconnection Customer will be entitled to compensation for the capital expenses it incurred in connection with the Interconnection Facilities based upon the pro rata use of the Interconnection Facilities by Transmission Provider, all third party users, and Interconnection Customer, in accordance with Applicable Laws and Regulations or upon some other mutually-agreed upon methodology. In addition, cost responsibility for ongoing costs, including operation and maintenance costs associated with the Interconnection Facilities, will be allocated between Interconnection Customer and any third party users based upon the pro rata use of the Interconnection Facilities by Transmission Provider, all third party users, and Interconnection Customer, in accordance with Applicable Laws and Regulations or upon some other mutually agreed upon methodology. If the issue of such compensation or allocation cannot be resolved through such negotiations, it shall be submitted to FERC for resolution.

9.10 Disturbance Analysis Data Exchange.

The Parties will cooperate with one another in the analysis of disturbances to either the Large Generating Facility or Transmission Provider's Provider's Transmission System by gathering and providing access to any information relating to any disturbance, including

information from oscillography, protective relay targets, breaker operations and sequence of events records, and any disturbance information required by Good Utility Practice

Article 10. Maintenance.

10.1 Transmission Provider Obligations.

Transmission Provider shall maintain the Transmission System and Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities in a safe and reliable manner and in accordance with this LGIA.

10.2 Interconnection Customer Obligations.

Interconnection Customer shall maintain the Large Generating Facility and Interconnection Customer's Customer's Interconnection Facilities in a safe and reliable manner and in accordance with this LGIA.

10.3 Coordination.

The Parties shall confer regularly to coordinate the planning, scheduling and performance of preventive and corrective maintenance on the Large Generating Facility and the Interconnection Facilities.

10.4 Secondary Systems.

Each Party shall cooperate with the other in the inspection, maintenance, and testing of control or power circuits that operate below 600 volts, AC or DC, including, but not limited to, any hardware, control or protective devices, cables, conductors, electric raceways, secondary equipment panels, transducers, batteries, chargers, and voltage and current transformers that directly affect the operation of a Party's facilities and equipment which may reasonably be expected to impact the other Party. Each Party shall provide advance notice to the other Party before undertaking any work on such circuits, especially on electrical circuits involving circuit breaker trip and close contacts, current transformers, or potential transformers.

10.5 Operating and Maintenance Expenses.

Subject to the provisions herein addressing the use of facilities by others, and except for operations and maintenance expenses associated with modifications made for providing interconnection or transmission service to a third party and such third party pays for such expenses, Interconnection Customer shall be responsible for all reasonable expenses including overheads, associated with: (1) owning, operating, maintaining, repairing, and replacing Interconnection Customer's Customer's Interconnection Facilities; and (2) operation, maintenance, repair and replacement of Transmission Provider's Provider's Interconnection Facilities.

Article 11. Performance Obligation.

11.1 Interconnection Customer Interconnection Facilities.

Interconnection Customer shall design, procure, construct, install, own and/or control Interconnection Customer Interconnection Facilities described in Appendix A, Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades and Distribution Upgrades, at its sole expense.

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11.2 Transmission **Provider's Provider's Interconnection Facilities**.

Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner shall design, procure, construct, install, own and/or control the Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities described in Appendix A, Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades and Distribution Upgrades, at the sole expense of the Interconnection Customer.

11.3 Network Upgrades and Distribution Upgrades.

Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner shall design, procure, construct, install, and own the Network Upgrades and Distribution Upgrades described in Appendix A, Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades and Distribution Upgrades. The Interconnection Customer shall be responsible for all costs related to Distribution Upgrades. Unless Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner elects to fund the capital for the Network Upgrades, they shall be solely funded by Interconnection Customer.

11.4 Transmission Credits.

11.4.1 Repayment of Amounts Advanced for Network Upgrades.

Interconnection Customer shall be entitled to a cash repayment, equal to the total amount paid to Transmission Provider and Affected System Operator, if any, for the Network Upgrades, including any tax gross-up or other tax-related payments associated with Network Upgrades, and not refunded to Interconnection Customer pursuant to Article 5.17.8 or otherwise, to be paid to Interconnection Customer on a dollar-for-dollar basis for the non-usage sensitive portion of transmission charges, as payments are made under Transmission Provider's Provider's Tariff and Affected System's Tariff for transmission services with respect to the Large Generating Facility. Any repayment shall include interest calculated in accordance with the methodology set forth in FERC's regulations at 18 CFR § 35.19a(a)(2)(iii) from the date of any cash payment for Network Upgrades through the date on which the Interconnection Customer receives a repayment of such payment pursuant to this subparagraph. Interconnection Customer may assign such repayment rights to any person.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, Interconnection Customer, Transmission Provider, and Affected System Operator may adopt any alternative payment schedule that is mutually agreeable so long as Transmission Provider and Affected System Operator take one of the following actions no later than five years from the Commercial Operation Date: (1) return to Interconnection Customer any amounts advanced for Network Upgrades not previously repaid, or (2) declare in writing that Transmission Provider or Affected System Operator will continue to provide payments to Interconnection Customer on a dollar-for-dollar basis for the non-usage sensitive portion of transmission charges, or develop an alternative schedule that is mutually agreeable and provides for the return of all amounts advanced for Network Upgrades not previously repaid; however, full reimbursement shall not extend beyond twenty (20) years from the Commercial Operation Date.

If the Large Generating Facility fails to achieve Commercial Operation, but it or another Generating Facility is later constructed and makes use of the Network Upgrades, Transmission Provider and Affected System Operator shall at that time reimburse Interconnection Customer for the amounts advanced for the Network Upgrades. Before any such reimbursement can occur, the Interconnection Customer, or the entity that ultimately constructs the Generating Facility, if different, is responsible for identifying the entity to which reimbursement must be made.

11.4.2 Special Provisions for Affected Systems.

Unless Transmission Provider provides, under the LGIA, for the repayment of amounts advanced to Affected System Operator for Network Upgrades, Interconnection Customer and Affected System Operator shall enter into an agreement that provides for such repayment. The agreement shall specify the terms governing payments to be made by Interconnection Customer to the Affected System Operator as well as the repayment by the Affected System Operator.

11.4.3 Notwithstanding any other provision of this LGIA, nothing herein shall be construed as relinquishing or foreclosing any rights, including but not limited to firm transmission rights, capacity rights, transmission congestion rights, or transmission credits, that Interconnection Customer, shall be entitled to, now or in the future under any other agreement or tariff as a result of, or otherwise associated with, the transmission capacity, if any, created by the Network Upgrades, including the right to obtain cash reimbursements or transmission credits for transmission service that is not associated with the Large Generating Facility.

11.5 Provision of Security.

At least thirty (30) Calendar Days prior to the commencement of the procurement, installation, or construction of a discrete portion of a Transmission Provider's Provider's Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades, or Distribution Upgrades, Interconnection Customer shall provide Transmission Provider, at Interconnection Customer's Customer's option, a guarantee, a surety bond, letter of credit or other form of security that is reasonably acceptable to Transmission Provider and is consistent with the Uniform Commercial Code of the jurisdiction identified in Article 14.2.1. Such security for payment, as specified in Appendix B of this LGIA, shall be in an amount sufficient to cover the costs for constructing, procuring and installing the applicable portion of Transmission Provider's Provider's Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades, or Distribution Upgrades and shall be reduced on a dollar-for-dollar basis for payments made to Transmission Provider for these purposes. Transmission Provider must use the LGIA Deposit required in Section 12.3 of the LGIP before requiring Interconnection Customer to submit security in addition to that LGIA Deposit. Transmission Provider must specify, in Appendix B of this LGIA, the dates for which Interconnection Customer must provide additional security for construction of each discrete portion of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades, or Distribution Upgrades and Interconnection Customer must provide such additional security.

In addition:

- The guarantee must be made by an entity that meets the creditworthiness requirements of Transmission Provider, and contain terms and conditions that guarantee payment of any amount that may be due from Interconnection Customer, up to an agreed-to maximum amount.
- 11.5.2 The letter of credit must be issued by a financial institution reasonably acceptable to Transmission Provider and must specify a reasonable expiration date.
- 11.5.3 The surety bond must be issued by an insurer reasonably acceptable to Transmission Provider and must specify a reasonable expiration date.

11.6 Interconnection Customer Compensation.

If Transmission Provider requests or directs Interconnection Customer to provide a service pursuant to Articles 9.6.3 (Payment for Reactive Power), or 13.5.1 of this LGIA, Transmission Provider shall compensate Interconnection Customer in accordance with Interconnection Customer's Customer's applicable rate schedule then in effect unless the provision of such service(s) is subject to an RTO or ISO FERC-approved rate schedule. Interconnection Customer shall serve Transmission Provider or RTO or ISO with any filing of a proposed rate schedule at the time of such filing with FERC. To the extent that no rate schedule is in effect at the time the Interconnection Customer is required to provide or absorb any Reactive Power under this LGIA, Transmission Provider agrees to compensate Interconnection Customer in such amount as would have been due Interconnection Customer had the rate schedule been in effect at the time service commenced; provided, however, that such rate schedule must be filed at FERC or other appropriate Governmental Authority within sixty (60) Calendar Days of the commencement of service

11.6.1 Interconnection Customer Compensation for Actions During Emergency Condition.

Transmission Provider or RTO or ISO shall compensate Interconnection Customer for its provision of real and reactive power and other Emergency Condition services that Interconnection Customer provides to support the Transmission System during an Emergency Condition in accordance with Article 11.6.

Article 12. Invoice.

12.1 General.

Each Party shall submit to the other Party, on a monthly basis, invoices of amounts due for the preceding month. Each invoice shall state the month to which the invoice applies and fully describe the services and equipment provided. The Parties may discharge mutual debts and payment obligations due and owing to each other on the same date through netting, in which case all amounts a Party owes to the other Party under this LGIA,

including interest payments or credits, shall be netted so that only the net amount remaining due shall be paid by the owing Party.

12.2 Final Invoice.

Within six months after completion of the construction of Transmission Provider's Provider's Interconnection Facilities and the Network Upgrades, Transmission Provider shall provide an invoice of the final cost of the construction of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and the Network Upgrades and shall set forth such costs in sufficient detail to enable Interconnection Customer to compare the actual costs with the estimates and to ascertain deviations, if any, from the cost estimates. Transmission Provider shall refund to Interconnection Customer any amount by which the actual payment by Interconnection Customer for estimated costs exceeds the actual costs of construction within thirty (30) Calendar Days of the issuance of such final construction invoice.

12.3 Payment.

Invoices shall be rendered to the paying Party at the address specified in Appendix F. The Party receiving the invoice shall pay the invoice within thirty (30) Calendar Days of receipt. All payments shall be made in immediately available funds payable to the other Party, or by wire transfer to a bank named and account designated by the invoicing Party. Payment of invoices by either Party will not constitute a waiver of any rights or claims either Party may have under this LGIA. If Interconnection Customer has not paid the final invoice following a withdrawal within thirty (30) Calendar Days, Transmission Provider shall draw upon the security provided under this LGIA to settle all accounts, which shall include any offsets of amounts due and owing by Transmission Provider. After the final invoice is paid and all accounts are settled, Transmission Provider shall refund all remaining security.

12.4 Disputes.

In the event of a billing dispute between Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer, Transmission Provider shall continue to provide Interconnection Service under this LGIA as long as Interconnection Customer: (i) continues to make all payments not in dispute; and (ii) pays to Transmission Provider or into an independent escrow account the portion of the invoice in dispute, pending resolution of such dispute. If Interconnection Customer fails to meet these two requirements for continuation of service, then Transmission Provider may provide notice to Interconnection Customer of a Default pursuant to Article 17. Within thirty (30) Calendar Days after the resolution of the dispute, the Party that owes money to the other Party shall pay the amount due with interest calculated in accord with the methodology set forth in FERC's FERC's regulations at 18 CFR § 35.19a(a)(2)(iii)

Article 13. Emergencies

13.1 Definition.

Emergency Condition" shall mean a condition or situation: (i) that in the judgment of the Party making the claim is imminently likely to endanger life or property; (ii) that, in the case of Transmission Provider, is imminently likely (as determined in a non-discriminatory manner) to cause a material adverse effect on the security of, or damage to the Transmission System, Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities or the

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Transmission Systems of others to which the Transmission System is directly connected; or (iii) that, in the case of Interconnection Customer, is imminently likely (as determined in a non-discriminatory manner) to cause a material adverse effect on the security of, or damage to, the Large Generating Facility or Interconnection Customer's Customer's Interconnection Facilities. System restoration and black start shall be considered Emergency Conditions; provided, that Interconnection Customer is not obligated by this LGIA to possess black start capability.

13.2 Obligations.

Each Party shall comply with the Emergency Condition procedures of the applicable ISO/RTO, NERC, the Applicable Electric Reliability Council Organization, Applicable Laws and Regulations, and any emergency procedures agreed to by the Joint Operating Committee.

13.3 Notice.

Transmission Provider shall notify Interconnection Customer promptly when it becomes aware of an Emergency Condition that affects Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities or the Transmission System that may reasonably be expected to affect Interconnection Customer's Customer's operation of the Large Generating Facility or Interconnection Customer shall notify Transmission Provider promptly when it becomes aware of an Emergency Condition that affects the Large Generating Facility or Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities that may reasonably be expected to affect the Transmission System or Transmission Provider's Provider's Interconnection Facilities. To the extent information is known, the notification shall describe the Emergency Condition, the extent of the damage or deficiency, the expected effect on the operation of Interconnection Customer's Customer's or Transmission Provider's Provider's facilities and operations, its anticipated duration and the corrective action taken and/or to be taken. The initial notice shall be followed as soon as practicable with written notice.

13.4 Immediate Action.

Unless, in Interconnection <u>Customer's Customer's</u> reasonable judgment, immediate action is required, Interconnection Customer shall obtain the consent of Transmission Provider, such consent to not be unreasonably withheld, prior to performing any manual switching operations at the Large Generating Facility or Interconnection <u>Customer's Customer's</u> Interconnection Facilities in response to an Emergency Condition either declared by Transmission Provider or otherwise regarding the Transmission System.

13.5 Transmission Provider Authority.

13.5.1 **General.**

Transmission Provider may take whatever actions or inactions with regard to the Transmission System or Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities it deems necessary during an Emergency Condition in order to (i) preserve public health and safety, (ii) preserve the reliability of the Transmission System or Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities, (iii) limit or prevent damage, and (iv) expedite restoration of service.

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Transmission Provider shall use Reasonable Efforts to minimize the effect of such actions or inactions on the Large Generating Facility or Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities. Transmission Provider may, on the basis of technical considerations, require the Large Generating Facility to mitigate an Emergency Condition by taking actions necessary and limited in scope to remedy the Emergency Condition, including, but not limited to, directing Interconnection Customer to shut-down, start-up, increase or decrease the real or reactive power output of the Large Generating Facility; implementing a reduction or disconnection pursuant to Article 13.5.2; directing Interconnection Customer to assist with blackstart (if available) or restoration efforts; or altering the outage schedules of the Large Generating Facility and Interconnection Customer's Customer's Interconnection Customer shall comply Interconnection with all of Transmission Provider's Provider's operating instructions concerning Large Generating power and reactive power output manufacturer's manufacturer's design limitations of the Large Generating Facility's Facility's equipment that is in service and physically available for operation at the time, in compliance with Applicable Laws and Regulations.

13.5.2 Reduction and Disconnection.

Transmission Provider may reduce Interconnection Service or disconnect the Large Generating Facility or Interconnection Customer's Customer's Interconnection Facilities, when such, reduction or disconnection is necessary under Good Utility Practice due to Emergency Conditions. These rights are separate and distinct from any right of curtailment of Transmission Provider pursuant to Transmission Provider's Provider's Tariff. When Transmission Provider can schedule the reduction or disconnection in advance, Transmission Provider shall notify Interconnection Customer of the reasons, timing and expected duration of the reduction or disconnection. Transmission Provider shall coordinate with Interconnection Customer using Good Utility Practice to schedule the reduction or disconnection during periods of least impact to Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider. Any reduction or disconnection shall continue only for so long as reasonably necessary under Good Utility Practice. The Parties shall cooperate with each other to restore the Large Generating Facility, the Interconnection Facilities, and the Transmission System to their normal operating state as soon as practicable consistent with Good Utility Practice.

13.6 Interconnection Customer Authority.

Consistent with Good Utility Practice and the LGIA and the Revised LGIP, Interconnection Customer may take actions or inactions with regard to the Large Generating Facility or Interconnection Customer's Customer's Interconnection Facilities during an Emergency Condition in order to (i) preserve public health and safety, (ii) preserve the reliability of the Large Generating Facility or Interconnection Customer's Customer's Interconnection Facilities, (iii) limit or prevent damage, and (iv) expedite restoration of service. Interconnection Customer shall use Reasonable Efforts to minimize the effect of such actions or inactions on the Transmission System and Transmission Provider's Provider's

Interconnection Facilities. Transmission Provider shall use Reasonable Efforts to assist Interconnection Customer in such actions.

13.7 Limited Liability.

Except as otherwise provided in Article 11.6.1 of this LGIA, neither Party shall be liable to the other for any action it takes in responding to an Emergency Condition so long as such action is made in good faith and is consistent with Good Utility Practice.

Article 14. Regulatory Requirements and Governing Law

14.1 Regulatory Requirements.

Each Party's Party's obligations under this LGIA shall be subject to its receipt of any required approval or certificate from one or more Governmental Authorities in the form and substance satisfactory to the applying Party, or the Party making any required filings with, or providing notice to, such Governmental Authorities, and the expiration of any time period associated therewith. Each Party shall in good faith seek and use its Reasonable Efforts to obtain such other approvals. Nothing in this LGIA shall require Interconnection Customer to take any action that could result in its inability to obtain, or its loss of, status or exemption under the Federal Power Act, the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935, as amended, or the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1978.

14.2 Governing Law.

- 14.2.1 The validity, interpretation and performance of this LGIA and each of its provisions shall be governed by the laws of the state where the Point of Interconnection is located, without regard to its conflicts of law principles.
- **14.2.2** This LGIA is subject to all Applicable Laws and Regulations.
- **14.2.3** Each Party expressly reserves the right to seek changes in, appeal, or otherwise contest any laws, orders, rules, or regulations of a Governmental Authority.

Article 15. Notices

15.1 General.

Unless otherwise provided in this LGIA, any notice, demand or request required or permitted to be given by either Party to the other and any instrument required or permitted to be tendered or delivered by either Party in writing to the other shall be effective when delivered and may be so given, tendered or delivered, by recognized national courier, or by depositing the same with the United States Postal Service with postage prepaid, for delivery by certified or registered mail, addressed to the Party, or personally delivered to the Party, at the address set out in Appendix F, Addresses for Delivery of Notices and Billings.

Either Party may change the notice information in this LGIA by giving five (5) Business Days written notice prior to the effective date of the change.

15.2 Billings and Payments.

Billings and payments shall be sent to the addresses set out in Appendix F.

15.3 Alternative Forms of Notice.

Any notice or request required or permitted to be given by a Party to the other and not required by this Agreement to be given in writing may be so given by telephone, facsimile or email to the telephone numbers and email addresses set out in Appendix F.

15.4 Operations and Maintenance Notice.

Each Party shall notify the other Party in writing of the identity of the person(s) that it designates as the point(s) of contact with respect to the implementation of Articles 9 and 10

Article 16. Force Majeure

16.1 Force Majeure.

16.1.1 Economic hardship is not considered a Force Majeure event.

16.1.2 Neither Party shall be considered to be in Default with respect to any obligation hereunder, (including obligations under Article 4), other than the obligation to pay money when due, if prevented from fulfilling such obligation by Force Majeure. A Party unable to fulfill any obligation hereunder (other than an obligation to pay money when due) by reason of Force Majeure shall give notice and the full particulars of such Force Majeure to the other Party in writing or by telephone as soon as reasonably possible after the occurrence of the cause relied upon. Telephone notices given pursuant to this article shall be confirmed in writing as soon as reasonably possible and shall specifically state full particulars of the Force Majeure, the time and date when the Force Majeure occurred and when the Force Majeure is reasonably expected to cease. The Party affected shall exercise due diligence to remove such disability with reasonable dispatch, but shall not be required to accede or agree to any provision not satisfactory to it in order to settle and terminate a strike or other labor disturbance.

Article 17. Default

17.1 Default.

17.1.1 General.

No Default shall exist where such failure to discharge an obligation (other than the payment of money) is the result of Force Majeure as defined in this LGIA or the result of an act of omission of the other Party. Upon a Breach, the non-breaching Party shall give written notice of such Breach to the breaching Party. Except as provided in Article 17.1.2, the breaching Party shall have thirty (30) Calendar Days from receipt of the Default notice within which to cure such Breach; provided however, if such Breach is not capable of cure within thirty

(30) Calendar Days, the breaching Party shall commence such cure within thirty (30) Calendar Days after notice and continuously and diligently complete such cure within ninety (90) Calendar Days from receipt of the Default notice; and, if cured within such time, the Breach specified in such notice shall cease to exist.

17.1.2 Right to Terminate.

If a Breach is not cured as provided in this article, or if a Breach is not capable of being cured within the period provided for herein, the non-breaching Party shall have the right to declare a Default and terminate this LGIA by written notice at any time until cure occurs, and be relieved of any further obligation hereunder and, whether or not that Party terminates this LGIA, to recover from the breaching Party all amounts due hereunder, plus all other damages and remedies to which it is entitled at law or in equity. The provisions of this article will survive termination of this LGIA.

Provider requires Interconnection Customer to memorialize the operating assumptions for the charging behavior of a Generating Facility that includes at least one electric storage resource in Appendix H of this LGIA, Transmission Provider may consider Interconnection Customer to be in Breach of the LGIA if Interconnection Customer fails to operate the Generating Facility in accordance with those operating assumptions for charging behavior. However, if Interconnection Customer operates contrary to the operating assumptions for charging behavior specified in Appendix H of this LGIA at the direction of Transmission Provider, Transmission Provider shall not consider Interconnection Customer in Breach of this LGIA.

Article 18. Indemnity, Consequential Damages and Insurance

18.1 Indemnity.

The Parties shall at all times indemnify, defend, and hold the other Party harmless from, any and all damages, losses, claims, including claims and actions relating to injury to or death of any person or damage to property, demand, suits, recoveries, costs and expenses, court costs, attorney fees, and all other obligations by or to third parties, arising out of or resulting from the other Party's action or inactions of its obligations under this LGIA on behalf of the Indemnifying Party, except in cases of gross negligence or intentional wrongdoing by the Indemnified Party.

18.1.1 Indemnified Person.

If an Indemnified Person is entitled to indemnification under this Article 18 as a result of a claim by a third party, and the Indemnifying Party fails, after notice and reasonable opportunity to proceed under Article 18.1, to assume the defense of such claim, such Indemnified Person may at the expense of the Indemnifying Party contest, settle or consent to the entry of any judgment with respect to, or pay in full, such claim.

18.1.2 Indemnifying Party.

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If an Indemnifying Party is obligated to indemnify and hold any Indemnified Person harmless under this Article 18, the amount owing to the Indemnified Person shall be the amount of such Indemnified Person's actual Loss, net of any insurance or other recovery.

18.1.3 Indemnity Procedures.

Promptly after receipt by an Indemnified Person of any claim or notice of the commencement of any action or administrative or legal proceeding or investigation as to which the indemnity provided for in Article 18.1 may apply, the Indemnified Person shall notify the Indemnifying Party of such fact. Any failure of or delay in such notification shall not affect a Party's indemnification obligation unless such failure or delay is materially prejudicial to the Indemnifying Party.

The Indemnifying Party shall have the right to assume the defense thereof with counsel designated by such Indemnifying Party and reasonably satisfactory to the Indemnified Person. If the defendants in any such action include one or more Indemnified Persons and the Indemnifying Party and if the Indemnified Person reasonably concludes that there may be legal defenses available to it and/or other Indemnified Persons which are different from or additional to those available to the Indemnifying Party, the Indemnified Person shall have the right to select separate counsel to assert such legal defenses and to otherwise participate in the defense of such action on its own behalf. In such instances, the Indemnifying Party shall only be required to pay the fees and expenses of one additional attorney to represent an Indemnified Person or Indemnified Persons having such differing or additional legal defenses.

The Indemnified Person shall be entitled, at its expense, to participate in any such action, suit or proceeding, the defense of which has been assumed by the Indemnifying Party. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Indemnifying Party (i) shall not be entitled to assume and control the defense of any such action, suit or proceedings if and to the extent that, in the opinion of the Indemnified Person and its counsel, such action, suit or proceeding involves the potential imposition of criminal liability on the Indemnified Person, or there exists a conflict or adversity of interest between the Indemnified Person and the Indemnifying Party, in such event the Indemnifying Party shall pay the reasonable expenses of the Indemnified Person, and (ii) shall not settle or consent to the entry of any judgment in any action, suit or proceeding without the consent of the Indemnified Person, which shall not be reasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed.

18.2 Consequential Damages.

Other than the Liquidated Damages heretofore described, in no event shall either Party be liable under any provision of this LGIA for any losses, damages, costs or expenses for any special, indirect, incidental, consequential, or punitive damages, including but not limited to loss of profit or revenue, loss of the use of equipment, cost of capital, cost of temporary equipment or services, whether based in whole or in part in contract, in tort, including negligence, strict liability, or any other theory of liability; provided, however, that

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damages for which a Party may be liable to the other Party under another agreement will not be considered to be special, indirect, incidental, or consequential damages hereunder.

18.3 Insurance.

Each party shall, at its own expense, maintain in force throughout the period of this LGIA, and until released by the other Party, the following minimum insurance coverages, with insurers authorized to do business in the state where the Point of Interconnection is located:

- **18.3.1** Employers' Employers' Liability and Workers' Workers' Compensation Insurance providing statutory benefits in accordance with the laws and regulations of the state in which the Point of Interconnection is located.
- 18.3.2 Commercial General Liability Insurance including premises and operations, personal injury, broad form property damage, broad form blanket contractual liability coverage (including coverage for the contractual indemnification) products and completed operations coverage, coverage for explosion, collapse and underground hazards, independent contractors coverage, coverage for pollution to the extent normally available and punitive damages to the extent normally available and a cross liability endorsement, with minimum limits of One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000) per occurrence/One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000) aggregate combined single limit for personal injury, bodily injury, including death and property damage.
- 18.3.3 Comprehensive Automobile Liability Insurance for coverage of owned and nonowned and hired vehicles, trailers or semi-trailers designed for travel on public roads, with a minimum, combined single limit of One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000) per occurrence for bodily injury, including death, and property damage.
- Excess Public Liability Insurance over and above the Employers' Liability Commercial General Liability and Comprehensive Automobile Liability Insurance coverage, with a minimum combined single limit of Twenty Million Dollars (\$20,000,000) per occurrence/Twenty Million Dollars (\$20,000,000) aggregate.
- 18.3.5 The Commercial General Liability Insurance, Comprehensive Automobile Insurance and Excess Public Liability Insurance policies shall name the other Party, its parent, associated and Affiliate companies and their respective directors, officers, agents, servants and employees ("Other Party Group") as additional insured. All policies shall contain provisions whereby the insurers waive all rights of subrogation in accordance with the provisions of this LGIA against the Other Party Group and provide thirty (30) Calendar Days advance written notice to the Other Party Group prior to anniversary date of cancellation or any material change in coverage or condition.
- **18.3.6** The Commercial General Liability Insurance, Comprehensive Automobile Liability Insurance and Excess Public Liability Insurance policies shall contain

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provisions that specify that the policies are primary and shall apply to such extent without consideration for other policies separately carried and shall state that each insured is provided coverage as though a separate policy had been issued to each, except the insurer's liability shall not be increased beyond the amount for which the insurer would have been liable had only one insured been covered. Each Party shall be responsible for its respective deductibles or retentions.

- The Commercial General Liability Insurance, Comprehensive Automobile Liability Insurance and Excess Public Liability Insurance policies, if written on a Claims First Made Basis, shall be maintained in full force and effect for two (2) years after termination of this LGIA, which coverage may be in the form of tail coverage or extended reporting period coverage if agreed by the Parties.
- 18.3.8 The requirements contained herein as to the types and limits of all insurance to be maintained by the Parties are not intended to and shall not in any manner, limit or qualify the liabilities and obligations assumed by the Parties under this LGIA.
- Within ten (10) <u>CalendarBusiness</u> Days following execution of this LGIA, and as soon as practicable after the end of each fiscal year or at the renewal of the insurance policy and in any event within ninety (90) Calendar Days thereafter, each Party shall provide certification of all insurance required in this LGIA, executed by each insurer or by an authorized representative of each insurer.
- In addition to the foregoing, each Party may self-insure to meet the minimum insurance requirements of Articles 18.3.2 through 18.3.8 to the extent it maintains a self-insurance program; provided that, such Party's Party's self-insurance program meets the minimum insurance requirements of Articles 18.3.2 through 18.3.8. In the event that a Party is permitted to self-insure pursuant to this article, it shall certify to the other Party with a letter of self-insurance that it meets the requirements to self-insure and that its self-insurance program meets the minimum insurance requirements in a manner consistent with that specified in Article 18.3.9.
- 18.3.11 The Parties agree to report to each other in writing as soon as practical all accidents or occurrences resulting in injuries to any person, including death, and any property damage arising out of this LGIA.

Article 19. Assignment

19.1 Assignment.

This LGIA may be assigned by either Party only with the written consent of the other; provided that either Party may assign this LGIA without the consent of the other Party to any Affiliate of the assigning Party with an equal or greater credit rating and with the legal authority and operational ability to satisfy the obligations of the assigning Party under this LGIA; and provided further that Interconnection Customer shall have the right to assign this LGIA, without the consent of Transmission Provider, for collateral security purposes

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to aid in providing financing for the Large Generating Facility, provided that Interconnection Customer will promptly notify Transmission Provider of any such assignment. Any financing arrangement entered into by Interconnection Customer pursuant to this article will provide that prior to or upon the exercise of the secured party's, trustee's or mortgagee's mortgagee's assignment rights pursuant to said arrangement, the secured creditor, the trustee or mortgagee will notify Transmission Provider of the date and particulars of any such exercise of assignment right(s), including providing the Transmission Provider with proof that it meets the requirements of Articles 11.5 and 18.3. Any attempted assignment that violates this article is void and ineffective. Any assignment under this LGIA shall not relieve a Party of its obligations, nor shall a Party's Party's obligations be enlarged, in whole or in part, by reason thereof. Where required, consent to assignment will not be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed.

Article 20. Severability

20.1 Severability. If any provision in this LGIA is finally determined to be invalid, void or unenforceable by any court or other Governmental Authority having jurisdiction, such determination shall not invalidate, void or make unenforceable any other provision, agreement or covenant of this LGIA; provided that if Interconnection Customer (or any third party, but only if such third party is not acting at the direction of Transmission Provider) seeks and obtains such a final determination with respect to any provision of the Alternate Option (Article 5.1.2), or the Negotiated Option (Article 5.1.4), then none of these provisions shall thereafter have any force or effect and the Parties' Parties' rights and obligations shall be governed solely by the Standard Option (Article 5.1.1)

Article 21. Comparability

21.1 Comparability.

The Parties will comply with all applicable comparability and code of conduct laws, rules and regulations, as amended from time to time.

Article 22. Confidentiality

22.1 Confidentiality.

Confidential Information shall include, without limitation, all information relating to a Party's Party's technology, research and development, business affairs, and pricing, and any information supplied by either of the Parties to the other prior to the execution of this LGIA.

Information is Confidential Information only if it is clearly designated or marked in writing as confidential on the face of the document, or, if the information is conveyed orally or by inspection, if the Party providing the information orally informs the Party receiving the information that the information is confidential.

If requested by either Party, the other Party shall provide in writing, the basis for asserting that the information referred to in this Article 22 warrants confidential treatment, and the requesting Party may disclose such writing to the appropriate Governmental Authority.

Each Party shall be responsible for the costs associated with affording confidential treatment to its information.

22.1.1 Term.

During the term of this LGIA, and for a period of three (3) years after the expiration or termination of this LGIA, except as otherwise provided in this Article 22, each Party shall hold in confidence and shall not disclose to any person Confidential Information.

22.1.2 Scope.

Confidential Information shall not include information that the receiving Party can demonstrate: (1) is generally available to the public other than as a result of a disclosure by the receiving Party; (2) was in the lawful possession of the receiving Party on a non-confidential basis before receiving it from the disclosing Party; (3) was supplied to the receiving Party without restriction by a third party, who, to the knowledge of the receiving Party after due inquiry, was under no obligation to the disclosing Party to keep such information confidential; (4) was independently developed by the receiving Party without reference to Confidential Information of the disclosing Party; (5) is, or becomes, publicly known, through no wrongful act or omission of the receiving Party or Breach of this LGIA; or (6) is required, in accordance with Article 22.1.7 of the LGIA, Order of Disclosure, to be disclosed by any Governmental Authority or is otherwise required to be disclosed by law or subpoena, or is necessary in any legal proceeding establishing rights and obligations under this LGIA. Information designated as Confidential Information will no longer be deemed confidential if the Party that designated the information as confidential notifies the other Party that it no longer is confidential.

22.1.3 Release of Confidential Information.

Neither Party shall release or disclose Confidential Information to any other person, except to its Affiliates (limited by the Standards of Conduct requirements), subcontractors, employees, consultants, or to parties who may be or considering providing financing to or equity participation with Interconnection Customer, or to potential purchasers or assignees of Interconnection Customer, on a need-to-know basis in connection with this LGIA, unless such person has first been advised of the confidentiality provisions of this Article 22 and has agreed to comply with such provisions. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a Party providing Confidential Information to any person shall remain primarily responsible for any release of Confidential Information in contravention of this Article 22.

22.1.4 Rights.

Each Party retains all rights, title, and interest in the Confidential Information that each Party discloses to the other Party. The disclosure by each Party to the other Party of Confidential Information shall not be deemed a waiver by either Party or any other person or entity of the right to protect the Confidential Information from public disclosure.

22.1.5 No Warranties.

By providing Confidential Information, neither Party makes any warranties or representations as to its accuracy or completeness. In addition, by supplying Confidential Information, neither Party obligates itself to provide any particular information or Confidential Information to the other Party nor to enter into any further agreements or proceed with any other relationship or joint venture.

22.1.6 Standard of Care.

Each Party shall use at least the same standard of care to protect Confidential Information it receives as it uses to protect its own Confidential Information from unauthorized disclosure, publication or dissemination. Each Party may use Confidential Information solely to fulfill its obligations to the other Party under this LGIA or its regulatory requirements.

22.1.7 Order of Disclosure.

If a court or a Government Authority or entity with the right, power, and apparent authority to do so requests or requires either Party, by subpoena, oral deposition, interrogatories, requests for production of documents, administrative order, or otherwise, to disclose Confidential Information, that Party shall provide the other Party with prompt notice of such request(s) or requirement(s) so that the other Party may seek an appropriate protective order or waive compliance with the terms of this LGIA. Notwithstanding the absence of a protective order or waiver, the Party may disclose such Confidential Information which, in the opinion of its counsel, the Party is legally compelled to disclose. Each Party will use Reasonable Efforts to obtain reliable assurance that confidential treatment will be accorded any Confidential Information so furnished.

22.1.8 Termination of Agreement.

Upon termination of this LGIA for any reason, each Party shall, within ten (10) Calendar Days of receipt of a written request from the other Party, use Reasonable Efforts to destroy, erase, or delete (with such destruction, erasure, and deletion certified in writing to the other Party) or return to the other Party, without retaining copies thereof, any and all written or electronic Confidential Information received from the other Party.

22.1.9 Remedies.

The Parties agree that monetary damages would be inadequate to compensate a Party for the other Party's Party's Breach of its obligations under this Article 22. Each Party accordingly agrees that the other Party shall be entitled to equitable relief, by way of injunction or otherwise, if the first Party Breaches or threatens to Breach its obligations under this Article 22, which equitable relief shall be granted without bond or proof of damages, and the receiving Party shall not plead in defense that there would be an adequate remedy at law. Such remedy shall not be deemed an exclusive remedy for the Breach of this Article 22, but shall be in addition to all other remedies available at law or in equity. The Parties further acknowledge and agree that the covenants contained herein are necessary for the protection of legitimate

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business interests and are reasonable in scope. No Party, however, shall be liable for indirect, incidental, or consequential or punitive damages of any nature or kind resulting from or arising in connection with this Article 22.

22.1.10 Disclosure to FERC, its Staff, or a State.

Notwithstanding anything in this Article 22 to the contrary, and pursuant to 18 CFR section 1b.20, if FERC or its staff, during the course of an investigation or otherwise, requests information from one of the Parties that is otherwise required to be maintained in confidence pursuant to this LGIA, the Party shall provide the requested information to FERC or its staff, within the time provided for in the request for information. In providing the information to FERC or its staff, the Party must, consistent with 18 CFR section 388.112, request that the information be treated as confidential and non-public by FERC and its staff and that the information be withheld from public disclosure. Parties are prohibited from notifying the other Party to this LGIA prior to the release of the Confidential Information to FERC or its staff. The Party shall notify the other Party to the LGIA when it is notified by FERC or its staff that a request to release Confidential Information has been received by FERC, at which time either of the Parties may respond before such information would be made public, pursuant to 18 CFR section 388.112. Requests from a state regulatory body conducting a confidential investigation shall be treated in a similar manner if consistent with the applicable state rules and regulations.

22.1.11 Subject to the exception in Article 22.1.10, any information that a Party claims is competitively sensitive, commercial or financial information under this LGIA ("Confidential Information") shall not be disclosed by the other Party to any person not employed or retained by the other Party, except to the extent disclosure is (i) required by law; (ii) reasonably deemed by the disclosing Party to be required to be disclosed in connection with a dispute between or among the Parties, or the defense of litigation or dispute; (iii) otherwise permitted by consent of the other Party, such consent not to be unreasonably withheld; or (iv) necessary to fulfill its obligations under this LGIA or as a transmission service provider or a ControlBalancing Authority Area operator including disclosing the Confidential Information to an RTO or ISO or to a regional or national reliability organization. The Party asserting confidentiality shall notify the other Party in writing of the information it claims is confidential. Prior to any disclosures of the other Party's Party's Confidential Information under this subparagraph, or if any third party or Governmental Authority makes any request or demand for any of the information described in this subparagraph, the disclosing Party agrees to promptly notify the other Party in writing and agrees to assert confidentiality and cooperate with the other Party in seeking to protect the Confidential Information from public disclosure by confidentiality agreement, protective order or other reasonable measures.

Article 23. Environmental Releases

23.1 Each Party shall notify the other Party, first orally and then in writing, of the release of any Hazardous Substances, any asbestos or lead abatement activities, or any type of

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remediation activities related to the Large Generating Facility or the Interconnection Facilities, each of which may reasonably be expected to affect the other Party. The notifying Party shall: (i) provide the notice as soon as practicable, provided such Party makes a good faith effort to provide the notice no later than twenty-four hours after such Party becomes aware of the occurrence; and (ii) promptly furnish to the other Party copies of any publicly available reports filed with any Governmental Authorities addressing such events.

Article 24. Information Requirements

24.1 Information Acquisition.

Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer shall submit specific information regarding the electrical characteristics of their respective facilities to each other as described below and in accordance with Applicable Reliability Standards.

24.2 Information Submission by Transmission Provider.

The initial information submission by Transmission Provider shall occur no later than one hundred eighty (180) Calendar Days prior to Trial Operation and shall include Transmission System information necessary to allow Interconnection Customer to select equipment and meet any system protection and stability requirements, unless otherwise agreed to by the Parties. On a monthly basis Transmission Provider shall provide Interconnection Customer a status report on the construction and installation of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades, including, but not limited to, the following information: (1) progress to date; (2) a description of the activities since the last report (3) a description of the action items for the next period; and (4) the delivery status of equipment ordered.

24.3 Updated Information Submission by Interconnection Customer.

The updated information submission by Interconnection Customer, including manufacturer information, shall occur no later than one-hundred eighty (180) Calendar Days prior to the Trial Operation. Interconnection Customer shall submit a completed copy of the Large Generating Facility data requirements contained in Appendix 1 to the Revised LGIP. It shall also include any additional information provided to Transmission Provider for the Definitive Interconnection System ImpactCluster Study and Interconnection Facilities Study. Information in this submission shall be the most current Large Generating Facility design or expected performance data. Information submitted for stability models shall be compatible with Transmission Provider standard models. If there is no compatible model, Interconnection Customer will work with a consultant mutually agreed to by the Parties to develop and supply a standard model and associated information.

If Interconnection <u>Customer's Customer's</u> data is materially different from what was originally provided to Transmission Provider pursuant to the Interconnection Study Agreement between Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer, then Transmission Provider will conduct appropriate studies to determine the impact on Transmission Provider Transmission System based on the actual data submitted pursuant to this Article 24.3. <u>The Interconnection Customer shall not begin Trial Operation until such studies are completed.</u>

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24.4 Information Supplementation.

Prior to the Operation Date, the Parties shall supplement their information submissions described above in this Article 24 with any and all "as-built" Large Generating Facility information or "as-tested" performance information that differs from the initial submissions or, alternatively, written confirmation that no such differences exist. The Interconnection Customer shall conduct tests on the Large Generating Facility as required by Good Utility Practice such as an open circuit "step voltage" test on the Large Generating Facility to verify proper operation of the Large Generating Facility's automatic voltage regulator.

Unless otherwise agreed, the test conditions shall include: (1) Large Generating Facility at synchronous speed; (2) automatic voltage regulator on and in voltage control mode; and (3) a five percent change in Large Generating Facility terminal voltage initiated by a change in the voltage regulators reference voltage. Interconnection Customer shall provide validated test recordings showing the responses of Large Generating Facility terminal and field voltages. In the event that direct recordings of these voltages is impractical, recordings of other voltages or currents that mirror the response of the Large Generating Facility's terminal or field voltage are acceptable if information necessary to translate these alternate quantities to actual Large Generating Facility terminal or field voltages is provided. Large Generating Facility testing shall be conducted and results provided to Transmission Provider for each individual generating unit in a station.

Subsequent to the Operation Date, Interconnection Customer shall provide Transmission Provider any information changes due to equipment replacement, repair, or adjustment. Transmission Provider shall provide Interconnection Customer any information changes due to equipment replacement, repair or adjustment in the directly connected substation or any adjacent Transmission Provider-owned substation that may affect Interconnection Customer's Customer's Interconnection Facilities equipment ratings, protection or operating requirements. The Parties shall provide such information no later than thirty (30) Calendar Days after the date of the equipment replacement, repair or adjustment.

Article 25. Information Access and Audit Rights

25.1 Information Access.

Each Party (the "disclosing Party") shall make available to the other Party information that is in the possession of the disclosing Party and is necessary in order for the other Party to: (i) verify the costs incurred by the disclosing Party for which the other Party is responsible under this LGIA; and (ii) carry out its obligations and responsibilities under this LGIA. The Parties shall not use such information for purposes other than those set forth in this Article 25.1 and to enforce their rights under this LGIA.

25.2 Reporting of Non-Force Majeure Events.

Each Party (the "notifying Party") shall notify the other Party when the notifying Party becomes aware of its inability to comply with the provisions of this LGIA for a reason other than a Force Majeure event. The Parties agree to cooperate with each other and provide necessary information regarding such inability to comply, including the date, duration, reason for the inability to comply, and corrective actions taken or planned to be taken with

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respect to such inability to comply. Notwithstanding the foregoing, notification, cooperation or information provided under this article shall not entitle the Party receiving such notification to allege a cause for anticipatory breach of this LGIA.

25.3 Audit Rights.

Subject to the requirements of confidentiality under Article 22 of this LGIA, each Party shall have the right, during normal business hours, and upon prior reasonable notice to the other Party, to audit at its own expense the other Party's Party's accounts and records pertaining to either Party's Party's performance or either Party's Party's satisfaction of obligations under this LGIA. Such audit rights shall include audits of the other Party's Party's costs, calculation of invoiced amounts, Transmission Provider's Provider's efforts to allocate responsibility for the provision of reactive support to the Transmission System, Transmission Provider's Provider's efforts to allocate responsibility for interruption or reduction of generation on the Transmission System, and each Party's Party's actions in an Emergency Condition. Any audit authorized by this article shall be performed at the offices where such accounts and records are maintained and shall be limited to those portions of such accounts and records that relate to each Party's Party's performance and satisfaction of obligations under this LGIA. Each Party shall keep such accounts and records for a period equivalent to the audit rights periods described in Article 25.4.

25.4 Audit Rights Periods.

25.4.1 Audit Rights Period for Construction-Related Accounts and Records.

Accounts and records related to the design, engineering, procurement, and construction of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades shall be subject to audit for a period of twenty-four months following Transmission Provider's Provider's issuance of a final invoice in accordance with Article 12.2.

25.4.2 Audit Rights Period for All Other Accounts and Records.

Accounts and records related to either Party's Party's performance or satisfaction of all obligations under this LGIA other than those described in Article 25.4.1 shall be subject to audit as follows: (i) for an audit relating to cost obligations, the applicable audit rights period shall be twenty-four months after the auditing Party's Party's receipt of an invoice giving rise to such cost obligations; and (ii) for an audit relating to all other obligations, the applicable audit rights period shall be twenty-four months after the event for which the audit is sought.

25.5 Audit Results.

If an audit by a Party determines that an overpayment or an underpayment has occurred, a notice of such overpayment or underpayment shall be given to the other Party together with those records from the audit which support such determination.

Article 26. Subcontractors

26.1 General.

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Nothing in this LGIA shall prevent a Party from utilizing the services of any subcontractor as it deems appropriate to perform its obligations under this LGIA; provided, however, that each Party shall require its subcontractors to comply with all applicable terms and conditions of this LGIA in providing such services and each Party shall remain primarily liable to the other Party for the performance of such subcontractor.

26.2 Responsibility of Principal.

The creation of any subcontract relationship shall not relieve the hiring Party of any of its obligations under this LGIA. The hiring Party shall be fully responsible to the other Party for the acts or omissions of any subcontractor the hiring Party hires as if no subcontract had been made; provided, however, that in no event shall Transmission Provider be liable for the actions or inactions of Interconnection Customer or its subcontractors with respect to obligations of Interconnection Customer under Article 5 of this LGIA. Any applicable obligation imposed by this LGIA upon the hiring Party shall be equally binding upon, and shall be construed as having application to, any subcontractor of such Party.

26.3 No Limitation by Insurance.

The obligations under this Article 26 will not be limited in any way by any limitation of subcontractor's insurance.

Article 27. Disputes

27.1 Submission.

In the event either Party has a dispute, or asserts a claim, that arises out of or in connection with this LGIA or its performance, such Party (the "disputing Party") shall provide the other Party with written notice of the dispute or claim ("Notice of Dispute"). Such dispute or claim shall be referred to a designated senior representative of each Party for resolution on an informal basis as promptly as practicable after receipt of the Notice of Dispute by the other Party. In the event the designated representatives are unable to resolve the claim or dispute through unassisted or assisted negotiations within thirty (30) Calendar Days of the other Party's Party's receipt of the Notice of Dispute, such claim or dispute may, upon mutual agreement of the Parties, be submitted to arbitration and resolved in accordance with the arbitration procedures set forth below. In the event the Parties do not agree to submit such claim or dispute to arbitration, each Party may exercise whatever rights and remedies it may have in equity or at law consistent with the terms of this LGIA.

27.2 External Arbitration Procedures.

Any arbitration initiated under this LGIA shall be conducted before a single neutral arbitrator appointed by the Parties. If the Parties fail to agree upon a single arbitrator within ten (10) Calendar Days of the submission of the dispute to arbitration, each Party shall choose one arbitrator who shall sit on a three-member arbitration panel. The two arbitrators so chosen shall within twenty (20) Calendar Days select a third arbitrator to chair the arbitration panel. In either case, the arbitrators shall be knowledgeable in electric utility matters, including electric transmission and bulk power issues, and shall not have any current or past substantial business or financial relationships with any party to the arbitration (except prior arbitration). The arbitrator(s) shall provide each of the Parties an opportunity to be heard and, except as otherwise provided herein, shall conduct the arbitration in accordance with the Commercial Arbitration Rules of the American

Arbitration Association ("Arbitration Rules") and any applicable FERC regulations or RTO rules; provided, however, in the event of a conflict between the Arbitration Rules and the terms of this Article 27, the terms of this Article 27 shall prevail.

27.3 Arbitration Decisions.

Unless otherwise agreed by the Parties, the arbitrator(s) shall render a decision within ninety (90) Calendar Days of appointment and shall notify the Parties in writing of such decision and the reasons therefor. The arbitrator(s) shall be authorized only to interpret and apply the provisions of this LGIA and shall have no power to modify or change any provision of this Agreement in any manner. The decision of the arbitrator(s) shall be final and binding upon the Parties, and judgment on the award may be entered in any court having jurisdiction. The decision of the arbitrator(s) may be appealed solely on the grounds that the conduct of the arbitrator(s), or the decision itself, violated the standards set forth in the Federal Arbitration Act or the Administrative Dispute Resolution Act. The final decision of the arbitrator must also be filed with FERC if it affects jurisdictional rates, terms and conditions of service, Interconnection Facilities, or Network Upgrades.

27.4 Costs.

Each Party shall be responsible for its own costs incurred during the arbitration process and for the following costs, if applicable: (1) the cost of the arbitrator chosen by the Party to sit on the three member panel and one half of the cost of the third arbitrator chosen; or (2) one-half the cost of the single arbitrator jointly chosen by the Parties.

Article 28. Representations, Warranties, and Covenants

28.1 General.

Each Party makes the following representations, warranties and covenants:

28.1.1 Good Standing.

Such Party is duly organized, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the state in which it is organized, formed, or incorporated, as applicable; that it is qualified to do business in the state or states in which the Large Generating Facility, Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades owned by such Party, as applicable, are located; and that it has the corporate power and authority to own its properties, to carry on its business as now being conducted and to enter into this LGIA and carry out the transactions contemplated hereby and perform and carry out all covenants and obligations on its part to be performed under and pursuant to this LGIA.

28.1.2 Authority.

Such Party has the right, power and authority to enter into this LGIA, to become a Party hereto and to perform its obligations hereunder. This LGIA is a legal, valid and binding obligation of such Party, enforceable against such Party in accordance with its terms, except as the enforceability thereof may be limited by applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization or other similar laws affecting creditors' rights generally and by general equitable principles (regardless of whether enforceability is sought in a proceeding in equity or at law).

28.1.3 No Conflict.

The execution, delivery and performance of this LGIA does not violate or conflict with the organizational or formation documents, or bylaws or operating agreement, of such Party, or any judgment, license, permit, order, material agreement or instrument applicable to or binding upon such Party or any of its assets.

28.1.4 Consent and Approval.

Such Party has sought or obtained, or, in accordance with this LGIA will seek or obtain, each consent, approval, authorization, order, or acceptance by any Governmental Authority in connection with the execution, delivery and performance of this LGIA, and it will provide to any Governmental Authority notice of any actions under this LGIA that are required by Applicable Laws and Regulations

Article 29. Joint Operating Committee

29.1 Joint Operating Committee.

Except in the case of ISOs and RTOs, Transmission Provider shall constitute a Joint Operating Committee to coordinate operating and technical considerations of Interconnection Service. At least six (6) months prior to the expected Initial Synchronization Date, Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider shall each appoint one representative and one alternate to the Joint Operating Committee. Each Interconnection Customer shall notify Transmission Provider of its appointment in writing. Such appointments may be changed at any time by similar notice. The Joint Operating Committee shall meet as necessary, but not less than once each calendar year, to carry out the duties set forth herein. The Joint Operating Committee shall hold a meeting at the request of either Party, at a time and place agreed upon by the representatives. The Joint Operating Committee shall perform all of its duties consistent with the provisions of this LGIA. Each Party shall cooperate in providing to the Joint Operating Committee all information required in the performance of the Joint Operating Committee's Committee's duties. All decisions and agreements, if any, made by the Joint Operating Committee, shall be evidenced in writing. The duties of the Joint Operating Committee shall include the following:

- **29.1.1** Establish data requirements and operating record requirements.
- **29.1.2** Review the requirements, standards, and procedures for data acquisition equipment, protective equipment, and any other equipment or software.
- 29.1.3 Annually review the one (1) year forecast of maintenance and planned outage schedules of Transmission Provider's Provider's and Interconnection Customer's Customer's facilities at the Point of Interconnection.
- **29.1.4** Coordinate the scheduling of maintenance and planned outages on the Interconnection Facilities, the Large Generating Facility and other facilities that

impact the normal operation of the interconnection of the Large Generating Facility to the Transmission System.

- **29.1.5** Ensure that information is being provided by each Party regarding equipment availability.
- **29.1.6** Perform such other duties as may be conferred upon it by mutual agreement of the Parties

Article 30. Miscellaneous

30.1 Binding Effect.

This LGIA and the rights and obligations hereof, shall be binding upon and shall inure to the benefit of the successors and assigns of the Parties hereto.

30.2 Conflicts.

In the event of a conflict between the body of this LGIA and any attachment, appendices or exhibits hereto, the terms and provisions of the body of this LGIA shall prevail and be deemed the final intent of the Parties.

30.3 Rules of Interpretation.

This LGIA, unless a clear contrary intention appears, shall be construed and interpreted as follows: (1) the singular number includes the plural number and vice versa; (2) reference to any person includes such person's successors and assigns but, in the case of a Party, only if such successors and assigns are permitted by this LGIA, and reference to a person in a particular capacity excludes such person in any other capacity or individually; (3) reference to any agreement (including this LGIA), document, instrument or tariff means such agreement, document, instrument, or tariff as amended or modified and in effect from time to time in accordance with the terms thereof and, if applicable, the terms hereof; (4) reference to any Applicable Laws and Regulations means such Applicable Laws and Regulations as amended, modified, codified, or reenacted, in whole or in part, and in effect from time to time, including, if applicable, rules and regulations promulgated thereunder; (5) unless expressly stated otherwise, reference to any Article, Section or Appendix means such Article of this LGIA or such Appendix to this LGIA, or such Section to the Revised LGIP or such Appendix to the Revised LGIP, as the case may be; (6) "hereunder", "hereof", "herein", "hereto" and words of similar import shall be deemed references to this LGIA as a whole and not to any particular Article or other provision hereof or thereof; (7) "including" (and with correlative meaning "include") means including without limiting the generality of any description preceding such term; and (8) relative to the determination of any period of time, "from" means "from and including", "to" means "to but excluding" and "through" means "through and including".

30.4 Entire Agreement.

This LGIA, including all Appendices and Schedules attached hereto, constitutes the entire agreement between the Parties with reference to the subject matter hereof, and supersedes all prior and contemporaneous understandings or agreements, oral or written, between the Parties with respect to the subject matter of this LGIA. There are no other agreements, representations, warranties, or covenants which constitute any part of the

consideration for, or any condition to, either <u>Party's Party's</u> compliance with its obligations under this LGIA.

30.5 No Third Party Beneficiaries.

This LGIA is not intended to and does not create rights, remedies, or benefits of any character whatsoever in favor of any persons, corporations, associations, or entities other than the Parties, and the obligations herein assumed are solely for the use and benefit of the Parties, their successors in interest and, where permitted, their assigns.

30.6 Waiver.

The failure of a Party to this LGIA to insist, on any occasion, upon strict performance of any provision of this LGIA will not be considered a waiver of any obligation, right, or duty of, or imposed upon, such Party.

Any waiver at any time by either Party of its rights with respect to this LGIA shall not be deemed a continuing waiver or a waiver with respect to any other failure to comply with any other obligation, right, duty of this LGIA. Termination or Default of this LGIA for any reason by Interconnection Customer shall not constitute a waiver of Interconnection Customer's Customer's legal rights to obtain an interconnection from Transmission Provider. Any waiver of this LGIA shall, if requested, be provided in writing.

30.7 Headings.

The descriptive headings of the various Articles of this LGIA have been inserted for convenience of reference only and are of no significance in the interpretation or construction of this LGIA.

30.8 Multiple Counterparts.

This LGIA may be executed in two or more counterparts, each of which is deemed an original but all constitute one and the same instrument.

30.9 Amendment.

The Parties may by mutual agreement amend this LGIA by a written instrument duly executed by the Parties.

30.10 Modification by the Parties.

The Parties may by mutual agreement amend the Appendices to this LGIA by a written instrument duly executed by the Parties. Such amendment shall become effective and a part of this LGIA upon satisfaction of all Applicable Laws and Regulations.

30.11 Reservation of Rights.

Transmission Provider shall have the right to make a unilateral filing with FERC to modify this LGIA with respect to any rates, terms and conditions, charges, classifications of service, rule or regulation under section 205 or any other applicable provision of the Federal Power Act and FERC'sFERC's rules and regulations thereunder, and Interconnection Customer shall have the right to make a unilateral filing with FERC to modify this LGIA pursuant to section 206 or any other applicable provision of the Federal Power Act and FERC'sFERC's rules and regulations thereunder; provided that each Party shall have the right to protest any such filing by the other Party and to participate fully in

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any proceeding before FERC in which such modifications may be considered. Nothing in this LGIA shall limit the rights of the Parties or of FERC under sections 205 or 206 of the Federal Power Act and FERC's rules and regulations thereunder, except to the extent that the Parties otherwise mutually agree as provided herein.

30.12 No Partnership.

This LGIA shall not be interpreted or construed to create an association, joint venture, agency relationship, or partnership between the Parties or to impose any partnership obligation or partnership liability upon either Party. Neither Party shall have any right, power or authority to enter into any agreement or undertaking for, or act on behalf of, or to act as or be an agent or representative of, or to otherwise bind, the other Party.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have executed this LGIA <u>electronically or</u> in duplicate originals, each of which shall constitute and be an original effective Agreement between the Parties.

[Insert name of Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner, if applicable]

| Ву: | By: | |
|-------------------------|--------------------|--|
| Title: | Title: | |
| Date: | Date: | |
| [Insert name of Interco | nnection Customer] | |
| Ву: | | |
| Title: | | |
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Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades and Distribution Upgrades

- 1. A. Description of Generating Facility, Interconnection Facilities:, Network

 Upgrades and Distribution Upgrades
 - (a) [insert Interconnection Customer's 1. Description of Generating Facility: [Insert description of Generating Facility]
 - 2. Interconnection Facilities
 - (a. Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities [insert Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities]:
 - b). <u>Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities</u> [insert Transmission <u>Provider's Provider's Interconnection Facilities</u>]:
 - 2. 3. Network Upgrades:
 - (a). Standalone Network Upgrades [insert Stand Alone Standalone Network Upgrades]:
 - (b). Station Network Upgrades [insert Station Network Upgrades]: c. Other Network Upgrades]:
 - 3. d. Distribution Upgrades: [insert Distribution Upgrades]:
- B. Interconnection Customer's Payment for Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades
- **C.** Contingent Facilities

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LGIA Milestones

Site Control

Check box if applicable []

Interconnection Customer with qualifying regulatory limitations must demonstrate 100% Site Control by {Transmission Provider to insert date 180 days from the effective date of this LGIA} or the LGIA may be terminated per Article 17 (Default) of this LGIA and the Interconnection Customer may be subject to Withdrawal Penalties per Section 3.7.1.1 of the Transmission Provider's LGIP (Calculation of the Withdrawal Penalty).

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Interconnection Details

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Security Arrangements Details

Infrastructure security of Transmission System equipment and operations and control hardware and software is essential to ensure day-to-day Transmission System reliability and operational security. FERC will expect all Transmission Providers, market participants, and Interconnection Customers interconnected to the Transmission System to comply with the recommendations offered by the <a href="President's President's Critical Infrastructure Protection Board and, eventually, best practice recommendations from the electric reliability authority. All public utilities will be expected to meet basic standards for system infrastructure and operational security, including physical, operational, and cyber-security practices.

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Commercial Operation Date

This Appendix E is a part of the LGIA between Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer.

| | [Date] | | |
|---------|-----------------------------------|--|--|
| | [Transmission Provider Address] | | |
| | Re: Large | e Generating Facility | |
| | Dear: | | |
| confirm | | completed Trial Operation of Unit No This letter nmenced Commercial Operation of Unit No at [Date plus one day]. | |
| | Thank you. | | |
| | [Signature] | | |
| | [Interconnection Customer Represe | entative] | |

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Addresses for Delivery of Notices and Billings

| Notices:. | | | |
|---|--|--|--|
| Transmission Provider: | | | |
| [To be supplied.] | | | |
| Interconnection Customer: | | | |
| [To be supplied.] | | | |
| Billings and Payments: | | | |
| Transmission Provider: | | | |
| [To be supplied.] | | | |
| Interconnection Customer: | | | |
| [To be supplied.] | | | |
| Alternative Forms of Delivery of Notices (telephone, facsimile or email): | | | |
| Transmission Provider: | | | |
| [To be supplied.] | | | |
| Interconnection Customer: [To be supplied.] | | | |

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INTERCONNECTION REQUIREMENTS FOR A WIND GENERATING PLANT

<u>This</u> Appendix G sets forth requirements and provisions specific to a wind generating plant <u>or a Generating Facility that contains a wind generating plant</u>. All other requirements of this LGIA continue to apply to wind generating plant interconnections.

A. <u>Technical Standards Applicable to a Wind Generating Plant</u>

i. Low Voltage Ride-Through (LVRT) Capability

A wind generating plant shall be able to remain online during voltage disturbances up to the time periods and associated voltage levels set forth in the standard below. The LVRT standard provides for a transition period standard and a post-transition period standard.

Transition Period LVRT Standard

The transition period standard applies to wind generating plants subject to FERC Order 661 that have either: (i) interconnection agreements signed and filed with the Commission, filed with the Commission in unexecuted form, or filed with the Commission as non-conforming agreements between January 1, 2006 and December 31, 2006, with a scheduled in-service date no later than December 31, 2007, or (ii) wind generating turbines subject to a wind turbine procurement contract executed prior to December 31, 2005, for delivery through 2007.

- 1. Wind generating plants are required to remain in-service during three-phase faults with normal clearing (which is a time period of approximately 4 9 cycles) and single line to ground faults with delayed clearing, and subsequent post-fault voltage recovery to prefault voltage unless clearing the fault effectively disconnects the generator from the system. The clearing time requirement for a three-phase fault will be specific to the wind generating plant substation location, as determined by and documented by Transmission Provider. The maximum clearing time the wind generating plant shall be required to withstand for a three-phase fault shall be 9 cycles at a voltage as low as 0.15 p.u., as measured at the high side of the wind generating plant step-up transformer (i.e. the transformer that steps the voltage up to the transmission interconnection voltage or "GSU"), after which, if the fault remains following the location-specific normal clearing time for three-phase faults, the wind generating plant may disconnect from the transmission system.
- 2. This requirement does not apply to faults that would occur between the wind generator terminals and the high side of the GSU or to faults that would result in a voltage lower than 0.15 per unit on the high side of the GSU serving the facility.
- 3. Wind generating plants may be tripped after the fault period if this action is intended as part of a special protection system.
- 4. Wind generating plants may meet the LVRT requirements of this standard by the performance of the generators or by installing additional equipment (<u>e.g.</u>, Static VArVar Compensator, etc.) within the wind generating plant or by a combination of generator performance and additional equipment.

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5. Existing individual generator units that are, or have been, interconnected to the network at the same location at the effective date of the Appendix G LVRT Standard are exempt from meeting the Appendix G LVRT Standard for the remaining life of the existing generation equipment. Existing individual generator units that are replaced are required to meet the Appendix G LVRT Standard.

Post-transition Period LVRT Standard

All wind generating plants subject to FERC Order No. 661 and not covered by the transition period described above must meet the following requirements:

- 1. Wind generating plants are required to remain in-service during three-phase faults with normal clearing (which is a time period of approximately 4 9 cycles) and single line to ground faults with delayed clearing, and subsequent post-fault voltage recovery to prefault voltage unless clearing the fault effectively disconnects the generator from the system. The clearing time requirement for a three-phase fault will be specific to the wind generating plant substation location, as determined by and documented by Transmission Provider. The maximum clearing time the wind generating plant shall be required to withstand for a three-phase fault shall be nine (9) cycles after which, if the fault remains following the location-specific normal clearing time for three-phase faults, the wind generating plant may disconnect from the transmission system. A wind generating plant shall remain interconnected during such a fault on the transmission system for a voltage level as low as zero (0) volts, as measured at the high voltage side of the wind GSU.
- 2. This requirement does not apply to faults that would occur between the wind generator terminals and the high side of the GSU.
- 3. Wind generating plants may be tripped after the fault period if this action is intended as part of a special protection system.
- 4. Wind generating plants may meet the LVRT requirements of this standard by the performance of the generators or by installing additional equipment (e.g., Static VArVar Compensator) within the wind generating plant or by a combination of generator performance and additional equipment.
- 5. Existing individual generator units that are, or have been, interconnected to the network at the same location at the effective date of the Appendix G LVRT Standard are exempt from meeting the Appendix G LVRT Standard for the remaining life of the existing generation equipment. Existing individual generator units that are replaced are required to meet the Appendix G LVRT Standard.

ii. Power Factor Design Criteria (Reactive Power)

The following reactive power requirements apply only to a newly interconnecting wind generating plant that has executed a Facilities Study Agreement as of the effective date of the Final Rule establishing the reactive power requirements for non-synchronous generators in Article 9.6.1 of this LGIA (Order No. 827).² A wind generating plant to which

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this provision applies shall maintain a power factor within the range of 0.95 leading to 0.95 lagging, measured at the Point of Interconnection as defined in this LGIA, if Transmission Provider's System ImpactCluster Study shows that such a requirement is necessary to ensure safety or reliability. The power factor range standard can be met by using, for example, power electronics designed to supply this level of reactive capability (taking into account any limitations due to voltage level, real power output, etc.) or fixed and switched capacitors if agreed to by Transmission Provider, or a combination of the two. The Interconnection Customer shall not disable power factor equipment while the wind plant is in operation. Wind plants shall also be able to provide sufficient dynamic voltage support in lieu of the power system stabilizer and automatic voltage regulation at the generator excitation system if the System ImpactCluster Study shows this to be required for system safety or reliability.

[2] If identified in the System Impact Study as necessary to ensure safety or reliability, existing Generating Facilities being upgraded that require a new interconnection request are subject to this reactive power requirement.

iii. Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) Capability

The wind plant shall provide SCADA capability to transmit data and receive instructions from Transmission Provider to protect system reliability. Transmission Provider and the wind plant Interconnection Customer shall determine what SCADA information is essential for the proposed wind plant, taking into account the size of the plant and its characteristics, location, and importance in maintaining generation resource adequacy and transmission system reliability in its area.

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INTERCONNECTION PROCEDURES FOR A WIND GENERATING PLANT

Appendix G to the LGIA sets forth procedures specific to a wind generating plant. All other requirements of this Revised LGIP continue to apply to wind generating plant interconnections.

A. Special Procedures Applicable to Wind Generators

The wind plant Interconnection Customer, in completing the Interconnection Request required by section 3.4 of this Revised LGIP, may provide to Transmission Provider a set of preliminary electrical design specifications depicting the wind plant as a single equivalent generator. Upon satisfying these and other applicable Interconnection Request conditions, the wind plant may enter the Queue and receive the base case data as provided for in this Revised LGIP.

No later than six months after submitting an Interconnection Request completed in this manner, the wind plant Interconnection Customer must submit completed detailed electrical design specifications and other data (including collector system layout data) needed to allow Transmission Provider to complete the System Impact Study.

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Operating Assumptions for Generating Facility

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Operating Assumptions:

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APPENDIX I

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APPENDIX 713 Generator Replacement Coordinator

1. OVERVIEW

1.1 Purposes and Objectives

This Appendix 713 sets forth a framework whereby objective and verifiable assurance is provided to Interconnection Customers and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission ("Commission") that Transmission Provider's Generation Replacement process under Attachment N – Revised Large Generator Interconnection Procedures of the Tariff ("LGIP") is administered in a nondiscriminatory manner consistent with reliability and Good Utility Practice. To achieve these objectives, the Transmission Provider will contract with a third party that meets the independence requirements described in this Appendix. This party, referred to herein as the Generator Replacement Coordinator ("GRC"), will implement the provisions of this Appendix by performing the functions set forth herein.

1.2 **Applicability**

The Transmission Provider, the GRC, and any Interconnection Customer that submits a Generation Replacement request shall be subject to the terms, conditions, and obligations of this Appendix.

1.3 Effective Date and Term

This Appendix 713 shall remain in effect for an Initial Term of three (3) years and shall continue in effect thereafter until terminated by an order of the Commission. After the Initial Term, Transmission Provider shall have the right to request termination of this Appendix 713 pursuant to Federal Power Act Section 205.

If, during the period of effectiveness of this Appendix 713, the agreement between the Transmission Provider and the GRC is terminated, Transmission Provider shall select a replacement GRC and provide notice to the Commission that such replacement GRC meets the qualifications of Section 2 of this Appendix.

1.4 Definitions

The capitalized terms used herein shall have the meaning ascribed to them in Section 1 of the LGIP. Capitalized terms not included in Section 1 of the LGIP shall be defined as follows:

Generation Replacement Coordinator ("GRC"): the party that meets the independence criteria of Section 2 and contracts with the Transmission Provider to implement the provisions of this Appendix 713.

Replacement Interconnection Studies: Collectively refers to Replacement Impact Studies, Reliability Assessment Studies, Generator Replacement Facility Studies.

2. GENERATION REPLACEMENT COORDINATOR

2.1 Retention of the Generation Replacement Coordinator

The Transmission Provider shall contract with an independent qualified party to be known as the Generation Replacement Coordinator (GRC). The GRC shall have experience and expertise appropriate to process and conduct Replacement Interconnection Studies. The Transmission Provider and the GRC shall negotiate the terms and conditions upon which the GRC will contract with the Transmission Provider. Nothing in this Appendix <u>813</u> shall be interpreted or construed as creating a partnership, joint venture, or fiduciary or agency relationship between the Transmission Provider and the GRC.

2.2 Independence of the GRC

- 2.2.1. To maintain independence, the GRC will satisfy and maintain compliance with the following criteria: (i) the GRC will not be an Interconnection Customer; (ii) the GRC, its employees and its board of directors will be prohibited from having a direct financial interest in any Interconnection Customer, the Transmission Provider, or their Affiliates; (iii) the GRC will not own any transmission, generation or distribution facilities in the region consisting of the Transmission Provider's Balancing Area and first tier Balancing Areas or any of the Transmission Provider's Affiliates; and (iv) the GRC's decision making process will be independent of control by an Interconnection Customer, the Transmission Provider, or their Affiliates. The GRC shall exercise independent decision-making in performing all activities associated with its responsibilities under this Appendix 713. The GRC shall maintain its offices separate from the offices of the Transmission Provider and its Affiliates. No employees of the GRC shall share office space with any employee of an Interconnection Customer, the Transmission Provider, or their Affiliates.
- **2.2.2.** To further ensure the independence of the GRC and meet the objectives established in this Appendix, the GRC will have the authority to collect and analyze data relevant to its responsibilities and submit reports directly to the Commission. In response to the GRC's reports to the Commission that fall within the scope of this Appendix 713, the Transmission Provider may submit comments on the report to the Commission.

2.3 Standards of Conduct and Conflicts of Interest

2.3.1. All employees of the GRC performing functions under this Appendix 713 shall be treated, for purposes of the Commission's Standards of Conduct

set forth in 18 C.F.R. § 358 as the equivalent of transmission function employees of the Transmission Provider.

2.3.2. The GRC shall adopt a policy on conflicts of interest establishing appropriate standards for the professional and financial independence of the GRC from Transmission Provider and its Affiliates, consistent with Commission policies and regulations. In addition, the GRC shall adopt ethics policies and standards for its employees and subcontractors working on the Transmission Provider's Generator Replacement process. The GRC, including each employee performing functions under this Appendix 713, shall comply at all times with the conflicts of interest and ethics policies. The GRC shall certify such compliance to the Commission and the Transmission Provider prior to issuing its first Replacement Interconnection Study and upon request by the Commission.

3. GENERATION REPLACEMENT FUNCTIONS

3.1 The GRC's Administration of the Generation Replacement Process

The GRC shall administer the Generation Replacement process included as LGIP Section 3.9.

3.2 <u>The GRC's Specific Generation Replacement Responsibilities</u>

The GRC will process and evaluate all Generation Replacement requests on a nondiscriminatory basis consistent with LGIP Section 3.9. In processing and evaluating Generation Replacement requests, the GRC's responsibilities include the following:

- (1) Collecting from the Interconnection Customer and the Transmission Provider all information necessary for the processing and evaluation of a Generation Replacement request.
- (2) Determining that all preconditions necessary for a valid Generation Replacement request have been met;
- (3) Determining whether some or all of the service subject to a Generation Replacement request must be processed as a new request for Interconnection Service.
- (4) Maintaining a queue for Generation Replacement requests;
- (5) Performing the necessary Replacement Interconnection Studies;
- (6) Providing to the Transmission Provider for the Transmission Provider to post on its OASIS in a timely fashion (and without modification by the Transmission Provider) for each Generation Replacement, information

regarding the expected Commercial Operation Date of the Replacement Generating Facility, and the type of requested Interconnection Service;

- (7) Providing all notices related to the processing and evaluation of a Generation Replacement request to the Interconnection Customer;
- (8) Independently reviewing and validating data, information, and analyses provided by Transmission Provider to GRC in connection with Generator Replacement process;
- (9) Responding to inquiries from an Interconnection Customer in connection with its Generator Replacement request; and
- (10) Providing a copy of each final study report, along with the underlying study, to the Transmission Provider.

3.3 The Transmission Provider's Duties and Responsibilities

Other than the functions pursuant to LGIP Section 3.9 performed by the GRC, as described in Section 3.2 above, Transmission Provider will continue to administer, and perform all Transmission Provider functions pursuant to, its Tariff. In addition, Transmission Provider shall perform the following functions referenced in LGIP Section 3.9:

- (1) Providing the data, information, and analyses (as well as updates, changes, or additions to such data, information, and analyses) required by the GRC to perform Replacement Interconnection Studies and to process Generator Replacement requests, ("Required Information");
- (2) Posting to OASIS (as provided by the GRC and without modification by the Transmission Provider) for each Generation Replacement, information regarding the expected Commercial Operation Date of the Replacement Generating Facility and the type of requested Interconnection Service; and
- (3) Whenever the GRC determines that some or all of a Generation Replacement request must be processed as a new request for Interconnection Service, Transmission Provider shall process the new request for Interconnection Service pursuant to the LGIP provisions applicable to a new request for Interconnection Service.

4. COORDINATION BETWEEN TRANSMISSION PROVIDER AND THE GRC

4.1 General

- **4.1.1.** Transmission Provider and the GRC will coordinate as necessary for the GRC to perform its functions.
- **4.1.2.** Whenever Transmission Provider provides Required Information to the GRC, the Transmission Provider shall supply such Required Information

using Good Utility Practice and its knowledge of the Transmission System to provide the Required Information in a manner consistent with its obligation to respond to Generation Replacement requests on a nondiscriminatory basis. Upon receiving Required Information, the GRC shall use its independent judgment to review the information and determine whether the information satisfies applicable Tariff requirements and is otherwise consistent with the requirement to respond to Generation Replacement requests on a nondiscriminatory basis.

4.1.3. The GRC shall use its independent judgment to determine whether additional, updated, or modified Required Information is required by the GRC to perform Replacement Interconnection Studies and to process Generator Replacement requests.

4.2 <u>Dispute Resolution</u>

- **4.2.1.** If (i) the GRC believes that the Required Information provided by the Transmission Provider is insufficient, and (ii) the Transmission Provider disagrees, then GRC and Transmission Provider shall meet and confer in an effort to resolve the matter. Both parties shall have an obligation to use reasonable efforts to resolve the dispute expeditiously.
- **4.2.2.** If the dispute cannot be resolved informally and relates to a matter that affects multiple current or future Interconnection Customers, then the GRC shall take all reasonable steps, on an expeditious basis, to refer the dispute to the Commission's Dispute Resolution Service or its successor entity.
- **4.2.3.** If the dispute cannot be resolved informally and relates to a specific Generator Replacement request, then the GRC shall seek to resolve the matter expeditiously by meeting with the affected Interconnection Ccustomer and the Transmission Provider. Following this meeting, if the matter cannot be resolved informally, then any of the Interconnection Customer, Transmission Provider, or the GRC may refer the dispute to the Commission's Dispute Resolution Service.
- **4.2.4.** Nothing in this Section 4.2 shall restrict the right of an Interconnection Customer to (i) request that the Commission's Dispute Resolution Service attempt to resolve a dispute, or (ii) submit a complaint pursuant to FPA Section 206.

5. ERO COMPLIANCE

The GRC will perform its functions under this Appendix 713 in accordance with the NERC TPLElectric Reliability OrganizationTPL-001 Reliability Standard (or subsequent standards), the Transmission Provider's Long-Range Planning Criteria, and the Transmission Provider's Generator Interconnection Guidelines. These documents specify the criteria used by the Transmission Provider to assess the reliability of all proposed interconnection requests to ensure compliance with required NERCElectric Reliability

<u>Organization</u> Reliability Standards and the Transmission Provider's OATT. The Transmission will provide these documents to the GRC and update them as necessary.

6. DATA COLLECTION AND DISCLOSURE

6.1 Access to Transmission Provider's Data and Information

- **6.1.1.** To the extent the GRC requests access to Required Information from the Transmission Provider that was originally provided to the Transmission Provider by a third-party, then that Required Information shall be treated as Confidential Information, unless the information already is available from a public source or is otherwise subject to disclosure pursuant to any tariff or agreement administered by the Transmission Provider.
- **6.2.2.** To the extent Transmission Provider considers Required Information requested by the GRC to be Confidential Information, Transmission Provider shall provide the Required Information to the GRC but may designate the data or other information to be Confidential Information pursuant to Section 12.1 of this Appendix 713.
- **6.1.3.** To the extent Transmission Provider considers Required Information requested by the GRC to be subject to a legal privilege, the Transmission Provider may notify the GRC of the applicable legal privilege and may withhold the data or other information from the GRC.
- **6.1.4.** In the event that a dispute arises over access to data or information, either the Transmission Provider or GRC may refer the matter to the Commission's Dispute Resolution Service.

6.2 Access to Data and Information of Interconnection Customers

6.2.1. Data Requests

If the GRC determines that additional data or other information is required to accomplish the objectives of this Appendix 713, the GRC may request such information from the Interconnection Customer. Any such request shall be accompanied by an explanation of the need for such data or other information, and, to the extent the data qualifies as Confidential Information, an acknowledgment of the obligation of the GRC to maintain the confidentiality of the data. All information provided to the GRC by Interconnection Customers that has been labeled as confidential by an Interconnection Customer, shall be treated as Confidential Information, unless already available from a public source or otherwise subject to

disclosure under any tariff or agreement administered by the Transmission Provider.

6.2.2. <u>Enforcement of Data Requests</u>

Any Interconnection Customer receiving an information request from the GRC shall furnish all information, in the requested form or format that is reasonably necessary to achieve the purposes or objectives of this Appendix 713, whenever the requested information is not readily available from some other source that is more convenient, less burdensome and less expensive, and not subject to a legal privilege. No party that is the subject of a data request shall be required to produce any summaries, analyses, or reports of the data that do not exist at the time of the data request. In the event that a dispute arises over access to data or information, either the Interconnection Customer or the GRC may refer the dispute to the Commission's Dispute Resolution Service.

6.3 **Confidentiality**

The GRC shall use all reasonable procedures necessary to protect and to preserve the confidentiality of Confidential Information obtained pursuant to this Appendix 713. Except as may be required by subpoena or other compulsory process, the GRC shall not disclose Confidential Information to any person or entity without prior written consent of the party supplying the Confidential Information. To the extent the GRC requires access to Confidential Information obtained by Transmission Provider from third parties, the GRC shall not disclose the Confidential Information to any person or entity without prior written consent of the party supplying the Confidential Information to the Transmission Provider, except as may be required by subpoena or other compulsory process. Upon receipt of a subpoena or other compulsory process for the disclosure of Confidential Information, the GRC shall promptly notify the party that provided the data and shall provide all reasonable assistance requested by the party to prevent disclosure, and shall not release the data until the party provides written consent or until the party's legal avenues are exhausted. The confidentiality of data and information provided to the Commission shall be maintained with a protective order or other procedures of the agency for protecting Confidential Information.

6.4 Access to Data by the Commission

The GRC shall provide data, information, or reports relating to Transmission Provider's Generator Replacement process to the Commission upon request, with a copy provided to the Transmission Provider. Notwithstanding anything in this Section 6 to the contrary, if the Commission or its staff, during the course of an investigation or otherwise, request information from the GRC that the GRC is otherwise required to maintain in confidence pursuant to this Appendix, the GRC shall provide the requested information to the Commission or its staff, within the time provided for in the request for information. In providing the information to the Commission or its staff, the GRC may, consistent with 18 C.F.R. § 388.112,

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request that the information be treated as confidential and non-public by the Commission and its staff and that the information be withheld from public disclosure. The GRC shall notify the party from whom the information was obtained when the GRC is notified by Commission or its staff that a request for public disclosure of, or decision to publicly disclose, confidential information has been received, at which time either the GRC or the party may respond before such information is made public, pursuant to 18 C.F.R. § 388.112.

6.5 Collection and Retention of Information

The GRC shall regularly collect and maintain the information necessary for implementing this Appendix. The GRC shall ensure that data and information necessary to carry out its duties is retained in usable form and shall be turned over to any successor GRC consistent with Section 6.3 above. The GRC shall adopt policies and procedures for the retention of information provided by Interconnection Customers. At the end of the applicable retention period, the GRC shall provide the data and information to the Transmission Provider. The Transmission Provider shall retain that information consistent with the applicable Commission and NERCElectric Reliability Organization document retention requirements.

7. BUDGETING AND FUNDING

The GRC and the Transmission Provider shall reach agreement on budgeting and funding the GRC's functions under this Appendix 713 to ensure, among other things, that the GRC has sufficient funding to discharge its responsibilities and obligations as GRC and that the terms of payment of the GRC by the Transmission Provider do not result in inappropriate incentives to favor the Transmission Provider or any Interconnection Customer over the interests of another. If a dispute arises over the budgeting or funding of the GRC, either party may refer the matter to the Commission's Dispute Resolution Service.

8. RIGHTS AND REMEDIES

- 8.1 With the exception of the limitation of liability provisions agreed to by the GRC and the Transmission Provider, nothing herein shall prevent the Transmission Provider or any other person or entity from asserting any rights it may have under the Federal Power Act or any other applicable law, statute, or regulation, including the filing of a petition with or otherwise initiating a proceeding before the Commission regarding any matter that is the subject of this Appendix 713.
- 8.2 An Interconnection Customer may submit a complaint under Section 206 of the Federal Power Act if it believes that the GRC or Transmission Provider is performing its functions in a manner inconsistent with this Appendix or is otherwise acting in manner inconsistent with any rule, regulation or policy adopted by the Commission.

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PROVISIONAL LARGE GENERATOR INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT (PLGIA)

between

Public Service Company of Colorado.

<u>a Colorado Corporation and wholly-owned subsidiary of Xcel Energy Inc.</u>

<u>and</u>

[Interconnection Customer]

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Section 1. Application

1.1 Applicability

- 1.1.1 A request to interconnect a certified Small Generating Facility (See Attachments 3 and 4 for description of certification criteria) to the Transmission Provider's Distribution System shall be evaluated under the section 2 Fast Track Process if the eligibility requirements of section 2.1 are met. A request to interconnect a certified inverter-based Small Generating Facility no larger than 10 kilowatts (kW) shall be evaluated under the Attachment 5 10 kW Inverter Process. A request to interconnect a Small Generating Facility no larger than 20 megawatts (MW) that does not meet the eligibility requirements of section 2.1, or does not pass the Fast Track Process or the 10 kW Inverter Process, shall be evaluated under the section 3 Study Process. If the Interconnection Customer wishes to interconnect its Small Generating Facility using Network Resource Interconnection Service, it must do so under the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Procedures and execute the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement.
- 1.1.2 Capitalized terms used herein shall have the meanings specified in the Glossary of Terms in Attachment 1 or the body of these procedures.
- 1.1.3 Neither these procedures nor the requirements included hereunder apply to Small Generating Facilities interconnected or approved for interconnection prior to 60 Business Days after the effective date of these procedures.
- 1.1.4 Prior to submitting its Interconnection Request (Attachment 2), the Interconnection Customer may ask the Transmission Provider's interconnection contact employee or office whether the proposed interconnection is subject to these procedures. The Transmission Provider shall respond within 15 Business Days.
- 1.1.5 Infrastructure security of electric system equipment and operations and control hardware and software is essential to ensure day-to-day reliability and operational security. The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission expects all Transmission Providers, market participants, and Interconnection Customers interconnected with electric systems to comply with the recommendations offered by the President's Critical Infrastructure Protection Board and best practice recommendations from the electric reliability authority. All public utilities are expected to meet basic standards for electric system infrastructure and operational security, including physical, operational, and cyber-security practices.
- 1.1.6 References in these procedures to interconnection agreement are to the Small Generator Interconnection Agreement (SGIA).

1.2 Pre-Application

1.2.1 The Transmission Provider shall designate an employee or office from which information on the application process and on an Affected System can be obtained through informal requests from the Interconnection Customer presenting a

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proposed project for a specific site. The name, telephone number, and e-mail address of such contact employee or office shall be made available on the Transmission Provider's Internet web site. Electric system information provided to the Interconnection Customer should include relevant system studies, interconnection studies, and other materials useful to an understanding of an interconnection at a particular point on the Transmission Provider's Transmission System, to the extent such provision does not violate confidentiality provisions of prior agreements or critical infrastructure requirements. The Transmission Provider shall comply with reasonable requests for such information.

- 1.2.2 In addition to the information described in section 1.2.1, which may be provided in response to an informal request, an Interconnection Customer may submit a formal written request form along with a non-refundable fee of \$300 for a pre-application report on a proposed project at a specific site. The Transmission Provider shall provide the pre-application data described in section 1.2.3 to the Interconnection Customer within 20 Business Days of receipt of the completed request form and payment of the \$300 fee. The pre-application report produced by the Transmission Provider is non-binding, does not confer any rights, and the Interconnection Customer must still successfully apply to interconnect to the Transmission Provider's system. The written pre-application report request form shall include the information in sections 1.2.2.1 through 1.2.2.8 below to clearly and sufficiently identify the location of the proposed Point of Interconnection.
 - 1.2.2.1 Project contact information, including name, address, phone number, and email address.
 - 1.2.2.2 Project location (street address with nearby cross streets and town)
 - 1.2.2.3 Meter number, pole number, or other equivalent information identifying proposed Point of Interconnection, if available.
 - 1.2.2.4 Generator Type (e.g., solar, wind, combined heat and power, etc.)
 - 1.2.2.5 Size (alternating current kW)
 - 1.2.2.6 Single or three phase generator configuration
 - 1.2.2.7 Stand-alone generator (no onsite load, not including station service Yes or No?)
 - 1.2.2.8 Is new service requested? Yes or No? If there is existing service, include the customer account number, site minimum and maximum current or proposed electric loads in kW (if available) and specify if the load is expected to change.
- 1.2.3. Using the information provided in the pre-application report request form in section 1.2.2, the Transmission Provider will identify the substation/area bus, bank or circuit likely to serve the proposed Point of Interconnection. This selection by the

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Transmission Provider does not necessarily indicate, after application of the screens and/or study, that this would be the circuit the project ultimately connects to. The Interconnection Customer must request additional pre-application reports if information about multiple Points of Interconnection is requested. Subject to section 1.2.4, the pre-application report will include the following information:

- 1.2.3.1 Total capacity (in MW) of substation/area bus, bank or circuit based on normal or operating ratings likely to serve the proposed Point of Interconnection. 1.2.3.2 Existing aggregate generation capacity (in MW) interconnected to a substation/area bus, bank or circuit (i.e., amount of generation online) likely to serve the proposed Point of Interconnection. 1.2.3.3 Aggregate queued generation capacity (in MW) for a substation/area bus, bank or circuit (i.e., amount of generation in the queue) likely to serve the proposed Point of Interconnection. Available capacity (in MW) of substation/area bus or bank and 1.2.3.4 circuit likely to serve the proposed Point of Interconnection (i.e., total capacity less the sum of existing aggregate generation capacity and aggregate queued generation capacity). 1.2.3.5 Substation nominal distribution voltage and/or transmission nominal voltage if applicable. 1.2.3.6 Nominal distribution circuit voltage at the proposed Point of Interconnection. 1237 Approximate circuit distance between the proposed Point of Interconnection and the substation. Relevant line section(s) actual or estimated peak load and minimum 1.2.3.8 load data, including daytime minimum load as described in section 2.4.4.1.1 below and absolute minimum load, when available. 1.2.3.9 Number and rating of protective devices and number and type (standard, bi-directional) of voltage regulating devices between the proposed Point of Interconnection and the substation/area. Identify whether the substation has a load tap changer. 1.2.3.10 Number of phases available at the proposed Point of
- Interconnection. If a single phase, distance from the three-phase circuit.
- 1.2.3.11 Limiting conductor ratings from the proposed Point of Interconnection to the distribution substation.

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- 1.2.3.12 Whether the Point of Interconnection is located on a spot network, grid network, or radial supply.
- 1.2.3.13 Based on the proposed Point of Interconnection, existing or known constraints such as, but not limited to, electrical dependencies at that location, short circuit interrupting capacity issues, power quality or stability issues on the circuit, capacity constraints, or secondary networks.
- 1.2.4 The pre-application report need only include existing data. A pre-application report request does not obligate the Transmission Provider to conduct a study or other analysis of the proposed generator in the event that data is not readily available. If the Transmission Provider cannot complete all or some of a pre-application report due to lack of available data, the Transmission Provider shall provide the Interconnection Customer with a pre-application report that includes the data that is available. The provision of information on "available capacity" pursuant to section 1.2.3.4 does not imply that an interconnection up to this level may be completed without impacts since there are many variables studied as part of the interconnection review process, and data provided in the pre-application report may become outdated at the time of the submission of the complete Interconnection Request. Notwithstanding any of the provisions of this section, the Transmission Provider shall, in good faith, include data in the pre-application report that represents the best available information at the time of reporting.

1.3 Interconnection Request

The Interconnection Customer shall submit its Interconnection Request to the Transmission Provider, together with the processing fee or deposit specified in the Interconnection Request. The Interconnection Request shall be date- and time-stamped upon receipt. The original date- and time-stamp applied to the Interconnection Request at the time of its original submission shall be accepted as the qualifying date- and timestamp for the purposes of any timetable in these procedures. The Interconnection Customer shall be notified of receipt by the Transmission Provider within three Business Days of receiving the Interconnection Request. The Transmission Provider shall notify the Interconnection Customer within ten Business Days of the receipt of the Interconnection Request as to whether the Interconnection Request is complete or incomplete. If the Interconnection Request is incomplete, the Transmission Provider shall provide along with the notice that the Interconnection Request is incomplete, a written list detailing all information that must be provided to complete the Interconnection Request. The Interconnection Customer will have ten Business Days after receipt of the notice to submit the listed information or to request an extension of time to provide such information. If the Interconnection Customer does not provide the listed information or a request for an extension of time within the deadline, the Interconnection Request will be deemed withdrawn. An Interconnection Request will be deemed complete upon submission of the listed information to the Transmission Provider.

1.4 Modification of the Interconnection Request

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Any modification to machine data or equipment configuration or to the interconnection site of the Small Generating Facility not agreed to in writing by the Transmission Provider and the Interconnection Customer may be deemed a withdrawal of the Interconnection Request and may require submission of a new Interconnection Request, unless proper notification of each Party by the other and a reasonable time to cure the problems created by the changes are undertaken.

1.5 Site Control

Documentation of site control must be submitted with the Interconnection Request. Site control may be demonstrated through:

- 1.5.1 Ownership of, a leasehold interest in, or a right to develop a site for the purpose of constructing the Small Generating Facility;
- 1.5.2 An option to purchase or acquire a leasehold site for such purpose; or
- 1.5.3 An exclusivity or other business relationship between the Interconnection Customer and the entity having the right to sell, lease, or grant the Interconnection Customer the right to possess or occupy a site for such purpose.

1.6 Queue Position

The Transmission Provider shall assign a Queue Position based upon the date- and time-stamp of the Interconnection Request. The Queue Position of each Interconnection Request will be used to determine the cost responsibility for the Upgrades necessary to accommodate the interconnection. The Transmission Provider shall maintain a single queue per geographic region. At the Transmission Provider's option, Interconnection Requests may be studied serially or in clusters for the purpose of the system impact study.

1.6.1 Clustering of Requests for a Resource Solicitation

If multiple Interconnection Requests are filed by an eligible entity as the authorized representative for those Interconnection Customer(s) proposing either a Large or Small Generating Facility to meet some portion of the eligible entity's request for additional generating resources in a Resource Solicitation Process, Transmission Provider may cluster combinations of such Interconnection Requests for purposes of conducting the Interconnection Feasibility Study(ies) and Interconnection System Impact Study(ies) of such Generating Facilities. Such studies in connection with a Resource Solicitation Process shall be implemented based upon Queue Position and shall consider the eligible entity's identified need in the Resource Solicitation Process.

An Interconnection Customer may submit to the authorized representative for inclusion in the Resource Solicitation Process an Interconnection Request for a Generating Facility that already has a Queue Position pursuant to Section 1.6. An Interconnection Customer that initially reserves a Queue Position for a Generating Facility through the Resource Solicitation Process may reserve a Queue Position separate from the Resource Solicitation Process pursuant to Section 1.6. In either case, the Interconnection Customer must meet all requirements associated with maintaining each Queue Position for the Generating Facility.

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A Generating Facility in the Resource Solicitation Process is subject to study according to the Queue Position in the process. A Generating Facility that is not a part of the Resource Solicitation Process is subject to study according to its Queue Position pursuant to Section 1.6. All studies must be done in accordance with the provisions of the SGIP, and may not be delayed as a result of the Resource Solicitation Process.

In order to facilitate Transmission Provider's study of Interconnection Requests made in connection with a Resource Solicitation Process, the eligible entity must: a) act as the authorized representative for all Interconnection Requests submitted, b) submit all Interconnection Requests arising from the Resource Solicitation Process at the same time to ensure simultaneous Queue Positions for all such Interconnection Requests, c) cooperate with Transmission Provider in conducting the studies, and d) request that studies be conducted of a reasonable number of different combinations of such Interconnection Requests to meet the eligible entity's identified need in the Resource Solicitation Process.

After Transmission Provider completes the Interconnection System Impact Studies of the requested combinations, the results will be provided to the eligible entity for use in the Resource Solicitation Process. The results will be posted on Transmission Provider's OASIS consistent with the posting of other study results. After receipt of these studies, the eligible entity must select one of the studied combinations prior to the start of any Interconnection Facility Study associated with the Resource Solicitation Process. Prior to the completion of the Interconnection Facilities Study of all of the components of the selected combination, the eligible entity may replace components of the selected combination. While conducting the Interconnection Facilities Study(ies), Transmission Provider may suspend further action on the Interconnection Requests in the Resource Solicitation Process that are not included in the selected combination. Once a Generating Facility is rejected in the Resource Solicitation Process, it shall lose the Queue Position it held as part of the Resource Solicitation Process. If a Generating Facility is selected by the eligible entity at the conclusion of the Resource Solicitation Process, the Generating Facility may no longer maintain more than one Queue Position.

For purposes of this section 1.6.1, "eligible entity" means any entity subject to or conducting a Resource Solicitation Process, and "Resource Solicitation Process" means any process authorized or required by Applicable Laws and Regulations for the acquisition of Network Resources by an entity interconnected to the Transmission System of Transmission Provider.

1.7 Interconnection Requests Submitted Prior to the Effective Date of the SGIP

Nothing in this SGIP affects an Interconnection Customer's Queue Position assigned before the effective date of this SGIP. The Parties agree to complete work on any interconnection study agreement executed prior the effective date of this SGIP in accordance with the terms and conditions of that interconnection study agreement. Any

new studies or other additional work will be completed pursuant to this SGIP.

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Section 2. Fast Track Process

2.1 Applicability

The Fast Track Process is available to an Interconnection Customer proposing to interconnect its Small Generating Facility with the Transmission Provider's Distribution System if the Small Generating Facility's capacity does not exceed the size limits identified in the table below. Small Generating Facilities below these limits are eligible for Fast Track review. However, Fast Track eligibility is distinct from the Fast Track Process itself, and eligibility does not imply or indicate that a Small Generating Facility will pass the Fast Track screens in section 2.2.1 below or the Supplemental Review screens in section 2.4.4 below

Fast Track eligibility is determined based upon the generator type, the size of the generator, voltage of the line and the location of and the type of line at the Point of Interconnection. All Small Generating Facilities connecting to lines greater than 69 kilovolt (kV) are ineligible for the Fast Track Process regardless of size. All synchronous and induction machines must be no larger than 2 MW to be eligible for the Fast Track Process, regardless of location. For certified inverter based systems, the size limit varies according to the voltage of the line at the proposed Point of Interconnection. Certified inverter-based Small Generating Facilities located within 2.5 electrical circuit miles of a substation and on a mainline (as defined in the table below) are eligible for the Fast Track Process under the higher thresholds according to the table below. In addition to the size threshold, the Interconnection Customer's proposed Small Generating Facility must meet the codes, standards, and certification requirements of Attachments 3 and 4 of these procedures, or the Transmission Provider has reviewed the design or tested the proposed Small Generating Facility and is satisfied that it is safe to operate.

| Fast Track Eligibility for Inverter-Based Systems | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Line Voltage | Fast Track Eligibility Regardless of Location | Fast Track Eligibility on a Mainline¹ and ≤ 2.5 Electrical Circuit Miles from Substation² | | | | | | | | |
| < 5 kV | ≤ 500 kW | ≤ 500 kW | | | | | | | | |
| ≥ 5 kV and < 15 kV | ≤ 2 MW | ≤ 3 MW | | | | | | | | |
| ≥ 15 kV and < 30 kV | ≤ 3 MW | ≤ 4 MW | | | | | | | | |
| ≥ 30 kV and ≤ 69 kV | ≤ 4 MW | ≤ 5 MW | | | | | | | | |

¹For purposes of this table, a mainline is the three-phase backbone of a circuit. It will typically constitute lines with wire sizes of 4/0 American wire gauge, 336.4 kcmil, 397.5 kcmil, 477 kcmil and 795 kcmil.

2.2 Initial Review

² An Interconnection Customer can determine this information about its proposed interconnection location in advance by requesting a pre-application report pursuant to section 1.2.

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Within 15 Business Days after the Transmission Provider notifies the Interconnection Customer it has received a complete Interconnection Request, the Transmission Provider shall perform an initial review using the screens set forth below, shall notify the Interconnection Customer of the results, and include with the notification copies of the analysis and data underlying the Transmission Provider's determinations under the screens.

2.2.1 Screens

- 2.2.1.1 The proposed Small Generating Facility's Point of Interconnection must be on a portion of the Transmission Provider's Distribution System that is subject to the Tariff.
- 2.2.1.2 For interconnection of a proposed Small Generating Facility to a radial distribution circuit, the aggregated generation, including the proposed Small Generating Facility, on the circuit shall not exceed 15 % of the line section annual peak load as most recently measured at the substation. A line section is that portion of a Transmission Provider's electric system connected to a customer bounded by automatic sectionalizing devices or the end of the distribution line.
- 2.2.1.3 For interconnection of a proposed Small Generating Facility to the load side of spot network protectors, the proposed Small Generating Facility must utilize an inverter-based equipment package and, together with the aggregated other inverter-based generation, shall not exceed the smaller of 5 % of a spot network's maximum load or 50 kW.³
 - A spot Network is a type of distribution system found within modern commercial buildings to provide high reliability of service to a single customer. (Standard <u>Handbook for Electrical Engineers</u>, 11th edition, Donald Fink, McGraw Hill Book Company).
- 2.2.1.4 The proposed Small Generating Facility, in aggregation with other generation on the distribution circuit, shall not contribute more than 10 % to the distribution circuit's maximum fault current at the point on the high voltage (primary) level nearest the proposed point of change of ownership.
- 2.2.1.5 The proposed Small Generating Facility, in aggregate with other generation on the distribution circuit, shall not cause any distribution protective devices and equipment (including, but not limited to, substation breakers, fuse cutouts, and line reclosers), or Interconnection Customer equipment on the system to exceed 87.5 % of the short circuit interrupting capability; nor shall the interconnection proposed for a circuit that already exceeds 87.5 % of the short circuit interrupting capability.

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2.2.1.6 Using the table below, determine the type of interconnection to a primary distribution line. This screen includes a review of the type of electrical service provided to the Interconnecting Customer, including line configuration and the transformer connection to limit the potential for creating over-voltages on the Transmission Provider's electric power system due to a loss of ground during the operating time of any anti-islanding function.

| Primary Distribution Line Type | Type of Interconnection to | Result/Criteria |
|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------|
| | Primary Distribution Line | |
| Three-phase, three wire | 3-phase or single phase, phase- | Pass screen |
| | to-phase | |
| Three-phase, four wire | Effectively-grounded 3 phase or | Pass screen |
| | Single-phase, line-to-neutral | |

- 2.2.1.7 If the proposed Small Generating Facility is to be interconnected on single-phase shared secondary, the aggregate generation capacity on the shared secondary, including the proposed Small Generating Facility, shall not exceed 20 kW.
- 2.2.1.8 If the proposed Small Generating Facility is single-phase and is to be interconnected on a center tap neutral of a 240 volt service, its addition shall not create an imbalance between the two sides of the 240 volt service of more than 20 % of the nameplate rating of the service transformer.
- 2.2.1.9 The Small Generating Facility, in aggregate with other generation interconnected to the transmission side of a substation transformer feeding the circuit where the Small Generating Facility proposes to interconnect shall not exceed 10 MW in an area where there are known, or posted, transient stability limitations to generating units located in the general electrical vicinity (e.g., three or four transmission busses from the point of interconnection).
- 2.2.1.10 No construction of facilities by the Transmission Provider on its own system shall be required to accommodate the Small Generating Facility.
- 2.2.2 If the proposed interconnection passes the screens, the Interconnection Request shall be approved and the Transmission Provider will provide the Interconnection Customer an executable interconnection agreement within five Business Days after the determination.
- 2.2.3 If the proposed interconnection fails the screens, but the Transmission Provider determines that the Small Generating Facility may nevertheless be interconnected consistent with safety, reliability, and power quality standards, the Transmission Provider shall provide the Interconnection Customer an executable interconnection agreement within five Business Days after the determination.

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- 2.2.4 If the proposed interconnection fails the screens, but the Transmission Provider does not or cannot determine from the initial review that the Small Generating Facility may nevertheless be interconnected consistent with safety, reliability, and power quality standards unless the Interconnection Customer is willing to consider minor modifications or further study, the Transmission Provider shall provide the Interconnection Customer with the opportunity to attend a customer options meeting.
- 2.3 Customer 4.1.1..... Energy Resource Interconnection Service.
 - 4.1.1.1 The Product.
 - 4.1.1.2 Transmission Delivery Service Implications.
- 4.1.2 Network Resource Interconnection Service.
 - 4.1.2.1 The Product.
 - 4.1.2.2 Transmission Delivery Service Implications.
- 4.2 Provision of Service.
- 4.3 Performance Standards.
- 4.4 No Transmission Delivery Service.
- 4.5 Interconnection Customer Provided Services
- Article 5. Interconnection Facilities Engineering, Procurement, and Construction
- 5.1 Options Meeting.

If the Transmission Provider determines the Interconnection Request cannot be approved without (1) minor modifications at minimal cost, or (2) supplemental study or other additional studies or actions, or (3) incurring significant cost to address safety, reliability, or power quality problems, the Transmission Provider shall notify the Interconnection Customer of that determination within five Business Days after the determination and provide copies of all data and analyses underlying its conclusion. Within ten Business Days of the Transmission Provider's determination, the Transmission Provider shall offer to convene a customer options meeting with the Transmission Provider to review possible Interconnection Customer facility modifications or the screen analysis and related results, to determine what further steps are needed to permit the Small Generating Facility to be connected safely and reliably. At the time of notification of the Transmission Provider's determination, or at the customer options meeting, the Transmission Provider shall:

- 2.3.1 Offer to perform facility modifications or minor modifications to the Transmission Provider's electric system (e.g., changing meters, fuses, relay settings) and provide a non-binding good faith estimate of the limited cost to make such modifications to the Transmission Provider's electric system. If the Interconnection Customer agrees to pay for the modifications to the Transmission Provider's electric system, the Transmission Provider will provide the Interconnection Customer with an executable interconnection agreement within ten Business Days of the customer options meeting; or
- 2.3.2 Offer to perform a supplemental review in accordance with section 2.4 and provide a non-binding good faith estimate of the costs of such review; or

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2.3.3 Obtain the Interconnection Customer's agreement to continue evaluating the Interconnection Request under the section 3 Study Process.

2.4 Supplemental Review

- 2.4.1 To accept the offer of a supplemental review, the Interconnection Customer shall agree in writing and submit a deposit for the estimated costs of the supplemental review in the amount of the Transmission Provider's good faith estimate of the costs of such review, both within 15 Business Days of the offer. If the written agreement and deposit have not been received by the Transmission Provider within that timeframe, the Interconnection Request shall continue to be evaluated under the section 3 Study Process unless it is withdrawn by the Interconnection Customer.
- 2.4.2 The Interconnection Customer may specify the order in which the Transmission Provider will complete the screens in section 2.4.4.
- 2.4.3 The Interconnection Customer shall be responsible for the Transmission Provider's actual costs for conducting the supplemental review. The Interconnection Customer must pay any review costs that exceed the deposit within 20 Business Days of receipt of the invoice or resolution of any dispute. If the deposit exceeds the invoiced costs, the Transmission Provider will return such excess within 20 Business Days of the invoice without interest.
- 2.4.4 Within 30 Business Days following receipt of the deposit for a supplemental review, the Transmission Provider shall (1) perform a supplemental review using the screens set forth below; (2) notify in writing the Interconnection Customer of the results; and (3) include with the notification copies of the analysis and data underlying the Transmission Provider's determinations under the screens. Unless the Interconnection Customer provided instructions for how to respond to the failure of any of the supplemental review screens below at the time the Interconnection Customer accepted the offer of supplemental review, the Transmission Provider shall notify the Interconnection Customer following the failure of any of the screens, or if it is unable to perform the screen in section 2.4.4.1, within two Business Days of making such determination to obtain the Interconnection Customer's permission to: (1) continue evaluating the proposed interconnection under this section 2.4.4; (2) terminate the supplemental review and continue evaluating the Small Generating Facility under section 3; or (3) terminate the supplemental review upon withdrawal of the Interconnection Request by the Interconnection Customer.
 - 2.4.4.1 Minimum Load Screen: Where 12 months of line section minimum load data (including onsite load but not station service load served by the proposed Small Generating Facility) are available, can be calculated, can be estimated from existing data, or determined from a power flow model, the aggregate Generating Facility capacity on the line section is less than 100% of the minimum load for all line sections bounded by automatic sectionalizing devices upstream of the proposed Small

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Generating Facility. If minimum load data is not available, or cannot be calculated, estimated or determined, the Transmission Provider shall include the reason(s) that it is unable to calculate, estimate or determine minimum load in its supplemental review results notification under section 2.4.4.

- 2.4.4.1.1 The type of generation used by the proposed Small Generating Facility will be taken into account when calculating, estimating, or determining circuit or line section minimum load relevant for the application of screen 2.4.4.1. Solar photovoltaic (PV) generation systems with no battery storage use daytime minimum load (i.e. 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. for fixed panel systems and 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. for PV systems utilizing tracking systems), while all other generation uses absolute minimum load.
- 2.4. 4.1.2 When this screen is being applied to a Small Generating Facility that serves some station service load, only the net injection into the Transmission Provider's electric system will be considered as part of the aggregate generation.
- 2.4. 4.1.3 Transmission Provider will not consider as part of the aggregate generation for purposes of this screen generating facility capacity known to be already reflected in the minimum load data.
- 2.4.4.2 Voltage and Power Quality Screen: In aggregate with existing generation on the line section: (1) the voltage regulation on the line section can be maintained in compliance with relevant requirements under all system conditions; (2) the voltage fluctuation is within acceptable limits as defined by Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE) Standard 1453, or utility practice similar to IEEE Standard 1453; and (3) the harmonic levels meet IEEE Standard 519 limits.
- 2.4.4.3 Safety and Reliability Screen: The location of the proposed Small Generating Facility and the aggregate generation capacity on the line section do not create impacts to safety or reliability that cannot be adequately addressed without application of the Study Process. The Transmission Provider shall give due consideration to the following and other factors in determining potential impacts to safety and reliability in applying this screen.

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- 2.4.4.3.1 Whether the line section has significant minimum loading levels dominated by a small number of customers (e.g., several large commercial customers).
- 2.4.4.3.2 Whether the loading along the line section is uniform or even.
- 2.4.4.3.3 Whether the proposed Small Generating Facility is located in close proximity to the substation (i.e., less than 2.5 electrical circuit miles), and whether the line section from the substation to the Point of Interconnection is a Mainline rated for normal and emergency ampacity.
- 2.4.4.3.4 Whether the proposed Small Generating Facility incorporates a time delay function to prevent reconnection of the generator to the system until system voltage and frequency are within normal limits for a prescribed time.
- 2.4.4.3.5 Whether operational flexibility is reduced by the proposed Small Generating Facility, such that transfer of the line section(s) of the Small Generating Facility to a neighboring distribution circuit/substation may trigger overloads or voltage issues.
- 2.4.4.3.6 Whether the proposed Small Generating Facility employs equipment or systems certified by a recognized standards organization to address technical issues such as, but not limited to, islanding, reverse power flow, or voltage quality.
- 2.4.5. If the proposed interconnection passes the supplemental screens in sections 2.4.4.1, 2.4.4.2, and 2.4.4.3 above, the Interconnection Request shall be approved and the Transmission Provider will provide the Interconnection Customer with an executable interconnection agreement within the timeframes established in sections 2.4.5.1 and 2.4.5.2 below. If the proposed interconnection fails any of the supplemental review screens and the Interconnection Customer does not withdraw its Interconnection Request, it shall continue to be evaluated under the section 3 Study Process consistent with section 2.4.5.3 below.
 - 2.4.5.1 If the proposed interconnection passes the supplemental screens in sections 2.4.4.1, 2.4.4.2, and 2.4.4.3 above and does not require construction of facilities by the Transmission Provider on its own

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system, the interconnection agreement shall be provided within ten Business Days after the notification of the supplemental review results.

- 2.4.5.2 If interconnection facilities or minor modifications to the Transmission Provider's system are required for the proposed interconnection to pass the supplemental screens in sections 2.4.4.1, 2.4.4.2, and 2.4.4.3 above, and the Interconnection Customer agrees to pay for the modifications to the Transmission Provider's electric system, the interconnection agreement, along with a non-binding good faith estimate for the interconnection facilities and/or minor modifications, shall be provided to the Interconnection Customer within 15 Business Days after receiving written notification of the supplemental review results.
- 2.4.5.3 If the proposed interconnection would require more than interconnection facilities or minor modifications to the Transmission Provider's system to pass the supplemental screens in sections 2.4.4.1, 2.4.4.2, and 2.4.4.3 above, the Transmission Provider shall notify the Interconnection Customer, at the same time it notifies the Interconnection Customer with the supplemental review results, that the Interconnection Request shall be evaluated under the section 3 Study Process unless the Interconnection Customer withdraws its Small Generating Facility.

Section 3. Study Process

3.1 Applicability

The Study Process shall be used by an Interconnection Customer proposing to interconnect its Small Generating Facility with the Transmission Provider's Transmission System or Distribution System if the Small Generating Facility (1) is larger than 2 MW but no larger than 20 MW, (2) is not certified, or (3) is certified but did not pass the Fast Track Process or the 10 kW Inverter Process.

3.2 Scoping Meeting

- 3.2.1 A scoping meeting will be held within ten Business Days after the Interconnection Request is deemed complete, or as otherwise mutually agreed to by the Parties. The Transmission Provider and the Interconnection Customer will bring to the meeting personnel, including system engineers and other resources as may be reasonably required to accomplish the purpose of the meeting.
- 3.2.2 The purpose of the scoping meeting is to discuss the Interconnection Request and review existing studies relevant to the Interconnection Request. The Parties shall

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further discuss whether the Transmission Provider should perform a feasibility study or proceed directly to a system impact study, or a facilities study, or an interconnection agreement. If the Parties agree that a feasibility study should be performed, the Transmission Provider shall provide the Interconnection Customer, as soon as possible, but not later than five Business Days after the scoping meeting, a feasibility study agreement (Attachment 6) including an outline of the scope of the study and a non-binding good faith estimate of the cost to perform the study.

3.2.3 The scoping meeting may be omitted by mutual agreement. In order to remain in consideration for interconnection, an Interconnection Customer who has requested a feasibility study must return the executed feasibility study agreement within 15 Business Days. If the Parties agree not to perform a feasibility study, the Transmission Provider shall provide the Interconnection Customer, no later than five Business Days after the scoping meeting, a system impact study agreement (Attachment 7) including an outline of the scope of the study and a non-binding good faith estimate of the cost to perform the study.

3.3 Feasibility Study

- 3.3.1 The feasibility study shall identify any potential adverse system impacts that would result from the interconnection of the Small Generating Facility.
- 3.3.2 A deposit of the lesser of 50 percent of the good faith estimated feasibility study costs or earnest money of \$1,000 may be required from the Interconnection Customer.
- 3.3.3 The scope of and cost responsibilities for the feasibility study are described in the attached feasibility study agreement (Attachment 6).
- 3.3.4 If the feasibility study shows no potential for adverse system impacts, the Transmission Provider shall send the Interconnection Customer a facilities study agreement, including an outline of the scope of the study and a non-binding good faith estimate of the cost to perform the study. If no additional facilities are required, the Transmission Provider shall send the Interconnection Customer an executable interconnection agreement within five Business Days.
- 3.3.5 If the feasibility study shows the potential for adverse system impacts, the review process shall proceed to the appropriate system impact study(s).

3.4 System Impact Study

3.4.1 A system impact study shall identify and detail the electric system impacts that would result if the proposed Small Generating Facility were interconnected without project modifications or electric system modifications, focusing on the adverse system impacts identified in the feasibility study, or to study potential impacts, including but not limited to those identified in the scoping meeting. A system

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impact study shall evaluate the impact of the proposed interconnection on the reliability of the electric system.

- 3.4.2 If no transmission system impact study is required, but potential electric power Distribution System adverse system impacts are identified in the scoping meeting or shown in the feasibility study, a distribution system impact study must be performed. The Transmission Provider shall send the Interconnection Customer a distribution system impact study agreement within 15 Business Days of transmittal of the feasibility study report, including an outline of the scope of the study and a non-binding good faith estimate of the cost to perform the study, or following the scoping meeting if no feasibility study is to be performed.
- 3.4.3 In instances where the feasibility study or the distribution system impact study shows potential for transmission system adverse system impacts, within five Business Days following transmittal of the feasibility study report, the Transmission Provider shall send the Interconnection Customer a transmission system impact study agreement, including an outline of the scope of the study and a non-binding good faith estimate of the cost to perform the study, if such a study is required.
- 3.4.4 If a transmission system impact study is not required, but electric power Distribution System adverse system impacts are shown by the feasibility study to be possible and no distribution system impact study has been conducted, the Transmission Provider shall send the Interconnection Customer a distribution system impact study agreement.
- 3.4.5 If the feasibility study shows no potential for transmission system or Distribution System adverse system impacts, the Transmission Provider shall send the Interconnection Customer either a facilities study agreement (Attachment 8), including an outline of the scope of the study and a non-binding good faith estimate of the cost to perform the study, or an executable interconnection agreement, as applicable.
- 3.4.6 In order to remain under consideration for interconnection, the Interconnection Customer must return executed system impact study agreements, if applicable, within 30 Business Days.
- 3.4.7 A deposit of the good faith estimated costs for each system impact study may be required from the Interconnection Customer.
- 3.4.8 The scope of and cost responsibilities for a system impact study are described in the attached system impact study agreement.
- 3.4.9 Where transmission systems and Distribution Systems have separate owners, such as is the case with transmission-dependent utilities ("TDUs") whether investor owned or not the Interconnection Customer may apply to the nearest Transmission Provider (Transmission Owner, Regional Transmission Operator, or Independent Transmission Provider) providing transmission service to the TDU to

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request project coordination. Affected Systems shall participate in the study and provide all information necessary to prepare the study.

3.5 <u>Facilities Study</u>

- 3.5.1 Once the required system impact study(s) is completed, a system impact study report shall be prepared and transmitted to the Interconnection Customer along with a facilities study agreement within five Business Days, including an outline of the scope of the study and a non-binding good faith estimate of the cost to perform the facilities study. In the case where one or both impact studies are determined to be unnecessary, a notice of the fact shall be transmitted to the Interconnection Customer within the same timeframe.
- 3.5.2 In order to remain under consideration for interconnection, or, as appropriate, in the Transmission Provider's interconnection queue, the Interconnection Customer must return the executed facilities study agreement or a request for an extension of time within 30 Business Days.
- 3.5.3 The facilities study shall specify and estimate the cost of the equipment, engineering, procurement and construction work (including overheads) needed to implement the conclusions of the system impact study(s).
- 3.5.4 Design for any required Interconnection Facilities and/or Upgrades shall be performed under the facilities study agreement. The Transmission Provider may contract with consultants to perform activities required under the facilities study agreement. The Interconnection Customer and the Transmission Provider may agree to allow the Interconnection Customer to separately arrange for the design of some of the Interconnection Facilities. In such cases, facilities design will be reviewed and/or modified prior to acceptance by the Transmission Provider, under the provisions of the facilities study agreement. If the Parties agree to separately arrange for design and construction, and provided security and confidentiality requirements can be met, the Transmission Provider shall make sufficient information available to the Interconnection Customer in accordance with confidentiality and critical infrastructure requirements to permit the Interconnection Customer to obtain an independent design and cost estimate for any necessary facilities.
- 3.5.5 A deposit of the good faith estimated costs for the facilities study may be required from the Interconnection Customer.
- 3.5.6 The scope of and cost responsibilities for the facilities study are described in the attached facilities study agreement.
- 3.5.7 Upon completion of the facilities study, and with the agreement of the Interconnection Customer to pay for Interconnection Facilities and Upgrades identified in the facilities study, the Transmission Provider shall provide the Interconnection Customer an executable interconnection agreement within five Business Days.

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Section 4. Provisions that Apply to All Interconnection Requests

4.1 Reasonable Efforts

The Transmission Provider shall make reasonable efforts to meet all time frames provided in these procedures unless the Transmission Provider and the Interconnection Customer agree to a different schedule. If the Transmission Provider cannot meet a deadline provided herein, it shall notify the Interconnection Customer, explain the reason for the failure to meet the deadline, and provide an estimated time by which it will complete the applicable interconnection procedure in the process.

4.2 <u>Disputes</u>

- 4.2.1 The Parties agree to attempt to resolve all disputes arising out of the interconnection process according to the provisions of this article.
- 4.2.2 In the event of a dispute, either Party shall provide the other Party with a written Notice of Dispute. Such Notice shall describe in detail the nature of the dispute.
- 4.2.3 If the dispute has not been resolved within two Business Days after receipt of the Notice, either Party may contact FERC's Dispute Resolution Service (DRS) for assistance in resolving the dispute.
- 4.2.4 The DRS will assist the Parties in either resolving their dispute or in selecting an appropriate dispute resolution venue (e.g., mediation, settlement judge, early neutral evaluation, or technical expert) to assist the Parties in resolving their dispute. DRS can be reached at 1-877-337-2237 or via the internet at http://www.ferc.gov/legal/adr.asp.
- 4.2.5 Each Party agrees to conduct all negotiations in good faith and will be responsible for one-half of any costs paid to neutral third-parties.
- 4.2.6 If neither Party elects to seek assistance from the DRS or if the attempted dispute resolution fails, then either Party may exercise whatever rights and remedies it may have in equity or law consistent with the terms of these procedures.
- 4.3 Interconnection 5.1.1 Standard Option.
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- 5.18 Tax Status.
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- 7.1 General.
- 7.2 Check Meters.
- 7.3 Standards.
- <u>7.4 Testing of Metering Equipment.</u>

Any metering necessitated by the use of the Small Generating Facility shall be installed at the Interconnection Customer's expense in accordance with Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, state, or local regulatory requirements or the Transmission Provider's specifications.

4.4 Commissioning

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Commissioning tests of the Interconnection Customer's installed equipment shall be performed pursuant to applicable codes and standards. The Transmission Provider must be given at least five Business Days written notice, or as otherwise mutually agreed to by the Parties, of the tests and may be present to witness the commissioning tests.

4.5. Confidentiality

- 4.5.1 Confidential information shall mean any confidential and/or proprietary information provided by one Party to the other Party that is clearly marked or otherwise designated "Confidential." For purposes of these procedures all design, operating specifications, and metering data provided by the Interconnection Customer shall be deemed confidential information regardless of whether it is clearly marked or otherwise designated as such.
- 4.5.2 Confidential Information does not include information previously in the public domain, required to be publicly submitted or divulged by Governmental Authorities (after notice to the other Party and after exhausting any opportunity to oppose such publication or release), or necessary to be divulged in an action to enforce these procedures. Each Party receiving Confidential Information shall hold such information in confidence and shall not disclose it to any third party nor to the public without the prior written authorization from the Party providing that information, except to fulfill obligations under these procedures, or to fulfill legal or regulatory requirements.
 - 4.5.2.1 Each Party shall employ at least the same standard of care to protect Confidential Information obtained from the other Party as it employs to protect its own Confidential Information.
 - 4.5.2.2 Each Party is entitled to equitable relief, by injunction or otherwise, to enforce its rights under this provision to prevent the release of Confidential Information without bond or proof of damages, and may seek other remedies available at law or in equity for breach of this provision.
- 4.5.3 Notwithstanding anything in this article to the contrary, and pursuant to 18 CFR § 1b.20, if FERC, during the course of an investigation or otherwise, requests information from one of the Parties that is otherwise required to be maintained in confidence pursuant to these procedures, the Party shall provide the requested information to FERC, within the time provided for in the request for information. In providing the information to FERC, the Party may, consistent with 18 CFR § 388.112, request that the information be treated as confidential and non-public by FERC and that the information be withheld from public disclosure. Parties are prohibited from notifying the other Party prior to the release of the Confidential Information to FERC. The Party shall notify the other Party when it is notified by FERC that a request to release Confidential Information has been received by FERC, at which time either of the Parties may respond before such information would be made public, pursuant to 18 CFR § 388.112. Requests from a state

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regulatory body conducting a confidential investigation shall be treated in a similar manner if consistent with the applicable state rules and regulations.

4.6 <u>Comparability</u>

The Transmission Provider shall receive, process and analyze all Interconnection Requests in a timely manner as set forth in this document. The Transmission Provider shall use the same reasonable efforts in processing and analyzing Interconnection Requests from all Interconnection Customers, whether the Small Generating Facility is owned or operated by the Transmission Provider, its subsidiaries or affiliates, or others.

4.7 Record Retention

The Transmission Provider shall maintain for three years records, subject to audit, of all Interconnection Requests received under these procedures, the times required to complete Interconnection Request approvals and disapprovals, and justification for the actions taken on the Interconnection Requests.

4.8 Interconnection Agreement

After receiving an interconnection agreement from the Transmission Provider, the Interconnection Customer shall have 30 Business Days or another mutually agreeable timeframe to sign and return the interconnection agreement, or request that the Transmission Provider file an unexecuted interconnection agreement with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission. If the Interconnection Customer does not sign the interconnection agreement, or ask that it be filed unexecuted by the Transmission Provider within 30 Business Days, the Interconnection Request shall be deemed withdrawn. After the interconnection agreement is signed by the Parties, the interconnection of the Small Generating Facility shall proceed under the provisions of the interconnection agreement.

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Article 8. Communications

- 8.1 Interconnection Customer Obligations.
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- 9.6.1.1 Synchronous Generation.
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 - **9.7.1** Outages.
 - 9.7.1.1 Outage Authority and Coordination with Affected Systems.

The Transmission Provider shall coordinate the conduct of any studies required to determine the impact of the Interconnection Request on Affected Systems with Affected System operators and, if possible, include those results (if available) in its applicable interconnection study within the time frame specified in these procedures. The Transmission Provider will include such Affected System operators in all meetings held with the Interconnection Customer as required by these procedures. The Interconnection Customer will cooperate with the Transmission Provider in all matters related to the conduct of studies and the determination of modifications to Affected Systems. A Transmission Provider which may be an Affected System shall cooperate with the Transmission Provider with whom interconnection has been requested in all matters related to the conduct of studies and the determination of modifications to Affected Systems.

4.10 Capacity of the Small Generating Facility

- 4.10.1 If the Interconnection Request is for an increase in capacity for an existing Small Generating Facility, the Interconnection Request shall be evaluated on the basis of the new total capacity of the Small Generating Facility.
- 4.10.2 If the Interconnection Request is for a Small Generating Facility that includes multiple energy production devices at a site for which the Interconnection Customer seeks a single Point of Interconnection, the Interconnection Request shall be evaluated on the basis of the aggregate capacity of the multiple devices.
- The Interconnection Request shall be evaluated using the maximum capacity that the Small Generating Facility is capable of injecting into the Transmission Provider's electric system. However, if the maximum capacity that the Small Generating Facility is capable of injecting into the Transmission Provider's electric system is limited (e.g., through use of a control system, power relay(s), or other similar device settings or adjustments), then the Interconnection Customer must obtain the Transmission Provider's agreement, with such agreement not to be unreasonably withheld, that the manner in which the Interconnection Customer proposes to implement such a limit will not adversely affect the safety and reliability of the Transmission Provider's system. If the Transmission Provider does not so agree, then the Interconnection Request must be withdrawn or revised to specify the maximum capacity that the Small Generating Facility is capable of injecting into the Transmission Provider's electric system without such limitations. Furthermore, nothing in this section shall prevent a Transmission Provider from considering an output higher than the limited output, if appropriate, when evaluating system protection impacts.

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Glossary of Terms

10 kW Inverter Process – The procedure for evaluating an Interconnection Request for a certified inverter-based Small Generating Facility no larger than 10 kW that uses the section 2 screens. The application process uses an all-in-one document that includes a simplified Interconnection Request, simplified procedures, and a brief set of terms and conditions. See SGIP Attachment 5.

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- 9.7.1.2 Outage Schedules.
- 9.7.1.3 Outage Restoration.
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- 9.7.3 Ride Through Capability and Performance
- 9.7.4 System Protection and Other Control Requirements.
 - 9.7.4.1 System Protection Facilities.
- 9.7.5 Requirements for Protection.
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- 11.3 Network Upgrades and Distribution Upgrades.
- 11.4 Transmission Credits.
 - 11.4.1 Repayment of Amounts Advanced for Network Upgrades.
 - 11.4.2 Special Provisions for Affected Systems.
- 11.5 Provision of Security.
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- 12.1 General.
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- 13.4 Immediate Action.
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- 14.1 Regulatory Requirements.
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- 15.2 Billings and Payments.
- 15.3 Alternative Forms of Notice.
- 15.4 Operations and Maintenance Notice.
- Article 16. Force Majeure
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 - 17.1.1 **General.**
 - 17.1.2 Right to Terminate.
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- Article 19. Assignment
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- 20.1 Severability.
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- Article 22. Confidentiality
- 22.1 Confidentiality.
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 - 22.1.3 Release of Confidential Information.
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 - 22.1.5 No Warranties.
 - 22.1.6 Standard of Care.
 - 22.1.7 Order of Disclosure.
 - 22.1.8 Termination of Agreement.
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- 24.3 Updated Information Submission by Interconnection Customer.
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- 25.2 Reporting of Non-Force Majeure Events.
- 25.3 Audit Rights.
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 - 25.4.1 Audit Rights Period for Construction-Related Accounts and Records.
 - 25.4.2 Audit Rights Period for All Other Accounts and Records.
- 25.5 Audit Results.
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- 28.1 General.
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- 30.7 Headings.
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Recitals

WHEREAS, Transmission Provider operates the Transmission System; and

WHEREAS, Interconnection Customer intends to own, lease and/or control and operate the Generating Facility identified as a Large Generating Facility in Appendix C to this Agreement; and,

WHEREAS, Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider have agreed to enter into this Agreement for the purpose of interconnecting the Large Generating Facility with the Transmission System;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of and subject to the mutual covenants contained herein, it is agreed:

When used in this Provisional Large Generator Interconnection Agreement, terms with initial capitalization that are not defined in Article 1 shall have the meanings specified in the Article in which they are used or the Open Access Transmission Tariff (Tariff).

Article 1. Definitions

Adverse System Impact shall mean the negative effects due to technical or operational limits on conductors or equipment being exceeded that may compromise the safety and reliability of the electric system.

Affected System shall mean an electric system other than the Transmission Provider's Transmission System that may be affected by the proposed interconnection.

Affected System Operator shall mean the entity that operates an Affected System.

Affiliate shall mean, with respect to a corporation, partnership or other entity, each such other corporation, partnership or other entity that directly or indirectly, through one or more

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<u>intermediaries</u>, <u>controls</u>, <u>is controlled by</u>, <u>or is under common control with</u>, <u>such corporation</u>, <u>partnership or other entity</u>.

Ancillary Services shall mean those services that are necessary to support the transmission of capacity and energy from resources to loads while maintaining reliable operation of the Transmission Provider's Transmission System in accordance with Good Utility Practice.

Applicable Laws and Regulations shall mean all duly promulgated applicable federal, state and local laws, regulations, rules, ordinances, codes, decrees, judgments, directives, or judicial or administrative orders, permits and other duly authorized actions of any Governmental Authority.

Applicable Reliability Standards shall mean the requirements and guidelines of the Electric Reliability Organization, and the Balancing Authority Area of the Transmission System to which the Generating Facility is directly interconnected.

Balancing Authority shall mean an entity that integrates resource plans ahead of time, maintains demand and resource balance within a Balancing Authority Area, and supports interconnection frequency in real time.

Balancing Authority Area shall mean the collection of generation, transmission, and loads within the metered boundaries of the Balancing Authority. The Balancing Authority maintains load-resource balance within this area.

Base Case shall mean the base case power flow, short circuit, and stability data bases used for the Interconnection Studies by the Transmission Provider or Interconnection Customer.

Breach shall mean the failure of a Party to perform or observe any material term or condition of the PLGIA.

Breaching Party shall mean a Party that is in Breach of the PLGIA.

Business Day – shall mean Monday through Friday, excluding Federal Holidays.

<u>Calendar Day</u> shall mean any day including Saturday, Sunday or a Federal Holiday. If a requirement due date lands on a Saturday, Sunday or Federal Holiday, the requirement is due the next Business Day.

<u>Cluster</u> shall mean a group of Interconnection Requests (one or more) that are studied together for the purpose of conducting a Cluster Study.

<u>Cluster Restudy</u> shall mean a restudy of a Cluster Study conducted pursuant to <u>Section 7.5 of the LGIP.</u>

<u>Cluster Study</u> shall mean the evaluation of one or more Interconnection Requests within a <u>Cluster as described in Section 7 of the LGIP.</u>

<u>Clustering</u> shall mean a group of Interconnection Requests (one or more) that are studied together as described in Section 7 of the LGIP.

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Cluster Request Window shall have the meaning set forth in Section 3.4.1 of the LGIP.

<u>Commercial Operation</u> shall mean the status of a Generating Facility, or Replacement Generating Facility, that has commenced generating electricity for sale, excluding electricity generated during Trial Operation.

<u>Commercial Operation Date</u> of a unit shall mean the date on which the Generating Facility, commences Commercial Operation as agreed to by the Parties pursuant to Appendix E to the PLGIA.

Confidential Information shall mean any confidential, proprietary or trade secret information of a plan, specification, pattern, procedure, design, device, list, concept, policy or compilation relating to the present or planned business of a Party, which is designated as confidential by the Party supplying the information, whether conveyed orally, electronically, in writing, through inspection, or otherwise.

Default shall mean the failure of a Breaching Party to cure its Breach in accordance with Article 17 of the PLGIA.

<u>Dispute Resolution</u> shall mean the procedure for resolution of a dispute between the Parties in which they will first attempt to resolve the dispute on an informal basis.

Distribution System — The shall mean the Transmission Provider's Provider's facilities and equipment used to transmit electricity to ultimate usage points such as homes and industries directly from nearby generators or from interchanges with higher voltage transmission networks which transport bulk power over longer distances. The voltage levels at which Distribution Systems operate differ among areas.

Distribution Upgrades — The shall mean the additions, modifications, and upgrades to the Transmission Provider's Provider's Distribution System at or beyond the Point of Interconnection to facilitate interconnection of the Small-Generating Facility and render the transmission service necessary to effect the affect Interconnection Customer's Customer's wholesale sale of electricity in interstate commerce. Distribution Upgrades do not include Interconnection Facilities.

Effective Date shall mean the date on which the PLGIA becomes effective upon execution by the Parties subject to acceptance by FERC, or if filed unexecuted, upon the date specified by FERC.

<u>Electric Reliability Organization</u> shall mean the North American Electric Reliability Corporation or its successor organization.

Emergency Condition shall mean a condition or situation: (1) that in the judgment of the Party making the claim is imminently likely to endanger life or property; or (2) that, in the case of a Transmission Provider, is imminently likely (as determined in a non-discriminatory manner) to

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cause a material adverse effect on the security of, or damage to Transmission Provider's Transmission System, Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities or the electric systems of others to which the Transmission Provider's Transmission System is directly connected; or (3) that, in the case of Interconnection Customer, is imminently likely (as determined in a non-discriminatory manner) to cause a material adverse effect on the security of, or damage to, the Generating Facility or Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities. System restoration and black start shall be considered Emergency Conditions; provided, that Interconnection Customer is not obligated by the PLGIA to possess black start capability.

Energy Resource Interconnection Service shall mean an Interconnection Service that allows the Interconnection Customer to connect its Generating Facility to the Transmission Provider's Transmission System to be eligible to deliver the Generating Facility's electric output using the existing firm or non-firm capacity of the Transmission Provider's Transmission System on an as available basis. Energy Resource Interconnection Service in and of itself does not convey transmission service.

Engineering & Procurement (E&P) Agreement shall mean an agreement that authorizes the Transmission Provider to begin engineering and procurement of long lead-time items necessary for the establishment of the interconnection in order to advance the implementation of the Interconnection Request.

<u>Environmental Law</u> shall mean Applicable Laws or Regulations relating to pollution or protection of the environment or natural resources.

Existing Generating Facility shall mean a Generating Facility that is either in service or under construction with an unsuspended interconnection agreement.

Federal Power Act shall mean the Federal Power Act, as amended, 16 U.S.C. §§ 791a et seq.

FERC shall mean the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) or its successor.

Force Majeure shall mean any act of God, labor disturbance, act of the public enemy, war, insurrection, riot, fire, storm or flood, explosion, breakage or accident to machinery or equipment, any order, regulation or restriction imposed by governmental, military or lawfully established civilian authorities, or any other cause beyond a Party's control. A Force Majeure event does not include acts of negligence or intentional wrongdoing by the Party claiming Force Majeure.

<u>Generating Facility</u> shall mean Interconnection Customer's device for the production and/or storage for later injection of electricity identified in the Interconnection Request, but shall not include Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities.

Generating Facility Capacity shall mean the net capacity of the Generating Facility or the aggregate net capacity of the Generating Facility where it includes more than one device for the production and/or storage for later injection of electricity.

Good Utility Practice — Anyshall mean any of the practices, methods and acts engaged in or approved by a significant portion of the electric industry during the relevant time period, or any of the practices, methods and acts which, in the exercise of reasonable judgment in light of the facts

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known at the time the decision was made, could have been expected to accomplish the desired result at a reasonable cost consistent with good business practices, reliability, safety and expedition. Good Utility Practice is not intended to be limited to the optimum practice, method, or act to the exclusion of all others, but rather to be acceptable practices, methods, or acts generally accepted in the region.

Fast Track Process – The procedure for evaluating an Interconnection Request for a certified Small Generating Facility that meets the eligibility requirements of section 2.1 and includes the section 2 screens, customer options meeting, and optional supplemental review.

Interconnection Customer AnyGovernmental Authority shall mean any federal, state, local or other governmental regulatory or administrative agency, court, commission, department, board, or other governmental subdivision, legislature, rulemaking board, tribunal, or other governmental authority having jurisdiction over the Parties, their respective facilities, or the respective services they provide, and exercising or entitled to exercise any administrative, executive, police, or taxing authority or power; provided, however, that such term does not include Interconnection Customer, Transmission Provider, or any Affiliate thereof.

Hazardous Substances shall mean any chemicals, materials or substances defined as or included in the definition of "hazardous substances," "hazardous wastes," "hazardous materials," "hazardous constituents," "restricted hazardous materials," "extremely hazardous substances," "toxic substances," "radioactive substances," "contaminants," "pollutants," "toxic pollutants" or words of similar meaning and regulatory effect under any applicable Environmental Law, or any other chemical, material or substance, exposure to which is prohibited, limited or regulated by any applicable Environmental Law.

<u>Initial Synchronization Date</u> shall mean the date upon which the Generating Facility is initially synchronized and upon which Trial Operation begins.

In-Service Date shall mean the date upon which the Interconnection Customer reasonably expects it will be ready to begin use of the Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities to obtain back feed power.

Interconnection Customer shall mean any entity, including the Transmission Provider, the Transmission Owner or any of the affiliates or subsidiaries of either, that proposes to interconnect its Small—Generating Facility with the Transmission Provider's Provider's Transmission System.

Interconnection Facilities – The Transmission Provider's Customer's Interconnection Facilities shall mean all facilities and equipment, as identified in Appendix A of the PLGIA, that are located between the Generating Facility and the Point of Change of Ownership, including any modification, addition, or upgrades to such facilities and equipment necessary to physically and electrically interconnect the Generating Facility to the Transmission Provider's Transmission System. Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities are sole use facilities (e.g. for generator interconnection).

Interconnection Facilities shall mean Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities. Collectively, Interconnection Facilities

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include all facilities and equipment between the Small—Generating Facility and the Point of Interconnection, including any modification, additions or upgrades that are necessary to physically and electrically interconnect the Small—Generating Facility to the Transmission Provider's Provider's Transmission System. Interconnection Facilities are sole use facilities (e.g. for generator interconnection) and shall not include Distribution Upgrades—or—, Stand Alone Network Upgrades or Network Upgrades. Interconnection Facilities may be shared by more than one Generating Facility in a Cluster.

Interconnection Facilities Study shall mean a study conducted by Transmission Provider or a third party consultant for Interconnection Customer to determine a list of facilities (including Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades as identified in the Cluster Study), the cost of those facilities, and the time required to interconnect the Generating Facility or Replacement Generating Facility with the Transmission Provider's Transmission System. The scope of the study is defined in Section 8 of the LGIP.

Interconnection Facilities Study Agreement shall mean the form of agreement contained in Appendix 3 of the LGIP for conducting the Interconnection Facilities Study.

Interconnection Request — The shall mean an Interconnection Customer's Customer's request, in the form of Appendix 1 to the LGIP, in accordance with the Tariff, to interconnect a new Small Generating Facility, or to increase the capacity of, or make a Material Modification to the operating characteristics of, an existing Small Existing Generating Facility that is interconnected with the Transmission Provider's Transmission System or a Generating Facility with an LGIA that is not yet interconnected.

Interconnection Service shall mean the service provided by the Transmission Provider associated with interconnecting the Interconnection Customer's Generating Facility to the Transmission Provider's Transmission System and enabling it to receive electric energy and capacity from the Generating Facility at the Point of Interconnection, pursuant to the terms of the PLGIA and, if applicable, the Transmission Provider's Tariff.

<u>Interconnection Study</u> shall mean any of the various interconnection studies described in this the LGIP

<u>Interconnection Study Agreement</u> shall mean an agreement relating to the performance of any of the various interconnection studies identified in the LGIP.

IRS shall mean the Internal Revenue Service.

Joint Operating Committee shall be a group made up of representatives from Interconnection Customers and the Transmission Provider to coordinate operating and technical considerations of Interconnection Service.

<u>Large Generating Facility</u> shall mean a Generating Facility having a Generating Facility Capacity of more than 20 MW or any size Generating Facility requesting NRIS.

LGIP shall mean the Large Generator Interconnection Process as described in this Attachment N.

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Loss shall mean any and all losses relating to injury to or death of any person or damage to property, demand, suits, recoveries, costs and expenses, court costs, attorney fees, and all other obligations by or to third parties, arising out of or resulting from the other Party's performance, or non-performance of its obligations under the PLGIA on behalf of the indemnifying Party, except in cases of gross negligence or intentional wrongdoing by the indemnifying Party.

Material Modification — Ashall mean those modification: that hashave a material impact on the cost or timing of any Interconnection Request with a later queue priority dateor equal Queue Position.

Metering Equipment shall mean all metering equipment installed or to be installed at the Generating Facility pursuant to the PLGIA at the metering points, including but not limited to instrument transformers, MWh-meters, data acquisition equipment, transducers, remote terminal unit, communications equipment, phone lines, and fiber optics.

Network Resource — Anyshall mean any designated generating resource owned, purchased, or leased by a Network Customer under the Network Integration Transmission Service Tariff. Network Resources do not include any resource, or any portion thereof, that is committed for sale to third parties or otherwise cannot be called upon to meet the Network Customer's Customer's Network Load on a non-interruptible basis.

Network Resource Interconnection Service — An<u>shall mean an</u> Interconnection Service that allows the Interconnection Customer to integrate its <u>Large</u> Generating Facility with the Transmission Provider's <u>Transmission</u> System (1) in a manner comparable to that in which the Transmission Provider integrates its generating facilities to serve native load customers; or (2) in an RTO or ISO with market based congestion management, in the same manner as Network Resources. Network Resource Interconnection Service in and of itself does not convey transmission service.

Network Upgrades — Additions shall mean the additions, modifications, and upgrades to the Transmission Provider's Provider's Transmission System required at or beyond the point at which the Small Generating Facility interconnects with Interconnection Facilities connect to the Transmission Provider's Transmission System to accommodate the interconnection withof the Small Large Generating Facility to the Transmission Provider's Transmission System. Network Upgrades do not include Distribution Upgrades.

Notice of Dispute shall mean a written notice of a dispute or claim that arises out of or in connection with the PLGIA or its performance by the Parties.

OASIS shall mean the Transmission Provider's Open Access Same-Time Information System

Party or Parties — The shall mean Transmission Provider, Transmission Owner, Interconnection Customer or any combination of the above.

PLGIA Milestone shall mean milestones provided in Appendix B of this PLGIA

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Point of Interconnection The Change of Ownership shall mean the point, as set forth in Appendix A to the PLGIA, where the Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities connect withto the Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities.

<u>Point of Interconnection</u> shall mean the point, as set forth in Appendix A to the PLGIA, where the Interconnection Facilities connect to the Transmission Provider's Transmission System.

Provisional Interconnection Service shall mean interconnection service provided by Transmission Provider associated with interconnecting the Interconnection Customer's Generating Facility to Transmission Provider's Transmission System and enabling that Transmission System to receive electric energy and capacity from the Generating Facility at the Point of Interconnection, pursuant to the terms of the PLGIA and, if applicable, the Tariff.

Provisional Large Generator Interconnection Agreement (PLGIA) shall mean the interconnection agreement for Provisional Interconnection Service established between Transmission Provider and/or the Transmission Owner and the Interconnection Customer. This agreement shall take the form of the Large Generator Interconnection Agreement, modified for provisional purposes. PLGIAs are not eligible for suspension.

Queue Position—The shall mean the order of a valid Interconnection Request, relative to all other pending valid Interconnection Requests, that is established based upon the date and time of receipt of the valid Interconnection Request by the Transmission Provider. established pursuant to Section 4.1 of the LGIP.

Small Generating Facility – The Interconnection Customer's device for the production and/or storage for later injection of electricity identified in the Interconnection Request, but shall not include the Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities.

Study Process – The procedure for evaluating **Readiness Milestone(s)** shall have the meaning set forth in Section 8.6 of the LGIP.

Reasonable Efforts shall mean, with respect to an action required to be attempted or taken by a Party under the PLGIA, efforts that are timely and consistent with Good Utility Practice and are otherwise substantially equivalent to those a Party would use to protect its own interests.

Resource Plan shall mean any process authorized or required by Applicable Laws and Regulations for, *inter alia*, the selection of Generating Facilities interconnected to the Transmission System of Transmission Provider

Resource Planning Entity shall mean any entity subject to or conducting a Resource Solicitation Process.

Resource Solicitation Cluster shall mean a Cluster Study associated with a Resource Planning Process.

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Resource Solicitation Process shall mean any process authorized or required by Applicable Laws and Regulations for the acquisition of Network Resources by an entity interconnected to the Transmission System of Transmission Provider.

Scoping Meeting shall mean the meeting between representatives of Interconnection Customer(s) and Transmission Provider conducted for the purpose of discussing the proposed Interconnection Request and any alternative interconnection options, to exchange information including any transmission data and earlier study evaluations that would be reasonably expected to affect such interconnection options, refining information and models provided by Interconnection Customer(s), discussing the Cluster Study materials posted to OASIS pursuant to Section 3.5 of the LGIP, and analyzing such information.

Site Control shall mean the exclusive land right to develop, construct, operate, and maintain the Generating Facility over the term of expected operation of the Generating Facility. Site Control shall include the right to develop, construct, operate, and maintain Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities. Site Control may be demonstrated by documentation establishing: (1) ownership of, a leasehold interest in, or a right to develop a site of sufficient size to construct and operate the Generating Facility and associated Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities; (2) an option to purchase or acquire a leasehold interest in a site of sufficient size to construct and operate the Generating Facility and associated Interconnection Facilities; or (3) any other documentation that clearly demonstrates the right of the Interconnection Customer to exclusively occupy a site of sufficient size to construct and operate the Generating Facility. Acceptable demonstration of Site Control of land subject to regulatory limitations is described in Section 3.4.2(c) of this LGIP. Site Control for any co-located project is demonstrated by a contract or other agreement demonstrating shared land use for all co-located projects that meet the aforementioned provisions of this Site Control definition.

<u>Small Generating Facility</u> shall mean a Generating Facility that has a Generating Facility Capacity of no more than 20 MW not requesting NRIS.

Stand Alone Network Upgrades shall mean Network Upgrades that are not a part of an Affected System that an Interconnection Customer may construct without affecting day-to-day operations of the Transmission System during their construction. Both the Transmission Provider and the Interconnection Customer must agree as to what constitutes Stand Alone Network Upgrades and identify them in Appendix A to the PLGIA. If the Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer disagree about whether a particular Network Upgrade is a Stand Alone Network Upgrade, the Transmission Provider must provide the Interconnection Customer a written technical explanation outlining why the Transmission Provider does not consider the Network Upgrade to be a Stand Alone Network Upgrade within 15 days of its determination.

<u>Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement (LGIA)</u> shall mean the form of interconnection agreement applicable to an Interconnection Request that includes the section 3 scoping meeting, feasibility study, pertaining to a Large Generating Facility that is included in the Transmission Provider's Tariff.

<u>Standard Large Generator Interconnection Procedures (LGIP)</u> shall mean the interconnection procedures applicable to an Interconnection Request pertaining to a Large Generating Facility that are included in the Transmission Provider's Tariff.

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<u>Surplus Interconnection Service</u> shall mean any unneeded portion of Interconnection Service established in a Large Generator Interconnection Agreement, such that if Surplus Interconnection Service is utilized the total amount of Interconnection Service at the Point of Interconnection would remain the same.

System Protection Facilities shall mean the equipment, including necessary protection signal communications equipment, required to protect (1) the Transmission Provider's Transmission System from faults or other electrical disturbances occurring at the Generating Facility and (2) the Generating Facility from faults or other electrical system impact study, and facilities study disturbances occurring on the Transmission Provider's Transmission System or on other delivery systems or other generating systems to which the Transmission Provider's Transmission System is directly connected.

Tariff shall mean the Transmission Provider's Tariff through which open access transmission service and Interconnection Service are offered, as filed with FERC, and as amended or supplemented from time to time, or any successor tariff.

Transmission Owner — The shall mean an entity that owns, leases or otherwise possesses an interest in the portion of the Transmission System at the Point of Interconnection and may be a Party to the Small Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement to the extent necessary.

Transmission Provider — The shall mean the public utility (or its designated agent) that owns, controls, or operates transmission or distribution facilities used for the transmission of electricity in interstate commerce and provides transmission service under the Tariff. The term Transmission Provider should be read to include the Transmission Owner when the Transmission Owner is separate from the Transmission Provider.

Transmission System - The Provider's Interconnection Facilities shall mean all facilities and equipment owned, controlled or operated by the Transmission Provider from the Point of Change of Ownership to the Point of Interconnection as identified in Appendix A to the PLGIA, including any modifications, additions or the upgrades to such facilities and equipment. Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities are sole use facilities (e.g. for generator interconnection) and shall not include Distribution Upgrades, Stand Alone Network Upgrades or Network Upgrades. Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities may be shared by more than one Generating Facility in a given Cluster Study.

<u>Transmission System</u> shall mean the facilities owned, controlled or operated by the <u>Transmission Provider or</u> Transmission Owner that are used to provide transmission service under the Tariff.

<u>Upgrades</u> — The required additions <u>Trial Operation</u> shall mean the period during which Interconnection Customer is engaged in on-site test operations and modifications to the commissioning of the Generating Facility prior to Commercial Operation.

Variable Energy Resource shall mean a device for the production of electricity that is characterized by an energy source that: (1) is renewable; (2) cannot be stored by the facility owner or operator; and (3) has variability that is beyond the control of the facility owner or operator.

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Withdrawal Penalty shall have the meaning set forth in Section 3.7.1 of the LGIP.

Article 2. Effective Date, Term, and Termination

2.1 Effective Date.

This PLGIA shall become effective upon execution by the Parties subject to acceptance by FERC (if applicable), or if filed unexecuted, upon the date specified by FERC. Transmission Provider's Provider shall promptly file this PLGIA with FERC upon execution in accordance with Article 3.1, if required.

2.2 Term of Agreement.

Subject to the provisions of Article 2.2, this PLGIA shall remain in effect until the later of execution of a LGIA or the date of acceptance of a LGIA by FERC, or (2) the withdrawal of the underlying Interconnection Request if the request is withdrawn prior to execution of a LGIA.

2.3 Termination Procedures.

2.3.1 Written Notice.

This PLGIA may be terminated by Interconnection Customer after giving Transmission Provider ninety (90) Calendar Days advance written notice, or by Transmission Provider notifying FERC after the Generating Facility permanently ceases Commercial Operation of if the underlying Generation Interconnection Request withdraws from the Queue. This PLGIA shall be terminated by Transmission Provider if the Generating Facility or a portion of the Generating Facility fails to achieve Commercial Operation by the Commercial Operation Date established in accordance with Section 4.4.5 of the LGIP, including any extension provided thereunder, or, having previously achieved Commercial Operation, has ceased Commercial Operation for three (3) consecutive years, beginning with the last date of Commercial Operation for the Generating Facility, after giving Interconnection Customer ninety (90) Calendar Days advance written notice. When only a portion of the Generating Facility fails to achieve Commercial Operation by the Commercial Operation Date established in accordance with Section 4.4.5 of the LGIP, including any extension provided thereunder, Transmission Provider shall terminate only that portion of the PLGIA. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the limited circumstance that the Interconnection Request is served by a Contingent Facility with an in-service date that is later than the Commercial Operation Date permitted under Section 4.4.5 of the LGIP, Transmission Provider shall terminate this PLGIA only for failure to achieve Commercial Operation by ninety (90) Calendar Days after that later in-service date of the Contingent Facility. The Generating Facility will not be deemed to have ceased Commercial Operation for purposes of this Article 2.3.1 if Interconnection Customer can document that it has taken other significant steps to maintain or restore operational readiness of the Generating Facility for the purpose of returning the Generating Facility to Commercial Operation as soon as possible.

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2.3.2 **Default.**

Either Party may terminate this PLGIA in accordance with Article 17.

2.3.3 Notwithstanding Articles 2.3.1 and 2.3.2, no termination shall become effective until the Parties have complied with all Applicable Laws and Regulations applicable to such termination, including the filing with FERC of a notice of termination of this PLGIA, which notice has been accepted for filing by FERC.

2.4 Termination Costs.

If a Party elects to terminate this Agreement pursuant to Article 2.3 above, each Party shall pay all costs incurred (including any cancellation costs relating to orders or contracts for Interconnection Facilities and equipment) or charges assessed by the other Party, as of the date of the other Party's receipt of such notice of termination, that are the responsibility of the Terminating Party under this PLGIA. In the event of termination by a Party, the Parties shall use commercially Reasonable Efforts to mitigate the costs, damages and charges arising as a consequence of termination. Upon termination of this PLGIA, unless otherwise ordered or approved by FERC:

With respect to any portion of Transmission Provider's Interconnection 2.4.1 Facilities that have not yet been constructed or installed, Transmission Provider shall to the extent possible and with Interconnection Customer's authorization cancel any pending orders of, or return, any materials or equipment for, or contracts for construction of, such facilities; provided that in the event Interconnection Customer elects not to authorize such cancellation, Interconnection Customer shall assume all payment obligations with respect to such materials, equipment, and contracts, and Transmission Provider shall deliver such material and equipment, and, if necessary, assign such contracts, to Interconnection Customer as soon as practicable, at Interconnection Customer's expense. To the extent that Interconnection Customer has already paid Transmission Provider for any or all such costs of materials or equipment not taken by Interconnection Customer, Transmission Provider shall promptly refund such amounts to Interconnection Customer, less any costs, including penalties incurred by Transmission Provider to cancel any pending orders of or return such materials, equipment, or contracts.

If an Interconnection Customer terminates this PLGIA, it shall be responsible for all costs incurred in association with that Interconnection Customer's interconnection, including any cancellation costs relating to orders or contracts for Interconnection Facilities and equipment, and other expenses including any Network Upgrades for which Transmission Provider has incurred expenses and has not been reimbursed by Interconnection Customer.

2.4.2 Transmission Provider may, at its option, retain any portion of such materials, equipment, or facilities that Interconnection Customer chooses not to accept delivery of, in which case Transmission Provider shall be responsible for all costs associated with procuring such materials, equipment, or facilities.

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- With respect to any portion of the Interconnection Facilities, and any other facilities already installed or constructed pursuant to the terms of this PLGIA, Interconnection Customer shall be responsible for all costs associated with the removal, relocation or other disposition or retirement of such materials, equipment, or facilities.
- Transmission Provider shall refund the security provided under Section 12.3 of the LGIP and the Appendices of this PLGIA, including any accumulated interest, if applicable. Notwithstanding the foregoing, prior to remitting such security, plus accumulated interest, Transmission Provider shall offset against such security, and accumulated interest, any unpaid costs or penalties arising out of this Agreement or the LGIP. Monies due the Interconnection Customer shall be remitted within 90 days of termination.
- 2.4.5 Notwithstanding anything in this Article 2.4, within thirty (30) Calendar Days of termination of this Agreement, Interconnection Customer shall be entitled to refund of the [\$] security deposit which was provided by Interconnection Customer prior to execution of this PLGIA, but only to the extent that all costs due to the Transmission Provider, including the Withdrawal Penalty, and costs due to other Interconnection Customers harmed by termination of the PLGIA, have been reimbursed from such security.

2.5 Disconnection.

Upon termination of this PLGIA, the Parties will take all appropriate steps to disconnect the Large Generating Facility from the Transmission System-at or beyond the . All costs required to effectuate such disconnection shall be borne by the terminating Party, unless such termination resulted from the non-terminating Party's Default of this PLGIA or such non-terminating Party otherwise is responsible for these costs under this PLGIA.

2.6 Survival.

This PLGIA shall continue in effect after termination to the extent necessary to provide for final billings and payments and for costs incurred hereunder, including billings and payments pursuant to this PLGIA; to permit the determination and enforcement of liability and indemnification obligations arising from acts or events that occurred while this PLGIA was in effect; and to permit each Party to have access to the lands of the other Party pursuant to this PLGIA or other applicable agreements, to disconnect, remove or salvage its own facilities and equipment

Article 3. Regulatory Filings

3.1 Filing.

Transmission Provider shall file this PLGIA (and any amendment hereto) with the appropriate Governmental Authority, if required. Interconnection Customer may request that any information so provided be subject to the confidentiality provisions of Article 22. If Interconnection Customer has executed this PLGIA, or any amendment thereto, Interconnection Customer shall reasonably cooperate with Transmission Provider with respect to such filing and to provide any information reasonably requested by Transmission Provider needed to comply with applicable regulatory requirements.

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Article 4. Scope of Service

4.1 Interconnection Product Options.

Interconnection Customer has selected Provisional Interconnection Service:

4.1.1 Energy Resource Interconnection Service. [Not Selected under this PLGIA, but ERIS will be selected in the LGIA or Not Selected]

4.1.1.1 The Product.

Energy Resource Interconnection Service allows Interconnection Customer to connect the Large Generating Facility to the Transmission System and be eligible to deliver the Large Generating Facility's output using the existing firm or non-firm capacity of the Transmission System on an "as available" basis. To the extent Interconnection Customer wants to receive Energy Resource Interconnection Service, Transmission Provider shall construct facilities identified in Appendix A.

4.1.1.2 Transmission Delivery Service Implications.

Under Energy Resource Interconnection Service, Interconnection Customer will be eligible to inject power from the Large Generating Facility into and deliver power across the interconnecting Transmission Provider's Transmission System on an "as available" basis up to the amount of MWs identified in the applicable stability and steady state studies to the extent the upgrades initially required to qualify for Energy Resource Interconnection Service have been constructed. Where eligible to do so (e.g., PJM, ISO-NE, NYISO), Interconnection Customer may place a bid to sell into the market up to the maximum identified Large Generating Facility output, subject to any conditions specified in the interconnection service approval, and the Large Generating Facility will be dispatched to the extent Interconnection Customer's bid clears. In all other instances, no transmission delivery service from the Large Generating Facility is assured, but Interconnection Customer may obtain Point of Interconnection. -to-Point Transmission Service, Network Integration Transmission Service, or be used for secondary network transmission service, pursuant to Transmission Provider's Tariff, up to the maximum output identified in the stability and steady state studies. In those instances, in order for Interconnection Customer to obtain the right to deliver or inject energy beyond the Large Generating Facility Point of Interconnection or to improve its ability to do so, transmission delivery service must be obtained pursuant to the provisions of Transmission Provider's Tariff. The Interconnection Customer's ability to inject its Large Generating Facility output beyond the Point of Interconnection, therefore, will depend on the existing capacity of Transmission Provider's Transmission System at such time as a transmission service

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request is made that would accommodate such delivery. The provision of firm Point-to-Point Transmission Service or Network Integration Transmission Service may require the construction of additional Network Upgrades may be.

4.1.2 Network Resource Interconnection Service. [Not Selected under this PLGIA, but NRIS will be selected in the LGIA or Not Selected]

4.1.2.1 The Product.

Transmission Provider must conduct the necessary studies and construct the Network Upgrades or Distribution Upgrades. needed to integrate the Large Generating Facility (1) in a manner comparable to that in which Transmission Provider integrates its generating facilities to serve native load customers; or (2) in an ISO or RTO with market based congestion management, in the same manner as all Network Resources. To the extent Interconnection Customer wants to receive Network Resource Interconnection Service, Transmission Provider shall construct the facilities identified in Appendix A to this PLGIA.

4.1.2.2 Transmission Delivery Service Implications.

Network Resource Interconnection Service allows Interconnection Customer's Large Generating Facility to be designated by any Network Customer under the Tariff on Transmission Provider's Transmission System as a Network Resource, up to the Large Generating Facility's full output, on the same basis as existing Network Resources interconnected to Transmission Provider's Transmission System, and to be studied as a Network Resource on the assumption that such a designation will occur. Although Network Resource Interconnection Service does not convey a reservation of transmission service, any Network Customer under the Tariff can utilize its network service under the Tariff to obtain delivery of energy from the interconnected Interconnection Customer's Large Generating Facility in the same manner as it accesses Network Resources. A Large Generating Facility receiving Network Resource Interconnection Service may also be used to provide Ancillary Services after technical studies and/or periodic analyses are performed with respect to the Large Generating Facility's ability to provide any applicable Ancillary Services, provided that such studies and analyses have been or would be required in connection with the provision of such Ancillary Services by any existing Network Resource. However, if an Interconnection Customer's Large Generating Facility has not been designated as a Network Resource by any load, it cannot be required to provide Ancillary Services except to the extent such requirements extend to all generating facilities that are similarly situated. The provision of Network Integration Transmission Service or firm Point-to-Point Transmission Service may require

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additional studies and the construction of additional upgrades. Because such studies and upgrades would be associated with a request for delivery service under the Tariff, cost responsibility for the studies and upgrades would be in accordance with FERC's policy for pricing transmission delivery services.

Network Resource Interconnection Service does not necessarily provide Interconnection Customer with the capability to physically deliver the output of its Large Generating Facility to any particular load on Transmission Provider's Transmission System without incurring congestion costs. In the event of transmission constraints on Transmission Provider's Transmission System, Interconnection Customer's Large Generating Facility shall be subject to the applicable congestion management procedures in Transmission Provider's Transmission System in the same manner as Network Resources.

There is no requirement either at the time of study or interconnection, or at any point in the future, that Interconnection Customer's Large Generating Facility be designated as a Network Resource by a Network Service Customer under the Tariff or that Interconnection Customer identify a specific buyer (or sink). To the extent a Network Customer does designate the Large Generating Facility as a Network Resource, it must do so pursuant to Transmission Provider's Tariff.

Once an Interconnection Customer satisfies the requirements for obtaining Network Resource Interconnection Service, any future transmission service request for delivery from the Large Generating Facility within Transmission Provider's Transmission System of any amount of capacity and/or energy, up to the amount initially studied, will not require that any additional studies be performed or that any further upgrades associated with such Large Generating Facility be undertaken, regardless of whether or not such Large Generating Facility is ever designated by a Network Customer as a Network Resource and regardless of changes in ownership of the Large Generating Facility. However, the reduction or elimination of congestion or redispatch costs may require additional studies and the construction of additional upgrades.

To the extent Interconnection Customer enters into an arrangement for long term transmission service for deliveries from the Large Generating Facility outside Transmission Provider's Transmission System, such request may require additional studies and upgrades in order for Transmission Provider to grant such request.

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<u>Transmission Provider shall provide Interconnection Service for the Large Generating Facility at the Point of Interconnection.</u>

4.3 Performance Standards.

Each Party shall perform all of its obligations under this PLGIA in accordance with Applicable Laws and Regulations, Applicable Reliability Standards, and Good Utility Practice, and to the extent a Party is required or prevented or limited in taking any action by such regulations and standards, such Party shall not be deemed to be in Breach of this PLGIA for its compliance therewith. If such Party is a Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner, then that Party shall amend the PLGIA and submit the amendment to FERC for approval.

4.4 No Transmission Delivery Service.

The execution of this PLGIA does not constitute a request for, nor the provision of, any transmission delivery service under Transmission Provider's Tariff, and does not convey any right to deliver electricity to any specific customer or Point of Delivery.

4.5 Interconnection Customer Provided Services.

The services provided by Interconnection Customer under this PLGIA are set forth in Article 9.6 and Article 13.5.1. Interconnection Customer shall be paid for such services in accordance with Article 11.6.

Article 5. Interconnection Facilities Engineering, Procurement, and Construction

5.1 Options.

Unless otherwise mutually agreed to between the Parties, Interconnection Customer shall select the In-Service Date, Initial Synchronization Date, and Commercial Operation Date; and either the Standard Option or Alternate Option set forth below for completion of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades as set forth in Appendix A, Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades do not, and such dates and selected option shall be set forth in Appendix B, Milestones. At the same time, Interconnection Customer shall indicate whether it elects to exercise the Option to Build set forth in Article 5.1.3 below. If the dates designated by Interconnection Customer are not acceptable to Transmission Provider, Transmission Provider shall so notify Interconnection Customer within thirty (30) Calendar Days. Upon receipt of the notification that Interconnection Customer's designated dates are not acceptable to Transmission Provider, the Interconnection Customer shall notify Transmission Provider within thirty (30) Calendar Days whether it elects to exercise the Option to Build if it has not already elected to exercise the Option to Build.

5.1.1 Standard Option.

Transmission Provider shall design, procure, and construct Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades, using Reasonable Efforts to complete Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades by the dates set forth in Appendix B, PLGIA Milestones. Transmission Provider shall not be required to undertake any action which is inconsistent with its standard safety practices, its material and equipment specifications, its design criteria and construction procedures, its labor

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agreements, and Applicable Laws and Regulations. In the event Transmission Provider reasonably expects that it will not be able to complete Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades by the specified dates in Appendix B, Transmission Provider shall promptly provide written notice to Interconnection Customer and shall undertake Reasonable Efforts to meet the earliest dates thereafter.

5.1.2 Alternate Option.

If the dates designated by Interconnection Customer are acceptable to Transmission Provider, Transmission Provider shall so notify Interconnection Customer within thirty (30) Calendar Days, and shall assume responsibility for the design, procurement and construction of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities by the designated dates.

If Transmission Provider subsequently fails to complete Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities by the In-Service Date, to the extent necessary to provide back feed power; or fails to complete Network Upgrades by the Initial Synchronization Date to the extent necessary to allow for Trial Operation at full power output, unless other arrangements are made by the Parties for such Trial Operation; or fails to complete the Network Upgrades by the Commercial Operation Date, as such dates are reflected in Appendix B, PLGIA Milestones; Transmission Provider shall pay Interconnection Customer liquidated damages in accordance with Article 5.3, Liquidated Damages, provided, however, the dates designated by Interconnection Customer shall be extended day for day for each day that the applicable RTO or ISO refuses to grant clearances to install equipment.

5.1.3 Option to Build.

Interconnection Customer shall have the option to assume responsibility for the design, procurement and construction of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades on the dates specified in Article 5.1.2. Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer must agree as to what constitutes Stand Alone Network Upgrades and identify such Stand Alone Network Upgrades in Appendix A. Except for Stand Alone Network Upgrades, Interconnection Customer shall have no right to construct Network Upgrades under this option.

5.1.4 Negotiated Option.

If the dates designated by Interconnection Customer are not acceptable to Transmission Provider, the Parties shall in good faith attempt to negotiate terms and conditions (including revision of the specified dates and liquidated damages, the provision of incentives, or the procurement and construction of all facilities other than Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades if the Interconnection Customer elects to exercise the Option to Build under Article 5.1.3) If the Parties are unable to reach agreement on such terms and conditions, then, pursuant to Article 5.1.1 (Standard Option), Transmission Provider shall assume responsibility for the design, procurement and construction of all facilities other than Transmission

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<u>Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades if the Interconnection Customer elects to exercise the Option to Build.</u>

5.2 General Conditions Applicable to Option to Build.

If Interconnection Customer assumes responsibility for the design, procurement and construction of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades,

- (1) Interconnection Customer shall engineer, procure equipment, and construct Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades (or portions thereof) using Good Utility Practice and using standards and specifications provided in advance by Transmission Provider;
- (2) Interconnection Customer's engineering, procurement and construction of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades shall comply with all requirements of law to which Transmission Provider would be subject in the engineering, procurement or construction of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades;
- (3) Transmission Provider shall review and approve the engineering design, equipment acceptance tests, and the construction of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades;
- (4) Prior to commencement of construction, Interconnection Customer shall provide to Transmission Provider a schedule for construction of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades, and shall promptly respond to requests for information from Transmission Provider;
- At any time during construction, Transmission Provider shall have the right to gain unrestricted access to Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades and to conduct inspections of the same;
- (6) At any time during construction, should any phase of the engineering, equipment procurement, or construction of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades not meet the standards and specifications provided by Transmission Provider, Interconnection Customer shall be obligated to remedy deficiencies in that portion of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades;
- (7) Interconnection Customer shall indemnify Transmission Provider for claims arising from Interconnection Customer's construction of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone

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- Network Upgrades under the terms and procedures applicable to Article 18.1 Indemnity;
- (8) Interconnection Customer shall transfer control of Transmission
 Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network
 Upgrades to Transmission Provider;
- (9) Unless Parties otherwise agree, Interconnection Customer shall transfer ownership of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand-Alone Network Upgrades to Transmission Provider;
- (10) Transmission Provider shall approve and accept for operation and maintenance Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades to the extent engineered, procured, and constructed in accordance with this Article 5.2; and
- (11) Interconnection Customer shall deliver to Transmission Provider "asbuilt" drawings, information, and any other documents that are reasonably required by Transmission Provider to assure that the Interconnection Facilities and Stand-Alone Network Upgrades are built to the standards and specifications required by Transmission Provider.
- (12) If Interconnection Customer exercises the Option to Build pursuant to Article 5.1.3, Interconnection Customer shall pay Transmission Provider the agreed upon amount of [\$ PLACEHOLDER] for Transmission Provider to execute the responsibilities enumerated to Transmission Provider under Article 5.2. Transmission Provider shall invoice Interconnection Customer for this total amount to be divided on a monthly basis pursuant to Article 12.

5.3 Liquidated Damages.

The actual damages to Interconnection Customer, in the event Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities or Network Upgrades are not completed by the dates designated by Interconnection Customer and accepted by Transmission Provider pursuant to subparagraphs 5.1.2 or 5.1.4, above, may include Interconnection Facilities Customer's fixed operation and maintenance costs and lost opportunity costs. Such actual damages are uncertain and impossible to determine at this time. Because of such uncertainty, any liquidated damages paid by Transmission Provider to Interconnection Customer in the event that Transmission Provider does not complete any portion of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities or Network Upgrades by the applicable dates, shall be an amount equal to ½ of 1 percent per day of the actual cost of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades, in the aggregate, for which Transmission Provider has assumed responsibility to design, procure and construct.

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SMALL GENERATOR INTERCONNECTION REQUEST (Application Form)

| <u>Iransmission Provider:</u> |
|---|
| Designated Contact Person: |
| Address: |
| Telephone Number: |
| Fax: |
| E-Mail Address: |
| An Interconnection Request is considered complete when it provides all applicable and correct information required below. Per SGIP section 1.5, documentation of site control must be submitted with the Interconnection Request. |
| Preamble and Instructions |
| An Interconnection Customer who requests a Federal Energy Regulatory Commission jurisdictional interconnection must submit this Interconnection Request by hand delivery, mail, email, or fax to the Transmission Provider. |
| Processing Fee or Deposit: |
| If the Interconnection Request is submitted under the Fast Track Process, the non-refundable processing fee is \$500. |
| If the Interconnection Request is submitted under the Study Process, whether a new submission or an Interconnection Request that did not pass the Fast Track Process, the Interconnection Customer shall submit to the Transmission Provider a deposit not to exceed \$1,000 towards the cost of the feasibility study. |
| Interconnection Customer Information |
| Legal Name of the Interconnection Customer (or, if an individual, individual's name) |
| Name: |
| Contact Person: |
| Mailing Address: |

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| City: | State: | Zip: |
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| Facility Location (if different | ent from above): | |
| Telephone (Day): | T(| elephone (Evening): |
| Fax: | E-Mail Addres | s: |
| Alternative Contact Infor | mation (if different from t | the Interconnection Customer) |
| Contact Name: | | |
| Title: | | |
| Address: | | |
| | | |
| Telephone (Day): | Te | elephone (Evening): |
| Fax: | E | Mail Address: |
| Application is for:N | ew Small Generating Fa | cility |
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Will the Small Generating Facility be used for any of the following?

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However, in no event shall the total liquidated damages exceed 20 percent of the actual cost of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades for which Transmission Provider has assumed responsibility to design, procure, and construct. The foregoing payments will be made by Transmission Provider to Interconnection Customer as just compensation for the damages caused to Interconnection Customer, which actual damages are uncertain and impossible to determine at this time, and as reasonable liquidated damages, but not as a penalty or a method to secure performance of this PLGIA. Liquidated damages, when the Parties agree to them, are the exclusive remedy for the Transmission Provider's failure to meet its schedule.

No liquidated damages shall be paid to Interconnection Customer if: (1) Interconnection Customer is not ready to commence use of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities or Network Upgrades to take the delivery of power for the Large Generating Facility's Trial Operation or to export power from the Large Generating Facility on the

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specified dates, unless Interconnection Customer would have been able to commence use of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities or Network Upgrades to take the delivery of power for Large Generating Facility's Trial Operation or to export power from the Large Generating Facility, but for Transmission Provider's delay; (2) Transmission Provider's failure to meet the specified dates is the result of the action or inaction of Interconnection Customer or any other Interconnection Customer who has entered into an PLGIA with Transmission Provider or any cause beyond Transmission Provider's reasonable control or reasonable ability to cure; (3) the Interconnection Customer has assumed responsibility for the design, procurement and construction of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades; or (4) the Parties have otherwise agreed.

5.4 Power System Stabilizers.

The Interconnection Customer shall procure, install, maintain and operate Power System Stabilizers in accordance with the guidelines and procedures established by the Electric Reliability Organization. Transmission Provider reserves the right to reasonably establish minimum acceptable settings for any installed Power System Stabilizers, subject to the design and operating limitations of the Large Generating Facility. If the Large Generating Facility's Power System Stabilizers are removed from service or not capable of automatic operation, Interconnection Customer shall immediately notify Transmission Provider's system operator, or its designated representative. The requirements of this paragraph shall not apply to wind generators.

5.5 Equipment Procurement.

If responsibility for construction of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities or Network Upgrades is to be borne by Transmission Provider, then Transmission Provider shall commence design of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities or Network Upgrades and procure necessary equipment as soon as practicable after all of the following conditions are satisfied, unless the Parties otherwise agree in writing:

- 5.5.1 Transmission Provider has completed the Interconnection Facilities Study pursuant to the Interconnection Facilities Study Agreement;
- 5.5.2 Transmission Provider has received written authorization to proceed with design and procurement from Interconnection Customer by the date specified in Appendix B, PLGIA Milestones; and
- 5.5.3 Interconnection Customer has provided security to Transmission Provider in accordance with Article 11.5 by the dates specified in Appendix B, PLGIA Milestones.

5.6 Construction Commencement.

Transmission Provider shall commence construction of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades for which it is responsible as soon as practicable after the following additional conditions are satisfied:

5.6.1 Approval of the appropriate Governmental Authority has been obtained for any facilities requiring regulatory approval;

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- Necessary real property rights and rights-of-way have been obtained, to the extent required for the construction of a discrete aspect of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades;
- 5.6.3 Transmission Provider has received written authorization to proceed with construction from Interconnection Customer by the date specified in Appendix B, PLGIA Milestones; and
- 5.6.4 Interconnection Customer has provided security to Transmission Provider in accordance with Article 11.5 by the dates specified in Appendix B, PLGIA Milestones.

5.7 Work Progress.

The Parties will keep each other advised periodically as to the progress of their respective design, procurement and construction efforts. Either Party may, at any time, request a progress report from the other Party. If, at any time, Interconnection Customer determines that the completion of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities will not be required until after the specified In-Service Date, Interconnection Customer will provide written notice to Transmission Provider of such later date upon which the completion of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities will be required.

5.8 Information Exchange.

As soon as reasonably practicable after the Effective Date, the Parties shall exchange information regarding the design and compatibility of the Parties' Interconnection Facilities and compatibility of the Interconnection Facilities with Transmission Provider's Transmission System, and shall work diligently and in good faith to make any necessary design changes.

5.9 Other Interconnection Options

5.9.1 Limited Operation.

If any of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities or Network Upgrades are not reasonably expected to be completed prior to the Commercial Operation Date of the Large Generating Facility, Transmission Provider shall, upon the request and at the expense of Interconnection Customer, perform operating studies on a timely basis to determine the extent to which the Large Generating Facility and Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities may operate prior to the completion of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities or Network Upgrades consistent with Applicable Laws and Regulations, Applicable Reliability Standards, Good Utility Practice, and this PLGIA. Transmission Provider shall permit Interconnection Customer to operate the Large Generating Facility and Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities in accordance with the results of such studies.

5.9.2 Provisional Interconnection Service. [SELECTED]

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Upon the request of Interconnection Customer, and prior to completion of requisite Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades, Distribution Upgrades, or System Protection Facilities Transmission Provider may execute a PLGIA or Interconnection Customer may request the filing of an unexecuted PLGIA with the Interconnection Customer for limited Interconnection Service at the discretion of Transmission Provider based upon an evaluation that will consider the results of available studies. Transmission Provider shall determine, through available studies or additional studies as necessary, whether stability, short circuit, thermal, and/or voltage issues would arise if Interconnection Customer interconnects without modifications to the Generating Facility or Transmission System. Transmission Provider shall determine whether any Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades, Distribution Upgrades, or System Protection Facilities that are necessary to meet the requirements of the Electric Reliability Organization, or any applicable Regional Entity for the interconnection of a new, modified and/or expanded Generating Facility are in place prior to the commencement of Interconnection Service from the Where available studies indicate that such, Generating Facility. Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades, Distribution Upgrades, and/or System Protection Facilities that are required for the interconnection of a new, modified and/or expanded Generating Facility are not currently in place, Transmission Provider will perform a study, at the Interconnection Customer's expense, to confirm the facilities that are required for Provisional Interconnection Service. The maximum permissible output of the Generating Facility in the PLGIA shall be reviewed quarterly and updated if there are changes to system conditions compared to the system conditions previously used to determine of the maximum permissible output. Any necessary study is conducted at the Interconnection Customer's expense. Interconnection Customer assumes all risk and liabilities with respect to changes between the PLGIA and the Large Generator Interconnection Agreement, including changes in output limits and Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades, Distribution Upgrades, and/or System Protection Facilities cost responsibilities.

5.10 Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities ("ICIF").

Interconnection Customer shall, at its expense, design, procure, construct, own and install the ICIF, as set forth in Appendix A, Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades and Distribution Upgrades.

5.10.1 Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facility Specifications.

Interconnection Customer shall submit initial specifications for the ICIF, including System Protection Facilities, to Transmission Provider at least one-hundred eighty (180) Calendar Days prior to the Initial Synchronization Date; and final specifications for review and comment at least ninety (90) Calendar Days prior to the Initial Synchronization Date. Transmission Provider shall review such specifications to ensure that the ICIF are compatible with the technical specifications, operational control, and safety requirements of Transmission Provider and comment on such specifications within thirty (30) Calendar Days of Interconnection Customer's submission. All specifications provided hereunder shall be deemed confidential.

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5.10.2 Transmission Provider's Review.

Transmission Provider's review of Interconnection Customer's final specifications shall not be construed as confirming, endorsing, or providing a warranty as to the design, fitness, safety, durability or reliability of the Large Generating Facility, or the ICIF. Interconnection Customer shall make such changes to the ICIF as may reasonably be required by Transmission Provider, in accordance with Good Utility Practice, to ensure that the ICIF are compatible with the technical specifications, operational control, and safety requirements of Transmission Provider.

5.10.3 ICIF Construction.

The ICIF shall be designed and constructed in accordance with Good Utility Practice. Within one-hundred twenty (120) Calendar Days after the Commercial Operation Date, unless the Parties agree on another mutually acceptable deadline, Interconnection Customer shall deliver to Transmission Provider "as-built" drawings, information and documents for the ICIF, such as: a one-line diagram, a site plan showing the Large Generating Facility and the ICIF, plan and elevation drawings showing the layout of the ICIF, a relay functional diagram, relaying AC and DC schematic wiring diagrams and relay settings for all facilities associated with Interconnection Customer's step-up transformers, the facilities connecting the Large Generating Facility to the stepup transformers and the ICIF, and the impedances (determined by factory tests) for the associated step-up transformers and the Large Generating Facility. The Interconnection Customer shall provide Transmission Provider specifications for the excitation system, automatic voltage regulator, Large Generating Facility control and protection settings, transformer tap settings, and communications, if applicable.

5.11 Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities Construction.

Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities shall be designed and constructed in accordance with Good Utility Practice. Upon request, within one-hundred twenty (120) Calendar Days after the Commercial Operation Date, unless the Parties agree on another mutually acceptable deadline, Transmission Provider shall deliver to Interconnection Customer the following "as-built" drawings, information and documents for Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities [include appropriate drawings and relay diagrams]. Transmission Provider will obtain control of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades upon completion of such facilities.

5.12 Access Rights.

Upon reasonable notice and supervision by a Party, and subject to any required or necessary regulatory approvals, a Party ("Granting Party") shall furnish at no cost to the other Party ("Access Party") any rights of use, licenses, rights of way and easements with respect to lands owned or controlled by the Granting Party, its agents (if allowed under the applicable agency agreement), or any Affiliate, that are necessary to enable the Access Party to obtain ingress and egress to construct, operate, maintain, repair, test (or witness testing), inspect, replace or remove facilities and equipment to: (i) interconnect the Large Generating Facility with the Transmission System; (ii) operate and maintain the

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Large Generating Facility, the Interconnection Facilities and the Transmission System; and (iii) disconnect or remove the Access Party's facilities and equipment upon termination of this PLGIA. In exercising such licenses, rights of way and easements, the Access Party shall not unreasonably disrupt or interfere with normal operation of the Granting Party's business and shall adhere to the safety rules and procedures established in advance, as may be changed from time to time, by the Granting Party and provided to the Access Party.

5.13 Lands of Other Property Owners.

If any part of Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities and/or Network Upgrades is to be installed on property owned by persons other than Interconnection Customer or Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner, Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner shall at Interconnection Customer's expense use efforts, similar in nature and extent to those that it typically undertakes on its own behalf or on behalf of its Affiliates, including use of its eminent domain authority, and to the extent consistent with state law, to procure from such persons any rights of use, licenses, rights of way and easements that are necessary to construct, operate, maintain, test, inspect, replace or remove Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities and/or Network Upgrades upon such property.

5.14 Permits.

Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner and Interconnection Customer shall cooperate with each other in good faith in obtaining all permits, licenses, and authorizations that are necessary to accomplish the interconnection in compliance with Applicable Laws and Regulations. With respect to this paragraph, Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner shall provide permitting assistance to Interconnection Customer comparable to that provided to Transmission Provider's own, or an Affiliate's generation.

5.15 Early Construction of Base Case Facilities.

Interconnection Customer may request Transmission Provider to construct, and Transmission Provider shall construct, using Reasonable Efforts to accommodate Interconnection Customer's In-Service Date, all or any portion of any Network Upgrades required for Interconnection Customer to be interconnected to the Transmission System which are included in the Base Case of the Facilities Study for Interconnection Customer, and which also are required to be constructed for another Interconnection Customer, but where such construction is not scheduled to be completed in time to achieve Interconnection Customer's In-Service Date.

5.16 Suspension.

Interconnection Customer reserves the right, upon written notice to Transmission Provider, to suspend at any time all work by Transmission Provider associated with the construction and installation of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and/or Network Upgrades required under this PLGIA with the condition that Transmission System shall be left in a safe and reliable condition in accordance with Good Utility Practice and Transmission Provider's safety and reliability criteria. In such event, Interconnection Customer shall be responsible for all reasonable and necessary costs which Transmission Provider (i) has incurred pursuant to this PLGIA prior to the suspension and (ii) incurs in suspending such work, including any costs incurred to perform such work as may be

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necessary to ensure the safety of persons and property and the integrity of the Transmission System during such suspension and, if applicable, any costs incurred in connection with the cancellation or suspension of material, equipment and labor contracts which Transmission Provider cannot reasonably avoid; provided, however, that prior to canceling or suspending any such material, equipment or labor contract, Transmission Provider shall obtain Interconnection Customer's authorization to do so.

Transmission Provider shall invoice Interconnection Customer for such costs pursuant to Article 12 and shall use due diligence to minimize its costs. In the event Interconnection Customer suspends work by Transmission Provider required under this PLGIA pursuant to this Article 5.16, and has not requested Transmission Provider to recommence the work required under this PLGIA on or before the expiration of three (3) years following commencement of such suspension, this PLGIA shall be deemed terminated. The three-year period shall begin on the date the suspension is requested, or the date of the written notice to Transmission Provider, if no effective date is specified.

5.16.1 Effect of Missed Interconnection Customer PLGIA Milestones.

If Interconnection Customer fails to provide notice of suspension pursuant to Article 5.16, and Interconnection Customer fails to fulfill or complete any Interconnection Customer PLGIA Milestone provided in Appendix B ("PLGIA Milestone"), this constitutes a Breach under this PLGIA. Depending upon the consequences of the Breach and effectiveness of the cure pursuant to Article 17, Transmission Provider's PLGIA Milestones may be revised, following consultation with Interconnection Customer, consistent with Reasonable Efforts, and in consideration of all relevant circumstances. Parties shall employ Reasonable Efforts to maintain their remaining respective PLGIA Milestones.

5.16.2 Effect of Suspension; Parties Obligations.

In the event that Interconnection Customer suspends work pursuant to this Article 5.16, the applicable construction duration, timelines and schedules set forth in Appendix B shall be suspended during the period of suspension. Should Interconnection Customer thereafter request that work be recommenced, Appendix A and Appendix B may be revised to account for construction sequencing and modified milestones. If the Commercial Operation Date is extended beyond three (3) cumulative years described in Section 4.4.5 of the Revised LGIP and Article 2.3.1 of this PLGIA, such an extension may be considered a Material Modification and result in the termination of the PLGIA under Article 2.3.1. Interconnection Customer is required to maintain Site Control while this PLGIA is in effect, including during suspension.

5.17 Taxes

5.17.1 Interconnection Customer Payments Not Taxable.

The Parties intend that all payments or property transfers made by Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider for the installation of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and the Network Upgrades shall be non-taxable, either as contributions to capital, or as an advance, in accordance with the Internal Revenue Code and any applicable state income tax laws and shall not be taxable

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<u>as contributions in aid of construction or otherwise under the Internal Revenue</u> Code and any applicable state income tax laws.

5.17.2 Representations and Covenants.

In accordance with IRS Notice 2001-82 and IRS Notice 88-129, Interconnection Customer represents and covenants that (i) ownership of the electricity generated at the Large Generating Facility will pass to another party prior to the transmission of the electricity on the Transmission System, (ii) for income tax purposes, the amount of any payments and the cost of any property transferred to Transmission Provider for Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities will be capitalized by Interconnection Customer as an intangible asset and recovered using the straight-line method over a useful life of twenty (20) years, and (iii) any portion of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities that is a "dual-use intertie," within the meaning of IRS Notice 88-129, is reasonably expected to carry only a de minimis amount of electricity in the direction of the Large Generating Facility. For this purpose, "de minimis amount" means no more than percent of the total power flows in both directions, calculated in accordance with the "5 percent test" set forth in IRS Notice 88-129. This is not intended to be an exclusive list of the relevant conditions that must be met to conform to IRS requirements for nontaxable treatment.

At Transmission Provider's request, Interconnection Customer shall provide Transmission Provider with a report from an independent engineer confirming its representation in clause (iii), above. Transmission Provider represents and covenants that the cost of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities paid for by Interconnection Customer will have no net effect on the base upon which rates are determined.

5.17.3 Indemnification for the Cost Consequences of Current Tax Liability Imposed Upon the Transmission Provider.

Notwithstanding Article 5.17.1, Interconnection Customer shall protect, indemnify and hold harmless Transmission Provider from the cost consequences of any current tax liability imposed against Transmission Provider as the result of payments or property transfers made by Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider under this PLGIA for Interconnection Facilities, as well as any interest and penalties, other than interest and penalties attributable to any delay caused by Transmission Provider.

Transmission Provider shall not include a gross-up for the cost consequences of any current tax liability in the amounts it charges Interconnection Customer under this PLGIA unless (i) Transmission Provider has determined, in good faith, that the payments or property transfers made by Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider should be reported as income subject to taxation or (ii) any Governmental Authority directs Transmission Provider to report payments or property as income subject to taxation; provided, however, that Transmission Provider may require Interconnection Customer to provide security for Interconnection Facilities, in a form reasonably acceptable to Transmission Provider (such as a parental guarantee or a letter of credit), in an amount equal to

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the cost consequences of any current tax liability under this Article 5.17. Interconnection Customer shall reimburse Transmission Provider for such costs on a fully grossed-up basis, in accordance with Article 5.17.4, within thirty (30) Calendar Days of receiving written notification from Transmission Provider of the amount due, including detail about how the amount was calculated.

The indemnification obligation shall terminate at the earlier of (1) the expiration of the ten-year testing period and the applicable statute of limitation, as it may be extended by Transmission Provider upon request of the IRS, to keep these years open for audit or adjustment, or (2) the occurrence of a subsequent taxable event and the payment of any related indemnification obligations as contemplated by this Article 5.17.

5.17.4 Tax Gross-Up Amount.

Interconnection Customer's liability for the cost consequences of any current tax liability under this Article 5.17 shall be calculated on a fully grossed-up basis. Except as may otherwise be agreed to by the parties, this means that Interconnection Customer will pay Transmission Provider, in addition to the amount paid for the Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades, an amount equal to (1) the current taxes imposed on Transmission Provider ("Current Taxes") on the excess of (a) the gross income realized by Transmission Provider as a result of payments or property transfers made by Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider under this PLGIA (without regard to any payments under this Article 5.17) (the "Gross Income Amount") over (b) the present value of future tax deductions for depreciation that will be available as a result of such payments or property transfers (the "Present Value Depreciation Amount"), plus (2) an additional amount sufficient to permit Transmission Provider to receive and retain, after the payment of all Current Taxes, an amount equal to the net amount described in clause (1).

For this purpose, (i) Current Taxes shall be computed based on Transmission Provider's composite federal and state tax rates at the time the payments or property transfers are received and Transmission Provider will be treated as being subject to tax at the highest marginal rates in effect at that time (the "Current Tax Rate"), and (ii) the Present Value Depreciation Amount shall be computed by discounting Transmission Provider's anticipated tax depreciation deductions as a result of such payments or property transfers by Transmission Provider's current weighted average cost of capital. Thus, the formula for calculating Interconnection Customer's liability to Transmission Owner pursuant to this Article 5.17.4 can be expressed as follows: (Current Tax Rate x (Gross Income Amount – Present Value of Tax Depreciation))/(1-Current Tax Rate). Interconnection Customer's estimated tax liability in the event taxes are imposed shall be stated in Appendix A, Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades and Distribution Upgrades.

5.17.5 Private Letter Ruling or Change or Clarification of Law.

At Interconnection Customer's request and expense, Transmission Provider shall file with the IRS a request for a private letter ruling as to whether any property transferred or sums paid, or to be paid, by Interconnection Customer to

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Transmission Provider under this PLGIA are subject to federal income taxation. Interconnection Customer will prepare the initial draft of the request for a private letter ruling, and will certify under penalties of perjury that all facts represented in such request are true and accurate to the best of Interconnection Customer's knowledge. Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer shall cooperate in good faith with respect to the submission of such request. Transmission Provider shall keep Interconnection Customer fully informed of the status of such request for a private letter ruling and shall execute either a privacy act waiver or a limited power of attorney, in a form acceptable to the IRS that authorizes Interconnection Customer to participate in all discussions with the IRS regarding such request for a private letter ruling. Transmission Provider shall allow Interconnection Customer to attend all meetings with IRS officials about the request and shall permit Interconnection Customer to prepare the initial drafts of any follow-up letters in connection with the request.

5.17.6 Subsequent Taxable Events.

If, within ten (10) years from the date on which the relevant Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities are placed in service, (i) Interconnection Customer Breaches the covenants contained in Article 5.17.2, (ii) a "disqualification event" occurs within the meaning of IRS Notice 88-129, or (iii) this PLGIA terminates and Transmission Provider retains ownership of the Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades, Interconnection Customer shall pay a tax gross-up for the cost consequences of any current tax liability imposed on Transmission Provider, calculated using the methodology described in Article 5.17.4 and in accordance with IRS Notice 90-60.

5.17.7 Contests.

In the event any Governmental Authority determines that Transmission Provider's receipt of payments or property constitutes income that is subject to taxation, Transmission Provider shall notify Interconnection Customer, in writing, within thirty (30) Calendar Days of receiving notification of such determination by a Governmental Authority. Upon the timely written request by Interconnection Customer and at Interconnection Customer's sole expense, Transmission Provider may appeal, protest, seek abatement of, or otherwise oppose such determination. Upon Interconnection Customer's written request and sole expense, Transmission Provider may file a claim for refund with respect to any taxes paid under this Article 5.17, whether or not it has received such a determination. Transmission Provider reserves the right to make all decisions with regard to the prosecution of such appeal, protest, abatement or other contest, including the selection of counsel and compromise or settlement of the claim, but Transmission Provider shall keep Interconnection Customer informed, shall consider in good faith suggestions from Interconnection Customer about the conduct of the contest, and shall reasonably permit Interconnection Customer or an Interconnection Customer representative to attend contest proceedings.

Interconnection Customer shall pay to Transmission Provider on a periodic basis, as invoiced by Transmission Provider, Transmission Provider's documented reasonable costs of prosecuting such appeal, protest, abatement or other contest.

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At any time during the contest, Transmission Provider may agree to a settlement either with Interconnection Customer's consent or after obtaining written advice from nationally-recognized tax counsel, selected by Transmission Provider, but reasonably acceptable to Interconnection Customer, that the proposed settlement represents a reasonable settlement given the hazards of litigation. Interconnection Customer's obligation shall be based on the amount of the settlement agreed to by Interconnection Customer, or if a higher amount, so much of the settlement that is supported by the written advice from nationally-recognized tax counsel selected under the terms of the preceding sentence. The settlement amount shall be calculated on a fully grossed-up basis to cover any related cost consequences of the current tax liability. Any settlement without Interconnection Customer's consent or such written advice will relieve Interconnection Customer from any obligation to indemnify Transmission Provider for the tax at issue in the contest.

5.17.8 Refund.

In the event that (a) a private letter ruling is issued to Transmission Provider which holds that any amount paid or the value of any property transferred by Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider under the terms of this PLGIA is not subject to federal income taxation, (b) any legislative change or administrative announcement, notice, ruling or other determination makes it reasonably clear to Transmission Provider in good faith that any amount paid or the value of any property transferred by Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider under the terms of this PLGIA is not taxable to Transmission Provider, (c) any abatement, appeal, protest, or other contest results in a determination that any payments or transfers made by Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider are not subject to federal income tax, or (d) if Transmission Provider receives a refund from any taxing authority for any overpayment of tax attributable to any payment or property transfer made by Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider pursuant to this PLGIA, Transmission Provider shall promptly refund to Interconnection Customer the following:

- (i) any payment made by Interconnection Customer under this Article 5.17 for taxes that is attributable to the amount determined to be non-taxable, together with interest thereon,
- (ii) interest on any amount paid by Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider for such taxes which Transmission Provider did not submit to the taxing authority, calculated in accordance with the methodology set forth in FERC's regulations at 18 CFR § 35.19a(a)(2)(iii) from the date payment was made by Interconnection Customer to the date Transmission Provider refunds such payment to Interconnection Customer, and
- (iii) with respect to any such taxes paid by Transmission Provider, any refund or credit Transmission Provider receives or to which it may be entitled from any Governmental Authority, interest (or that portion thereof attributable to the payment described in clause (i), above) owed to Transmission Provider for such overpayment of taxes (including any

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reduction in interest otherwise payable by Transmission Provider to any Governmental Authority resulting from an offset or credit); provided, however, that Transmission Provider will remit such amount promptly to Interconnection Customer only after and to the extent that Transmission Provider has received a tax refund, credit or offset from any Governmental Authority for any applicable overpayment of income tax related to Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities. The intent of this provision is to leave the Parties, to the extent practicable, in the event that no taxes are due with respect to any payment for Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades hereunder, in the same position they would have been in had no such tax payments been made.

5.17.9 Taxes Other Than Income Taxes.

Upon the timely request by Interconnection Customer, and at Interconnection Customer's sole expense, Transmission Provider may appeal, protest, seek abatement of, or otherwise contest any tax (other than federal or state income tax) asserted or assessed against Transmission Provider for which Interconnection Customer may be required to reimburse Transmission Provider under the terms of this PLGIA. Interconnection Customer shall pay to Transmission Provider on a periodic basis, as invoiced by Transmission Provider, Transmission Provider's documented reasonable costs of prosecuting such appeal, protest, abatement, or other contest. Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider shall cooperate in good faith with respect to any such contest. Unless the payment of such taxes is a prerequisite to an appeal or abatement or cannot be deferred, no amount shall be payable by Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider for such taxes until they are assessed by a final, non-appealable order by any court or agency of competent jurisdiction. In the event that a tax payment is withheld and ultimately due and payable after appeal, Interconnection Customer will be responsible for all taxes, interest and penalties, other than penalties attributable to any delay caused by Transmission Provider.

5.17.10 Transmission Owners Who Are Not Transmission Providers.

If Transmission Provider is not the same entity as the Transmission Owner, then (i) all references in this Article 5.17 to Transmission Provider shall be deemed also to refer to and to include the Transmission Owner, as appropriate, and (ii) this PLGIA shall not become effective until such Transmission Owner shall have agreed in writing to assume all of the duties and obligations of Transmission Provider under this Article 5.17 of this PLGIA.

5.18 Tax Status.

Each Party shall cooperate with the other to maintain the other Party's tax status. Nothing in this PLGIA is intended to adversely affect any Transmission Provider's tax exempt status with respect to the issuance of bonds including, but not limited to, Local Furnishing Bonds.

5.19 Modification.

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5.19.1 General.

Either Party may undertake modifications to its facilities. If a Party plans to undertake a modification that reasonably may be expected to affect the other Party's facilities, that Party shall provide to the other Party sufficient information regarding such modification so that the other Party may evaluate the potential impact of such modification prior to commencement of the work. Such information shall be deemed to be confidential hereunder and shall include information concerning the timing of such modifications and whether such modifications are expected to interrupt the flow of electricity from the Large Generating Facility. The Party desiring to perform such work shall provide the relevant drawings, plans, and specifications to the other Party at least ninety (90) Calendar Days in advance of the commencement of the work or such shorter period upon which the Parties may agree, which agreement shall not unreasonably be withheld, conditioned or delayed.

In the case of Large Generating Facility modification that is not a Material Modification and do no require Interconnection Customer to submit an Interconnection Request, Transmission Provider shall provide, within thirty (30) Calendar Days (or such other time as the Parties may agree), an estimate of any additional modifications to the Transmission System, Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities or Network Upgrades necessitated by such Interconnection Customer modification and a good faith estimate of the costs thereof.

5.19.2 Standards.

Any additions, modifications, or replacements made to a Party's facilities shall be designed, constructed, and operated in accordance with this PLGIA and Good Utility Practice.

5.19.3 Modification Costs.

Interconnection Customer shall not be directly assigned for the costs of any additions, modifications, or replacements that Transmission Provider makes to Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities or the Transmission System to facilitate the interconnection of a third party to Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities or the Transmission System, or to provide transmission service to a third party under Transmission Provider's Tariff. Interconnection Customer shall be responsible for the costs of any additions, modifications, or replacements to Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities that may be necessary to maintain or upgrade such Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities consistent with Applicable Laws and Regulations, Applicable Reliability Standards or Good Utility Practice.

Article 6. Testing and Inspection

6.1 Pre-Commercial Operation Date Testing and Modifications.

Prior to the Commercial Operation Date, Transmission Provider shall test Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades and Interconnection Customer shall test the Large Generating Facility and Interconnection Customer's

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Interconnection Facilities to ensure their safe and reliable operation. Similar testing may be required after initial operation. Each Party shall make any modifications to its facilities that are found to be necessary as a result of such testing. Interconnection Customer shall bear the cost of all such testing and modifications. Interconnection Customer shall generate test energy at the Large Generating Facility only if it has arranged for the delivery of such test energy.

6.2 Post-Commercial Operation Date Testing and Modifications.

Each Party shall at its own expense perform routine inspection and testing of its facilities and equipment in accordance with Good Utility Practice as may be necessary to ensure the continued interconnection of the Large Generating Facility with the Transmission System in a safe and reliable manner. Each Party shall have the right, upon advance written notice, to require reasonable additional testing of the other Party's facilities, at the requesting Party's expense, as may be in accordance with Good Utility Practice.

6.3 Right to Observe Testing.

Each Party shall notify the other Party in advance of its performance of tests of its Interconnection Facilities. The other Party has the right, at its own expense, to observe such testing.

6.4 Right to Inspect.

Each Party shall have the right, but shall have no obligation to: (i) observe the other Party's tests and/or inspection of any of its System Protection Facilities and other protective equipment, including Power System Stabilizers; (ii) review the settings of the other Party's System Protection Facilities and other protective equipment; and (iii) review the other Party's maintenance records relative to the Interconnection Facilities, the System Protection Facilities and other protective equipment. A Party may exercise these rights from time to time as it deems necessary upon reasonable notice to the other Party. The exercise or non-exercise by a Party of any such rights shall not be construed as an endorsement or confirmation of any element or condition of the Interconnection Facilities or the System Protection Facilities or other protective equipment or the operation thereof, or as a warranty as to the fitness, safety, desirability, or reliability of same. Any information that a Party obtains through the exercise of any of its rights under this Article 6.4 shall be deemed to be Confidential Information and treated pursuant to Article 22 of this PLGIA.

| Article 7. Wetering 7. Tes NO |
|---|
| To Supply Power to the Interconnection Customer? YesNo |
| To Supply Power to Others? Yes No |
| For installations at locations with existing electric service to which the proposed Small Generating Facility will interconnect, provide: |
| (Local Electric Service Provider*) (Existing Account Number*) |

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| [*To be provided by the Interconnection Cu from the Transmission Provider] | stomer if the local electric service provider is different |
|--|--|
| Contact Name: | |
| Title: | |
| Address: | |
| | |
| Telephone (Day): | Telephone (Evening): |
| Fax: | -E-Mail Address: |
| Requested Point of Interconnection: | |
| Interconnection Customer's Requested In-S | Service Date: |
| Small Generating Facility Information Data apply only to the Small Generating Fa | ncility, not the Interconnection Facilities. |
| Energy Source: Solar Wind Diesel Natural Gas Fue | Hydro Hydro Type (e.g. Run-of-River): ol Oil Other (state type) |
| Prime Mover:Fuel CellReRe | ecip EngineGas TurbSteam TurbOther |
| Type of Generator:Synchronous | InductionInverter |
| Generator Nameplate Rating:kW (Tyr | pical) Generator Nameplate kVAR: |
| Interconnection Customer or Customer-Site | e Load:kW (if none, so state) |
| Typical Reactive Load (if known): | |
| Maximum Physical Export Capability Reque | ested:kW |
| List components of the Small Generating F | acility equipment package that are currently certified: |
| Equipment Type | Certifying Entity |
| 2. | |
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| Is the prime mover compatible with the certified protective relay package?YesNo |
|---|
| Generator (or solar collector) Manufacturer, Model Name & Number: Version Number: |
| Nameplate Output Power Rating in kW: (Summer) (Winter) |
| Nameplate Output Power Rating in kVA: (Summer) (Winter) |
| Individual Generator Power Factor Rated Power Factor: Leading: Lagging: |
| Total Number of Generators in wind farm to be interconnected pursuant to this |
| Interconnection Request: Elevation:Single phaseThree phase |
| Inverter Manufacturer, Model Name & Number (if used): |
| List of adjustable set points for the protective equipment or software: |
| Note: A completed Power Systems Load Flow data sheet must be supplied with the Interconnection Request. |
| Small Generating Facility Characteristic Data (for inverter-based machines) |
| Max design fault contribution current: Instantaneous or RMS? |
| Harmonics Characteristics: |
| Start-up requirements: |
| Small Generating Facility Characteristic Data (for rotating machines) |
| RPM Frequency: (*) Neutral Grounding Resistor (If Applicable): |
| Synchronous Generators: |
| Direct Axis Synchronous Reactance, X _d :P.U. Direct Axis Transient Reactance, X' _d :P.U. Direct Axis Subtransient Reactance, X'' _d :P.U. Negative Sequence Reactance, X ₂ :P.U. Zero Sequence Reactance, X ₀ :P.U. |

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| KVA Basas |
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| KVA Base: <u>Field Volts:</u> |
| Field Amperes: |
| Heid Aimperes. |
| Induction Generators: |
| Motoring Power (kW): |
| l ₂ ²t or K (Heating Time Constant): |
| Rotor Resistance, Rr: |
| Stator Resistance, Rs: |
| Stator Reactance, Xs: |
| Rotor Reactance, Xr: |
| Magnetizing Reactance, Xm: |
| Short Circuit Reactance, Xd": |
| Exciting Current: |
| Temperature Rise: |
| Frame Size: |
| Design Letter: |
| Reactive Power Required In Vars (No Load): |
| Reactive Power Required In Vars (Full Load): |
| Total Rotating Inertia, H: Per Unit on kVA Base |
| Note: Please contact the Transmission Provider prior to submitting the Interconnection Request to determine if the specified information above is required. |
| Excitation and Governor System Data for Synchronous Generators Only |
| Provide appropriate IEEE model block diagram of excitation system, governor system and power system stabilizer (PSS) in accordance with the regional reliability council criteria. A PSS may be determined to be required by applicable studies. A copy of the manufacturer's block diagram may not be substituted. |
| Primary frequency response operating range for electric storage resources: |
| Minimum State of Charge: Maximum State of Charge: Maximum State of Charge: |
| Interconnection Facilities Information |
| Will a transformer be used between the generator and the point of common coupling?YesNo |
| Will the transformer be provided by the Interconnection Customer?YesNo |
| Transformer Data (If Applicable, for Interconnection Customer-Owned Transformer): |
| Is the transformer:single phasethree phase? Size:kVA Transformer Impedance:% onkVA Base |

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| If Three Phase: | | | | | | |
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| Transformer Primary | | | | | | |
| Transformer Second | | | | | | |
| Transformer Tertiary | /: | Volts | <u> </u> | vvye | Wye G | irounded |
| Transformer Fuse Da | ita (If Applic | cable, for l | nterconnecti | on Custome | er-Owned | -use): |
| (Attach copy of fuse r | manufactur | er's Minim | um Melt and | Total Clear | ing Time-(| Current Curves) |
| Manufacturer: | | Type: | | Size: | S ₁ | oeed: |
| Interconnecting Circu | it Breaker (| if applicat |)(e): | | | |
| Manufacturer: | | | Тур | ə: | = | |
| Load Rating (Amps): | In | terrupting | Rating (Amp | es): | Trip Spee | d (Cycles): |
| Interconnection Prote | ective Relay | /s (If Appli | cable): | | | |
| If Microprocessor-Co | ntrolled: | | | | | |
| List of Functions and | Adjustable | Setpoints | for the prote | ective equipr | nent or so | ftware: |
| Setpoint Function | | | | —Mi | nimum | Maximum |
| 1 | | | | | | |
| 2 | | | | | | |
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| 5 | | | | | | |
| 6. | | | | | | |
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| If Discrete Componer | nts: | | | | | |
| (Enclose Copy of any | · Proposed | Time-Ove | rcurrent Coc | ordination Cu | ırves) | |
| Manufacturer: | Type: | | Style | /Catalog No | .: Pro | oposed Setting: |
| Manufacturer: | Type: | | === Style | /Catalog No | == == ∴ Pro | oposed Setting: |

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| Manufacturer: | Type: | Style/Catalog No.: | Proposed Setting: |
| Manufacturer: | Type: | Style/Catalog No.: | Proposed Setting: |
| Manufacturer: | Type: | Style/Catalog No.: | Proposed Setting: |
| Current Transformer | | | |
| | nufacturer's Excitation a | nd Ratio Correction Curve | es) |
| Туре: | Accuracy Class: | Proposed Ratio | Connection: |
| Manufacturer: | | | |
| Гуре: | Accuracy Class: | Proposed Ratio | Connection: |
| Potential Transforme | r Data (If Applicable): | | |
| Manufacturer: | | | |
| Гуре: | Accuracy Class: | Proposed Ratio C | Connection: |
| Manufacturer: | | | |
| Гуре: | Accuracy Class: _ | Proposed Ratio | Connection: |
| General Information | Ŀ | | |
| Facility equipment, cuine diagram must be Generating Facility is | urrent and potential circule signed and stamped larger than 50 kW. Is C | m showing the configuration its, and protection and color by a licensed Profession one-Line Diagram Enclose the precise | ntrol schemes. This on the hal Engineer if the Sn and?YesNo |

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| Enclose copy of any site documentation that describes and details the operation of the protection and control schemes. Is Available Documentation Enclosed?YesNo |
|---|
| Enclose copies of schematic drawings for all protection and control circuits, relay current circuits, relay potential circuits, and alarm/monitoring circuits (if applicable). Are Schematic Drawings Enclosed?YesNo |
| Applicant Signature |
| I hereby certify that, to the best of my knowledge, all the information provided in this Interconnection Request is true and correct. |
| For Interconnection Customer: |

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Certification Codes and Standards

IEEE1547 Standard for Interconnecting Distributed Resources with Electric Power Systems (including use of IEEE 1547.1 testing protocols to establish conformity)

UL 1741 Inverters, Converters, and Controllers for Use in Independent Power Systems

IEEE Std 929-2000 IEEE Recommended Practice for Utility Interface of Photovoltaic (PV) Systems

NFPA 70 (2002), National Electrical Code

IEEE Std C37.90.1-1989 (R1994), IEEE Standard Surge Withstand Capability (SWC) Tests for Protective Relays and Relay Systems

IEEE Std C37.90.2 (1995), IEEE Standard Withstand Capability of Relay Systems to Radiated Electromagnetic Interference from Transceivers

IEEE Std C37.108-1989 (R2002), IEEE Guide for the Protection of Network Transformers

IEEE Std C57.12.44-2000, IEEE Standard Requirements for Secondary Network Protectors

IEEE Std C62.41.2-2002, IEEE Recommended Practice on Characterization of Surges in Low Voltage (1000V and Less) AC Power Circuits

IEEE Std C62.45-1992 (R2002), IEEE Recommended Practice on Surge Testing for Equipment Connected to Low-Voltage (1000V and Less) AC Power Circuits

ANSI C84.1-1995 Electric Power Systems and Equipment - Voltage Ratings (60 Hertz)

IEEE Std 100-2000, IEEE Standard Dictionary of Electrical and Electronic Terms

NEMA MG 1-1998, Motors and Small Resources, Revision 3

IEEE Std 519-1992, IEEE Recommended Practices and Requirements for Harmonic Control in Electrical Power Systems

NEMA MG 1-2003 (Rev 2004), Motors and Generators, Revision 1

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Certification of Small Generator Equipment Packages

- 1.0 Small Generating Facility equipment proposed for use separately or packaged with other equipment in an interconnection system shall be considered certified for interconnected operation if (1) it has been tested in accordance with industry standards for continuous utility interactive operation in compliance with the appropriate codes and standards referenced below by any Nationally Recognized Testing Laboratory (NRTL) recognized by the United States Occupational Safety and Health Administration to test and certify interconnection equipment pursuant to the relevant codes and standards listed in SGIP Attachment 3, (2) it has been labeled and is publicly listed by such NRTL at the time of the interconnection application, and (3) such NRTL makes readily available for verification all test standards and procedures it utilized in performing such equipment certification, and, with consumer approval, the test data itself. The NRTL may make such information available on its website and by encouraging such information to be included in the manufacturer's literature accompanying the equipment.
- 2.0 The Interconnection Customer must verify that the intended use of the equipment falls within the use or uses for which the equipment was tested, labeled, and listed by the NRTL.
- 3.0 Certified equipment shall not require further type-test review, testing, or additional equipment to meet the requirements of this interconnection procedure; however, nothing herein shall preclude the need for an on-site commissioning test by the parties to the interconnection nor follow-up production testing by the NRTL.
- 4.0 If the certified equipment package includes only interface components (switchgear, inverters, or other interface devices), then an Interconnection Customer must show that the generator or other electric source being utilized with the equipment package is compatible with the equipment package and is consistent with the testing and listing specified for this type of interconnection equipment.
- 5.0 Provided the generator or electric source, when combined with the equipment package, is within the range of capabilities for which it was tested by the NRTL, and does not violate the interface components' labeling and listing performed by the NRTL, no further design review, testing or additional equipment on the customer side of the point of common coupling shall be required to meet the requirements of this interconnection procedure.
- 6.0 An equipment package does not include equipment provided by the utility.
- 7.0 Any equipment package approved and listed in a state by that state's regulatory body for interconnected operation in that state prior to the effective date of these small generator interconnection procedures shall be considered certified under these procedures for use in that state.

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Application, Procedures, and Terms and Conditions for Interconnecting a Certified Inverter-Based Small Generating Facility No Larger than 10 kW ("10 kW Inverter Process")

- 1.0 The Interconnection Customer ("Customer") completes the Interconnection Request ("Application") and submits it to the Transmission Provider ("Company").
- 2.0 The Company acknowledges to the Customer receipt of the Application within three Business Days of receipt.
- 3.0 The Company evaluates the Application for completeness and notifies the Customer within ten Business Days of receipt that the Application is or is not complete and, if not, advises what material is missing.
- 4.0 The Company verifies that the Small Generating Facility can be interconnected safely and reliably using the screens contained in the Fast Track Process in the Small Generator Interconnection Procedures (SGIP). The Company has 15 Business Days to complete this process. Unless the Company determines and demonstrates that the Small Generating Facility cannot be interconnected safely and reliably, the Company approves the Application and returns it to the Customer. Note to Customer: Please check with the Company before submitting the Application if disconnection equipment is required.
- 5.0 After installation, the Customer returns the Certificate of Completion to the Company.

 Prior to parallel operation, the Company may inspect the Small Generating Facility for compliance with standards which may include a witness test, and may schedule appropriate metering replacement, if necessary.
- Facility is authorized. If the witness test is not satisfactory, the Company has the right to disconnect the Small Generating Facility. The Customer has no right to operate in parallel until a witness test has been performed, or previously waived on the Application. The Company is obligated to complete this witness test within ten Business Days of the receipt of the Certificate of Completion. If the Company does not inspect within ten Business Days or by mutual agreement of the Parties, the witness test is deemed waived.
- 7.0 Contact Information The Customer must provide the contact information for the legal applicant (<u>i.e.</u>, the Interconnection Customer). If another entity is responsible for interfacing with the Company, that contact information must be provided on the Application.
- 8.0 Ownership Information Enter the legal names of the owner(s) of the Small Generating Facility. Include the percentage ownership (if any) by any utility or public utility holding company, or by any entity owned by either.
- 9.0 UL1741 Listed This standard ("Inverters, Converters, and Controllers for Use in Independent Power Systems") addresses the electrical interconnection design of various

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forms of generating equipment. Many manufacturers submit their equipment to a Nationally Recognized Testing Laboratory (NRTL) that verifies compliance with UL1741. This "listing" is then marked on the equipment and supporting documentation.

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This Application is considered complete when it provides all applicable and correct information required below. Per SGIP section 1.5, documentation of site control must be submitted with the Interconnection Request. Additional information to evaluate the Application may be required.

Processing Fee

A non-refundable processing fee of \$100 must accompany this Application.

| Contact | | | | | | Perso |
|---|-------------------|--------------|--------|--------|--------|----------|
| Address: | | | | | | |
| City: | | | | State: | Zip: | |
| Telephone | (Day): | | | | | (Evening |
| Fax:: | | | | | E-Mail | Addres |
| Contact (if diffe | erent from Interd | connection C | Custon | ner) | | |
| <u>Contact</u> (if diffe Name: Address: | | | Custon | , | 7in: | |
| Centact (if diffe Name: Address: City: | | | | State: | Zip: | |
| <u>Contact</u> (if diffe Name: Address: | | | | State: | | (Evenine |
| Contact (if differences: City: Telephone | | | | State: | | |

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| Small Generating Facility Information |
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| Location (if different from above): |
| Electric Service Company: |
| Account Number: |
| Inverter Manufacturer: Model: |
| Nameplate Rating: (kW) (AC Volts) |
| Single Phase Three Phase |
| System Design Capacity: (kW) (kVA) |
| Prime Mover:PhotovoltaicReciprocating EngineFuel Cell |
| TurbineOther (describe) |
| Energy Source:Solar WindHydroDieselNatural Gas |
| Fuel Oil Other (describe) |
| Is the equipment UL1741 Listed? Yes No |
| If Yes, attach manufacturer's cut-sheet showing UL1741 listing |
| Estimated Installation Date: Estimated In-Service Date: |
| The 10 kW Inverter Process is available only for inverter-based Small Generating Facilities no larger than 10 kW that meet the codes, standards, and certification requirements of Attachments 3 and 4 of the Small Generator Interconnection Procedures (SGIP), or the Transmission Provider has reviewed the design or tested the proposed Small Generating Facility and is satisfied that it is safe to operate. |
| List components of the Small Generating Facility equipment package that are currently certified: |
| Equipment Type Certifying Entity |
| 1 |
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Interconnection Customer Signature

I hereby certify that, to the best of my knowledge, the information provided in this Application is true. I agree to abide by the Terms and Conditions for Interconnecting an Inverter-Based Small

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| Generating Facility No Larger than 10kW and re Generating Facility has been installed. | eturn the Certificate of Completion when the Small | |
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| Signed: | | |
| Title: | Date: | |

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| Contingent Approval to Interconnect the | Small Generating Facility | |
| (For Company use only) | | |
| | g Facility is approved contingent upon the Terms and er-Based Small Generating Facility No Larger than 10kWon. | |
| Company Signature: | | |
| Title: | Date: | |
| Application ID number: | | |
| Company waives inspection/witness tes | ! ? YesNo | |

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Small Generating Facility Certificate of Completion

| Is the Small Generating Facility owner-installed? Yes No |
|--|
| Interconnection Customer: |
| Contact Person: |
| Address: |
| Location of the Small Generating Facility (if different from above): |
| |
| City: State: Zip Code: |
| Telephone (Day): (Evening): |
| Fax: E-Mail Address: |
| <u>Electrician:</u> |
| Name: |
| Address: |
| City: State: Zip Code: |
| Telephone (Day): (Evening): |
| Fax:E-Mail Address: |
| License number: |
| Date Approval to Install Facility granted by the Company: |
| Application ID number: |
| |
| Inspection: |
| The Small Generating Facility has been installed and inspected in compliance with the loca building/electrical code of |
| Signed (Local electrical wiring inspector, or attach signed electrical inspection): |
| |

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| As a condition of interconnection, you are required to send/fax a copy of this form along with a copy of the signed electrical permit to (insert Company information below): |
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| Name: |
| Company: |
| Address: |
| |
| City, State, ZIP: |
| Fax: |
| |
| Approval to Energize the Small Generating Facility (For Company use only) |
| Energizing the Small Generating Facility is approved contingent upon the Terms and Conditions for Interconnecting an Inverter-Based Small Generating Facility No Larger than 10kW |
| Company Signature: |
| Title: Date: |

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Terms and Conditions for Interconnecting an Inverter-Based Small Generating Facility No Larger than 10kW

1.0 Construction of the Facility

The Interconnection Customer (the "Customer") may proceed to construct (including operational testing not to exceed two hours) the Small Generating Facility when the Transmission Provider (the "Company") approves the Interconnection Request (the "Application") and returns it to the Customer.

2.0 Interconnection and Operation

The Customer may operate Small Generating Facility and interconnect with the Company's electric system once all of the following have occurred:

- 2.1 Upon completing construction, the Customer will cause the Small Generating Facility to be inspected or otherwise certified by the appropriate local electrical wiring inspector with jurisdiction, and
- 2.2 The Customer returns the Certificate of Completion to the Company, and
- 2.3 The Company has either:
 - 2.3.1 Completed its inspection of the Small Generating Facility to ensure that all equipment has been appropriately installed and that all electrical connections have been made in accordance with applicable codes. All inspections must be conducted by the Company, at its own expense, within ten Business Days after receipt of the Certificate of Completion and shall take place at a time agreeable to the Parties. The Company shall provide a written statement that the Small Generating Facility has passed inspection or shall notify the Customer of what steps it must take to pass inspection as soon as practicable after the inspection takes place; or
 - 2.3.2 If the Company does not schedule an inspection of the Small Generating Facility within ten business days after receiving the Certificate of Completion, the witness test is deemed waived (unless the Parties agree otherwise); or
 - 2.3.3 The Company waives the right to inspect the Small Generating Facility.
- 2.4 The Company has the right to disconnect the Small Generating Facility in the event of improper installation or failure to return the Certificate of Completion.
- 2.5 Revenue quality metering equipment must be installed and tested in accordance with applicable ANSI standards.

3.0 Safe7.1 General.

Each Party shall comply with the Electric Reliability Organization requirements. Unless otherwise agreed by the Parties, Transmission Provider shall install Metering Equipment

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at the Point of Interconnection prior to any operation of the Large Generating Facility and shall own, operate, test and maintain such Metering Equipment. Power flows to and from the Large Generating Facility shall be measured at or, at Transmission Provider's option, compensated to, the Point of Interconnection. Transmission Provider shall provide metering quantities, in analog and/or digital form, to Interconnection Customer upon request. Interconnection Customer shall bear all reasonable documented costs associated with the purchase, installation, operation, testing and maintenance of the Metering Equipment.

7.2 Check Meters.

Interconnection Customer, at its option and expense, may install and operate, on its premises and on its side of the Point of Interconnection, one or more check meters to check Transmission Provider's meters. Such check meters shall be for check purposes only and shall not be used for the measurement of power flows for purposes of this PLGIA, except as provided in Article 7.4 below. The check meters shall be subject at all reasonable times to inspection and examination by Transmission Provider or its designee. The installation, operation and maintenance thereof shall be performed entirely by Interconnection Customer in accordance with Good Utility Practice.

7.3 Standards.

<u>Transmission Provider shall install, calibrate, and test revenue quality Metering Equipment in accordance with applicable ANSI standards.</u>

7.4 Testing of Metering Equipment.

Transmission Provider shall inspect and test all Transmission Provider-owned Metering Equipment upon installation and at least once every two (2) years thereafter. If requested to do so by Interconnection Customer, Transmission Provider shall, at Interconnection Customer's expense, inspect or test Metering Equipment more frequently than every two (2) years. Transmission Provider shall give reasonable notice of the time when any inspection or test shall take place, and Interconnection Customer may have representatives present at the test or inspection. If at any time Metering Equipment is found to be inaccurate or defective, it shall be adjusted, repaired or replaced at Interconnection Customer's expense, in order to provide accurate metering, unless the inaccuracy or defect is due to Transmission Provider's failure to maintain, then Transmission Provider shall pay. If Metering Equipment fails to register, or if the measurement made by Metering Equipment during a test varies by more than two percent from the measurement made by the standard meter used in the test, Transmission Provider shall adjust the measurements by correcting all measurements for the period during which Metering Equipment was in error by using Interconnection Customer's check meters, if installed. If no such check meters are installed or if the period cannot be reasonably ascertained, the adjustment shall be for the period immediately preceding the test of the Metering Equipment equal to one-half the time from the date of the last previous test of the Metering Equipment.

7.5 Metering Data.

At Interconnection Customer's expense, the metered data shall be telemetered to one or more locations designated by Transmission Provider and one or more locations designated by Interconnection Customer. Such telemetered data shall be used, under

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normal operating conditions, as the official measurement of the amount of energy delivered from the Large Generating Facility to the Point of Interconnection.

Article 8. Communications

8.1 Interconnection Customer Obligations.

Interconnection Customer shall maintain satisfactory operating communications with Transmission Provider's Transmission System dispatcher or representative designated by Transmission Provider. Interconnection Customer shall provide standard voice line, dedicated voice line and facsimile communications at its Large Generating Facility control room or central dispatch facility through use of either the public telephone system, or a voice communications system that does not rely on the public telephone system. Interconnection Customer shall also provide the dedicated data circuit(s) necessary to provide Interconnection Customer data to Transmission Provider as set forth in Appendix D, Security Arrangements Details. The data circuit(s) shall extend from the Large Generating Facility to the location(s) specified by Transmission Provider. Any required maintenance of such communications equipment shall be performed by Interconnection Customer. Operational communications shall be activated and maintained under, but not be limited to, the following events: system paralleling or separation, scheduled and unscheduled shutdowns, equipment clearances, and hourly and daily load data

8.2 Remote Terminal Unit.

Prior to the Initial Synchronization Date of the Large Generating Facility, a Remote Terminal Unit, or equivalent data collection and transfer equipment acceptable to the Parties, shall be installed by Interconnection Customer, or by Transmission Provider at Interconnection Customer's expense, to gather accumulated and instantaneous data to be telemetered to the location(s) designated by Transmission Provider through use of a dedicated point-to-point data circuit(s) as indicated in Article 8.1. The communication protocol for the data circuit(s) shall be specified by Transmission Provider. Instantaneous bi-directional analog real power and reactive power flow information must be telemetered directly to the location(s) specified by Transmission Provider.

Each Party will promptly advise the other Party if it detects or otherwise learns of any metering, telemetry or communications equipment errors or malfunctions that require the attention and/or correction by the other Party. The Party owning such equipment shall correct such error or malfunction as soon as reasonably feasible.

8.3 No Annexation.

Any and all equipment placed on the premises of a Party shall be and remain the property of the Party providing such equipment regardless of the mode and manner of annexation or attachment to real property, unless otherwise mutually agreed by the Parties.

8.4 Provision of Data from a Variable Energy Resource.

The Interconnection Customer whose Generating facility Is a Variable Energy Resource shall provide meteorological and forced outage data to the Transmission Provider to the extent necessary for the Transmission Provider's development and deployment of power production forecasts for that class of Variable Energy Resources.

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The Interconnection Customer with a Variable Energy Resource having wind as the energy source, at a minimum, will be required to provide the Transmission Provider with site-specific meteorological data including: manufacturer, model, and year of all wind turbines and meteorological instrumentation, latitude, longitude and hub height at every wind turbine and meteorological tower, real-time data including turbine generation (kW), wind speed (mph), turbine availability, wind direction (in degrees relative to true north), temperature (Celsius and F), pressure (mb), air density and turbine manufacturer power curve. The information provided shall be refreshed in approximately four-ten (4-10) second intervals with regard to its generation of Renewable Energy at the Facility.

The Interconnection Customer with a Variable Energy Resource having solar as the energy source, at a minimum, will be required to provide the Transmission Provider with site-specific meteorological data including: manufacturer, model and year of all panels, inverters and meteorological instrumentation, latitude and longitude of the center of the solar panels for every inverter and every meteorological tower, real-time data including inverter generation (kW), inverter availability, direct normal solar insolation (solar intensity), temperature, barometric pressure, wind speed (mph), wind direction (degrees relative to true north) and solar panel manufacturer power curve. The information provided shall be refreshed as frequently as allowed by the SCADA System, not to exceed sixty (60) second intervals.

The Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer whose Generating Facility is a Variable Energy Resource shall mutually agree to any additional meteorological data that are required for the development and deployment of a power production forecast. The Interconnection Customer whose Generating Facility is a Variable Energy Resource also shall submit data to the Transmission Provider regarding all forced outages to the extent necessary for the Transmission Provider's development and deployment of power production forecasts for that class of Variable Energy Resources. The exact specifications of the meteorological and forced outage data to be provided by the Interconnection Customer to the Transmission Provider including the frequency and timing of data submittals shall be made taking into account the size and configuration of the Variable Energy Resource, its characteristics, location, and its importance in maintaining generation resource adequacy and transmission system reliability in its area. requirements for meteorological and forced outage data must be commensurate with the power production forecasting employed by the Transmission Provider. Such requirements for meteorological and forced outage data are set forth in Appendix C, Interconnection Details, of this PLGIA, as they may change from time to time.

<u>Article 9.</u> Operations and Maintenance

The Customer shall be fully responsible to operate, maintain, and repair the Small Generating Facility as required to ensure that it complies at all times

<u>9.1 General</u>. Each Party shall comply with the interconnection standards to which it has been certified.

4.0 Access

The Company shall have access to the disconnect switch (if the disconnect switch is required) and metering equipment of the Small Generating Facility at all times. The

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Company Electric Reliability Organization requirements. Each Party shall provide reasonable notice to the Customer when possible prior to using its right of access.

5.0 **Disconnection**

The Company may temporarily disconnect the Small Generating Facility upon the following conditions:

- 5.1 For scheduled outages upon reasonable notice.
- 5.2 For unscheduled outages or emergency conditions.
- 5.3 If the Small Generating Facility does not operate in the manner consistent with these Terms and Conditions.
- 5.4 The Company shall inform the Customer in advance of any scheduled disconnection, or as is reasonable after an unscheduled disconnection.

6.0 Indemnification

The Parties shall at all times indemnify, defend, and save to the other Party harmless from, any and all damages, losses, claims, including claims and actions relating to injury to or death of any person or damage to property, demand, suits, recoveries, costs and expenses, court costs, attorney fees, and all all information that may reasonably be required by the other obligations by or to third parties, arising out of or resulting from the other Party's action or inactions of its obligations under this agreement on behalf of the indemnifying Party, except in cases of gross negligence or intentional wrongdoing by the indemnified PartyParty to comply with Applicable Laws and Regulations and Applicable Reliability Standards.

7.0 Insurance

The Parties agree to follow all applicable insurance requirements imposed by the state in which the Point of Interconnection is located. All insurance policies must be maintained with insurers authorized to do business in that state.

8.0 **Limitation of Liability**

Each party's liability to the other party for any loss, cost, claim, injury, liability, or expense, including reasonable attorney's fees, relating to or arising from any act or omission in its performance of this Agreement, shall be limited to the amount of direct damage actually incurred. In no event shall either party be liable to the other party for any indirect, incidental, special, consequential, or punitive damages of any kind whatsoever, except as allowed under paragraph 6.0.

9.0 Termination

The agreement to operate in parallel may be terminated under the following conditions:

9.1 By the Customer

By providing written notice to the Company.

9.2 By the Company

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If the Small Generating Facility fails to operate for any consecutive 12 month period or the Customer fails to remedy a violation of these Terms and Conditions.

9.3 Permanent Disconnection

In the event this Agreement is terminated, the Company shall have the right to disconnect its facilities or direct the Customer to disconnect its Small Generating Facility.

9.4 Survival Rights

This Agreement shall continue in effect after termination to the extent necessary to allow or require either Party to fulfill rights or obligations that arose under the Agreement.

10.0 Assignment/Transfer of Ownership of the Facility

- Area Notification. At least three months before Initial Synchronization Date, Interconnection Customer shall notify Transmission Provider in writing of the Balancing Authority Area in which the Large Generating Facility will be located. If Interconnection Customer elects to locate the Large Generating Facility in a Balancing Authority Area other than the Balancing Authority Area in which the Large Generating Facility is physically located, and if permitted to do so by the relevant transmission tariffs, all necessary arrangements, including but not limited to those set forth in Article 7 and Article 8 of this PLGIA, and remote Balancing Authority Area generator interchange agreements, if applicable, and the appropriate measures under such agreements, shall be executed and implemented prior to the placement of the Large Generating Facility in the other Balancing Authority Area.
- Transmission Provider Obligations. Transmission Provider shall cause the Transmission System and Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities to be operated, maintained and controlled in a safe and reliable manner and in accordance with this PLGIA. Transmission Provider may provide operating instructions to Interconnection Customer consistent with this PLGIA and Transmission Provider's operating protocols and procedures as they may change from time to time. Transmission Provider will consider changes to its operating protocols and procedures proposed by Interconnection Customer.
- 9.4 Interconnection Customer Obligations. Interconnection Customer shall at its own expense operate, maintain and control the Large Generating Facility and Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities in a safe and reliable manner and in accordance with this PLGIA. Interconnection Customer shall operate the Large Generating Facility and Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities in accordance with all applicable requirements of the Balancing Authority Area of which it is part, as such requirements are set forth in Appendix C, Interconnection Details, of this PLGIA. Appendix C, Interconnection Details, will be modified to reflect changes to the requirements as they may change from time to time. Either Party may request that the other Party provide copies of the requirements set forth in Appendix C, Interconnection Details, of this PLGIA.

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9.5 Start-Up and Synchronization. Consistent with the Parties' mutually acceptable procedures, Interconnection Customer is responsible for the proper synchronization of the Large Generating Facility to a new owner when the new owner agrees in writing to comply with the terms of this Agreement and so notifies the Company.

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Attachment 6

Feasibility Study Agreement

| THIS AGREEMENT is made and entered into thisday of20 | | | |
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| by and between, | | | |
| aorganized and existing under the laws of the State | | | |
| of, ("Interconnection Customer,") and | | | |
| , a | | | |
| existing under the laws of the State of | | | |
| ("Transmission Provider"). Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider each may be referred to as a "Party," or collectively as the "Parties." | | | |
| RECITALS | | | |
| WHEREAS, Interconnection Customer is proposing to develop a Small Generating Facility of generating capacity addition to an existing Small Generating Facility consistent with the Interconnection Request completed by Interconnection Customer of generating facility consistent with the Interconnection customer of generating Facility of Generatin | | | |
| WHEREAS , Interconnection Customer desires to interconnect the Small Generating Facility with the Transmission Provider's Transmission System; and | | | |
| WHEREAS, Interconnection Customer has requested the Transmission Provider to perform feasibility study to assess the feasibility of interconnecting the proposed Small Generating Facility with the Transmission Provider's Transmission Provider's Transmission System and of any Affected Systems; . | | | |
| NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of and subject to the mutual covenants contained herein the Parties agreed as follows: | | | |
| 1.0 When used in this Agreement, with initial capitalization, the terms specified shall have the meanings indicated or the meanings specified in the standard Small Generate Interconnection Procedures. | | | |
| 2.0 The Interconnection Customer elects and the Transmission Provider shall cause to be performed an interconnection feasibility study consistent the standard Small Generate Interconnection Procedures in accordance with the Open Access Transmission Tariff. | | | |
| 3.0 The scope of the feasibility study shall be subject to the assumptions set forth Attachment A to this Agreement. | | | |

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- 4.0 The feasibility study shall be based on the technical information provided by the Interconnection Customer in the Interconnection Request, as may be modified as the result of the scoping meeting. The Transmission Provider reserves the right to request additional technical information from the Interconnection Customer as may reasonably become necessary consistent with Good Utility Practice during the course of the feasibility study and as designated in accordance with the standard Small Generator Interconnection Procedures. If the Interconnection Customer modifies its Interconnection Request, the time to complete the feasibility study may be extended by agreement of the Parties.
- 5.0 In performing the study, the Transmission Provider shall rely, to the extent reasonably practicable, on existing studies of recent vintage. The Interconnection Customer shall not be charged for such existing studies; however, the Interconnection Customer shall be responsible for charges associated with any new study or modifications to existing studies that are reasonably necessary to perform the feasibility study.
- 6.0 The feasibility study report shall provide the following analyses for the purpose of identifying any potential adverse system impacts that would result from the interconnection of the Small Generating Facility as proposed:
 - 6.1 Initial identification of any circuit breaker short circuit capability limits exceeded as a result of the interconnection;
 - 6.2 Initial identification of any thermal overload or voltage limit violations resulting from the interconnection;
 - 6.3 Initial review of grounding requirements and electric system protection; and
 - 6.4 Description and non-binding estimated cost of facilities required to interconnect the proposed Small Generating Facility and to address the identified short circuit and power flow issues.
- 7.0 The feasibility study shall model the impact of the Small Generating Facility regardless of purpose in order to avoid the further expense and interruption of operation for reexamination of feasibility and impacts if the Interconnection Customer later changes the purpose for which the Small Generating Facility is being installed.
- 8.0 The study shall include the feasibility of any interconnection at a proposed project site where there could be multiple potential Points of Interconnection, as requested by the Interconnection Customer and at the Interconnection Customer's cost.
- 9.0 A deposit of the lesser of 50 percent of good faith estimated feasibility study costs or earnest money of \$1,000 may be required from the Interconnection Customer.
- 40.0 Once the feasibility study is completed, a feasibility study report shall be prepared and transmitted to the Interconnection Customer. Barring unusual circumstances, the feasibility study must be completed and the feasibility study report transmitted within 30 Business Days of the Interconnection Customer's agreement to conduct a feasibility study.

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- 11.0 Any study fees shall be based on the Transmission Provider's actual costs and will be invoiced to the Interconnection Customer after the study is completed and delivered and will include a summary of professional time.
- 12.0 The Interconnection Customer must pay any study costs that exceed the deposit without interest within 30 calendar days on receipt of the invoice or resolution of any dispute. If the deposit exceeds the invoiced fees, the Transmission Provider shall refund such excess within 30 calendar days of the invoice without interest.

13.0 Governing Law, Regulatory Authority, and Rules

The validity, interpretation and enforcement of this Agreement and each of its provisions shall be governed by the laws of the state of ______ (where the Point of Interconnection is located), without regard to its conflicts of law principles. This Agreement is subject to all Applicable Laws and Regulations. Each Party expressly reserves the right to seek changes in, appeal, or otherwise contest any laws, orders, or regulations of a Governmental Authority.

14.0 Amendment

The Parties may amend this Agreement by a written instrument duly executed by both Parties.

15.0 No Third-Party Beneficiaries

This Agreement is not intended to and does not create rights, remedies, or benefits of any character whatsoever in favor of any persons, corporations, associations, or entities other than the Parties, and the obligations herein assumed are solely for the use and benefit of the Parties, their successors in interest and where permitted, their assigns.

16.0 Waiver

- 16.1 The failure of a Party to this Agreement to insist, on any occasion, upon strict performance of any provision of this Agreement will not be considered a waiver of any obligation, right, or duty of, or imposed upon, such Party.
- 16.2 Any waiver at any time by either Party of its rights with respect to this Agreement shall not be deemed a continuing waiver or a waiver with respect to any other failure to comply with any other obligation, right, duty of this Agreement. Termination or default of this Agreement for any reason by Interconnection Customer shall not constitute a waiver of the Interconnection Customer's legal rights to obtain an interconnection from the Transmission Provider. Any waiver of this Agreement shall, if requested, be provided in writing.

17.0 Multiple Counterparts

This Agreement may be executed in two or more counterparts, each of which is deemed an original but all constitute one and the same instrument.

18.0 No Partnership

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This Agreement shall not be interpreted or construed to create an association, joint venture, agency relationship, or partnership between the Parties or to impose any partnership obligation or partnership liability upon either Party. Neither Party shall have any right, power or authority to enter into any agreement or undertaking for, or act on behalf of, or to act as or be an agent or representative of, or to otherwise bind, the other Party.

19.0 Severability

If any provision or portion of this Agreement shall for any reason be held or adjudged to be invalid or illegal or unenforceable by any court of competent jurisdiction or other Governmental Authority, (1) such portion or provision shall be deemed separate and independent, (2) the Parties shall negotiate in good faith to restore insofar as practicable the benefits to each Party that were affected by such ruling, and (3) the remainder of this Agreement shall remain in full force and effect.

20.0 Subcontractors

Nothing in this Agreement shall prevent a Party from utilizing the services of any subcontractor as it deems appropriate to perform its obligations under this Agreement; provided, however, that each Party shall require its subcontractors to comply with all applicable terms and conditions of this Agreement in providing such services and each Party shall remain primarily liable to the other Party for the performance of such subcontractor.

- 20.1 The creation of any subcontract relationship shall not relieve the hiring Party of any of its obligations under this Agreement. The hiring Party shall be fully responsible to the other Party for the acts or omissions of any subcontractor the hiring Party hires as if no subcontract had been made; provided, however, that in no event shall the Transmission Provider be liable for the actions or inactions of the Interconnection Customer or its subcontractors with respect to obligations of the Interconnection Customer under this Agreement. Any applicable obligation imposed by this Agreement upon the hiring Party shall be equally binding upon, and shall be construed as having application to, any subcontractor of such Party.
- 20.2 The obligations under this article will not be limited in any way by any limitation of subcontractor's insurance.

21.0 Reservation of Rights

The Transmission Provider shall have the right to make a unilateral filing with FERC to modify this Agreement with respect to any rates, terms and conditions, charges, classifications of service, rule or regulation under section 205 or any other applicable provision of the Federal Power Act and FERC's rules and regulations thereunder, and the Interconnection Customer shall have the right to make a unilateral filing with FERC to modify this Agreement under any applicable provision of the Federal Power Act and FERC's rules and regulations; provided that each Party shall have the right to protest any such filing by the other Party and to participate fully in any proceeding before FERC in which such modifications may be considered. Nothing in this Agreement shall

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limit the rights of the Parties or of FERC under sections 205 or 206 of the Federal Power Act and FERC's rules and regulations, except to the extent that the Parties otherwise agree as provided herein.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have caused this Agreement to be duly executed by their duly authorized officers or agents on the day and year first above written.

| [Insert name of Transmission Provider] | [Insert name of Interconnection Customer | |
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| <u></u> | = ===================================== | |
| Signed | Signed | |
| Name (Printed): | Name (Printed): | |
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| Title: | _ Title: | |
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Attachment A to Feasibility Study Agreement

Assumptions Used in Conducting the Feasibility Study

| The feasibility study will be based upon the information set forth in the Interconnection Request and agreed upon in the scoping meeting held on: | | | |
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| 1) Designation of Point of Interconnection and configuration to be studied. | | | |
| 2) Designation of alternative Points of Interconnection and configuration. | | | |
| 1) and 2) are to be completed by the Interconnection Customer. Other assumptions (listed below) are to be provided by the Interconnection Customer and the Transmission Provider. | | | |

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Attachment 7

System Impact Study Agreement

| THIS | AGREEMENT is made and entered into this day of 20 |
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| by ar | nd between |
| a | organized and existing under the laws of the State |
| of | , ("Interconnection Customer,") and |
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| exist | ing under the laws of the State of, |
| | nsmission Provider"). Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider each may be red to as a "Party," or collectively as the "Parties." |
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| gene Intere | REAS, the Interconnection Customer is proposing to develop a Small Generating Facility or rating capacity addition to an existing Small Generating Facility consistent with the connection Request completed by the Interconnection Customer ; and |
| | REAS, the Interconnection Customer desires to interconnect the Small Generating Facility the Transmission Provider's Transmission System; |
| of sa | REAS, the Transmission Provider has completed a feasibility study and provided the results id study to the Interconnection Customer (This recital to be omitted if the Parties have agreed rego the feasibility study.); and |
| a sys | REAS, the Interconnection Customer has requested the Transmission Provider to perform stem impact study(s) to assess the impact of interconnecting the Small Generating Facility the Transmission Provider's Transmission System, and of any Affected Systems; |
| | I, THEREFORE, in consideration of and subject to the mutual covenants contained herein carties agreed as follows: |
| 1.0 | When used in this Agreement, with initial capitalization, the terms specified shall have the meanings indicated or the meanings specified in the standard Small Generator Interconnection Procedures. |
| 2.0 | The Interconnection Customer elects and the Transmission Provider shall cause to be performed a system impact study(s) consistent with the standard Small Generator |

Interconnection Procedures in accordance with the Open Access Transmission Tariff.

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- 3.0 The scope of a system impact study shall be subject to the assumptions set forth in Attachment A to this Agreement.
- 4.0 A system impact study will be based upon the results of the feasibility study and the technical information provided by Interconnection Customer in the Interconnection Request. The Transmission Provider reserves the right to request additional technical information from the Interconnection Customer as may reasonably become necessary consistent with Good Utility Practice during the course of the system impact study. If the Interconnection Customer modifies its designated Point of Interconnection, Interconnection Request, or the technical information provided therein is modified, the time to complete the system impact study may be extended.
- 5.0 A system impact study shall consist of a short circuit analysis, a stability analysis, a power flow analysis, voltage drop and flicker studies, protection and set point coordination studies, and grounding reviews, as necessary. A system impact study shall state the assumptions upon which it is based, state the results of the analyses, and provide the requirement or potential impediments to providing the requested interconnection service, including a preliminary indication of the cost and length of time that would be necessary to correct any problems identified in those analyses and implement the interconnection. A system impact study shall provide a list of facilities that are required as a result of the Interconnection Request and non-binding good faith estimates of cost responsibility and time to construct.
- 6.0 A distribution system impact study shall incorporate a distribution load flow study, an analysis of equipment interrupting ratings, protection coordination study, voltage drop and flicker studies, protection and set point coordination studies, grounding reviews, and the impact on electric system operation, as necessary.
- 7.0 Affected Systems may participate in the preparation of a system impact study, with a division of costs among such entities as they may agree. All Affected Systems shall be afforded an opportunity to review and comment upon a system impact study that covers potential adverse system impacts on their electric systems, and the Transmission Provider has 20 additional Business Days to complete a system impact study requiring review by Affected Systems.
- 8.0 If the Transmission Provider uses a queuing procedure for sorting or prioritizing projects and their associated cost responsibilities for any required Network Upgrades, the system impact study shall consider all generating facilities (and with respect to paragraph 8.3 below, any identified Upgrades associated with such higher queued interconnection) that, on the date the system impact study is commenced—
 - 8.1 Are directly interconnected with the Transmission Provider's electric system; or
 - 8.2 Are interconnected with Affected Systems and may have an impact on the proposed interconnection; and

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8.3 Have a pending higher queued Interconnection Request to interconnect with the Transmission Provider's electric system.

- 9.0 A distribution system impact study, if required, shall be completed and the results transmitted to the Interconnection Customer within 30 Business Days after this Agreement is signed by the Parties. A transmission system impact study, if required, shall be completed and the results transmitted to the Interconnection Customer within 45 Business Days after this Agreement is signed by the Parties, or in accordance with the Transmission Provider's queuing procedures.
- 10.0 A deposit of the equivalent of the good faith estimated cost of a distribution system impact study and the one half the good faith estimated cost of a transmission system impact study may be required from the Interconnection Customer.
- 11.0 Any study fees shall be based on the Transmission Provider's actual costs and will be invoiced to the Interconnection Customer after the study is completed and delivered and will include a summary of professional time.
- 12.0 The Interconnection Customer must pay any study costs that exceed the deposit without interest within 30 calendar days on receipt of the invoice or resolution of any dispute. If the deposit exceeds the invoiced fees, the Transmission Provider shall refund such excess within 30 calendar days of the invoice without interest.
- 13.0 Governing Law, Regulatory Authority, and Rules

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The Parties may amend this Agreement by a written instrument duly executed by both Parties.

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This Agreement is not intended to and does not create rights, remedies, or benefits of any character whatsoever in favor of any persons, corporations, associations, or entities other than the Parties, and the obligations herein assumed are solely for the use and benefit of the Parties, their successors in interest and where permitted, their assigns.

16.0 Waiver

16.1 The failure of a Party to this Agreement to insist, on any occasion, upon strict performance of any provision of this Agreement will not be considered a waiver of any obligation, right, or duty of, or imposed upon, such Party.

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Any waiver at any time by either Party of its rights with respect to this Agreement shall not be deemed a continuing waiver or a waiver with respect to any other failure to comply with any other obligation, right, duty of this Agreement. Termination or default of this Agreement for any reason by Interconnection Customer's legal rights to obtain an interconnection from the Transmission Provider. Any waiver of

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This Agreement may be executed in two or more counterparts, each of which is deemed an original but all constitute one and the same instrument.

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This Agreement shall not be interpreted or construed to create an association, joint venture, agency relationship, or partnership between the Parties or to impose any partnership obligation or partnership liability upon either Party. Neither Party shall have any right, power or authority to enter into any agreement or undertaking for, or act on behalf of, or to act as or be an agent or representative of, or to otherwise bind, the other Party.

19.0 Severability

If any provision or portion of this Agreement shall for any reason be held or adjudged to be invalid or illegal or unenforceable by any court of competent jurisdiction or other Governmental Authority, (1) such portion or provision shall be deemed separate and independent, (2) the Parties shall negotiate in good faith to restore insofar as practicable the benefits to each Party that were affected by such ruling, and (3) the remainder of this Agreement shall remain in full force and effect.

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Nothing in this Agreement shall prevent a Party from utilizing the services of any subcontractor as it deems appropriate to perform its obligations under this Agreement; provided, however, that each Party shall require its subcontractors to comply with all applicable terms and conditions of this Agreement in providing such services and each Party shall remain primarily liable to the other Party for the performance of such subcontractor.

20.1 The creation of any subcontract relationship shall not relieve the hiring Party of any of its obligations under this Agreement. The hiring Party shall be fully responsible to the other Party for the acts or omissions of any subcontractor the hiring Party hires as if no subcontract had been made; provided, however, that in no event shall the Transmission Provider be liable for the actions or inactions of the Interconnection Customer or its subcontractors with respect to obligations of the Interconnection Customer under this Agreement. Any applicable obligation

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| | | imposed by this Agreement upon the hiring Party shall be equally binding upon, and shall be construed as having application to, any subcontractor of such Party. |
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| | 20.2 | The obligations under this article will not be limited in any way by any limitation of subcontractor's insurance. |
| 21.0 | Reser | vation of Rights |

The Transmission Provider shall have the right to make a unilateral filing with FERC to modify this Agreement with respect to any rates, terms and conditions, charges, classifications of service, rule or regulation under section 205 or any other applicable provision of the Federal Power Act and FERC's rules and regulations thereunder, and the Interconnection Customer shall have the right to make a unilateral filing with FERC to modify this Agreement under any applicable provision of the Federal Power Act and FERC's rules and regulations; provided that each Party shall have the right to protest any such filing by the other Party and to participate fully in any proceeding before FERC in which such modifications may be considered. Nothing in this Agreement shall limit the rights of the Parties or of FERC under sections 205 or 206 of the Federal Power Act and FERC's rules and regulations, except to the extent that the Parties otherwise agree as provided herein.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, the Parties have caused this Agreement to be duly executed by their duly authorized officers or agents on the day and year first above written.

| [Insert name of Transmission Provider] | [Insert name of Interconnection Customer] |
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| Name (Printed): | Name (Printed): |
| Title: | Title: |

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Attachment A to System Impact Study Agreement

Assumptions Used in Conducting the System Impact Study

The system impact study shall be based upon the results of the feasibility study, subject to any modifications in accordance with the standard Small Generator Interconnection Procedures, and the following assumptions:

- 1) Designation of Point of Interconnection and configuration to be studied.
- 2) Designation of alternative Points of Interconnection and configuration.

1) and 2) are to be completed by the Interconnection Customer. Other assumptions (listed below) are to be provided by the Interconnection Customer and the Transmission Provider.

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Attachment 8

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| aorganized and existing under the laws of the State | | |
| of, ("Interconnection Customer,") and | | |
| , a | | |
| existing under the laws of the State of | | |
| ("Transmission Provider"). Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider each may be referred to as a "Party," or collectively as the "Parties." | | |
| RECITALS | | |
| WHEREAS, the Interconnection Customer is proposing to develop a Small Generating Facility or generating capacity addition to an existing Small Generating Facility consistent with the Interconnection Request completed by the Interconnection Customer on; and | | |
| WHEREAS , the Interconnection Customer desires to interconnect the Small Generating Facility with the Transmission Provider's Transmission System; | | |
| WHEREAS , the Transmission Provider has completed a system impact study and provided the results of said study to the Interconnection Customer; and | | |
| WHEREAS, the Interconnection Customer has requested the Transmission Provider to perform a facilities study to specify and estimate the cost of the equipment, engineering, procurement and construction work needed to implement the conclusions of the system impact study in accordance with Good Utility Practice to physically and electrically connect the Small Generating Facility with the Transmission Provider's Transmission System. | | |
| NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of and subject to the mutual covenants contained herein the Parties agreed as follows: | | |
| 1.0 When used in this Agreement, with initial capitalization, the terms specified shall have the | | |

meanings indicated or the meanings specified in the standard Small Generator

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- 2.0 The Interconnection Customer elects and the Transmission Provider shall cause a facilities study consistent with the standard Small Generator Interconnection Procedures to be performed in accordance with the Open Access Transmission Tariff.
- 3.0 The scope of the facilities study shall be subject to data provided in Attachment A to this Agreement.
- 4.0 The facilities study shall specify and estimate the cost of the equipment, engineering, procurement and construction work (including overheads) needed to implement the conclusions of the system impact study(s). The facilities study shall also identify (1) the electrical switching configuration of the equipment, including, without limitation, transformer, switchgear, meters, and other station equipment, (2) the nature and estimated cost of the Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Upgrades necessary to accomplish the interconnection, and (3) an estimate of the time required to complete the construction and installation of such facilities.
- 5.0 The Transmission Provider may propose to group facilities required for more than one Interconnection Customer in order to minimize facilities costs through economies of scale, but any Interconnection Customer may require the installation of facilities required for its own Small Generating Facility if it is willing to pay the costs of those facilities.
- 6.0 A deposit of the good faith estimated facilities study costs may be required from the Interconnection Customer.
- 7.0 In cases where Upgrades are required, the facilities study must be completed within 45 Business Days of the receipt of this Agreement. In cases where no Upgrades are necessary, and the required facilities are limited to Interconnection Facilities, the facilities study must be completed within 30 Business Days.
- 8.0 Once the facilities study is completed, a draft facilities study report shall be prepared and transmitted to the Interconnection Customer. Barring unusual circumstances, the facilities study must be completed and the draft facilities study report transmitted within 30 Business Days of the Interconnection Customer's agreement to conduct a facilities study.
- 9.0 Interconnection Customer may, within 30 Calendar Days after receipt of the draft report, provide written comments to Transmission Provider, which Transmission Provider shall include in the final report. Transmission Provider shall issue the final Interconnection Facilities Study report within 15 Business Days of receiving Interconnection Customer's comments or promptly upon receiving Interconnection Customer's statement that it will not provide comments. Transmission Provider may reasonably extend such fifteen-day period upon notice to Interconnection Customer if Interconnection Customer's comments require Transmission Provider to perform additional analyses or make other significant modifications prior to the issuance of the final Interconnection Facilities Report. Upon request, Transmission Provider shall provide Interconnection Customer supporting documentation, workpapers, and databases or data developed in the preparation of the

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Interconnection Facilities Study, subject to confidentiality arrangements consistent with Section 4.5 of the standard Small Generator Interconnection Procedures.

- 10.0 Within ten Business Days of providing a draft Interconnection Facilities Study report to Interconnection Customer, Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer shall meet to discuss the results of the Interconnection Facilities Study.
- 11.0 Any study fees shall be based on the Transmission Provider's actual costs and will be invoiced to the Interconnection Customer after the study is completed and delivered and will include a summary of professional time.
- 12.0 The Interconnection Customer must pay any study costs that exceed the deposit without interest within 30 calendar days on receipt of the invoice or resolution of any dispute. If the deposit exceeds the invoiced fees, the Transmission Provider shall refund such excess within 30 calendar days of the invoice without interest.
- 13.0 Governing Law, Regulatory Authority, and Rules

The validity, interpretation and enforcement of this Agreement and each of its provisions shall be governed by the laws of the state of ______ (where the Point of Interconnection is located), without regard to its conflicts of law principles. This Agreement is subject to all Applicable Laws and Regulations. Each Party expressly reserves the right to seek changes in, appeal, or otherwise contest any laws, orders, or regulations of a Governmental Authority.

14.0 Amendment

The Parties may amend this Agreement by a written instrument duly executed by both Parties.

15.0 No Third-Party Beneficiaries

This Agreement is not intended to and does not create rights, remedies, or benefits of any character whatsoever in favor of any persons, corporations, associations, or entities other than the Parties, and the obligations herein assumed are solely for the use and benefit of the Parties, their successors in interest and where permitted, their assigns.

16.0 Waiver

- 16.1 The failure of a Party to this Agreement to insist, on any occasion, upon strict performance of any provision of this Agreement will not be considered a waiver of any obligation, right, or duty of, or imposed upon, such Party.
- 16.2 Any waiver at any time by either Party of its rights with respect to this Agreement shall not be deemed a continuing waiver or a waiver with respect to any other failure to comply with any other obligation, right, duty of this Agreement. Termination or default of this Agreement for any reason by Interconnection Customer's legal

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ransmission Provider. Any waiver of

rights to obtain an interconnection from the Transmission Provider. Any waiver of this Agreement shall, if requested, be provided in writing.

17.0 Multiple Counterparts

This Agreement may be executed in two or more counterparts, each of which is deemed an original but all constitute one and the same instrument.

18.0 No Partnership

This Agreement shall not be interpreted or construed to create an association, joint venture, agency relationship, or partnership between the Parties or to impose any partnership obligation or partnership liability upon either Party. Neither Party shall have any right, power or authority to enter into any agreement or undertaking for, or act on behalf of, or to act as or be an agent or representative of, or to otherwise bind, the other Party.

19.0 Severability

If any provision or portion of this Agreement shall for any reason be held or adjudged to be invalid or illegal or unenforceable by any court of competent jurisdiction or other Governmental Authority, (1) such portion or provision shall be deemed separate and independent, (2) the Parties shall negotiate in good faith to restore insofar as practicable the benefits to each Party that were affected by such ruling, and (3) the remainder of this Agreement shall remain in full force and effect.

20.0 Subcontractors

Nothing in this Agreement shall prevent a Party from utilizing the services of any subcontractor as it deems appropriate to perform its obligations under this Agreement; provided, however, that each Party shall require its subcontractors to comply with all applicable terms and conditions of this Agreement in providing such services and each Party shall remain primarily liable to the other Party for the performance of such subcontractor.

- 20.1 The creation of any subcontract relationship shall not relieve the hiring Party of any of its obligations under this Agreement. The hiring Party shall be fully responsible to the other Party for the acts or omissions of any subcontractor the hiring Party hires as if no subcontract had been made; provided, however, that in no event shall the Transmission Provider be liable for the actions or inactions of the Interconnection Customer or its subcontractors with respect to obligations of the Interconnection Customer under this Agreement. Any applicable obligation imposed by this Agreement upon the hiring Party shall be equally binding upon, and shall be construed as having application to, any subcontractor of such Party.
- 20.2 The obligations under this article will not be limited in any way by any limitation of subcontractor's insurance.

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21.0 Reservation of Rights

The Transmission Provider shall have the right to make a unilateral filing with FERC to modify this Agreement with respect to any rates, terms and conditions, charges, classifications of service, rule or regulation under section 205 or any other applicable provision of the Federal Power Act and FERC's rules and regulations thereunder, and the Interconnection Customer shall have the right to make a unilateral filing with FERC to modify this Agreement under any applicable provision of the Federal Power Act and FERC's rules and regulations; provided that each Party shall have the right to protest any such filing by the other Party and to participate fully in any proceeding before FERC in which such modifications may be considered. Nothing in this Agreement shall limit the rights of the Parties or of FERC under sections 205 or 206 of the Federal Power Act and FERC's rules and regulations, except to the extent that the Parties otherwise agree as provided herein.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have caused this Agreement to be duly executed by their duly authorized officers or agents on the day and year first above written.

| [Insert name of Transmission Provider] | [Insert name of Interconnection Custome | |
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| Signed | Signed | |
| Name (Printed): | Name (Printed): | |
| Title: | Title: | |

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Data to Be Provided by the Interconnection Customer with the Facilities Study Agreement

Provide location plan and simplified one-line diagram of the plant and station facilities. For staged projects, please indicate future generation, transmission circuits, etc.

On the one-line diagram, indicate the generation capacity attached at each metering location. (Maximum load on CT/PT)

On the one-line diagram, indicate the location of auxiliary power. (Minimum load on CT/PT) Amps

| CT/PT) Amps |
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| One set of metering is required for each generation connection to the new ring bus or existing Transmission Provider station. Number of generation connections: |
| Will an alternate source of auxiliary power be available during CT/PT maintenance? Yes No |
| Will a transfer bus on the generation side of the metering require that each meter set be designed for the total plant generation? YesNo No (Please indicate on the one-line diagram). |
| What type of control system or PLC will be located at the Small Generating Facility? |
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| What protocol does the control system or PLC use? |
| Please provide a 7.5-minute quadrangle map of the site. Indicate the plant, station, transmission line, and property lines. |
| Physical dimensions of the proposed interconnection station: |
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Bus length from generation to interconnection station:

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| Line length from interconnection station to | Transmission Provider's Transmission System. |
| Tower number observed in the field. (Painte | ed on tower leg)*: |
| Number of third party easements required f | for transmission lines*: |
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| * To be completed in coordination w Is the Small Generating Facility located in T | |
| Yes No If No, ple | ease provide name of local provider: |
| Please provide the following proposed sche | |
| Begin Construction | Date: |
| Generator step up transformers receive back feed power | Date: |
| Generation Testing | Date: |
| Commercial Operation | Date : |

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APPENDIX 1

SMALL GENERATOR INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT (SGIA)

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| ("Inter | ismission Provider"), connection Custome eferred to collectivel | and er") each hereinafter y as the "Parties." | sometimes referred | I to individually as "Party" or | | | |
| Trans | mission Provider li | nformation | | | | | |
| | Transmission Prov | ider: | | | | | |
| | Attention: | | | | | | |
| | Address: | | | | | | |
| | City: | | State: | Zip: | | | |
| | Phone: | Fax: | | Zip: | | | |
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| | Interconnection Cu | stomer: | | | | | |
| | Attention: | | | | | | |
| | Address: | | | | | | |
| | City: | | State: | Zip: | | | |
| | Phone: | Fax: | | Zip: | | | |
| In cor | sideration of the mu | Application No:tual covenants set for | th herein, the Partic | es agree as follows: | | | |
| 1.1 | This Agreement shall be used for all Interconnection Requests submitted under the Small Generator Interconnection Procedures (SGIP) except for those submitted under the 10 kW Inverter Process contained in SGIP Attachment 5. | | | | | | |
| 1.2 | This Agreement governs the terms and conditions under which the Interconnection Customer's Small Generating Facility will interconnect with, and operate in parallel with, the Transmission Provider's Transmission System. | | | | | | |
| 1.3 | This Agreement does not constitute an agreement to purchase or deliver the Interconnection Customer's power. The purchase or delivery of power and other services that the Interconnection Customer may require will be covered under separate agreements, if any. The Interconnection Customer will be responsible for separately making all necessary arrangements (including scheduling) for delivery of electricity with the applicable Transmission Provider. | | | | | | |
| 1.4 | Nothing in this A | greement is intende ider and the Intercon | d to affect any ot nection Customer. | ner agreement between the | | | |

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- 1.5.1 The Parties shall perform all obligations of this Agreement in accordance with all Applicable Laws and Regulations, Operating Requirements, and Good Utility Practice.
- 1.5.2 The Interconnection Customer shall construct, interconnect, operate and maintain its Small Generating Facility and construct, operate, and maintain its Interconnection Facilities in accordance with the applicable manufacturer's recommended maintenance schedule, and in accordance with this Agreement, and with Good Utility Practice.
- 1.5.3 The Transmission Provider shall construct, operate, and maintain its Transmission System and Interconnection Facilities in accordance with this Agreement, and with Good Utility Practice.
- 1.5.4 The Interconnection Customer agrees to construct its facilities or systems in accordance with applicable specifications that meet or exceed those provided by the National Electrical Safety Code, the American National Standards Institute, IEEE, Underwriter's Laboratory, and Operating Requirements in effect at the time of construction and other applicable national and state codes and standards. The Interconnection Customer agrees to design, install, maintain, and operate its Small Generating Facility so as to reasonably minimize the likelihood of a disturbance adversely affecting or impairing the system or equipment of the Transmission Provider or by the applicable system operator(s).
- 1.5.5 Each Party shall operate, maintain, repair, and inspect, and shall be fully responsible for the facilities that it now or subsequently may own unless otherwise specified in the Attachments to this Agreement. Each Party shall be responsible for the safe installation, maintenance, repair and condition of their respective lines and appurtenances on their respective sides of the point of change of ownership. The Transmission Provider and the Interconnection Customer, as appropriate, shall provide Interconnection Facilities that adequately protect the Transmission Provider's Transmission System, personnel, and other persons from damage and injury. The allocation of responsibility for the design, installation, operation, maintenance and ownership of Interconnection Facilities shall be delineated in the Attachments to this Agreement.
- 1.5.6 The Transmission Provider shall coordinate with all Affected Systems to support the interconnection.
- 1.5.7 The Interconnection Customer shall ensure "frequency ride through" capability and "voltage ride through" capability of its Small Generating Facility. The Interconnection Customer shall enable these capabilities such that its Small Generating Facility shall not disconnect automatically or instantaneously from the system or equipment of the Transmission Provider and any Affected Systems for a defined under-frequency or over-frequency condition, or an under-voltage or over-voltage condition, as tested pursuant to section 2.1 of this agreement. The defined conditions shall be in accordance with Good Utility Practice and

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consistent with any standards and guidelines that are applied to other generating facilities in the Balancing Authority Area on a comparable basis. The Small Generating Facility's protective equipment settings shall comply with the Transmission Provider's automatic load shed program. The Transmission Provider shall review the protective equipment settings to confirm compliance with the automatic load-shed program. The term "ride through" as used herein shall mean the ability of a Small Generating Facility to stay connected to and synchronized with the system or equipment of the Transmission Provider and any Affected Systems during system disturbances within a range of conditions, in accordance with Good Utility Practice and consistent with any standards and guidelines that are applied to other generating facilities in the Balancing Authority on a comparable basis. The term "frequency ride through" as used herein shall mean the ability of a Small Generating Facility to stay connected to and synchronized with the system or equipment of the Transmission Provider and any Affected Systems during system disturbances within a range of underfrequency and over-frequency conditions, in accordance with Good Utility Practice and consistent with any standards and guidelines that are applied to other generating facilities in the Balancing Authority Area on a comparable basis. The term "voltage ride through" as used herein shall mean the ability of a Small Generating Facility to stay connected to and synchronized with the system or equipment of the Transmission Provider and any Affected Systems during system disturbances within a range of under-voltage and over-voltage conditions, in accordance with Good Utility Practice and consistent with any standards and guidelines that are applied to other generating facilities in the Balancing Authority Area on a comparable basis.

1.6 Parallel Operation Obligations

Once the Small Generating Facility has been authorized to commence parallel operation, the Interconnection Customer shall abide by all rules and procedures pertaining to the parallel operation of the Small Generating Facility in the applicable control area, including, but not limited to; 1) the rules and procedures concerning the operation of generation set forth in the Tariff or by the system operator for the Transmission Provider's Transmission System and; 2) the Operating Requirements set forth in Attachment 5 of this Agreement.

1.7 Metering

The Interconnection Customer shall be responsible for the Transmission Provider's reasonable and necessary cost for the purchase, installation, operation, maintenance, testing, repair, and replacement of metering and data acquisition equipment specified in Attachments 2 and 3 of this Agreement. The Interconnection Customer's metering (and data acquisition, as required) equipment shall conform to applicable industry rules and Operating Requirements.

1.8 Reactive Power and Primary Frequency Response

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9.6.1 Power Factor Design Criteria

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4.89.6.1.1 Synchronous Generation. The Interconnection Customer shall design its Smallthe Large Generating Facility to maintain a composite power delivery at continuous rated power output at the Point of Interconnection at a power factor within the range of 0.95 leading to 0.95 lagging, unless the Transmission Provider has established different requirements that apply to all similarly situated synchronous generators in the control area Balancing Authority Area on a comparable basis.

4.89.6.1.2 Non-Synchronous Generation. The Interconnection Customer shall design its Smallthe Large Generating Facility to maintain a composite power delivery at continuous rated power output at the high-side of the generator substation at a power factor within the range of 0.95 leading to 0.95 lagging, unless the Transmission Provider has established a different power factor range that applies to all similarly situated non-synchronous generators in the control areaBalancing Authority Area on a comparable basis. This power factor range standard shall be dynamic and can be met using, for example, power electronics designed to supply this level of reactive capability (taking into account any limitations due to voltage level, real power output, etc.) or fixed and switched capacitors, or a combination of the two. This requirement shall only apply to newly interconnecting non-synchronous generators that have not yet executed a Facilities Study Agreement as of the effective date of the Final Rule establishing this requirement (Order No. 827).1 This requirement also applies to existing non-synchronous generators making upgrades that require a new Generator Interconnection Agreement where the System Impact Study shows the need for reactive power as a result of an upgrade.

[1.8.2] The effective date of Order 827 is October 14, 2016.

Voltage Schedules. Once Interconnection Customer has synchronized the 9.6.2 Large Generating Facility with the Transmission System, Transmission Provider shall require Interconnection Customer to operate the Large Generating Facility to produce or absorb reactive power within the design limitations of the Large Generating Facility set forth in Article 9.6.1 (Power Factor Design Criteria). Transmission Provider's voltage schedules shall treat all sources of reactive power in the Balancing Authority Area in an equitable and not unduly discriminatory manner. Transmission Provider shall exercise Reasonable Efforts to provide Interconnection Customer with such schedules at least one (1) day in advance, and may make changes to such schedules as necessary to maintain the reliability of the Transmission System. Interconnection Customer shall operate the Large Generating Facility to maintain the specified output voltage or power factor at the Point of Interconnection within the design limitations of the Large Generating Facility set forth in Article 9.6.1 (Power Factor Design Criteria). If Interconnection

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<u>Customer is unable to maintain the specified voltage or power factor, it shall promptly notify the System Operator.</u>

9.6.2.1 Voltage Regulators.

Whenever the Large Generating Facility is operated in parallel with the Transmission System and voltage regulators are capable of operation, Interconnection Customer shall operate the Large Generating Facility with its voltage regulators in automatic operation. If the Large Generating Facility's voltage regulators are not capable of such automatic operation, Interconnection Customer shall immediately notify Transmission Provider's system operator, or its designated representative, and ensure that such Large Generating Facility's reactive power production or absorption (measured in MVARs) are within the design capability of the Large Generating Facility's generating unit(s) and steady state stability limits. Interconnection Customer shall not cause its Large Generating Facility to disconnect automatically or instantaneously from the Transmission System or trip any generating unit comprising the Large Generating Facility for an under or over frequency condition unless the abnormal frequency condition persists for a time period beyond the limits set forth in ANSI/IEEE Standard C37.106, or such other standard as applied to other generators in the Balancing Authority Area on a comparable basis.

9.6.3 Payment for Reactive Power.

Transmission Provider is required to pay the Interconnection Customer for reactive power that the Interconnection Customer provides or absorbs from the SmallLarge Generating Facility when the Transmission Provider requests the Interconnection Customer to operate its SmallLarge Generating Facility outside the range specified in article 1.8.1. In addition, Article 9.6.1, provided that if the Transmission Provider pays its own or affiliated generators for reactive power service within the specified range, it must also pay the Interconnection Customer. Payments shall be pursuant to Article 11.6 or such other agreement to which the Parties have otherwise agreed.

1.8.3 Payments shall be in accordance with the Interconnection Customer's applicable rate schedule then in effect unless the provision of such service(s) is subject to a regional transmission organization or independent system operator FERC-approved rate schedule. To the extent that no rate schedule is in effect at the time the Interconnection Customer is required to provide or absorb reactive power under this Agreement, the Parties agree to expeditiously file such rate schedule and agree to support any request for waiver of the Commission's prior notice requirement in order to compensate the Interconnection Customer from the time service commenced.

1.89.6.4 Primary Frequency Response.

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Interconnection Customer shall ensure the primary frequency response capability of its SmallLarge Generating Facility by installing, maintaining, and operating a functioning governor or equivalent controls. The term "functioning governor or equivalent controls" as used herein shall mean the required hardware and/or software that provides frequency responsive real power control with the ability to sense changes in system frequency and autonomously adjust the SmallLarge Generating Facility's real power output in accordance with the droop and deadband parameters and in the direction needed to correct frequency deviations. Interconnection Customer is required to install a governor or equivalent controls with the capability of operating: (1) with a maximum 5 percent droop and ±0.036 Hz deadband; or (2) in accordance with the relevant droop, deadband, and timely and sustained response settings from an approved NERCElectric Reliability Organization reliability Standard providingsproviding for equivalent or more stringent parameters. The droop characteristic shall be: (1) based on the nameplate capacity of the SmallLarge Generating Facility, and shall be linear in the range of frequencies between 59 to 61 Hz that are outside of the deadband parameter; or (2) based on an approved NERCElectric Reliability Standard Organization reliability standard providing for an equivalent or more stringent parameter. The deadband parameter shall be: the range of frequencies above and below nominal (60 Hz) in which the governor or equivalent controls is not expected to adjust the SmallLarge Generating Facility's real power output in response to frequency deviations. The deadband shall be implemented: (1) without a step to the droop curve, that is, once the frequency deviation exceeds the deadband parameter, the expected change in the SmallLarge Generating Facility's real power output in response to frequency deviations shall start from zero and then increase (for under-frequency deviations) or decrease (for overfrequency deviations) linearly in proportion to the magnitude of the frequency deviation; or (2) in accordance with an approved NERCElectric Reliability Standard Organization reliability standard providing for an equivalent or more stringent parameter. Interconnection Customer shall notify Transmission Provider that the primary frequency response capability of the SmallLarge Generating Facility has been tested and confirmed during commissioning. Once Interconnection Customer has synchronized the SmallLarge Generating Facility with the Transmission System, Interconnection Customer shall operate the SmallLarge Generating Facility consistent with the provisions specified in Sections 1.8 Articles 9.6.4.1 and 1.89.6.4.2 of this Agreement. The primary frequency response requirements contained herein shall apply to both synchronous and non-synchronous SmallLarge Generating Facilities.

4.89.6.4.1 Governor or Equivalent Controls.

Whenever the <u>SmallLarge</u> Generating Facility is operated in parallel with the Transmission System, Interconnection Customer shall

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operate the SmallLarge Generating Facility with its governor or equivalent controls in service and responsive to frequency. Interconnection Customer shall: (1) in coordination Transmission Provider and/or the relevant balancing authority, set the deadband parameter to: (1) a maximum of ±0.036 Hz and set the droop parameter to a maximum of 5 percent; or (2) implement the relevant droop and deadband settings from an approved NERCElectric Reliability Standard Organization reliability standard that provides for equivalent or more stringent parameters. Interconnection Customer shall be required to provide the status and settings of the governor or equivalent controls to Transmission Provider and/or the relevant balancing authority upon request. If Interconnection Customer needs to operate the SmallLarge Generating Facility with its governor or equivalent controls not in service, Interconnection Customer shall immediately notify Transmission Provider and the relevant balancing authority, and provide both with the following information: (1) the operating status of the governor or equivalent controls (i.e., whether it is currently out of service or when it will be taken out of service); (2) the reasons for removing the governor or equivalent controls from service; and (3) a reasonable estimate of when the governor or equivalent controls will be returned to service. Interconnection Customer shall make Reasonable Efforts to return its governor or equivalent controls into service as soon as practicable. Interconnection Customer shall make Reasonable Efforts to keep outages of the SmallLarge Generating Facility's governor or equivalent controls to a minimum whenever the SmallLarge Generating Facility is operated in parallel with the Transmission System.

1.89.6.4.2 Timely and Sustained Response.

Interconnection Customer shall ensure that the SmallLarge Generating Facility's real power response to sustained frequency deviations outside of the deadband setting is automatically provided and shall begin immediately after frequency deviates outside of the deadband, and to the extent the SmallLarge Generating Facility has operating capability in the direction needed to correct the frequency deviation. Interconnection Customer shall not block or otherwise inhibit the ability of the governor or equivalent controls to respond and shall ensure that the response is not inhibited, except under certain operational constraints including, but not limited to, ambient temperature limitations, physical energy limitations, outages of equipment, or regulatory requirements. mechanical SmallLarge Generating Facility shall sustain the real power response at least until system frequency returns to a value within the deadband setting of the governor or equivalent controls. A Commission-approved Reliability Standard reliability standard with equivalent or more stringent requirements shall supersede the above requirements.

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1.89.6.4.3 Exemptions. Small

Large Generating Facilities that are regulated by the United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission shall be exempt from Sections 1.8Articles 9.6.4, 1.89.6.4.1, and 1.89.6.4.2 of this Agreement. SmallLarge Generating Facilities that are behind the meter generation that is sized-to-load (i.e., the thermal load and the generation are near-balanced in real-time operation and the generation is primarily controlled to maintain the unique thermal, chemical, or mechanical output necessary for the operating requirements of its host facility) shall be required to install primary frequency response capability in accordance with the droop and deadband capability requirements specified in Section 1.8Article 9.6.4, but shall be otherwise exempt from the operating requirements in Sections 1.8Articles 9.6.4, 1.89.6.4.1, 1.89.6.4.2, and 1.89.6.4.4 of this Agreement.

1.89.6.4.4 Electric Storage Resources.

Interconnection Customer interconnecting a Generating Facility that contains an electric storage resource shall establish an operating range in Attachment 5Appendix C of its SGIAPLGIA that specifies a minimum state of charge and a maximum state of charge between which the electric storage resource will be required to provide primary frequency response consistent with the conditions set forth in Sections 1.8Articles 9.6.4, 1.89.6.4.1, 1.89.6.4.2, and 1.89.6.4.3 of this Agreement. Attachment 5 Appendix c shall specify whether the operating range is static or dynamic, and shall consider: (1) the expected magnitude of frequency deviations in the interconnection; (2) the expected duration that system frequency will remain outside of the deadband parameter in the interconnection; (3) the expected incidence of frequency deviations outside of the deadband parameter in the interconnection; (4) the physical capabilities of the electric storage resource; (5) operational limitations of the electric storage resource due to manufacturer specifications; and (6) any other relevant factors agreed to by Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer, and in consultation with the relevant transmission owner or balancing authority as appropriate. If the operating range is dynamic, then Attachment 5Appendix C must establish how frequently the operating range will be reevaluated and the factors that may be considered during its reevaluation.

Interconnection Customer's electric storage resource is required to provide timely and sustained primary frequency response consistent with Section 1.8 Article 9.6.4.2 of this Agreement when it is online and dispatched to inject electricity to the Transmission System and/or receive electricity from the Transmission System. This excludes circumstances when the electric storage resource is

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not dispatched to inject electricity to the Transmission System and/or dispatched to receive electricity from the Transmission System. If Interconnection Customer's electric storage resource is charging at the time of a frequency deviation outside of its deadband parameter, it is to increase (for over-frequency deviations) or decrease (for under-frequency deviations) the rate at which it is charging in accordance with its droop parameter. Interconnection Customer's electric storage resource is not required to change from charging to discharging, or vice versa, unless the response necessitated by the droop and deadband settings requires it to do so and it is technically capable of making such a transition.

- 1.9 Capitalized terms used herein shall have the meanings specified in the Glossary of Terms in Attachment 1 or the body of this Agreement.
- [1] The effective date of Order 827 is October 14, 2016.

Article 2. Inspection, Testing, Authorization, and Right of Access

2.1 Equipment Testing and Inspection

- 2.1.1 The Interconnection Customer shall test and inspect its Small Generating Facility and Interconnection Facilities prior to interconnection. The Interconnection Customer shall notify the Transmission Provider of such activities no fewer than five Business Days (or as may be agreed to by the Parties) prior to such testing and inspection. Testing and inspection shall occur on a Business Day. The Transmission Provider may, at its own expense, send qualified personnel to the Small Generating Facility site to inspect the interconnection and observe the testing. The Interconnection Customer shall provide the Transmission Provider a written test report when such testing and inspection is completed.
- 2.1.2 The Transmission Provider shall provide the Interconnection Customer written acknowledgment that it has received the Interconnection Customer's written test report. Such written acknowledgment shall not be deemed to be or construed as any representation, assurance, guarantee, or warranty by the Transmission Provider of the safety, durability, suitability, or reliability of the Small Generating Facility or any associated control, protective, and safety devices owned or controlled by the Interconnection Customer or the quality of power produced by the Small Generating Facility.

2.2 Authorization Required Prior to Parallel Operation

2.2.1 The Transmission Provider shall use Reasonable Efforts to list applicable parallel operation requirements in Attachment 5 of this Agreement. Additionally, the Transmission Provider shall notify the Interconnection Customer of any changes to these requirements as soon as they are known. The Transmission Provider shall make Reasonable Efforts to cooperate with the Interconnection Customer

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in meeting requirements necessary for the Interconnection Customer to commence parallel operations by the in-service date.

2.2.2 The Interconnection Customer shall not operate its Small Generating Facility in parallel with the Transmission Provider's Transmission System without prior written authorization of the Transmission Provider. The Transmission Provider will provide such authorization once the Transmission Provider receives notification that the Interconnection Customer has complied with all applicable parallel operation requirements. Such authorization shall not be unreasonably withheld, conditioned, or delayed.

2.3 Right of Access

- 2.3.1 Upon reasonable notice, the Transmission Provider may send a qualified person to the premises of the Interconnection Customer at or immediately before the time the Small Generating Facility first produces energy to inspect the interconnection, and observe the commissioning of the Small Generating Facility (including any required testing), startup, and operation for a period of up to three Business Days after initial start-up of the unit. In addition, the Interconnection Customer shall notify the Transmission Provider at least five Business Days prior to conducting any on-site verification testing of the Small Generating Facility.
- 2.3.2 Following the initial inspection process described above, at reasonable hours, and upon reasonable notice, or at any time without notice in the event of an emergency or hazardous condition, the Transmission Provider shall have access to the Interconnection Customer's premises for any reasonable purpose in connection with the performance of the obligations imposed on it by this Agreement or if necessary to meet its legal obligation to provide service to its customers.
- 2.3.3 Each Party shall be responsible for its own costs associated with following this article.

Article 3. Effective Date, Term, Termination, and Disconnection

3.1 Effective Date

This Agreement shall become effective upon execution by the Parties subject to acceptance by FERC (if applicable), or if filed unexecuted, upon the date specified by the FERC. The Transmission Provider shall promptly file this Agreement with the FERC upon execution, if required.

3.2 Term of Agreement

This Agreement shall become effective on the Effective Date and shall remain in effect for a period of ten years from the Effective Date or such other longer period as the Interconnection Customer may request and shall be automatically renewed for each successive one year period thereafter, unless terminated earlier in accordance with article 3.3 of this Agreement.

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3.3 Termination

No termination shall become effective until the Parties have complied with all Applicable Laws and Regulations applicable to such termination, including the filing with FERC of a notice of termination of this Agreement (if required), which notice has been accepted for filing by FERC.

- 3.3.1 The Interconnection Customer may terminate this Agreement at any time by giving the Transmission Provider 20 Business Days written notice.
- 3.3.2 Either Party may terminate this Agreement after Default pursuant to article 7.6.
- 3.3.3 Upon termination of this Agreement, the Small Generating Facility will be disconnected from the Transmission Provider's Transmission System. All costs required to effectuate such disconnection shall be bore by the terminating Party, unless such termination resulted from the non-terminating Party's Default of this SGIA or such non-terminating Party otherwise is responsible for these costs under this SGIA.
- 3.3.4 The termination of this Agreement shall not relieve either Party of its liabilities and obligations, owed or continuing at the time of the termination.
- 3.3.5 The provisions of this article shall survive termination or expiration of this Agreement.

3.4 Temporary Disconnection

Temporary disconnection 9.7 Outages and Interruptions.

9.7.1 Outages.

9.7.1.1 Outage Authority and Coordination.

Each Party may in accordance with Good Utility Practice in coordination with the other Party remove from service any of its respective Interconnection Facilities or Network Upgrades that may impact the other Party's facilities as necessary to perform maintenance or testing or to install or replace equipment. Absent an Emergency Condition, the Party scheduling a removal of such facility(ies) from service will use Reasonable Efforts to schedule such removal on a date and time mutually acceptable to the Parties. In all circumstances, any Party planning to remove such facility(ies) from service shall use Reasonable Efforts to minimize the effect on the other Party of such removal.

9.7.1.2 Outage Schedules.

Transmission Provider shall post scheduled outages of its transmission facilities on the OASIS. Interconnection Customer shall submit its planned maintenance schedules for the Large Generating Facility to Transmission Provider for a minimum of a rolling twenty-four month period. Interconnection Customer shall

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update its planned maintenance schedules as necessary. Transmission Provider may request Interconnection Customer to reschedule its maintenance as necessary to maintain the reliability of the Transmission System; provided, however, adequacy of generation supply shall not be a criterion in determining Transmission System reliability. Transmission Provider shall compensate Interconnection Customer for any additional direct costs that Interconnection Customer incurs as a result of having to reschedule maintenance, including any additional overtime, breaking of maintenance contracts or other costs above and beyond the cost Interconnection Customer would have incurred absent Transmission Provider's request to reschedule maintenance. Interconnection Customer will not be eligible to receive compensation, if during the twelve (12) months prior to the date of the scheduled maintenance, Interconnection Customer had modified its schedule of maintenance activities.

9.7.1.3 Outage Restoration.

If an outage on a Party's Interconnection Facilities or Network Upgrades adversely affects the other Party's operations or facilities, the Party that owns or controls the facility that is out of service shall use Reasonable Efforts to promptly restore such facility(ies) to a normal operating condition consistent with the nature of the outage. The Party that owns or controls the facility that is out of service shall provide the other Party, to the extent such information is known, information on the nature of the Emergency Condition, an estimated time of restoration, and any corrective actions required. Initial verbal notice shall be followed up as soon as practicable with written notice explaining the nature of the outage.

9.7.2 Interruption of Service.

If required by Good Utility Practice to do so, Transmission Provider may require Interconnection Customer to interrupt or reduce deliveries of electricity if such delivery of electricity could adversely affect Transmission Provider's ability to perform such activities as are necessary to safely and reliably operate and maintain the Transmission System. The following provisions shall apply to any interruption or reduction permitted under this Article 9.7.2:

9.7.2.1 The interruption or reduction shall continue only for so long as reasonably necessary under Good Utility Practice.;

3.4.1 <u>Emergency Conditions</u> -- "Emergency Condition" shall mean a condition or situation: (1) that in the judgment of the Party making the claim is imminently likely to endanger life or property; or (2) that, in the case of the Transmission Provider, is imminently likely (as determined in a non-discriminatory manner) to cause a material adverse effect on the security of, or damage to the Transmission System, the Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities or the Transmission Systems of others to which the Transmission System is directly

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connected; or (3) that, in the case of the Interconnection Customer, is imminently likely (as determined in a non-discriminatory manner) to cause a material adverse effect on the security of, or damage to, the Small Generating Facility or the Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities. Under Emergency Conditions, the Transmission Provider may immediately suspend interconnection service and temporarily disconnect the Small Generating Facility. The Transmission Provider shall notify the Interconnection Customer promptly when it becomes aware of an Emergency Condition that may reasonably be expected to affect the Interconnection Customer's operation of the Small Generating Facility. The Interconnection Customer shall notify the Transmission Provider promptly when it becomes aware of an Emergency Condition that may reasonably be expected to affect the Transmission Provider's Transmission System or any Affected Systems. To the extent information is known, the notification shall describe the Emergency Condition, the extent of the damage or deficiency, the expected effect on the operation of both Parties' facilities and operations, its anticipated duration, and the necessary corrective action.

3.4.2 Routine Maintenance, Construction, and Repair

The Transmission Provider may interrupt interconnection service or curtail the output of the Small Generating Facility and temporarily disconnect the Small Generating Facility from the Transmission Provider's Transmission System when necessary for routine maintenance, construction, and repairs on the Transmission Provider's Transmission System. The Transmission Provider shall provide the Interconnection Customer with five Business Days notice prior to such interruption. The Transmission Provider shall use Reasonable Efforts to coordinate such reduction or temporary disconnection with the Interconnection Customer.

3.4.3 Forced Outages

During any forced outage, the Transmission Provider may suspend interconnection service to effect immediate repairs on the Transmission Provider's Transmission System. The Transmission Provider shall use Reasonable Efforts to provide the Interconnection Customer with prior notice. If prior notice is not given, the Transmission Provider shall, upon request, provide the Interconnection Customer written documentation after the fact explaining the circumstances of the disconnection.

3.4.4 Adverse Operating Effects

The Transmission Provider shall notify the Interconnection Customer as soon as practicable if, based on Good Utility Practice, operation of the Small Generating Facility may cause disruption or deterioration of service to other customers served from the same electric system, or if operating the Small Generating Facility could cause damage to the Transmission Provider's Transmission System or Affected Systems. Supporting documentation used to reach the decision to disconnect shall be provided to the Interconnection Customer upon request. If, after notice, the Interconnection Customer fails to remedy the adverse operating effect within a reasonable time, the Transmission Provider

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may disconnect the Small Generating Facility. The Transmission Provider shall provide the Interconnection Customer with five Business Day notice of such disconnection, unless the provisions of article 3.4.1 apply.

3.4.5 Modification of the Small Generating Facility

The Interconnection Customer must receive written authorization from the Transmission Provider before making any change to the Small Generating Facility that may have a material impact on the safety or reliability of the Transmission System. Such authorization shall not be unreasonably withheld. Modifications shall be done in accordance with Good Utility Practice. If the Interconnection Customer makes such modification without the Transmission Provider's prior written authorization, the latter shall have the right to temporarily disconnect the Small Generating Facility.

3.4.6 Reconnection

- 9.7.2.2 Any such interruption or reduction shall be made on an equitable, non-discriminatory basis with respect to all generating facilities directly connected to the Transmission System;
- 9.7.2.3 When the interruption or reduction must be made under circumstances which do not allow for advance notice, Transmission Provider shall notify Interconnection Customer by telephone as soon as practicable of the reasons for the curtailment, interruption, or reduction, and, if known, its expected duration. Telephone notification shall be followed by written notification as soon as practicable:
- 9.7.2.4 Except during the existence of an Emergency Condition, when the interruption or reduction can be scheduled without advance notice, Transmission Provider shall notify Interconnection Customer in advance regarding the timing of such scheduling and further notify Interconnection Customer of the expected duration. Transmission Provider shall coordinate with Interconnection Customer using Good Utility Practice to schedule the interruption or reduction during periods of least impact to Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider; and
- <u>9.7.2.5</u> The Parties shall cooperate <u>and coordinate</u> with each other to <u>the extent necessary in order to</u> restore the <u>SmallLarge</u> Generating Facility, Interconnection Facilities, and the Transmission <u>Provider's Transmission</u> System to their normal operating state, <u>consistent</u> with system conditions and Good Utility Practice.

9.7.3 Ride Through Capability and Performance

The Transmission System is designed to automatically activate a load-shed program as soon as reasonably practicable following a temporary disconnection required by the Electric Reliability Organization in the event of an under-frequency system disturbance. Interconnection Customer shall

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implement under-frequency and over-frequency relay set points for the Large Generating Facility as required by the Electric Reliability Organization to ensure frequency "ride through" capability of the Transmission System. Large Generating Facility response to frequency deviations of pre-determined magnitudes, both under-frequency and over-frequency deviations, shall be studied and coordinated with Transmission Provider in accordance with Good Utility Practice. Interconnection Customer shall also implement under-voltage and over-voltage relay set points, or equivalent electronic controls, as required by the Electric Reliability Organization to ensure voltage "ride through" capability of the Transmission System. The term "ride through" as used herein shall mean the ability of a Generating Facility to stay connected to and synchronized with the Transmission System during system disturbances within a range of under-frequency, over-frequency, undervoltagef and over-voltage conditions, in accordance with Good Utility Practice and consistent with any standards and guidelines that are applied to other Generating Facilities in the Balancing Authority Area on a comparable basis. For abnormal frequency conditions and voltage conditions within the "no trip zone" defined by Reliability Standard PRC-024-3 or successor mandatory ride through reliability standards, the nonsynchronous Large Generating Facility must ensure that, within any physical limitations of the Large Generating Facility, its control and protection settings are configured or set to (1) continue active power production during disturbance and post disturbance periods at predisturbance levels, unless providing primary frequency response or fast frequency response; (2) minimize reductions in active power and remain within dynamic voltage and current limits, if reactive power priority mode is enabled, unless providing primary frequency response or fast frequency response; (3) not artificially limit dynamic reactive power capability during disturbances; and (4) return to pre-disturbance active power levels without artificial ramp rate limits if active power is reduced, unless providing primary frequency response or fast frequency response.

Article 4. Cost Responsibility for Interconnection Facilities and Distribution Upgrades

4.1 Interconnection Facilities

4.1.1 The 9.7.4 System Protection and Other Control Requirements.

9.7.4.1 System Protection Facilities. Interconnection Customer shall—pay for the cost of the __at its expense, install, operate and maintain System Protection Facilities as a part of the Large Generating Facility or Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities itemized in Attachment 2 of this Agreement. The __Transmission Provider shall provide a best estimate cost, including overheads, for the purchase and construction of its install at Interconnection Customer's expense any System Protection Facilities and provide a detailed itemization of such costs. Costs associated with that may be required on Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities mayor the Transmission System as a result of the interconnection

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- of the Large Generating Facility and Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities.
- <u>9.7.4.2</u> Each Party's protection facilities shall be shareddesigned and coordinated with other entities systems in accordance with Good Utility Practice.
- <u>9.7.4.3</u> Each Party shall be responsible for protection of its facilities consistent with Good Utility Practice.
- 9.7.4.4 Each Party's protective relay design shall incorporate the necessary test switches to perform the tests required in Article 6.

 The required test switches will be placed such that may benefit they allow operation of lockout relays while preventing breaker failure schemes from such facilities by agreement of the operating and causing unnecessary breaker operations and/or the tripping of Interconnection Customer's units.
- <u>9.7.4.5</u> Each Party will test, operate and maintain System Protection Facilities in accordance with Good Utility Practice.
- 9.7.4.6 Prior to the In-Service Date, and again prior to the Commercial Operation Date, each Party or its agent shall perform a complete calibration test and functional trip test of the System Protection Facilities. At intervals suggested by Good Utility Practice and following any apparent malfunction of the System Protection Facilities, each Party shall perform both calibration and functional trip tests of its System Protection Facilities. These tests do not require the tripping of any in-service generation unit. These tests do, however, require that all protective relays and lockout contacts be activated

9.7.5 Requirements for Protection.

In compliance with Good Utility Practice, Interconnection Customer, such other entities, and the Transmission Provider shall provide, install, own, and maintain relays, circuit breakers and all other devices necessary to remove any fault contribution of the Large Generating Facility to any short circuit occurring on the Transmission System not otherwise isolated by Transmission Provider's equipment, such that the removal of the fault contribution shall be coordinated with the protective requirements of the Transmission System. Such protective equipment shall include, without limitation, a disconnecting device or switch with load-interrupting capability located between the Large Generating Facility and the Transmission System at a site selected upon mutual agreement (not to be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed) of the Parties. Interconnection Customer shall be responsible for protection of the Large Generating Facility and Interconnection Customer's other equipment from such conditions as negative sequence currents, over- or under-frequency, sudden load rejection, over- or under-voltage, and generator loss-of-field.

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Interconnection Customer shall be solely responsible to disconnect the Large Generating Facility and Interconnection Customer's other equipment if conditions on the Transmission System could adversely affect the Large Generating Facility.

49.7.6 Power Quality.

Neither Party's facilities shall cause excessive voltage flicker nor introduce excessive distortion to the sinusoidal voltage or current waves as defined by ANSI Standard C84.1-1989, in accordance with IEEE Standard 519, or any applicable superseding electric industry standard. In the event of a conflict between ANSI Standard C84.1-1989, or any applicable superseding electric industry standard, ANSI Standard C84.1-1989, or the applicable superseding electric industry standard, shall control.

9.8 Switching and Tagging Rules.

Each Party shall provide the other Party a copy of its switching and tagging rules that are applicable to the other Party's activities. Such switching and tagging rules shall be developed on a non-discriminatory basis. The Parties shall comply with applicable switching and tagging rules, as amended from time to time, in obtaining clearances for work or for switching operations on equipment.

9.9 Use of Interconnection Facilities by Third Parties.

9.9.1 Purpose of Interconnection Facilities.

Except as may be required by Applicable Laws and Regulations, or as otherwise agreed to among the Parties, the Interconnection Facilities shall be constructed for the sole purpose of interconnecting the Large Generating Facility to the Transmission System and shall be used for no other purpose.

9.9.2 The Third Party Users.

If required by Applicable Laws and Regulations or if the Parties mutually agree, such agreement not to be unreasonably withheld, to allow one or more third parties to use Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities, or any part thereof, Interconnection Customer will be entitled to compensation for the capital expenses it incurred in connection with the Interconnection Facilities based upon the pro rata use of the Interconnection Facilities by Transmission Provider, all third party users, and Interconnection Customer, in accordance with Applicable Laws and Regulations or upon some other mutually-agreed upon methodology. In addition, cost responsibility for ongoing costs, including operation and maintenance costs associated with the Interconnection Facilities, will be allocated between Interconnection Customer and any third party users based upon the pro rata use of the Interconnection Facilities by Transmission Provider, all third party users, and Interconnection Customer, in accordance with Applicable Laws and Regulations or upon some other mutually agreed upon methodology. If the issue of such compensation or allocation cannot be resolved through such negotiations, it shall be submitted to FERC for resolution.

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9.10 Disturbance Analysis Data Exchange.

The Parties will cooperate with one another in the analysis of disturbances to either the Large Generating Facility or Transmission Provider's Transmission System by gathering and providing access to any information relating to any disturbance, including information from oscillography, protective relay targets, breaker operations and sequence of events records, and any disturbance information required by Good Utility Practice

Article 10. Maintenance.

10.1 Transmission Provider Obligations.

<u>Transmission Provider shall maintain the Transmission System and Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities in a safe and reliable manner and in accordance with this PLGIA.</u>

10.2 Interconnection Customer Obligations.

Interconnection Customer shall maintain the Large Generating Facility and Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities in a safe and reliable manner and in accordance with this PLGIA.

10.3 Coordination.

The Parties shall confer regularly to coordinate the planning, scheduling and performance of preventive and corrective maintenance on the Large Generating Facility and the Interconnection Facilities.

10.4 Secondary Systems.

Each Party shall cooperate with the other in the inspection, maintenance, and testing of control or power circuits that operate below 600 volts, AC or DC, including, but not limited to, any hardware, control or protective devices, cables, conductors, electric raceways, secondary equipment panels, transducers, batteries, chargers, and voltage and current transformers that directly affect the operation of a Party's facilities and equipment which may reasonably be expected to impact the other Party. Each Party shall provide advance notice to the other Party before undertaking any work on such circuits, especially on electrical circuits involving circuit breaker trip and close contacts, current transformers, or potential transformers.

10.5 Operating and Maintenance Expenses.

Subject to the provisions herein addressing the use of facilities by others, and except for operations and maintenance expenses associated with modifications made for providing interconnection or transmission service to a third party and such third party pays for such expenses, Interconnection Customer shall be responsible for its share of all reasonable expenses, including overheads, associated with: (1) owning, operating, maintaining, repairing, and replacing its ownInterconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities, and (2) operating, maintaining, repairing, operation, maintenance, repair and replacing thereplacement of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities.

4.2 Distribution Upgrades

The Transmission Provider Article 11. Performance Obligation.

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11.1 Interconnection Customer Interconnection Facilities.

Interconnection Customer shall design, procure, construct, install, and own the Distribution Upgradesand/or control Interconnection Customer Interconnection Facilities described in Attachment 6 of this Agreement. If the Transmission Provider and the Interconnection Customer agree, the Interconnection Customer may construct Distribution Upgrades that are located on land owned by the Interconnection Customer. The actual cost of the Distribution Upgrades, including overheads, shall be directly assigned to the Interconnection Customer.

Article 5. Cost Responsibility for Appendix A, Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades and Distribution Upgrades, at its sole expense.

5.1 Applicability

No portion of this article 5 shall apply unless the interconnection of the Small Generating Facility requires Network Upgrades.

5.2 <u>11.2 Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities.</u>

Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner shall design, procure, construct, install, own and/or control the Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities described in Appendix A, Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades and Distribution Upgrades, at the sole expense of the Interconnection Customer.

11.3 Network Upgrades and Distribution Upgrades.

The Transmission Provider or the Transmission Owner shall design, procure, construct, install, and own the Network Upgrades and Distribution Upgrades described in Attachment 6 of this Agreement. If the Transmission Provider and the Interconnection Customer agree, the Interconnection Customer may construct Network Upgrades that are located on land owned by the Interconnection Customer. Unless the Transmission Provider elects to pay for Appendix A, Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades, the actual cost of the Network Upgrades, including overheads, shall be borne initially by the and Distribution Upgrades. The Interconnection Customer shall be responsible for all costs related to Distribution Upgrades. Unless Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner elects to fund the capital for the Network Upgrades, they shall be solely funded by Interconnection Customer.

5.211.4 Transmission Credits.

11.4.1 Repayment of Amounts Advanced for Network Upgrades.

The Interconnection Customer shall be entitled to a cash repayment, equal to the total amount paid to the Transmission Provider and Affected System operator Operator, if any, for the Network Upgrades, including any tax gross-up or other tax-related payments associated with the Network Upgrades, and not otherwise refunded to the Interconnection Customer pursuant to Article 5.17.8 or otherwise, to be paid to the Interconnection Customer on a dollar-for-dollar basis for the non-usage sensitive portion of transmission charges, as payments are made under the Transmission Provider's Provider's Tariff and Affected System's System's Tariff for transmission services with respect to the SmallLarge Generating Facility. Any repayment shall include interest

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calculated in accordance with the methodology set forth in FERC's regulations at 18 C.F.R. § CFR § 35.19a(a)(2)(iii) from the date of any cash payment for Network Upgrades through the date on which the Interconnection Customer receives a repayment of such payment pursuant to this subparagraph. The Interconnection Customer may assign such repayment rights to any person.

5.2.1.1 Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Interconnection Customer, the Transmission Provider, and any applicable Affected System operator Operator may adopt any alternative payment schedule that is mutually agreeable so long as the Transmission Provider and said Affected System operator Operator take one of the following actions no later than five years from the Commercial Operation Date: (1) return to the Interconnection Customer any amounts advanced for Network Upgrades not previously repaid, or (2) declare in writing that the Transmission Provider or any applicable Affected System operator Operator will continue to provide payments to the Interconnection Customer on a dollar-for-dollar basis for the non-usage sensitive portion of transmission charges, or develop an alternative schedule that is mutually agreeable and provides for the return of all amounts advanced for Network Upgrades not previously repaid; however, full reimbursement shall not extend beyond twenty (20) years from the commercial operation date Commercial Operation Date.

5.2.1.2 If the SmallLarge Generating Facility fails to achieve commercial operation Commercial Operation, but it or another generating facility Generating Facility is later constructed and requires makes use of the Network Upgrades, the Transmission Provider and Affected System operator operator shall at that time reimburse the Interconnection Customer for the amounts advanced for the Network Upgrades. Before any such reimbursement can occur, the Interconnection Customer, or the entity that ultimately constructs the generating facility Generating Facility, if different, is responsible for identifying the entity to which reimbursement must be made.

5.311.4.2 Special Provisions for Affected Systems.

Unless the Transmission Provider provides, under this Agreement the PLGIA, for the repayment of amounts advanced to any applicable Affected System operator of Poerator for Network Upgrades, the Interconnection Customer and Affected System operator operator shall enter into an agreement that provides for such repayment. The agreement shall specify the terms governing payments to be made by the Interconnection Customer to the Affected System operator operator as well as the repayment by the Affected System operator operator.

5.4 Rights Under Other Agreements

Notwithstanding any other provision of this AgreementPLGIA, nothing herein shall be construed as relinquishing or foreclosing any rights, including but not limited to firm transmission rights, capacity rights, transmission congestion rights, or transmission credits, that the Interconnection Customer, shall be entitled to, now or in the future, under any other agreement or tariff as a result

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of, or otherwise associated with, the transmission capacity, if any, created by the Network Upgrades, including the right to obtain cash reimbursements or transmission credits for transmission service that is not associated with the SmallLarge Generating Facility.

Article 6. Billing, Payment, Milestones, and Financial Security

6.1 Billing and Payment Procedures and Final Accounting

- 6.1.1 The Transmission Provider shall bill the Interconnection Customer for the design, engineering, construction, and procurement costs of Interconnection Facilities and Upgrades contemplated by this Agreement on a monthly basis, or as otherwise agreed by the Parties. The Interconnection Customer shall pay each bill within 30 calendar days of receipt, or as otherwise agreed to by the Parties.
- Within three months of completing the construction and installation of the 6.1.2 Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and/or Upgrades described in the Attachments to this Agreement, the Transmission Provider shall provide the Interconnection Customer with a final accounting report of any difference between (1) the Interconnection Customer's cost responsibility for the actual cost of such facilities or Upgrades, and (2) the Interconnection Customer's previous aggregate payments to the Transmission Provider for such facilities or Upgrades. If the Interconnection Customer's cost responsibility exceeds its previous aggregate payments, the Transmission Provider shall invoice the Interconnection Customer for the amount due and the Interconnection Customer shall make payment to the Transmission Provider within 30 calendar days. If the Interconnection Customer's previous aggregate payments exceed its cost responsibility under this Agreement, the Transmission Provider shall refund to the Interconnection Customer an amount equal to the difference within 30 calendar days of the final accounting report.

6.2 Milestones

The Parties shall agree on milestones for which each Party is responsible and list them in Attachment 4 of this Agreement. A Party's obligations under this provision may be extended by agreement. If a Party anticipates that it will be unable to meet a milestone for any reason other than a Force Majeure Event, it shall immediately notify the other Party of the reason(s) for not meeting the milestone and (1) propose the earliest reasonable alternate date by which it can attain this and future milestones, and (2) requesting appropriate amendments to Attachment 4. The Party affected by the failure to meet a milestone shall not unreasonably withhold agreement to such an amendment unless it will suffer significant uncompensated economic or operational harm from the delay, (2) attainment of the same milestone has previously been delayed, or (3) it has reason to believe that the delay in meeting the milestone is intentional or unwarranted notwithstanding the circumstances explained by the Party proposing the amendment.

6.3 Financial Security Arrangements

11.5 Provision of Security.

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At least 20 Businessthirty (30) Calendar Days prior to the commencement of the design, procurement, installation, or construction of a discrete portion of thea Transmission Provider's Provider's Interconnection Facilities and, Network Upgrades, theor Distribution Upgrades, Interconnection Customer shall provide the Transmission Provider, at the Interconnection Customer's Customer's option, a guarantee, a surety bond, letter of credit or other form of security that is reasonably acceptable to the Transmission Provider and is consistent with the Uniform Commercial Code of the jurisdiction where the Point of Interconnection is located, identified in Article 14.2.1. Such security for payment, as specified in Appendix B of this PLGIA, shall be in an amount sufficient to cover the costs for constructing, designing, procuring, and installing the applicable portion of the Transmission Provider's Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades, or Distribution Upgrades and shall be reduced on a dollar-for-dollar basis for payments made to the Transmission Provider under this Agreement during its term. addition: Transmission Provider for these purposes. Security is also required for Provisional Interconnection Service, where the additional security is associated with the potential (1) increased interconnection costs identified through the full interconnection study and (2) costs if the Interconnection Customer does not complete the full interconnection process. Additional security required for Provisional Interconnection 1 and shall be in the form of an irrevocable letter of credit upon Service is [\$ which Transmission Provider may draw.

6.3 In addition:

- 11.5.1 The guarantee must be made by an entity that meets the creditworthiness requirements of the Transmission Provider, and contain terms and conditions that guarantee payment of any amount that may be due from the Interconnection Customer, up to an agreed-to maximum amount.
- 6.311.5.2 The letter of credit or surety bond must be issued by a financial institution or insurer reasonably acceptable to the Transmission Provider and must specify a reasonable expiration date.

Article 7. Assignment, Liability, Indemnity, Force Majeure, Consequential Damages, and Default

7.1 Assignment

This Agreement may be assigned by either Party upon 15 Business Days prior written notice and opportunity to object by the other Party; provided that:

- 7.1.1 Either Party may assign this Agreement without the consent of the other Party to any affiliate of the assigning Party with an equal or greater credit rating and with the legal authority and operational ability to satisfy the obligations of the assigning Party under this Agreement, provided that the Interconnection Customer promptly notifies the Transmission Provider of any such assignment;
- 7.1.2 The Interconnection Customer shall have the right to assign this Agreement, without the consent of the Transmission Provider, for collateral security purposes to aid in providing financing for the Small Generating Facility, provided that the

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Interconnection Customer will promptly notify the Transmission Provider of any such assignment.

7.1.3 Any attempted assignment that violates this article is void and ineffective. Assignment shall not relieve a Party of its obligations, nor shall a Party's obligations be enlarged, in whole or in part, by reason thereof. An assignee is responsible for meeting the same financial, credit, and insurance obligations as the Interconnection Customer. Where required, consent to assignment will not be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed.

7.2 Limitation of Liability

Each Party's liability to the other Party for any loss, cost, claim, injury, liability, or expense, including reasonable attorney's fees, relating to or arising from any act or omission in its performance of this Agreement, shall be limited to the amount of direct damage actually incurred. In no event shall either Party be liable to the other Party for any indirect, special, consequential, or punitive damages, except as authorized by this Agreement.

7.3 Indemnity

- 7.3.1 This provision protects each Party from liability incurred to third parties as a result of carrying out the provisions of this Agreement. Liability under this provision is exempt from the general limitations on liability found in article 7.2.
- 7.3.2 The surety bond must be issued by an insurer reasonably acceptable to Transmission Provider and must specify a reasonable expiration date, such date to be no earlier than one year after the Commercial Operation Date set forth in Appendix B, PLGIA Milestones.

11.6 Interconnection Customer Compensation.

If Transmission Provider requests or directs Interconnection Customer to provide a service pursuant to Articles 9.6.3 (Payment for Reactive Power), or 13.5.1 of this PLGIA, Transmission Provider shall compensate Interconnection Customer in accordance with Interconnection Customer's applicable rate schedule then in effect unless the provision of such service(s) is subject to an RTO or ISO FERC-approved rate schedule. Interconnection Customer shall serve Transmission Provider or RTO or ISO with any filing of a proposed rate schedule at the time of such filing with FERC. To the extent that no rate schedule is in effect at the time the Interconnection Customer is required to provide or absorb any Reactive Power under this PLGIA, Transmission Provider agrees to compensate Interconnection Customer in such amount as would have been due Interconnection Customer had the rate schedule been in effect at the time service commenced; provided, however, that such rate schedule must be filed at FERC or other appropriate Governmental Authority within sixty (60) Calendar Days of the commencement of service

11.6.1 Interconnection Customer Compensation for Actions During Emergency Condition.

<u>Transmission Provider or RTO or ISO shall compensate Interconnection</u>
Customer for its provision of real and reactive power and other Emergency

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Condition services that Interconnection Customer provides to support the Transmission System during an Emergency Condition in accordance with Article 11.6.

Article 12. Invoice.

12.1 General.

Each Party shall submit to the other Party, on a monthly basis, invoices of amounts due for the preceding month. Each invoice shall state the month to which the invoice applies and fully describe the services and equipment provided. The Parties may discharge mutual debts and payment obligations due and owing to each other on the same date through netting, in which case all amounts a Party owes to the other Party under this PLGIA, including interest payments or credits, shall be netted so that only the net amount remaining due shall be paid by the owing Party.

12.2 Final Invoice.

Within six months after completion of the construction of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and the Network Upgrades, Transmission Provider shall provide an invoice of the final cost of the construction of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and the Network Upgrades and shall set forth such costs in sufficient detail to enable Interconnection Customer to compare the actual costs with the estimates and to ascertain deviations, if any, from the cost estimates. Transmission Provider shall refund to Interconnection Customer any amount by which the actual payment by Interconnection Customer for estimated costs exceeds the actual costs of construction within thirty (30) Calendar Days of the issuance of such final construction invoice.

12.3 Payment.

Invoices shall be rendered to the paying Party at the address specified in Appendix F. The Party receiving the invoice shall pay the invoice within thirty (30) Calendar Days of receipt. All payments shall be made in immediately available funds payable to the other Party, or by wire transfer to a bank named and account designated by the invoicing Party. Payment of invoices by either Party will not constitute a waiver of any rights or claims either Party may have under this PLGIA. If Interconnection Customer has not paid the final invoice following a withdrawal within thirty (30) Calendar Days, Transmission Provider shall draw upon the security provided under this PLGIA to settle all accounts, which shall include any offsets of amounts due and owing by Transmission Provider. After the final invoice is paid and all accounts are settled, Transmission Provider shall refund all remaining security.

12.4 Disputes.

In the event of a billing dispute between Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer, Transmission Provider shall continue to provide Interconnection Service under this PLGIA as long as Interconnection Customer: (i) continues to make all payments not in dispute; and (ii) pays to Transmission Provider or into an independent escrow account the portion of the invoice in dispute, pending resolution of such dispute. If Interconnection Customer fails to meet these two requirements for continuation of service, then Transmission Provider may provide notice to Interconnection Customer of a Default pursuant to Article 17. Within thirty (30) Calendar Days after the resolution of the dispute, the Party that owes money to the other Party shall pay the amount due with interest

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calculated in accord with the methodology set forth in FERC's regulations at 18 CFR § 35.19a(a)(2)(iii)

Article 13. Emergencies

13.1 Definition.

Emergency Condition" shall mean a condition or situation: (i) that in the judgment of the Party making the claim is imminently likely to endanger life or property; (ii) that, in the case of Transmission Provider, is imminently likely (as determined in a non-discriminatory manner) to cause a material adverse effect on the security of, or damage to the Transmission System, Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities or the Transmission Systems of others to which the Transmission System is directly connected; or (iii) that, in the case of Interconnection Customer, is imminently likely (as determined in a non-discriminatory manner) to cause a material adverse effect on the security of, or damage to, the Large Generating Facility or Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities. System restoration and black start shall be considered Emergency Conditions; provided, that Interconnection Customer is not obligated by this PLGIA to possess black start capability.

13.2 Obligations.

Each Party shall comply with the Emergency Condition procedures of the applicable ISO/RTO, the Electric Reliability Organization, Applicable Laws and Regulations, and any emergency procedures agreed to by the Joint Operating Committee.

13.3 Notice.

Transmission Provider shall notify Interconnection Customer promptly when it becomes aware of an Emergency Condition that affects Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities or the Transmission System that may reasonably be expected to affect Interconnection Customer's operation of the Large Generating Facility or Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities. Interconnection Customer shall notify Transmission Provider promptly when it becomes aware of an Emergency Condition that affects the Large Generating Facility or Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities that may reasonably be expected to affect the Transmission System or Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities. To the extent information is known, the notification shall describe the Emergency Condition, the extent of the damage or deficiency, the expected effect on the operation of Interconnection Customer's or Transmission Provider's facilities and operations, its anticipated duration and the corrective action taken and/or to be taken. The initial notice shall be followed as soon as practicable with written notice.

13.4 Immediate Action.

Unless, in Interconnection Customer's reasonable judgment, immediate action is required, Interconnection Customer shall obtain the consent of Transmission Provider, such consent to not be unreasonably withheld, prior to performing any manual switching operations at the Large Generating Facility or Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities in response to an Emergency Condition either declared by Transmission Provider or otherwise regarding the Transmission System.

13.5 Transmission Provider Authority.

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13.5.1 General.

Transmission Provider may take whatever actions or inactions with regard to the Transmission System or Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities it deems necessary during an Emergency Condition in order to (i) preserve public health and safety, (ii) preserve the reliability of the Transmission System or Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities, (iii) limit or prevent damage, and (iv) expedite restoration of service.

Transmission Provider shall use Reasonable Efforts to minimize the effect of such actions or inactions on the Large Generating Facility or Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities. Transmission Provider may, on the basis of technical considerations, require the Large Generating Facility to mitigate an Emergency Condition by taking actions necessary and limited in scope to remedy the Emergency Condition, including, but not limited to, directing Interconnection Customer to shut-down, start-up, increase or decrease the real or reactive power output of the Large Generating Facility; implementing a reduction or disconnection pursuant to Article 13.5.2; directing Interconnection Customer to assist with blackstart (if available) or restoration efforts; or altering the outage schedules of the Large Generating Facility and Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities. Interconnection Customer shall comply with all of Transmission Provider's operating instructions concerning Large Generating Facility real power and reactive power output within the manufacturer's design limitations of the Large Generating Facility's equipment that is in service and physically available for operation at the time, in compliance with Applicable Laws and Regulations.

13.5.2 Reduction and Disconnection.

Transmission Provider may reduce Interconnection Service or disconnect the Large Generating Facility or Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities, when such, reduction or disconnection is necessary under Good Utility Practice due to Emergency Conditions. These rights are separate and distinct from any right of curtailment of Transmission Provider pursuant to Transmission Provider's Tariff. When Transmission Provider can schedule the reduction or disconnection in advance, Transmission Provider shall notify Interconnection Customer of the reasons, timing and expected duration of the reduction or disconnection. Transmission Provider shall coordinate with Interconnection Customer using Good Utility Practice to schedule the reduction or disconnection during periods of least impact to Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider. Any reduction or disconnection shall continue only for so long as reasonably necessary under Good Utility Practice. The Parties shall cooperate with each other to restore the Large Generating Facility, the Interconnection Facilities, and the Transmission System to their normal operating state as soon as practicable consistent with Good Utility Practice.

13.6 Interconnection Customer Authority.

Consistent with Good Utility Practice and the PLGIA and the LGIP, Interconnection Customer may take actions or inactions with regard to the Large Generating Facility or

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Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities during an Emergency Condition in order to (i) preserve public health and safety, (ii) preserve the reliability of the Large Generating Facility or Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities, (iii) limit or prevent damage, and (iv) expedite restoration of service. Interconnection Customer shall use Reasonable Efforts to minimize the effect of such actions or inactions on the Transmission System and Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities. Transmission Provider shall use Reasonable Efforts to assist Interconnection Customer in such actions.

13.7 Limited Liability.

Except as otherwise provided in Article 11.6.1 of this PLGIA, neither Party shall be liable to the other for any action it takes in responding to an Emergency Condition so long as such action is made in good faith and is consistent with Good Utility Practice.

Article 14. Regulatory Requirements and Governing Law

14.1 Regulatory Requirements.

Each Party's obligations under this PLGIA shall be subject to its receipt of any required approval or certificate from one or more Governmental Authorities in the form and substance satisfactory to the applying Party, or the Party making any required filings with, or providing notice to, such Governmental Authorities, and the expiration of any time period associated therewith. Each Party shall in good faith seek and use its Reasonable Efforts to obtain such other approvals. Nothing in this PLGIA shall require Interconnection Customer to take any action that could result in its inability to obtain, or its loss of, status or exemption under the Federal Power Act, the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935, as amended, or the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1978.

14.2 Governing Law.

- 14.2.1 The validity, interpretation and performance of this PLGIA and each of its provisions shall be governed by the laws of the state where the Point of Interconnection is located, without regard to its conflicts of law principles.
- 14.2.2 This PLGIA is subject to all Applicable Laws and Regulations.
- Each Party expressly reserves the right to seek changes in, appeal, or otherwise contest any laws, orders, rules, or regulations of a Governmental Authority.

Article 15. Notices

15.1 General.

Unless otherwise provided in this PLGIA, any notice, demand or request required or permitted to be given by either Party to the other and any instrument required or permitted to be tendered or delivered by either Party in writing to the other shall be effective when delivered and may be so given, tendered or delivered, by recognized national courier, or by depositing the same with the United States Postal Service with postage prepaid, for delivery by certified or registered mail, addressed to the Party, or personally delivered to

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the Party, at the address set out in Appendix F, Addresses for Delivery of Notices and Billings.

<u>Either Party may change the notice information in this PLGIA by giving five (5) Business</u>

Days written notice prior to the effective date of the change.

15.2 Billings and Payments.

Billings and payments shall be sent to the addresses set out in Appendix F.

15.3 Alternative Forms of Notice.

Any notice or request required or permitted to be given by a Party to the other and not required by this Agreement to be given in writing may be so given by telephone, facsimile or email to the telephone numbers and email addresses set out in Appendix F.

15.4 Operations and Maintenance Notice.

Each Party shall notify the other Party in writing of the identity of the person(s) that it designates as the point(s) of contact with respect to the implementation of Articles 9 and 10.

Article 16. Force Majeure

16.1 Force Majeure.

16.1.1 Economic hardship is not considered a Force Majeure event.

<u>16.1.2</u> Neither Party shall be considered to be in Default with respect to any obligation hereunder, (including obligations under Article 4), other than the obligation to pay money when due, if prevented from fulfilling such obligation by Force Majeure. A Party unable to fulfill any obligation hereunder (other than an obligation to pay money when due) by reason of Force Majeure shall give notice and the full particulars of such Force Majeure to the other Party in writing or by telephone as soon as reasonably possible after the occurrence of the cause relied upon. Telephone notices given pursuant to this article shall be confirmed in writing as soon as reasonably possible and shall specifically state full particulars of the Force Majeure, the time and date when the Force Majeure occurred and when the Force Majeure is reasonably expected to cease. The Party affected shall exercise due diligence to remove such disability with reasonable dispatch, but shall not be required to accede or agree to any provision not satisfactory to it in order to settle and terminate a strike or other labor disturbance.

Article 17. Default

17.1 Default.

17.1.1 **General.**

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No Default shall exist where such failure to discharge an obligation (other than the payment of money) is the result of Force Majeure as defined in this PLGIA or the result of an act of omission of the other Party. Upon a Breach, the non-breaching Party shall give written notice of such Breach to the breaching Party. Except as provided in Article 17.1.2, the breaching Party shall have thirty (30) Calendar Days from receipt of the Default notice within which to cure such Breach; provided however, if such Breach is not capable of cure within thirty (30) Calendar Days, the breaching Party shall commence such cure within thirty (30) Calendar Days after notice and continuously and diligently complete such cure within ninety (90) Calendar Days from receipt of the Default notice; and, if cured within such time, the Breach specified in such notice shall cease to exist.

17.1.2 Right to Terminate.

If a Breach is not cured as provided in this article, or if a Breach is not capable of being cured within the period provided for herein, the non-breaching Party shall have the right to declare a Default and terminate this PLGIA by written notice at any time until cure occurs, and be relieved of any further obligation hereunder and, whether or not that Party terminates this PLGIA, to recover from the breaching Party all amounts due hereunder, plus all other damages and remedies to which it is entitled at law or in equity. The provisions of this article will survive termination of this PLGIA.

Provider requires Interconnection Customer to memorialize the operating assumptions for the charging behavior of a Generating Facility that includes at least one electric storage resource in Appendix H of this PLGIA, Transmission Provider may consider Interconnection Customer to be in Breach of the PLGIA if Interconnection Customer fails to operate the Generating Facility in accordance with those operating assumptions for charging behavior. However, if Interconnection Customer operates contrary to the operating assumptions for charging behavior specified in Appendix H of this PLGIA at the direction of Transmission Provider, Transmission Provider shall not consider Interconnection Customer in Breach of this PLGIA.

Article 18. Indemnity, Consequential Damages and Insurance

18.1 Indemnity.

The Parties shall at all times indemnify, defend, and hold the other Party harmless from, any and all damages, losses, claims, including claims and actions relating to injury to or death of any person or damage to property, demand, suits, recoveries, costs and expenses, court costs, attorney fees, and all other obligations by or to third parties, arising out of or resulting from the other Party's action or failure to meet inactions of its obligations under this AgreementPLGIA on behalf of the indemnifying Party, except in cases of gross negligence or intentional wrongdoing by the indemnifiedIndemnified Party.

7.3.3 18.1.1 Indemnified Person.

If an indemnified person Indemnified Person is entitled to indemnification under this article Article 18 as a result of a claim by a third party, and the

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indemnifying Indemnifying Party fails, after notice and reasonable opportunity to proceed under this article Article 18.1, to assume the defense of such claim, such indemnified person Indemnified Person may at the expense of the indemnifying Indemnifying Party contest, settle or consent to the entry of any judgment with respect to, or pay in full, such claim.

7.3.4 18.1.2 Indemnifying Party.

If an <u>indemnifying partyIndemnifying Party</u> is obligated to indemnify and hold any <u>indemnified personIndemnified Person</u> harmless under this <u>articleArticle 18</u>, the amount owing to the <u>indemnified personIndemnified Person</u> shall be the amount of such <u>indemnified person's Indemnified Person's</u> actual <u>lossLoss</u>, net of any insurance or other recovery.

7.3.5 18.1.3 Indemnity Procedures.

Promptly after receipt by an indemnified person Indemnified Person of any claim or notice of the commencement of any action or administrative or legal proceeding or investigation as to which the indemnity provided for in this articleArticle 18.1 may apply, the indemnified person Indemnified Person shall notify the indemnifying party of such fact. Any failure of or delay in such notification shall not affect a Party's indemnification obligation unless such failure or delay is materially prejudicial to the indemnifying partyIndemnifying Party.

7.4The Indemnifying Party shall have the right to assume the defense thereof with counsel designated by such Indemnifying Party and reasonably satisfactory to the Indemnified Person. If the defendants in any such action include one or more Indemnified Persons and the Indemnifying Party and if the Indemnified Person reasonably concludes that there may be legal defenses available to it and/or other Indemnified Persons which are different from or additional to those available to the Indemnifying Party, the Indemnified Person shall have the right to select separate counsel to assert such legal defenses and to otherwise participate in the defense of such action on its own behalf. In such instances, the Indemnifying Party shall only be required to pay the fees and expenses of one additional attorney to represent an Indemnified Person or Indemnified Persons having such differing or additional legal defenses.

The Indemnified Person shall be entitled, at its expense, to participate in any such action, suit or proceeding, the defense of which has been assumed by the Indemnifying Party. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Indemnifying Party (i) shall not be entitled to assume and control the defense of any such action, suit or proceedings if and to the extent that, in the opinion of the Indemnified Person and its counsel, such action, suit or proceeding involves the potential imposition of criminal liability on the Indemnified Person, or there exists a conflict or adversity of interest between the Indemnified Person and the Indemnifying Party, in such event the Indemnifying Party shall pay the reasonable expenses of the Indemnified Person, and (ii) shall not settle or consent to the entry of any judgment in any action, suit or proceeding without

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the consent of the Indemnified Person, which shall not be reasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed.

18.2 Consequential Damages.

Other than as expressly provided for the Liquidated Damages heretofore described, in this Agreement, neitherno event shall either Party shall be liable under any provision of this AgreementPLGIA for any losses, damages, costs or expenses for any special, indirect, incidental, consequential, or punitive damages, including but not limited to loss of profit or revenue, loss of the use of equipment, cost of capital, cost of temporary equipment or services, whether based in whole or in part in contract, in tort, including negligence, strict liability, or any other theory of liability; provided, however, that damages for which a Party may be liable to the other Party under another agreement will not be considered to be special, indirect, incidental, or consequential damages hereunder.

7.5 Force Majeure

- 7.5.1 As used in this article, a Force Majeure Event shall mean "any act of God, labor disturbance, act of the public enemy, war, insurrection, riot, fire, storm or flood, explosion, breakage or accident to machinery or equipment, any order, regulation or restriction imposed by governmental, military or lawfully established civilian authorities, or any other cause beyond a Party's control. A Force Majeure Event does not include an act of negligence or intentional wrongdoing."
- 7.5.2 If a Force Majeure Event prevents a Party from fulfilling any obligations under this Agreement, the Party affected by the Force Majeure Event (Affected Party) shall promptly notify the other Party, either in writing or via the telephone, of the existence of the Force Majeure Event. The notification must specify in reasonable detail the circumstances of the Force Majeure Event, its expected duration, and the steps that the Affected Party is taking to mitigate the effects of the event on its performance. The Affected Party shall keep the other Party informed on a continuing basis of developments relating to the Force Majeure Event until the event ends. The Affected Party will be entitled to suspend or modify its performance of obligations under this Agreement (other than the obligation to make payments) only to the extent that the effect of the Force Majeure Event cannot be mitigated by the use of Reasonable Efforts. The Affected Party will use Reasonable Efforts to resume its performance as soon as possible.

7.6 Default

7.6.1 No Default shall exist where such failure to discharge an obligation (other than the payment of money) is the result of a Force Majeure Event as defined in this Agreement or the result of an act or omission of the other Party. Upon a Default, the non-defaulting Party shall give written notice of such Default to the defaulting Party. Except as provided in article 7.6.2, the defaulting Party shall have 60 calendar days from receipt of the Default notice within which to cure such Default; provided however, if such Default is not capable of cure within 60 calendar days, the defaulting Party shall commence such cure within 20 calendar days after

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notice and continuously and diligently complete such cure within six months from receipt of the Default notice; and, if cured within such time, the Default specified in such notice shall cease to exist.

7.6.2 If a Default is not cured as provided in this article, or if a Default is not capable of being cured within the period provided for herein, the non-defaulting Party shall have the right to terminate this Agreement by written notice at any time until cure occurs, and be relieved of any further obligation hereunder and, whether or not that Party terminates this Agreement, to recover from the defaulting Party all amounts due hereunder, plus all other damages and remedies to which it is entitled at law or in equity. The provisions of this article will survive termination of this Agreement.

Article 8. 18.3 Insurance.

- 8.1 The Interconnection Customer shall, at its own expense, maintain in force general liability insurance without any exclusion for liabilities related to the interconnection undertaken pursuant to this Agreement. The amount of such insurance shall be sufficient to insure against all reasonably foreseeable direct liabilities given the size and nature of the generating equipment being interconnected, the interconnection itself, and the characteristics of the system to which the interconnection is made. The Interconnection Customer shall obtain additional insurance only if necessary as a function of owning and operating a generating facility. Such insurance shall be obtained from an insurance provider authorized to do business in the State where the interconnection is located. Certification that such insurance is in effect shall be provided upon request of the Transmission Provider, except that the Interconnection Customer shall show proof of insurance to the Transmission Provider no later than ten Business Days prior to the anticipated commercial operation date. An Interconnection Customer of sufficient credit-worthiness may propose to self-insure for such liabilities, and such a proposal shall not be unreasonably rejected.
- 8.2 The Transmission Provider agrees to maintain general liability insurance or self-insurance consistent with the Transmission Provider's commercial practice. Such insurance or self-insurance shall not exclude coverage for the Transmission Provider's liabilities undertaken pursuant to this Agreement.
- 8.3 The Parties further agree to notify each other whenever an accident or incident occurs resulting in any injuries or damages that are included within the scope of coverage of such insurance, whether or not such coverage is sought.
 - Article 9. Each party shall, at its own expense, maintain in force throughout the period of this PLGIA, and until released by the other Party, the following minimum insurance coverages, with insurers authorized to do business in the state where the Point of Interconnection is located:
 - 18.3.1 Employers' Liability and Workers' Compensation Insurance providing statutory benefits in accordance with the laws and regulations of the state in which the Point of Interconnection is located.

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- Commercial General Liability Insurance including premises and operations, personal injury, broad form property damage, broad form blanket contractual liability coverage (including coverage for the contractual indemnification) products and completed operations coverage, coverage for explosion, collapse and underground hazards, independent contractors coverage, coverage for pollution to the extent normally available and punitive damages to the extent normally available and a cross liability endorsement, with minimum limits of One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000) per occurrence/One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000) aggregate combined single limit for personal injury, bodily injury, including death and property damage.
- Comprehensive Automobile Liability Insurance for coverage of owned and nonowned and hired vehicles, trailers or semi-trailers designed for travel on public roads, with a minimum, combined single limit of One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000) per occurrence for bodily injury, including death, and property damage.
- Excess Public Liability Insurance over and above the Employers' Liability

 Commercial General Liability and Comprehensive Automobile Liability

 Insurance coverage, with a minimum combined single limit of Twenty Million

 Dollars (\$20,000,000) per occurrence/Twenty Million Dollars (\$20,000,000)

 aggregate.
- The Commercial General Liability Insurance, Comprehensive Automobile Insurance and Excess Public Liability Insurance policies shall name the other Party, its parent, associated and Affiliate companies and their respective directors, officers, agents, servants and employees ("Other Party Group") as additional insured. All policies shall contain provisions whereby the insurers waive all rights of subrogation in accordance with the provisions of this PLGIA against the Other Party Group and provide thirty (30) Calendar Days advance written notice to the Other Party Group prior to anniversary date of cancellation or any material change in coverage or condition.
- The Commercial General Liability Insurance, Comprehensive Automobile Liability Insurance and Excess Public Liability Insurance policies shall contain provisions that specify that the policies are primary and shall apply to such extent without consideration for other policies separately carried and shall state that each insured is provided coverage as though a separate policy had been issued to each, except the insurer's liability shall not be increased beyond the amount for which the insurer would have been liable had only one insured been covered. Each Party shall be responsible for its respective deductibles or retentions.
- 18.3.7 The Commercial General Liability Insurance, Comprehensive Automobile

 Liability Insurance and Excess Public Liability Insurance policies, if written on
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(2) years after termination of this PLGIA, which coverage may be in the form of tail coverage or extended reporting period coverage if agreed by the Parties.

- The requirements contained herein as to the types and limits of all insurance to be maintained by the Parties are not intended to and shall not in any manner, limit or qualify the liabilities and obligations assumed by the Parties under this PLGIA.
- Within ten (10) Calendar Days following execution of this PLGIA, and as soon as practicable after the end of each fiscal year or at the renewal of the insurance policy and in any event within ninety (90) Calendar Days thereafter, each Party shall provide certification of all insurance required in this PLGIA, executed by each insurer or by an authorized representative of each insurer.
- In addition to the foregoing, each Party may self-insure to meet the minimum insurance requirements of Articles 18.3.2 through 18.3.8 to the extent it maintains a self-insurance program; provided that, such Party's self-insurance program meets the minimum insurance requirements of Articles 18.3.2 through 18.3.8. In the event that a Party is permitted to self-insure pursuant to this article, it shall certify to the other Party with a letter of self-insurance that it meets the requirements to self-insure and that its self-insurance program meets the minimum insurance requirements in a manner consistent with that specified in Article 18.3.9.
- 18.3.11 The Parties agree to report to each other in writing as soon as practical all accidents or occurrences resulting in injuries to any person, including death, and any property damage arising out of this PLGIA.

Article 19. Assignment

19.1 Assignment.

This PLGIA may be assigned by either Party only with the written consent of the other; provided that either Party may assign this PLGIA without the consent of the other Party to any Affiliate of the assigning Party with an equal or greater credit rating and with the legal authority and operational ability to satisfy the obligations of the assigning Party under this PLGIA; and provided further that Interconnection Customer shall have the right to assign this PLGIA, without the consent of Transmission Provider, for collateral security purposes to aid in providing financing for the Large Generating Facility, provided that Interconnection Customer will promptly notify Transmission Provider of any such assignment. Any financing arrangement entered into by Interconnection Customer pursuant to this article will provide that prior to or upon the exercise of the secured party's, trustee's or mortgagee's assignment rights pursuant to said arrangement, the secured creditor, the trustee or mortgagee will notify Transmission Provider of the date and particulars of any such exercise of assignment right(s), including providing the Transmission Provider with proof that it meets the requirements of Articles 11.5 and 18.3. Any attempted assignment that violates this article is void and ineffective. Any assignment under this PLGIA shall not relieve a Party of its obligations, nor shall a Party's obligations Page 468 of 511
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be enlarged, in whole or in part, by reason thereof. Where required, consent to assignment will not be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed.

Article 20. Severability

20.1 Severability. If any provision in this PLGIA is finally determined to be invalid, void or unenforceable by any court or other Governmental Authority having jurisdiction, such determination shall not invalidate, void or make unenforceable any other provision, agreement or covenant of this PLGIA; provided that if Interconnection Customer (or any third party, but only if such third party is not acting at the direction of Transmission Provider) seeks and obtains such a final determination with respect to any provision of the Alternate Option (Article 5.1.2), or the Negotiated Option (Article 5.1.4), then none of these provisions shall thereafter have any force or effect and the Parties' rights and obligations shall be governed solely by the Standard Option (Article 5.1.1)

Article 21. Comparability

21.1 Comparability.

The Parties will comply with all applicable comparability and code of conduct laws, rules and regulations, as amended from time to time.

Article 22. Confidentiality

9.1 Confidential Information shall mean any confidential and/or proprietary information provided by one Party to the other Party that is clearly marked or otherwise designated "Confidential." For purposes of this Agreement all design, operating specifications, and metering data provided by the Interconnection Customer shall be deemed Confidential Information regardless of whether it is clearly marked or otherwise designated as such.

9.2 Confidential Information does not 22.1 Confidentiality.

Confidential Information shall include, without limitation, all information relating to a Party's technology, research and development, business affairs, and pricing, and any information previously in the public domain, required to be publicly submitted or divulged by Governmental Authorities (after notice supplied by either of the Parties to the other prior to the other Party and after exhausting any opportunity to oppose such publication or release), or necessary to be divulged in an action to enforce execution of this Agreement. Each Party receiving PLGIA.

Information is Confidential Information shall hold such only if it is clearly designated or marked in writing as confidential on the face of the document, or, if the information is conveyed orally or by inspection, if the Party providing the information orally informs the Party receiving the information that the information is confidential.

If requested by either Party, the other Party shall provide in writing, the basis for asserting that the information referred to in this Article 22 warrants confidential treatment, and the requesting Party may disclose such writing to the appropriate Governmental Authority. Each Party shall be responsible for the costs associated with affording confidential treatment to its information.

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22.1.1 Term.

During the term of this PLGIA, and for a period of three (3) years after the expiration or termination of this PLGIA, except as otherwise provided in this Article 22, each Party shall hold in confidence and shall not disclose it to any third party nor to-person Confidential Information.

22.1.2 Scope.

Confidential Information shall not include information that the receiving Party can demonstrate: (1) is generally available to the public without the prior written authorization other than as a result of a disclosure by the receiving Party; (2) was in the lawful possession of the receiving Party on a non-confidential basis before receiving it from the disclosing Party-providing that information, except; (3) was supplied to fulfill the receiving Party without restriction by a third party, who, to the knowledge of the receiving Party after due inquiry, was under no obligation to the disclosing Party to keep such information confidential; (4) was independently developed by the receiving Party without reference to Confidential Information of the disclosing Party; (5) is, or becomes, publicly known, through no wrongful act or omission of the receiving Party or Breach of this PLGIA; or (6) is required, in accordance with Article 22.1.7 of the PLGIA, Order of Disclosure, to be disclosed by any Governmental Authority or is otherwise required to be disclosed by law or subpoena, or is necessary in any legal proceeding establishing rights and obligations under this Agreement, or to fulfill legal or regulatoryPLGIA. Information designated as Confidential Information will no longer be deemed confidential if the Party that designated the information as confidential notifies the other Party that it no longer is confidential.

22.1.3 Release of Confidential Information.

Neither Party shall release or disclose Confidential Information to any other person, except to its Affiliates (limited by the Standards of Conduct requirements), subcontractors, employees, consultants, or to parties who may be or considering providing financing to or equity participation with Interconnection Customer, or to potential purchasers or assignees of Interconnection Customer, on a need-to-know basis in connection with this PLGIA, unless such person has first been advised of the confidentiality provisions of this Article 22 and has agreed to comply with such provisions. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a Party providing Confidential Information to any person shall remain primarily responsible for any release of Confidential Information in contravention of this Article 22.

9.222.1.4 Rights.

Each Party retains all rights, title, and interest in the Confidential Information that each Party discloses to the other Party. The disclosure by each Party to the other Party of Confidential Information shall employnot be deemed a waiver by either Party or any other person or entity of the right to protect the Confidential Information from public disclosure.

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22.1.5 No Warranties.

By providing Confidential Information, neither Party makes any warranties or representations as to its accuracy or completeness. In addition, by supplying Confidential Information, neither Party obligates itself to provide any particular information or Confidential Information to the other Party nor to enter into any further agreements or proceed with any other relationship or joint venture.

22.1.6 Standard of Care.

Each Party shall use at least the same standard of care to protect Confidential Information obtained from the other Party it receives as it employsuses to protect its own Confidential Information from unauthorized disclosure, publication or dissemination. Each Party may use Confidential Information solely to fulfill its obligations to the other Party under this PLGIA or its regulatory requirements.

9.2.2 22.1.7 Order of Disclosure.

If a court or a Government Authority or entity with the right, power, and apparent authority to do so requests or requires either Party, by subpoena, oral deposition, interrogatories, requests for production of documents, administrative order, or otherwise, to disclose Confidential Information, that Party shall provide the other Party with prompt notice of such request(s) or requirement(s) so that the other Party may seek an appropriate protective order or waive compliance with the terms of this PLGIA. Notwithstanding the absence of a protective order or waiver, the Party may disclose such Confidential Information which, in the opinion of its counsel, the Party is legally compelled to disclose. Each Party is will use Reasonable Efforts to obtain reliable assurance that confidential treatment will be accorded any Confidential Information so furnished.

22.1.8 Termination of Agreement.

Upon termination of this PLGIA for any reason, each Party shall, within ten (10) Calendar Days of receipt of a written request from the other Party, use Reasonable Efforts to destroy, erase, or delete (with such destruction, erasure, and deletion certified in writing to the other Party) or return to the other Party, without retaining copies thereof, any and all written or electronic Confidential Information received from the other Party.

22.1.9 Remedies.

The Parties agree that monetary damages would be inadequate to compensate a Party for the other Party's Breach of its obligations under this Article 22. Each Party accordingly agrees that the other Party shall be entitled to equitable relief, by way of injunction or otherwise, if the first Party Breaches or threatens to enforceBreach its rightsobligations under this provision to prevent the release of Confidential InformationArticle 22, which equitable relief shall be granted without bond or proof of damages, and may seek the receiving Party shall not plead in defense that there would be an adequate remedy at law. Such remedy shall not be deemed an exclusive remedy for the Breach of this Article 22, but shall be in addition to all other remedies available at law or

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in equity for breach of this provision. The Parties further acknowledge and agree that the covenants contained herein are necessary for the protection of legitimate business interests and are reasonable in scope. No Party, however, shall be liable for indirect, incidental, or consequential or punitive damages of any nature or kind resulting from or arising in connection with this Article 22.

9.3 22.1.10 Disclosure to FERC, its Staff, or a State.

Notwithstanding anything in this article Article 22 to the contrary, and pursuant to 18 CFR §section 1b.20, if FERC or its staff, during the course of an investigation or otherwise, requests information from one of the Parties that is otherwise required to be maintained in confidence pursuant to this AgreementPLGIA, the Party shall provide the requested information to FERC or its staff, within the time provided for in the request for information. In providing the information to FERC or its staff, the Party maymust, consistent with 18 CFR §section 388.112, request that the information be treated as confidential and non-public by FERC and its staff and that the information be withheld from public disclosure. Parties are prohibited from notifying the other Party to this AgreementPLGIA prior to the release of the Confidential Information to FERC- or its staff. The Party shall notify the other Party to this Agreement the PLGIA when it is notified by FERC or its staff that a request to release Confidential Information has been received by FERC, at which time either of the Parties may respond before such information would be made public, pursuant to 18 CFR section 388.112. Requests from a state regulatory body conducting a confidential investigation shall be treated in a similar manner if consistent with the applicable state rules and regulations.

Article 10. 22.1.11 Subject to the exception in Article 22.1.10, any information that a Party claims is competitively sensitive, commercial or financial information under this PLGIA ("Confidential Information") shall not be disclosed by the other Party to any person not employed or retained by the other Party, except to the extent disclosure is (i) required by law; (ii) reasonably deemed by the disclosing Party to be required to be disclosed in connection with a dispute between or among the Parties, or the defense of litigation or dispute; (iii) otherwise permitted by consent of the other Party, such consent not to be unreasonably withheld; or (iv) necessary to fulfill its obligations under this PLGIA or as a transmission service provider or a Balancing Authority Area operator including disclosing the Confidential Information to an RTO or ISO or to a regional or national reliability organization. The Party asserting confidentiality shall notify the other Party in writing of the information it claims is confidential. Prior to any disclosures of the other Party's Confidential Information under this subparagraph, or if any third party or Governmental Authority makes any request or demand for any of the information described in this subparagraph, the disclosing Party agrees to promptly notify the other Party in writing and agrees to assert confidentiality and cooperate with the other Party in seeking to protect the Confidential Information from public disclosure by confidentiality agreement, protective order or other reasonable measures.

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Article 23. Environmental Releases

Each Party shall notify the other Party, first orally and then in writing, of the release of any Hazardous Substances, any asbestos or lead abatement activities, or any type of remediation activities related to the Large Generating Facility or the Interconnection Facilities, each of which may reasonably be expected to affect the other Party. The notifying Party shall: (i) provide the notice as soon as practicable, provided such Party makes a good faith effort to provide the notice no later than twenty-four hours after such Party becomes aware of the occurrence; and (ii) promptly furnish to the other Party copies of any publicly available reports filed with any Governmental Authorities addressing such events.

Article 24. Information Requirements

24.1 Information Acquisition.

<u>Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer shall submit specific information regarding the electrical characteristics of their respective facilities to each other as described below and in accordance with Applicable Reliability Standards.</u>

24.2 Information Submission by Transmission Provider.

The initial information submission by Transmission Provider shall occur no later than one hundred eighty (180) Calendar Days prior to Trial Operation and shall include Transmission System information necessary to allow Interconnection Customer to select equipment and meet any system protection and stability requirements, unless otherwise agreed to by the Parties. On a monthly basis Transmission Provider shall provide Interconnection Customer a status report on the construction and installation of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades, including, but not limited to, the following information: (1) progress to date; (2) a description of the activities since the last report (3) a description of the action items for the next period; and (4) the delivery status of equipment ordered.

24.3 Updated Information Submission by Interconnection Customer.

The updated information submission by Interconnection Customer, including manufacturer information, shall occur no later than one-hundred eighty (180) Calendar Days prior to the Trial Operation. Interconnection Customer shall submit a completed copy of the Large Generating Facility data requirements contained in Appendix 1 to the LGIP. It shall also include any additional information provided to Transmission Provider for the Cluster Study and Interconnection Facilities Study. Information in this submission shall be the most current Large Generating Facility design or expected performance data. Information submitted for stability models shall be compatible with Transmission Provider standard models. If there is no compatible model, Interconnection Customer will work with a consultant mutually agreed to by the Parties to develop and supply a standard model and associated information.

If Interconnection Customer's data is materially different from what was originally provided to Transmission Provider pursuant to the Interconnection Study Agreement between Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer, then Transmission Provider will conduct appropriate studies to determine the impact on Transmission Provider

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<u>Transmission System based on the actual data submitted pursuant to this Article 24.3.</u>
<u>Interconnection Customer shall not begin Trial Operation until such studies are completed.</u>

24.4 Information Supplementation.

Prior to the Commercial Operation Date, the Parties shall supplement their information submissions described above in this Article 24 with any and all "as-built" Large Generating Facility information or "as-tested" performance information that differs from the initial submissions or, alternatively, written confirmation that no such differences exist. The Interconnection Customer shall conduct tests on the Large Generating Facility as required by Good Utility Practice such as an open circuit "step voltage" test on the Large Generating Facility to verify proper operation of the Large Generating Facility's automatic voltage regulator.

Unless otherwise agreed, the test conditions shall include: (1) Large Generating Facility at synchronous speed; (2) automatic voltage regulator on and in voltage control mode; and (3) a five percent change in Large Generating Facility terminal voltage initiated by a change in the voltage regulators reference voltage. Interconnection Customer shall provide validated test recordings showing the responses of Large Generating Facility terminal and field voltages. In the event that direct recordings of these voltages is impractical, recordings of other voltages or currents that mirror the response of the Large Generating Facility's terminal or field voltage are acceptable if information necessary to translate these alternate quantities to actual Large Generating Facility terminal or field voltages is provided. Large Generating Facility testing shall be conducted and results provided to Transmission Provider for each individual generating unit in a station.

Subsequent to the Commercial Operation Date, Interconnection Customer shall provide Transmission Provider any information changes due to equipment replacement, repair, or adjustment. Transmission Provider shall provide Interconnection Customer any information changes due to equipment replacement, repair or adjustment in the directly connected substation or any adjacent Transmission Provider-owned substation that may affect Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities equipment ratings, protection or operating requirements. The Parties shall provide such information no later than thirty (30) Calendar Days after the date of the equipment replacement, repair or adjustment.

Article 25. Information Access and Audit Rights

25.1 Information Access.

Each Party (the "disclosing Party") shall make available to the other Party information that is in the possession of the disclosing Party and is necessary in order for the other Party to: (i) verify the costs incurred by the disclosing Party for which the other Party is responsible under this PLGIA; and (ii) carry out its obligations and responsibilities under this PLGIA. The Parties shall not use such information for purposes other than those set forth in this Article 25.1 and to enforce their rights under this PLGIA.

25.2 Reporting of Non-Force Majeure Events.

Each Party (the "notifying Party") shall notify the other Party when the notifying Party becomes aware of its inability to comply with the provisions of this PLGIA for a reason other than a Force Majeure event. The Parties agree to cooperate with each other and

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provide necessary information regarding such inability to comply, including the date, duration, reason for the inability to comply, and corrective actions taken or planned to be taken with respect to such inability to comply. Notwithstanding the foregoing, notification, cooperation or information provided under this article shall not entitle the Party receiving such notification to allege a cause for anticipatory breach of this PLGIA.

25.3 Audit Rights.

Subject to the requirements of confidentiality under Article 22 of this PLGIA, each Party shall have the right, during normal business hours, and upon prior reasonable notice to the other Party, to audit at its own expense the other Party's accounts and records pertaining to either Party's performance or either Party's satisfaction of obligations under this PLGIA. Such audit rights shall include audits of the other Party's costs, calculation of invoiced amounts, Transmission Provider's efforts to allocate responsibility for the provision of reactive support to the Transmission System, Transmission Provider's efforts to allocate responsibility for interruption or reduction of generation on the Transmission System, and each Party's actions in an Emergency Condition. Any audit authorized by this article shall be performed at the offices where such accounts and records are maintained and shall be limited to those portions of such accounts and records that relate to each Party's performance and satisfaction of obligations under this PLGIA. Each Party shall keep such accounts and records for a period equivalent to the audit rights periods described in Article 25.4.

25.4 Audit Rights Periods.

25.4.1 Audit Rights Period for Construction-Related Accounts and Records.

Accounts and records related to the design, engineering, procurement, and construction of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades shall be subject to audit for a period of twenty-four months following Transmission Provider's issuance of a final invoice in accordance with Article 12.2.

25.4.2 Audit Rights Period for All Other Accounts and Records.

Accounts and records related to either Party's performance or satisfaction of all obligations under this PLGIA other than those described in Article 25.4.1 shall be subject to audit as follows: (i) for an audit relating to cost obligations, the applicable audit rights period shall be twenty-four months after the auditing Party's receipt of an invoice giving rise to such cost obligations; and (ii) for an audit relating to all other obligations, the applicable audit rights period shall be twenty-four months after the event for which the audit is sought.

25.5 Audit Results.

If an audit by a Party determines that an overpayment or an underpayment has occurred, a notice of such overpayment or underpayment shall be given to the other Party together with those records from the audit which support such determination.

Article 26. Subcontractors

26.1 General.

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Nothing in this PLGIA shall prevent a Party from utilizing the services of any subcontractor as it deems appropriate to perform its obligations under this PLGIA; provided, however, that each Party shall require its subcontractors to comply with all applicable terms and conditions of this PLGIA in providing such services and each Party shall remain primarily liable to the other Party for the performance of such subcontractor.

26.2 Responsibility of Principal.

The creation of any subcontract relationship shall not relieve the hiring Party of any of its obligations under this PLGIA. The hiring Party shall be fully responsible to the other Party for the acts or omissions of any subcontractor the hiring Party hires as if no subcontract had been made; provided, however, that in no event shall Transmission Provider be liable for the actions or inactions of Interconnection Customer or its subcontractors with respect to obligations of Interconnection Customer under Article 5 of this PLGIA. Any applicable obligation imposed by this PLGIA upon the hiring Party shall be equally binding upon, and shall be construed as having application to, any subcontractor of such Party.

26.3 No Limitation by Insurance.

The obligations under this Article 26 will not be limited in any way by any limitation of subcontractor's insurance.

Article 27. Disputes

10.1 The Parties agree to attempt to resolve all disputes arising out of the interconnection process according to the provisions of this article.

10.2 27.1 Submission.

- In the event of a dispute, either Party has a dispute, or asserts a claim, that arises out of or in connection with this PLGIA or its performance, such Party (the "disputing Party") shall provide the other Party with a written Notice of Dispute. Such Notice shall describe in detail the naturenotice of the dispute.
- 10.3 If the or claim ("Notice of Dispute"). Such dispute has not been resolved within two Business Days or claim shall be referred to a designated senior representative of each Party for resolution on an informal basis as promptly as practicable after receipt of the Notice, either Party may contact FERC's of Dispute Resolution Service (DRS) for assistance in resolving by the dispute.
- 10.4 The DRS will assist other Party. In the Parties in either resolving their dispute or in selecting an appropriate dispute resolution venue (e.g., mediation, settlement judge, early neutral evaluation, or technical expert) to assist event the Parties in resolving their dispute. DRS can be reached at 1-877-337-2237 or via designated representatives are unable to resolve the internet at http://www.ferc.gov/legal/adr.asp.
- 10.5 Each Party agrees to conduct allclaim or dispute through unassisted or assisted negotiations in good faith and will be responsible for one-half of any costs paid to neutral third-parties.

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10.6 If neither Party elects to seek assistance from the DRS, or if the attempted dispute resolution fails, then either within thirty (30) Calendar Days of the other Party's receipt of the Notice of Dispute, such claim or dispute may, upon mutual agreement of the Parties, be submitted to arbitration and resolved in accordance with the arbitration procedures set forth below. In the event the Parties do not agree to submit such claim or dispute to arbitration, each Party may exercise whatever rights and remedies it may have in equity or at law consistent with the terms of this Agreement PLGIA.

Article 11. Taxes

- 11.1 The Parties agree to follow all applicable tax laws and regulations, consistent with FERC policy and Internal Revenue Service requirements.
- 11.2 Each Party shall cooperate with the other to maintain the other Party's tax status. Nothing in this Agreement is intended to adversely affect the Transmission Provider's tax exempt status with respect to the issuance of bonds including, but not limited to, local furnishing bonds.

Article 12. 27.2 External Arbitration Procedures.

Any arbitration initiated under this PLGIA shall be conducted before a single neutral arbitrator appointed by the Parties. If the Parties fail to agree upon a single arbitrator within ten (10) Calendar Days of the submission of the dispute to arbitration, each Party shall choose one arbitrator who shall sit on a three-member arbitration panel. The two arbitrators so chosen shall within twenty (20) Calendar Days select a third arbitrator to chair the arbitration panel. In either case, the arbitrators shall be knowledgeable in electric utility matters, including electric transmission and bulk power issues, and shall not have any current or past substantial business or financial relationships with any party to the arbitration (except prior arbitration). The arbitrator(s) shall provide each of the Parties an opportunity to be heard and, except as otherwise provided herein, shall conduct the arbitration Association ("Arbitration Rules") and any applicable FERC regulations or RTO rules; provided, however, in the event of a conflict between the Arbitration Rules and the terms of this Article 27, the terms of this Article 27 shall prevail.

27.3 Arbitration Decisions.

Unless otherwise agreed by the Parties, the arbitrator(s) shall render a decision within ninety (90) Calendar Days of appointment and shall notify the Parties in writing of such decision and the reasons therefor. The arbitrator(s) shall be authorized only to interpret and apply the provisions of this PLGIA and shall have no power to modify or change any provision of this Agreement in any manner. The decision of the arbitrator(s) shall be final and binding upon the Parties, and judgment on the award may be entered in any court having jurisdiction. The decision of the arbitrator(s) may be appealed solely on the grounds that the conduct of the arbitrator(s), or the decision itself, violated the standards set forth in the Federal Arbitration Act or the Administrative Dispute Resolution Act. The final decision of the arbitrator must also be filed with FERC if it affects jurisdictional rates, terms and conditions of service, Interconnection Facilities, or Network Upgrades.

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Each Party shall be responsible for its own costs incurred during the arbitration process and for the following costs, if applicable: (1) the cost of the arbitrator chosen by the Party to sit on the three member panel and one half of the cost of the third arbitrator chosen; or (2) one-half the cost of the single arbitrator jointly chosen by the Parties.

Article 28. Representations, Warranties, and Covenants

28.1 General.

Each Party makes the following representations, warranties and covenants:

28.1.1 Good Standing.

Such Party is duly organized, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the state in which it is organized, formed, or incorporated, as applicable; that it is qualified to do business in the state or states in which the Large Generating Facility, Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades owned by such Party, as applicable, are located; and that it has the corporate power and authority to own its properties, to carry on its business as now being conducted and to enter into this PLGIA and carry out the transactions contemplated hereby and perform and carry out all covenants and obligations on its part to be performed under and pursuant to this PLGIA.

28.1.2 Authority.

Such Party has the right, power and authority to enter into this PLGIA, to become a Party hereto and to perform its obligations hereunder. This PLGIA is a legal, valid and binding obligation of such Party, enforceable against such Party in accordance with its terms, except as the enforceability thereof may be limited by applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization or other similar laws affecting creditors' rights generally and by general equitable principles (regardless of whether enforceability is sought in a proceeding in equity or at law).

28.1.3 No Conflict.

The execution, delivery and performance of this PLGIA does not violate or conflict with the organizational or formation documents, or bylaws or operating agreement, of such Party, or any judgment, license, permit, order, material agreement or instrument applicable to or binding upon such Party or any of its assets.

28.1.4 Consent and Approval.

Such Party has sought or obtained, or, in accordance with this PLGIA will seek or obtain, each consent, approval, authorization, order, or acceptance by any Governmental Authority in connection with the execution, delivery and performance of this PLGIA, and it will provide to any Governmental Authority notice of any actions under this PLGIA that are required by Applicable Laws and Regulations

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29.1 Joint Operating Committee.

Except in the case of ISOs and RTOs, Transmission Provider shall constitute a Joint Operating Committee to coordinate operating and technical considerations of Interconnection Service. At least six (6) months prior to the expected Initial Synchronization Date, Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider shall each appoint one representative and one alternate to the Joint Operating Committee. Each Interconnection Customer shall notify Transmission Provider of its appointment in writing. Such appointments may be changed at any time by similar notice. The Joint Operating Committee shall meet as necessary, but not less than once each calendar year, to carry out the duties set forth herein. The Joint Operating Committee shall hold a meeting at the request of either Party, at a time and place agreed upon by the representatives. The Joint Operating Committee shall perform all of its duties consistent with the provisions of this PLGIA. Each Party shall cooperate in providing to the Joint Operating Committee all information required in the performance of the Joint Operating Committee's duties. All decisions and agreements, if any, made by the Joint Operating Committee, shall be evidenced in writing. The duties of the Joint Operating Committee shall include the <u>following:</u>

- **29.1.1** Establish data requirements and operating record requirements.
- 29.1.2 Review the requirements, standards, and procedures for data acquisition equipment, protective equipment, and any other equipment or software.
- 29.1.3 Annually review the one (1) year forecast of maintenance and planned outage schedules of Transmission Provider's and Interconnection Customer's facilities at the Point of Interconnection.
- 29.1.4 Coordinate the scheduling of maintenance and planned outages on the Interconnection Facilities, the Large Generating Facility and other facilities that impact the normal operation of the interconnection of the Large Generating Facility to the Transmission System.
- 29.1.5 Ensure that information is being provided by each Party regarding equipment availability.
- **29.1.6** Perform such other duties as may be conferred upon it by mutual agreement of the Parties.

Article 30. Miscellaneous

1230.1 Governing Law, Regulatory Authority, Binding Effect.

This PLGIA and Rules

The validity, interpretationthe rights and enforcement obligations hereof, shall be binding upon and shall inure to the benefit of the successors and assigns of the Parties hereto.

30.2 Conflicts.

In the event of a conflict between the body of this Agreement and each of its PLGIA and any attachment, appendices or exhibits hereto, the terms and provisions shall be governed

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by the laws of the state of _____ (where the Point of Interconnection is located), without regard to its conflicts of law principles. This Agreement is subject of the body of this PLGIA shall prevail and be deemed the final intent of the Parties.

30.3 Rules of Interpretation.

This PLGIA, unless a clear contrary intention appears, shall be construed and interpreted as follows: (1) the singular number includes the plural number and vice versa; (2) reference to all any person includes such person's successors and assigns but, in the case of a Party, only if such successors and assigns are permitted by this PLGIA, and reference to a person in a particular capacity excludes such person in any other capacity or individually; (3) reference to any agreement (including this PLGIA), document, instrument or tariff means such agreement, document, instrument, or tariff as amended or modified and in effect from time to time in accordance with the terms thereof and, if applicable, the terms hereof; (4) reference to any Applicable Laws and Regulations. Each Party means such Applicable Laws and Regulations as amended, modified, codified, or reenacted, in whole or in part, and in effect from time to time, including, if applicable, rules and regulations promulgated thereunder; (5) unless expressly reserves the right to seek changes in, appeal, or stated otherwise contest any laws, orders, or regulations of a Governmental Authority, reference to any Article, Section or Appendix means such Article of this PLGIA or such Appendix to this PLGIA, or such Section to the Revised PLGIP or such Appendix to the LGIP, as the case may be; (6) "hereunder", "hereof", "herein", "hereto" and words of similar import shall be deemed references to this PLGIA as a whole and not to any particular Article or other provision hereof or thereof; (7) "including" (and with correlative meaning "include") means including without limiting the generality of any description preceding such term; and (8) relative to the determination of any period of time, "from" means "from and including", "to" means "to but excluding" and "through" means "through and including".

12.2 Amendment

The Parties may amend this Agreement by a written instrument duly executed by both Parties, or under article 12.2 of this Agreement.

12.3 No Third-Party Beneficiaries

This Agreement is not intended to and does not create rights, remedies, or benefits of any character whatsoever in favor of any persons, corporations, associations, or entities other than the Parties, and the obligations herein assumed are solely for the use and benefit of the Parties, their successors in interest and where permitted, their assigns.

1230.4 Waiver

- 12.4.1 The failure of a Party to this Agreement to insist, on any occasion, upon strict performance of any provision of this Agreement will not be considered a waiver of any obligation, right, or duty of, or imposed upon, such Party.
- 12.4.2 Any waiver at any time by either Party of its rights with respect to this Agreement shall not be deemed a continuing waiver or a waiver with respect to any other failure to comply with any other obligation, right, duty of this Agreement.

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Customer shall not constitute a waiver of the Interconnection Customer's legal rights to obtain an interconnection from the Transmission Provider. Any waiver of this Agreement shall, if requested, be provided in writing.

12.5 Entire Agreement.

This AgreementPLGIA, including all AttachmentsAppendices and Schedules attached hereto, constitutes the entire agreement between the Parties with reference to the subject matter hereof, and supersedes all prior and contemporaneous understandings or agreements, oral or written, between the Parties with respect to the subject matter of this Agreement. PLGIA. There are no other agreements, representations, warranties, or covenants which constitute any part of the consideration for, or any condition to, either Party's compliance with its obligations under this AgreementPLGIA.

1230.5 No Third Party Beneficiaries.

This PLGIA is not intended to and does not create rights, remedies, or benefits of any character whatsoever in favor of any persons, corporations, associations, or entities other than the Parties, and the obligations herein assumed are solely for the use and benefit of the Parties, their successors in interest and, where permitted, their assigns.

30.6 Waiver.

The failure of a Party to this PLGIA to insist, on any occasion, upon strict performance of any provision of this PLGIA will not be considered a waiver of any obligation, right, or duty of, or imposed upon, such Party.

Any waiver at any time by either Party of its rights with respect to this PLGIA shall not be deemed a continuing waiver or a waiver with respect to any other failure to comply with any other obligation, right, duty of this PLGIA. Termination or Default of this PLGIA for any reason by Interconnection Customer shall not constitute a waiver of Interconnection Customer's legal rights to obtain an interconnection from Transmission Provider. Any waiver of this PLGIA shall, if requested, be provided in writing.

30.7 Headings.

The descriptive headings of the various Articles of this PLGIA have been inserted for convenience of reference only and are of no significance in the interpretation or construction of this PLGIA.

30.8 Multiple Counterparts.

This AgreementPLGIA may be executed in two or more counterparts, each of which is deemed an original but all constitute one and the same instrument.

12.7 No Partnership

This Agreement shall not be interpreted or construed to create an association, joint venture, agency relationship, or partnership between the Parties or to impose any partnership obligation or partnership liability upon either Party. Neither Party shall have any right, power or authority to enter into any agreement or undertaking for, or act on behalf of, or to act as or be an agent or representative of, or to otherwise bind, the other Party.

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12.8 Severability

If any provision or portion of this Agreement shall for any reason be held or adjudged to be invalid or illegal or unenforceable by any court of competent jurisdiction or other Governmental Authority, (1) such portion or provision shall be deemed separate and independent, (2) the Parties shall negotiate in good faith to restore insofar as practicable the benefits to each Party that were affected by such ruling, and (3) the remainder of this Agreement shall remain in full force and effect.

12.9 Security Arrangements

Infrastructure security of electric system equipment and operations and control hardware and software is essential to ensure day to-day reliability and operational security. FERC expects all Transmission Providers, market participants, and Interconnection Customers interconnected to electric systems to comply with the recommendations offered by the President's Critical Infrastructure Protection Board and, eventually, best practice recommendations from the electric reliability authority. All public utilities are expected to meet basic standards for system infrastructure and operational security, including physical, operational, and cyber-security practices.

12.10 Environmental Releases

Each Party shall notify the other Party, first orally and then in writing, of the release of any hazardous substances, any asbestos or lead abatement activities, or any type of remediation activities related to the Small Generating Facility or the Interconnection Facilities, each of which may reasonably be expected to affect the other Party. The notifying Party shall (1) provide the notice as soon as practicable, provided such Party makes a good faith effort to provide the notice no later than 24 hours after such Party becomes aware of the occurrence, and (2) promptly furnish to the other Party copies of any publicly available reports filed with any governmental authorities addressing such events.

12.11 Subcontractors

Nothing in this Agreement shall prevent a Party from utilizing the services of any subcontractor as it deems appropriate to perform its obligations under this Agreement; provided, however, that each Party shall require its subcontractors to comply with all applicable terms and conditions of this Agreement in providing such services and each Party shall remain primarily liable to the other Party for the performance of such subcontractor.

12.11.1 The creation of any subcontract relationship shall not relieve the hiring Party of any of its obligations under this Agreement. The hiring Party shall be fully responsible to the other Party for the acts or omissions of any subcontractor the hiring Party hires as if no subcontract had been made; provided, however, that in no event shall the Transmission Provider be liable for the actions or inactions of the Interconnection Customer or its subcontractors with respect to obligations of the Interconnection Customer under this Agreement. Any applicable obligation imposed by this Agreement upon the hiring Party shall be equally binding upon, and shall be construed as having application to, any subcontractor of such Party.

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12.11.2 The obligations under this article will not be limited in any way by any limitation of subcontractor's insurance.

12.12 <u>30.9</u> Amendment.

The Parties may by mutual agreement amend this PLGIA by a written instrument duly executed by the Parties.

30.10 Modification by the Parties.

The Parties may by mutual agreement amend the Appendices to this PLGIA by a written instrument duly executed by the Parties. Such amendment shall become effective and a part of this PLGIA upon satisfaction of all Applicable Laws and Regulations.

30.11 Reservation of Rights.

The Transmission Provider shall have the right to make a unilateral filing with FERC to modify this AgreementPLGIA with respect to any rates, terms and conditions, charges, classifications of service, rule or regulation under section 205 or any other applicable provision of the Federal Power Act and FERC's rules and regulations thereunder, and the Interconnection Customer shall have the right to make a unilateral filing with FERC to modify this Agreement under anyPLGIA pursuant to section 206 or any other applicable provision of the Federal Power Act and FERC's rules and regulations thereunder; provided that each Party shall have the right to protest any such filing by the other Party and to participate fully in any proceeding before FERC in which such modifications may be considered. Nothing in this AgreementPLGIA shall limit the rights of the Parties or of FERC under sections 205 or 206 of the Federal Power Act and FERC's rules and regulations thereunder, except to the extent that the Parties otherwise mutually agree as provided herein.

Article 13. Notices

13.1 General

Unless otherwise provided in this Agreement, any written notice, demand, or request required or authorized in connection with this Agreement ("Notice") shall be deemed properly given if delivered in person, delivered by recognized national currier service, or sent by first class mail, postage prepaid, to the person specified below:

| Interconnection Cust | omer: | |
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| Attention: | | |
| Address: | | |
| City: | State: | Zip:_ |
| Phone: | Fax: | _ |
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| the Transmission Provid | ler: | |
| the Transmission Provide | | |
| Transmission Provide | | |
| Transmission Provide Attention: | | |
| | | Zip: |

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Billings and payments shall be sent to the addresses set out below:

| nterconnection Customer: | | |
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| Attention: | | |
| Address: | | |
| City: | State: | Zip: |
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| Transmission Provider: | | |
| Attention: | | |
| Address: | | |
| City: | State: | Zip: |

13.3 Alternative Forms of Notice

Any notice or request required or permitted to be given by either Party to the other and not required by this Agreement to be given in writing may be so given by telephone, facsimile or e-mail to the telephone numbers and e-mail addresses set out below:

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13.5 Changes to the Notice Information

Either Party may change this information by giving five Business Days written notice prior to the effective date of the change.

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Article 14. Signatures 30.12 No Partnership.

This PLGIA shall not be interpreted or construed to create an association, joint venture, agency relationship, or partnership between the Parties or to impose any partnership obligation or partnership liability upon either Party. Neither Party shall have any right, power or authority to enter into any agreement or undertaking for, or act on behalf of, or to act as or be an agent or representative of, or to otherwise bind, the other Party.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have caused this Agreement to be executed by their respective duly authorized representatives.

For the Transmission Provider

| Name: | |
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| Title: | |
| Date: | |
| For the Interconnection Customer | |
| Name: | |
| Title: | |
| Data | |

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Glossary of Terms

Affected System – An electric system other than the Transmission Provider's Transmission System that may be affected by the proposed interconnection.

Applicable Laws and Regulations — All duly promulgated applicable federal, state and local laws, regulations, rules, ordinances, codes, decrees, judgments, directives, or judicial or administrative orders, permits and other duly authorized actions of any Governmental Authority.

Business Day - Monday through Friday, excluding Federal Holidays.

Default – The failure of a breaching Party to cure its breach under the Small Generator Interconnection Agreement.

Distribution System – The Transmission Provider's facilities and equipment used to transmit electricity to ultimate usage points such as homes and industries directly from nearby generators or from interchanges with higher voltage transmission networks which transport bulk power over longer distances. The voltage levels at which Distribution Systems operate differ among areas.

Distribution Upgrades The additions, modifications, and upgrades to the Transmission Provider's Distribution System at or beyond the Point of Interconnection to facilitate interconnection of the Small Generating Facility and render the transmission service necessary to effect the Interconnection Customer's wholesale sale of electricity in interstate commerce. Distribution Upgrades do not include Interconnection Facilities.

Good Utility Practice – Any of the practices, methods and acts engaged in this PLGIA electronically or approved by a significant portion of the electric industry during the relevant time period, or any of the practices, methods and acts which, in the exercise of reasonable judgment in light of the facts known at the time the decision was made, could have been expected to accomplish the desired result at a reasonable cost consistent with good business practices, reliability, safety and expedition. Good Utility Practice is not intended to be limited to the optimum practice, method, or act to the exclusion of all others, but rather to be acceptable practices, methods, or acts generally accepted in the region.

Governmental Authority — Any federal, state, local or other governmental regulatory or administrative agency, court, commission, department, board, or other governmental subdivision, legislature, rulemaking board, tribunal, or other governmental authority having jurisdiction overing duplicate originals, each of which shall constitute and be an original effective Agreement between the Parties, their respective facilities, or the respective services they provide, and exercising or entitled to exercise any administrative, executive, police, or taxing authority or power; provided, however, that such term does not include the Interconnection Customer, the Interconnection Provider, or any Affiliate thereof.

Interconnection Customer — Any entity, including the Insert name of Transmission Provider, the or Transmission Owner or any of the affiliates or subsidiaries of either, that proposes to

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| interconnect its Small Generating Facility with the Transmission Provider's Transmission System., if applicable |
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| <u>By:</u> |
| Title: |
| Date: |
| Date: |
| [Insert name of Interconnection Customer] |
| <u>By:</u> |
| Title: |
| Date: |

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Interconnection Facilities — The Transmission Provider's , Network Upgrades and Distribution Upgrades

- A. Description of Generating Facility, Interconnection Facilities and the Network Upgrades and Distribution Upgrades
 - 1. Description of Generating Facility: [Insert description of Generating Facility]
 - 2. Interconnection Facilities:
 - a. Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities. Collectively, Interconnection Facilities include all facilities and equipment between the Small Generating Facility and the Point of Interconnection, including any modification, additions or upgrades that are necessary to physically and electrically interconnect the Small Generating Facility to the Transmission Provider's Transmission System. Interconnection Facilities are sole use facilities and shall not include Distribution Upgrades or Network Upgrades. [insert Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities]:

Interconnection Request — The Interconnection Customer's request, in accordance with the Tariff, to interconnect a new Small Generating Facility, or to increase the capacity of, or make a Material Modification to the operating characteristics of, an existing Small Generating Facility that is interconnected with the Transmission Provider's Transmission System.

Material Modification — A modification that has a material impact on the cost or timing of any Interconnection Request with a later queue priority date.

Network Upgrades — Additions, modifications, and upgrades to the Transmission Provider's Transmission System required at or beyond the point at which the Small Generating Facility interconnects with the Transmission Provider's Transmission System to accommodate the interconnection of the Small Generating Facility with the Transmission Provider's Transmission System. Network Upgrades do not include Distribution Upgrades.

Operating Requirements – Any operating and technical requirements that may be applicable due to Regional Transmission Organization, Independent System Operator, control area, or the Transmission Provider's requirements, including those set forth in the Small Generator Interconnection Agreement.

Party or Parties – The Transmission Provider, Transmission Owner, Interconnection Customer or any combination of the above.

Point of Interconnection — The point where the <u>b. Transmission</u>

Provider's Interconnection Facilities [insert Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities connect with the Transmission Provider's Transmission System.]:

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Reasonable Efforts — With respect to an action required to be attempted or taken by a Party under the Small Generator Interconnection Agreement, efforts that are timely and consistent with Good Utility Practice and are otherwise substantially equivalent to those a Party would use to protect its own interests.

Small Generating Facility - The Interconnection Customer's device for the production and/or storage for later injection of electricity identified in the Interconnection Request, but shall not include the Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities.

Tariff — The Transmission Provider or Affected System's Tariff through which open access transmission service and Interconnection Service are offered, as filed with the FERC, and as amended or supplemented from time to time, or any successor tariff.

Transmission Owner — The entity that owns, leases or otherwise possesses an interest in the portion of the Transmission System at the Point of Interconnection and may be a Party to the Small Generator Interconnection Agreement to the extent necessary.

Transmission Provider – The public utility (or its designated agent) that owns, controls, or operates transmission or distribution facilities used for the transmission of electricity in interstate commerce and provides transmission service under the Tariff. The term Transmission Provider should be read to include the Transmission Owner when the Transmission Owner is separate from the Transmission Provider.

Transmission System – The facilities owned, controlled or operated by the Transmission Provider or the Transmission Owner that are used to provide transmission service under the Tariff.

3. Network Upgrades

- <u>a. Standalone Network Upgrades [insert Standalone Network Upgrades]:</u>
- <u>b.</u> <u>Station Network</u> <u>Upgrades</u> <u>The required additions and</u> modifications to the Transmission Provider's Transmission System at or beyond the Point of Interconnection. <u>[insert Station Network]</u> <u>Upgrades may be]:</u>
- c. Other Network Upgrades or Distribution [insert Other Network Upgrades. Upgrades do not include Interconnection Facilities.]:

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<u>Description and Costs of the Small Generating Facility,</u>
<u>d. Distribution Upgrades [insert Distribution Upgrades]:</u>
<u>B. Interconnection Facilities, and Metering Equipment</u>

Equipment, including the Small Generating Facility, Customer's Payment for Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities, and metering equipment shall be itemized and identified as being owned by the Interconnection Customer, the Transmission Provider, or the Transmission Owner. The Transmission Provider will provide a best estimate itemized cost, including overheads, of its Interconnection Facilities and metering equipment, and a best estimate itemized cost of the annual operation and maintenance expenses associated with its Interconnection Facilities and metering equipment. and Network Upgrades

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One-line Diagram Depicting the Small Generating Facility,
InterconnectionC. Contingent Facilities, Metering Equipment, and Upgrades

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PLGIA Milestones

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| Critical milestones and responsibility as agreed to by the Parties: | | | |
| Milestone/Date | Responsible Party | | |
| (1) | | | |
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Interconnection Details

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| For the Transmission Provider | —————————————————————————————————————— | |
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| For the Transmission Owner (If Applicable) | Date | |
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| For the Interconnection Customer | | |

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Additional Operating Requirements for the Transmission Provider's Transmission System and Affected Systems Needed to Support the Interconnection Customer's Needs

The Security Arrangements Details

Infrastructure security of Transmission System equipment and operations and control hardware and software is essential to ensure day-to-day Transmission System reliability and operational security. FERC will expect all Transmission Providers, market participants, and Interconnection Customers interconnected to the Transmission System to comply with the recommendations offered by the President's Critical Infrastructure Protection Board and, eventually, best practice recommendations from the electric reliability authority. All public utilities will be expected to meet basic standards for system infrastructure and operational security, including physical, operational, and cyber-security practices.

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Commercial Operation Date

This Appendix E is a part of the PLGIA between Transmission Provider and Interconnection

| Customer. |
|--|
| [Date] |
| [Transmission Provider Address] |
| Re: Large Generating Facility |
| Dear: |
| On [Date] [Interconnection Customer] has completed Trial Operation of Unit No This letter confirms that [Interconnection Customer] commenced Commercial Operation of Unit No. at the Large Generating Facility, effective as of [Date plus one day]. |
| Thank you. |
| [Signature] |
| [Interconnection Customer Representative] |

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Appendix F to PLGIA

| Addresses for Delivery of Notices and Billings |
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| Notices:. |
| Transmission Provider: [To be supplied.] |
| Interconnection Customer: [To be supplied.] |
| Billings and Payments: |
| Transmission Provider: [To be supplied.] |
| Interconnection Customer: [To be supplied.] |
| Alternative Forms of Delivery of Notices (telephone, facsimile or email): |
| Transmission Provider: [To be supplied.] |
| Interconnection Customer: [To be supplied.] |

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INTERCONNECTION REQUIREMENTS FOR A WIND GENERATING PLANT

Appendix G sets forth requirements and provisions specific to a wind generating plant. All other requirements of this LGIA continue to apply to wind generating plant interconnections.

A. Technical Standards Applicable to a Wind Generating Plant

i. Low Voltage Ride-Through (LVRT) Capability

A wind generating plant shall also provide be able to remain online during voltage disturbances up to the time periods and associated voltage levels set forth in the standard below. The LVRT standard provides for a transition period standard and a post-transition period standard.

All wind generating plants subject to FERC Order No. 661 and not covered by the transition period described above must meet the following requirements that must be met by:

- 1. Wind generating plants are required to remain in-service during three-phase faults with normal clearing (which is a time period of approximately 4 9 cycles) and single line to ground faults with delayed clearing, and subsequent post-fault voltage recovery to prefault voltage unless clearing the fault effectively disconnects the generator from the system. The clearing time requirement for a three-phase fault will be specific to the wind generating plant substation location, as determined by and documented by Transmission Provider. The maximum clearing time the wind generating plant shall be required to withstand for a three-phase fault shall be nine (9) cycles after which, if the fault remains following the location-specific normal clearing time for three-phase faults, the wind generating plant may disconnect from the transmission system. A wind generating plant shall remain interconnected during such a fault on the transmission system for a voltage level as low as zero (0) volts, as measured at the high voltage side of the wind GSU.
- 2. This requirement does not apply to faults that would occur between the wind generator terminals and the high side of the GSU.
- 3. Wind generating plants may be tripped after the fault period if this action is intended as part of a special protection system.
- 4. Wind generating plants may meet the LVRT requirements of this standard by the performance of the generators or by installing additional equipment (e.g., Static VAr Compensator) within the wind generating plant or by a combination of generator performance and additional equipment.
- 5. Existing individual generator units that are, or have been, interconnected to the network at the same location at the effective date of the Appendix G LVRT Standard are exempt from meeting the Appendix G LVRT Standard for the remaining life of the existing

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generation equipment. Existing individual generator units that are replaced are required to meet the Appendix G LVRT Standard.

ii. Power Factor Design Criteria (Reactive Power)

The following reactive power requirements apply only to a newly interconnecting wind generating plant that has executed a Facilities Study Agreement as of the effective date of the Final Rule establishing the reactive power requirements for non-synchronous generators in Article 9.6.1 of this PLGIA (Order No. 827).² A wind generating plant to which this provision applies shall maintain a power factor within the range of 0.95 leading to 0.95 lagging, measured at the Point of Interconnection as defined in this PLGIA, if Transmission Provider's Provisional Interconnection Study shows that such a requirement is necessary to ensure safety or reliability. The power factor range standard can be met by using, for example, power electronics designed to supply this level of reactive capability (taking into account any limitations due to voltage level, real power output, etc.) or fixed and switched capacitors if agreed to by Transmission Provider, or a combination of the two. The Interconnection Customer shall not disable power factor equipment while the wind plant is in operation. Wind plants shall also be able to provide sufficient dynamic voltage support in lieu of the power system stabilizer and automatic voltage regulation at the generator excitation system if the System Impact Study shows this to be required for system safety or reliability.

[2] If identified in the System Impact Study as necessary to ensure safety or reliability, existing Generating Facilities being upgraded that require a new interconnection request are subject to this reactive power requirement.

iii. Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) Capability

The wind plant shall provide SCADA capability to transmit data and receive instructions from Transmission Provider to protect system reliability. Transmission Provider and the wind plant Interconnection Customer shall determine what SCADA information is essential for the proposed wind plant, taking into account the size of the plant and its characteristics, location, and importance in maintaining generation resource adequacy and transmission system reliability in its area.

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Operating Assumptions for Generating Facility

<u>Check box if applicable []</u> **Operating Assumptions:**

<u>{insert operating assumptions that reflect the charging behavior of the Generating Facility that includes at least one electric storage resource}</u>

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INTERCONNECTION REQUIREMENTS FOR PROVISIONAL INTERCONNECTION SERVICE

Provisional Agreement

This PLGIA for limited operation is provided to Interconnection Customer at Interconnection Customer's request and at the discretion of Transmission Provider based upon the results of [Insert study report or other evidence]. Interconnection Customer has requested that Transmission Provider provide the Interconnection Customer prior to initiating parallel operation with the Transmission Provider's Transmission System.with a PLGIA that limits the transfer of energy by Interconnection Customer commensurate with that allowed for Provisional Interconnection Service.

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Transmission Provider's Description of its Upgrades and Best Estimate of Upgrade Costs

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Interconnection Customer is requesting to use this PLGIA to interconnect generation prior to the completion of the full interconnection study process. Interconnection Customer may use this Provisional Interconnection Agreement to partially satisfy Readiness Milestones required as part of the full interconnection process. Interconnection Customer agrees it is ready to move forward with Interconnection Service and commits to construct its Generation Facility as part of this PLGIA. Interconnection Customer has requested [ERIS/NRIS] for its interconnection request and has entered into the Cluster Study Process or commits to enter into the next available study cluster.

The potential Network upgrades that may be identified in the full interconnection process is estimated to be [\$]. Interconnection Customer has made a security deposit with Transmission Provider shall describe Upgrades and provide an itemized best estimate of the cost, in the form of Letter of Credit in the amount of [\$] to satisfy the additional security requirements of this PLGIA (see Article 11.5).

Interconnection Customer represents that the facilities (including everheads, of the Network Upgrades, Interconnection Facilities, Distribution Upgrades, System Protection Upgrades and annual operation and maintenance expenses associated with such /or Generator Upgrades -) that are necessary to commence Provisional Interconnection Service and meet the requirements of the Electric Reliability Organization, or any applicable regional entity for the interconnection of a new generator will be in place prior to the commencement of generation from the Generating Facility and will remain in place during the term of the service. The requisite interconnection studies were or will be performed for the Generating Facility prior to Commercial Operation. Interconnection Customer shall meet any additional requirements (including reactive power requirements) pursuant to the results of applicable future Interconnection Studies. Until such time as the applicable Interconnection Studies and any identified facilities are completed, the output of the Generating Facility will operate within the Operating Limits prescribed in a future, if applicable, operating quide.

Requirement to Procure Transmission Service

This PLGIA does not confer Transmission Service. Interconnection Customer must procure Transmission Service on the PSCo Transmission System before producing energy. Producing energy above reserved Transmission Service will be deemed as unauthorized use of the transmission system and subject to provisions in this Tariff surrounding such unauthorized use and may result in disconnection of the Generating Facility.

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For purposes of Provisional Interconnection Service to the Generating Facility, the maximum permissible output of the Generating Facility ("Operating Limits") in the PLGIA will be reviewed quarterly and updated if there are changes to the system conditions compared to the system conditions previously used to determine the Operating Limits. The Operating Limits will be determined by finding the maximum available transfer limit out of the study region. Operation above those limits 1) may be deemed a Breach of this PLGIA that results in termination of this PLGIA, 2) may result in Transmission Provider disconnecting the Generation Facility from the Transmission Provider's System, and 3) will be deemed as unauthorized use of the transmission system and subject to provisions in this Tariff surrounding such unauthorized use. Interconnection Customers subject to Operating Limits shall functionalize Upgrade be responsible for the cost of performing the required studies to determine Operating Limits. If a study is required, Interconnection Customers shall submit an Operating Limit study deposit in the amount of \$2,000 within thirty (30) Calendar Days after PSCo has provided written notice to Interconnection Customer that it will conduct a study of the Operating Limits. Any difference between the study deposit and the actual cost of the applicable Operating Limit studies shall be paid by, or refunded to, the Interconnection Customer following completion of the study and within thirty (30) Calendar Days of written notice by Transmission Provider stating the calculation of those amounts. Failure to pay any difference between the calculated study costs and annual expenses as either transmission or distribution related the initially paid deposit within thirty (30) Calendar Days of the written notice provided by the other Party shall be deemed a Breach of this PLGIA subject to the provisions of Article 17.

Interconnection Customer assumes all risks and liabilities with respect to changes, which may impact the Standard Provisional Large Generator Interconnection Agreement including, but not limited to, change in output limits and future Network Upgrade cost responsibilities. Interconnection Service may be interrupted in order to construct additional facilities.

Interconnection Customer shall only operate in generating mode and shall not operate in load mode (i.e. charge from the grid) under the terms of this Provisional Interconnection Agreement.

Interim Operating Guide

Implementation of an interim operating guide, if applicable, that sets forth conditional Interconnection Service for the Interconnection Customer's operation of the Generating Facility until planned Network Upgrades or Interconnection Facilities are constructed will constitute an interim solution agreeable by the Transmission Provider. Any interim operating guide will be subject to the approval of the Transmission Provider. Minimum requirements for an interim operating guide are set forth as follows:

- Transmission Provider will have control of breaker(s) dedicated to the Generating Facility and will be able to trip the Interconnection Customer's Generating Facility.
- Protection schemes must be tested and operable.
- Interconnection Customer will provide continuous communication capability with the owner/operator of the Generating Facility.
- Interconnection Customer, if applicable, will enter into an operating agreement or similar agreement with any applicable owner of an existing generating facility which designates, among other things, the responsibilities and authorities of each of the parties and shall be subject to the acceptance of Transmission Provider.

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• A termination date consistent with completion of construction of Network Upgrades and/or Interconnection Facilities will be included as part of all operating guides.

Interconnection Customer assumes all risks and liabilities with respect to changes, which may impact the PLGIA for the Generating Facility including, but not limited to, change in output limits and responsibilities for future Network Upgrade and cost responsibilities that have not yet been identified on the direct connect Transmission System or in Interconnection Studies performed to date as well as all affected Transmission, Distribution, or Generation System(s) including non-Transmission Systems not owned or operated by the Transmission Provider. Such upgrades will be determined pursuant to the Tariff and Policies in effect at the time of the applicable or identifying Interconnection Studies.

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CLUSTER STUDY SCOPING MEETING NON-DISCLOSURE AGREEMENT

- 1. Participants in the cluster scoping discussions held by Public Service Company of Colorado in connection with interconnection request [CLUSTER QUEUE NUMBER] may exchange documents or materials that are deemed to contain Privileged Material and/or Critical Energy/Electric Infrastructure Information (CEII), as those terms are defined herein. The cluster scoping discussion include and are limited to the Cluster Study Scoping Meeting as described in Section 3.4.6 of the PSCo Large Generator Interconnection Procedures, as well as any supplemental Cluster Study Scoping Meetings held by PSCo in connection with the same interconnection request cluster.
- 2. FERC's regulations and its policy governing the labelling of controlled unclassified information (CUI), establish and distinguish the respective designations of Privileged Material and CEII. As to these designations, this Non-Disclosure Agreement provides that a Participant:
 - A. may designate as Privileged Material any material which customarily is treated by that Participant as commercially sensitive or proprietary or material subject to a legal privilege, which is not otherwise available to the public, and which, if disclosed, would subject that Participant or its customers to risk of competitive disadvantage or other business injury; and
 - B. must designate as CEII, any material that meets the definition of that term as provided by 18 C.F.R. §§ 388.113(a), (c).
- 3. For the purposes of this Non-Disclosure Agreement, the listed terms are defined as follows:
 - A. Participant(s): All interconnection customers with interconnection requests included in the request cluster referenced in Paragraph 1 that participate in the cluster scoping discussions held by PSCo for that cluster.
 - B. Privileged Material:
 - Material (provided by a Participant in the discussions regarding the interconnection request cluster, and that is designated as Privileged Material by such Participant, including both written materials and information shared orally;
 - ii. Any information contained in or obtained from such designated material;
 - <u>iii.</u> Notes of Privileged Material (memoranda, handwritten notes, or any other form of information (including electronic form) which copies or discloses Privileged Material); or
 - vi. Copies of Privileged Material.
 - vii. Privileged Material does not include:

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- a. Any information or document that is publicly available, or that is contained in the public files of any federal or state agency, or any federal or state court, unless the information or document has been determined to be privileged by such agency or court;
- b. Information that is public knowledge, or which becomes public knowledge, other than through disclosure in violation of this Non-Disclosure Agreement; or
- C. Critical Energy/Electric Infrastructure Information (CEII): As defined at 18 C.F.R. §§ 388.113(a), (c).
- D. Non-Disclosure Certificate: The certificate attached to this Non-Disclosure Agreement, by which Participants granted access to Privileged Material and/or CEII must certify their understanding that such access to such material is provided pursuant to the terms and restrictions of this Non-Disclosure Agreement, and that such Participants have read the Non-Disclosure Agreement and agree to be bound by it. All executed Non-Disclosure Certificates must be provided to PSCo.
- E. Reviewing Representative: A person who has signed a Non-Disclosure Certificate and who is an employee or agent of an interconnection customer with a request in the request cluster referenced in Oaragraph 1 of this Non-Disclosure Agreement.
- 4. Privileged Material and/or CEII shall be made available under the terms of this Non-Disclosure Agreement only to Participants and only to their Reviewing Representatives as provided in Paragraphs 6-10 of this Non-Disclosure Agreement. The contents of Privileged Material, CEII or any other form of information that copies or discloses such materials shall not be disclosed to anyone other than in accordance with this Non-Disclosure Agreement and shall be used only in the cluster study scoping discussions referenced in Paragraph 1.
- 5. All Privileged Material and/or CEII must be maintained in a secure place. Access to those materials must be limited to Reviewing Representatives specifically authorized pursuant to Paragraphs 7-9 of this Non-Disclosure Agreement.
- 6. Privileged Material and/or CEII must be handled by each Participant and by each Reviewing Representative in accordance with the Non-Disclosure Certificate executed pursuant to this Non-Disclosure Agreement. Privileged Material and/or CEII shall not be used except as necessary for the cluster scoping discussions referenced in Paragraph 1, nor shall they (or the substance of their contents) be disclosed in any manner to any person except a Reviewing Representative who needs to know the information in order to carry out that person's responsibilities in connection with the cluster coping discussions. Reviewing Representatives may make copies of Privileged Material and/or CEII, but such copies automatically become Privileged Material and/or CEII. Reviewing Representatives may make notes of Privileged Material, which shall be treated as Notes of Privileged Material if they reflect the contents of Privileged Material.
- 7. If a Reviewing Representative's scope of employment includes any of the activities listed under this Paragraph 7, such Reviewing Representative may not use information contained

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in any Privileged Material and/or CEII obtained in this proceeding for a commercial purpose (e.g., to give a Participant or competitor of any Participant a commercial advantage):

- A. Generation facility development;
- B. Energy marketing:
- B. Direct supervision of any employee or employees whose duties include generation facility development or energy marketing; or
- C. The provision of consulting services to any person whose duties include generation facility development or energy marketing.
- 8. In the event that a Participant wishes to designate a person not described in Paragraph 3.E above as a Reviewing Representative, the Participant must seek agreement from PSCo. If an agreement is reached, the designee shall be a Reviewing Representative pursuant to Paragraph 3.D of this Non-Disclosure Agreement with respect to those materials.
- 10. Any Reviewing Representative may disclose Privileged Material and/or CEII to any other Reviewing Representative as long as both Reviewing Representatives have executed a Non-Disclosure Certificate. In the event any Reviewing Representative to whom Privileged Material and/or CEII are disclosed ceases to participate in the discussions referenced in Paragraph 1, or becomes employed or retained for a position that renders him or her ineligible to be a Reviewing Representative under Paragraph 3.D of this Non-Disclosure Agreement, access to such materials by that person shall be terminated. Even if no longer engaged in the discussions referenced in Paragraph 1, every person who has executed a Non-Disclosure Certificate shall continue to be bound by the provisions of this Non-Disclosure Agreement and the Non-Disclosure Certificate for as long as the Non-Disclosure Agreement is in effect.
- 15. Nothing in this Non-Disclosure Agreement shall preclude any Participant from requesting that FERC, or any other body having appropriate authority, to find this Non-Disclosure Agreement should not apply to all or any materials previously designated Privileged Material pursuant to this Non-Disclosure Agreement. FERC, or any other body having appropriate authority may alter or amend this Non-Disclosure Agreement as circumstances warrant at any time during the course of this proceeding.
- 16. Each Participant governed by this Non-Disclosure Agreement has the right to seek changes in it as appropriate from FERC, or any other body having appropriate authority.
- 17. Participants to the dispute shall employ good faith best efforts to resolve any disputes arising under this Non-Disclosure Agreement. In the event a dispute may not be resolved, Participants may request relief through an appropriate filing with FERC under the Federal Power Act.
- 18. Any violation of this Non-Disclosure Agreement and of any Non-Disclosure Certificate executed hereunder shall constitute a violation of an order of the Commission.

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I hereby certify my understanding that access to Privileged Material and/or Critical Energy/Electric Infrastructure Information (CEII) is provided to me pursuant to the terms and restrictions of the Non-Disclosure Agreement governing cluster scoping discussions for [CLUSTER QUEUE NUMBER], that I have been given a copy of and have read the Non-Disclosure Agreement, and that I agree to be bound by it. I understand that the contents of Privileged Material and/or CEII, oral or written, as well as any notes or other memoranda, or any other form of information that copies or discloses such materials, shall not be disclosed to anyone other than in accordance with the Non-Disclosure Agreement. I acknowledge that a violation of this certificate constitutes a violation of an order of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

| By: |
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| Printed Name: |
| Title: |
| Representing: |
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Standard Small Generator Interconnection Procedures (SGIP)

Applicable to Generating Facilities that are less than 20 MWs connecting to the Transmission System

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Appendix 1 –Small Generator Interconnection Agreement (For Generating Facilities No Larger Than 20 MW)

Section 1. Application

1.1 Applicability

- 1.1.1 A request to interconnect a certified Small Generating Facility (See Attachments 3 and 4 for description of certification criteria) to the-Transmission Provider's Distribution System shall be evaluated under the section 2 Fast Track Process if the eligibility requirements of section 2.1 are met. A request to interconnect a certified inverter-based Small Generating Facility no larger than 10 kilowatts (kW) shall be evaluated under the Attachment 5 10 kW Inverter Process. A request to interconnect a Small Generating Facility no larger than 20 megawatts (MW) that does not meet the eligibility requirements of section 2.1, or does not pass the Fast Track Process or the 10 kW Inverter Process, shall be evaluated under the section 3 Study Process. If the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Procedures and execute the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement.
- 1.1.2 Capitalized terms used herein shall have the meanings specified in the Glossary of Terms in Attachment 1 or the body of these procedures.
- 1.1.3 Neither these procedures nor the requirements included hereunder apply to Small Generating Facilities interconnected or approved for interconnection prior to 60 Business Days after the effective date of these procedures.
- 1.1.4 Prior to submitting its Interconnection Request (Attachment 2), the Interconnection Customer may ask the Transmission Provider's interconnection contact employee or office whether the proposed interconnection is subject to these procedures. The Transmission Provider shall respond within 15 Business Days.
- 1.1.5 Infrastructure security of electric system equipment and operations and control hardware and software is essential to ensure day-to-day reliability and operational security. The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission expects all Transmission Providers, market participants, and Interconnection Customers interconnected with electric systems to comply with the recommendations offered by the President's Critical Infrastructure Protection Board and best practice recommendations from the electric reliability authority. All public utilities are expected to meet basic standards for electric system infrastructure and operational security, including physical, operational, and cyber-security practices.
- 1.1.6 References in these procedures to interconnection agreement are to the Small Generator Interconnection Agreement (SGIA).

1.2 Pre-Application

1.2.1 The Transmission Provider shall designate an employee or office from which information on the application process and on an Affected System can be obtained through informal requests from the Interconnection Customer presenting a

proposed project for a specific site. The name, telephone number, and e-mail address of such contact employee or office shall be made available on the Transmission Provider's Internet web site. Electric system information provided to the Interconnection Customer should include relevant system studies, interconnection studies, and other materials useful to an understanding of an interconnection at a particular point on the Transmission Provider's Transmission System, to the extent such provision does not violate confidentiality provisions of prior agreements or critical infrastructure requirements. The Transmission Provider shall comply with reasonable requests for such information.

- 1.2.2 In addition to the information described in section 1.2.1, which may be provided in response to an informal request, an Interconnection Customer may submit a formal written request form along with a non-refundable fee of \$300 for a pre-application report on a proposed project at a specific site. The Transmission Provider shall provide the pre-application data described in section 1.2.3 to the Interconnection Customer within 20 Business Days of receipt of the completed request form and payment of the \$300 fee. The pre-application report produced by the Transmission Provider is non-binding, does not confer any rights, and the Interconnection Customer must still successfully apply to interconnect to the Transmission Provider's system. The written pre-application report request form shall include the information in sections 1.2.2.1 through 1.2.2.8 below to clearly and sufficiently identify the location of the proposed Point of Interconnection.
 - 1.2.2.1 Project contact information, including name, address, phone number, and email address.
 - 1.2.2.2 Project location (street address with nearby cross streets and town)
 - 1.2.2.3 Meter number, pole number, or other equivalent information identifying proposed Point of Interconnection, if available.
 - 1.2.2.4 Generator Type (e.g., solar, wind, combined heat and power, etc.)
 - 1.2.2.5 Size (alternating current kW)
 - 1.2.2.6 Single or three phase generator configuration
 - 1.2.2.7 Stand-alone generator (no onsite load, not including station service Yes or No?)
 - 1.2.2.8 Is new service requested? Yes or No? If there is existing service, include the customer account number, site minimum and maximum current or proposed electric loads in kW (if available) and specify if the load is expected to change.
- 1.2.3. Using the information provided in the pre-application report request form in section 1.2.2, the Transmission Provider will identify the substation/area bus, bank or circuit likely to serve the proposed Point of Interconnection. This selection by the

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Transmission Provider does not necessarily indicate, after application of the screens and/or study, that this would be the circuit the project ultimately connects to. The Interconnection Customer must request additional pre-application reports if information about multiple Points of Interconnection is requested. Subject to section 1.2.4, the pre-application report will include the following information:

1.2.3.1 Total capacity (in MW) of substation/area bus, bank or circuit based on normal or operating ratings likely to serve the proposed Point of Interconnection. 1.2.3.2 Existing aggregate generation capacity (in MW) interconnected to a substation/area bus, bank or circuit (i.e., amount of generation online) likely to serve the proposed Point of Interconnection. 1.2.3.3 Aggregate queued generation capacity (in MW) for a substation/area bus, bank or circuit (i.e., amount of generation in the gueue) likely to serve the proposed Point of Interconnection. 1.2.3.4 Available capacity (in MW) of substation/area bus or bank and circuit likely to serve the proposed Point of Interconnection (i.e., total capacity less the sum of existing aggregate generation capacity and aggregate queued generation capacity). 1.2.3.5 Substation nominal distribution voltage and/or transmission nominal voltage if applicable. 1.2.3.6 Nominal distribution circuit voltage at the proposed Point of Interconnection. 1.2.3.7 Approximate circuit distance between the proposed Point of Interconnection and the substation. 1.2.3.8 Relevant line section(s) actual or estimated peak load and minimum load data, including daytime minimum load as described in section 2.4.4.1.1 below and absolute minimum load, when available. 1.2.3.9 Number and rating of protective devices and number and type (standard, bi-directional) of voltage regulating devices between the proposed Point of Interconnection and the substation/area. Identify whether the substation has a load tap changer. 1.2.3.10 Number of phases available at the proposed Point of Interconnection. If a single phase, distance from the three-phase circuit.

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- 1.2.3.12 Whether the Point of Interconnection is located on a spot network, grid network, or radial supply.
- 1.2.3.13 Based on the proposed Point of Interconnection, existing or known constraints such as, but not limited to, electrical dependencies at that location, short circuit interrupting capacity issues, power quality or stability issues on the circuit, capacity constraints, or secondary networks.
- 1.2.4 The pre-application report need only include existing data. A pre-application report request does not obligate—the Transmission Provider to conduct a study or other analysis of the proposed generator in the event that data is not readily available. If—the Transmission Provider cannot complete all or some of a pre-application report due to lack of available data, the—Transmission Provider shall provide—the Interconnection Customer with a pre-application report that includes the data that is available. The provision of information on "available capacity" pursuant to section 1.2.3.4 does not imply that an interconnection up to this level may be completed without impacts since there are many variables studied as part of the interconnection review process, and data provided in the pre-application report may become outdated at the time of the submission of the complete Interconnection Request. Notwithstanding any of the provisions of this section, the Transmission Provider shall, in good faith, include data in the pre-application report that represents the best available information at the time of reporting.

1.3 <u>Interconnection Request</u>

The Interconnection Customer shall submit its Interconnection Request to the Transmission Provider, together with the processing fee or deposit specified in the Interconnection Request. The Interconnection Request shall be date- and time-stamped upon receipt. The original date- and time-stamp applied to the Interconnection Request at the time of its original submission shall be accepted as the qualifying date- and timestamp for the purposes of any timetable in these procedures. The Interconnection Customer shall be notified of receipt by the Transmission Provider within three Business Days of receiving the Interconnection Request. The Transmission Provider shall notify the Interconnection Customer within ten Business Days of the receipt of the Interconnection Request as to whether the Interconnection Request is complete or incomplete. If the Interconnection Request is incomplete, the Transmission Provider shall provide along with the notice that the Interconnection Request is incomplete, a written list detailing all information that must be provided to complete the Interconnection Request. The Interconnection Customer will have ten Business Days after receipt of the notice to submit the listed information or to request an extension of time to provide such information. If the Interconnection Customer does not provide the listed information or a request for an extension of time within the deadline, the Interconnection Request will be deemed withdrawn. An Interconnection Request will be deemed complete upon submission of the listed information to the Transmission Provider.

1.4 <u>Modification of the Interconnection Request</u>

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Any modification to machine data or equipment configuration or to the interconnection site of the Small Generating Facility not agreed to in writing by the Transmission Provider and the Interconnection Customer may be deemed a withdrawal of the Interconnection Request and may require submission of a new Interconnection Request, unless proper notification of each Party by the other and a reasonable time to cure the problems created by the changes are undertaken. Any such modification of the Interconnection Request must be accompanied by any resulting updates to the models described in Attachment 2 of this SGIP.

1.5 Site Control

Documentation of site control must be submitted with the Interconnection Request. Site control may be demonstrated through:

- 1.5.1 Ownership of, a leasehold interest in, or a right to develop a site for the purpose of constructing the Small Generating Facility;
- 1.5.2 An option to purchase or acquire a leasehold site for such purpose; or
- 1.5.3 An exclusivity or other business relationship between the Interconnection Customer and the entity having the right to sell, lease, or grant the Interconnection Customer the right to possess or occupy a site for such purpose.

1.6 Queue Position

The Transmission Provider shall assign a Queue Position based upon the date- and time-stamp of the Interconnection Request. The Queue Position of each Interconnection Request will be used to determine the cost responsibility for the Upgrades necessary to accommodate the interconnection. The Transmission Provider shall maintain a single queue per geographic region. At the Transmission Provider's option, Interconnection Requests may be studied serially or in clusters for the purpose of the system impact study.

1.6.1 Clustering of Requests for a Resource Solicitation

If multiple Interconnection Requests are filed by an eligible entity as the authorized representative for those Interconnection Customer(s) proposing either a Large or Small Generating Facility to meet some portion of the eligible entity's request for additional generating resources in a Resource Solicitation Process, Transmission Provider may cluster combinations of such Interconnection Requests for purposes of conducting the Interconnection Feasibility Study(ies) and Interconnection System Impact Study(ies) of such Generating Facilities. Such studies in connection with a Resource Solicitation Process shall be implemented based upon Queue Position and shall consider the eligible entity's identified need in the Resource Solicitation Process.

An Interconnection Customer may submit to the authorized representative for inclusion in the Resource Solicitation Process an Interconnection Request for a Generating Facility that already has a Queue Position pursuant to Section 1.6. An Interconnection Customer that initially reserves a Queue Position for a Generating Facility through the Resource Solicitation Process may reserve a Queue Position separate from the Resource Solicitation Process pursuant to Section 1.6. In either

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case, the Interconnection Customer must meet all requirements associated with maintaining each Queue Position for the Generating Facility.

A Generating Facility in the Resource Solicitation Process is subject to study according to the Queue Position in the process. A Generating Facility that is not a part of the Resource Solicitation Process is subject to study according to its Queue Position pursuant to Section 1.6. All studies must be done in accordance with the provisions of the SGIP, and may not be delayed as a result of the Resource Solicitation Process.

In order to facilitate Transmission Provider's study of Interconnection Requests made in connection with a Resource Solicitation Process, the eligible entity must: a) act as the authorized representative for all Interconnection Requests submitted, b) submit all Interconnection Requests arising from the Resource Solicitation Process at the same time to ensure simultaneous Queue Positions for all such Interconnection Requests, c) cooperate with Transmission Provider in conducting the studies, and d) request that studies be conducted of a reasonable number of different combinations of such Interconnection Requests to meet the eligible entity's identified need in the Resource Solicitation Process.

After Transmission Provider completes the Interconnection System Impact Studies of the requested combinations, the results will be provided to the eligible entity for use in the Resource Solicitation Process. The results will be posted on Transmission Provider's OASIS consistent with the posting of other study results. After receipt of these studies, the eligible entity must select one of the studied combinations prior to the start of any Interconnection Facility Study associated with the Resource Solicitation Process. Prior to the completion of the Interconnection Facilities Study of all of the components of the selected combination, the eligible entity may replace components of the selected combination. While conducting the Interconnection Facilities Study(ies), Transmission Provider may suspend further action on the Interconnection Requests in the Resource Solicitation Process that are not included in the selected combination. Once a Generating Facility is rejected in the Resource Solicitation Process, it shall lose the Queue Position it held as part of the Resource Solicitation Process. If a Generating Facility is selected by the eligible entity at the conclusion of the Resource Solicitation Process, the Generating Facility may no longer maintain more than one Queue Position.

For purposes of this section 1.6.1, "eligible entity" means any entity subject to or conducting a Resource Solicitation Process, and "Resource Solicitation Process" means any process authorized or required by Applicable Laws and Regulations for the acquisition of Network Resources by an entity interconnected to the Transmission System of Transmission Provider.

1.7 <u>Interconnection Requests Submitted Prior to the Effective Date of the SGIP</u> Nothing in this SGIP affects an Interconnection Customer's Queue Position assigned before the effective date of this SGIP. The Parties agree to complete work on any

interconnection study agreement executed prior the effective date of this SGIP in

accordance with the terms and conditions of that interconnection study agreement. Any new studies or other additional work will be completed pursuant to this SGIP.

Section 2. Fast Track Process

2.1 Applicability

The Fast Track Process is available to an Interconnection Customer proposing to interconnect its Small Generating Facility with—the Transmission Provider's Distribution System if the Small Generating Facility's capacity does not exceed the size limits identified in the table below. Small Generating Facilities below these limits are eligible for Fast Track review. However, Fast Track eligibility is distinct from the Fast Track Process itself, and eligibility does not imply or indicate that a Small Generating Facility will pass the Fast Track screens in section 2.2.1 below or the Supplemental Review screens in section 2.4.4 below

Fast Track eligibility is determined based upon the generator type, the size of the generator, voltage of the line and the location of and the type of line at the Point of Interconnection. All Small Generating Facilities connecting to lines greater than 69 kilovolt (kV) are ineligible for the Fast Track Process regardless of size. All synchronous and induction machines must be no larger than 2 MW to be eligible for the Fast Track Process, regardless of location. For certified inverter-based systems, the size limit varies according to the voltage of the line at the proposed Point of Interconnection. Certified inverter-based Small Generating Facilities located within 2.5 electrical circuit miles of a substation and on a mainline (as defined in the table below) are eligible for the Fast Track Process under the higher thresholds according to the table below. In addition to the size threshold, the Interconnection Customer's proposed Small Generating Facility must meet the codes, standards, and certification requirements of Attachments 3 and 4 of these procedures, or the Transmission Provider has reviewed the design or tested the proposed Small Generating Facility and is satisfied that it is safe to operate.

| Fast Track Eligibility for Inverter-Based Systems | | | | |
|---|--|---|--|--|
| Line Voltage | Fast Track Eligibility Regardless of Location | Fast Track Eligibility on a Mainline¹ and ≤ 2.5 Electrical Circuit Miles from Substation² | | |
| < 5 kV | ≤ 500 kW | ≤ 500 kW | | |
| ≥ 5 kV and < 15 kV | ≤ 2 MW | ≤ 3 MW | | |
| ≥ 15 kV and < 30 kV | ≤ 3 MW | ≤ 4 MW | | |
| ≥ 30 kV and ≤ 69 kV | ≤ 4 MW | ≤ 5 MW | | |

¹ For purposes of this table, a mainline is the three-phase backbone of a circuit. It will typically constitute lines with wire sizes of 4/0 American wire gauge, 336.4 kcmil, 397.5 kcmil, 477 kcmil and 795 kcmil.

² An Interconnection Customer can determine this information about its proposed interconnection location in advance by requesting a pre-application report pursuant to section 1.2.

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2.2 Initial Review

Within 15 Business Days after the Transmission Provider notifies the Interconnection Customer it has received a complete Interconnection Request, the Transmission Provider shall perform an initial review using the screens set forth below, shall notify the Interconnection Customer of the results, and include with the notification copies of the analysis and data underlying the Transmission Provider's determinations under the screens.

2.2.1 Screens

- 2.2.1.1 The proposed Small Generating Facility's Point of Interconnection must be on a portion of the Transmission Provider's Distribution System that is subject to the Tariff.
- 2.2.1.2 For interconnection of a proposed Small Generating Facility to a radial distribution circuit, the aggregated generation, including the proposed Small Generating Facility, on the circuit shall not exceed 15 % of the line section annual peak load as most recently measured at the substation. A line section is that portion of a Transmission Provider's electric system connected to a customer bounded by automatic sectionalizing devices or the end of the distribution line.
- 2.2.1.3 For interconnection of a proposed Small Generating Facility to the load side of spot network protectors, the proposed Small Generating Facility must utilize an inverter-based equipment package and, together with the aggregated other inverter-based generation, shall not exceed the smaller of 5 % of a spot network's maximum load or 50 kW.³
 - A spot Network is a type of distribution system found within modern commercial buildings to provide high reliability of service to a single customer. (Standard <u>Handbook for Electrical Engineers</u>, 11th edition, Donald Fink, McGraw Hill Book Company).
- 2.2.1.4 The proposed Small Generating Facility, in aggregation with other generation on the distribution circuit, shall not contribute more than 10 % to the distribution circuit's maximum fault current at the point on the high voltage (primary) level nearest the proposed point of change of ownership.
- 2.2.1.5 The proposed Small Generating Facility, in aggregate with other generation on the distribution circuit, shall not cause any distribution protective devices and equipment (including, but not limited to, substation breakers, fuse cutouts, and line reclosers), or Interconnection Customer equipment on the system to exceed 87.5 % of the short circuit interrupting capability; nor shall the interconnection proposed for a circuit that already exceeds 87.5 % of the short circuit interrupting capability.

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2.2.1.6 Using the table below, determine the type of interconnection to a primary distribution line. This screen includes a review of the type of electrical service provided to the Interconnecting Customer, including line configuration and the transformer connection to limit the potential for creating over-voltages on the Transmission Provider's electric power system due to a loss of ground during the operating time of any anti-islanding function.

| Primary Distribution Line Type | Type of Interconnection to Primary Distribution Line | Result/Criteria |
|--------------------------------|---|-----------------|
| Three-phase, three wire | 3-phase or single phase, phase-to-phase | Pass screen |
| Three-phase, four wire | Effectively-grounded 3 phase or Single-phase, line-to-neutral | Pass screen |

- 2.2.1.7 If the proposed Small Generating Facility is to be interconnected on single-phase shared secondary, the aggregate generation capacity on the shared secondary, including the proposed Small Generating Facility, shall not exceed 20 kW.
- 2.2.1.8 If the proposed Small Generating Facility is single-phase and is to be interconnected on a center tap neutral of a 240 volt service, its addition shall not create an imbalance between the two sides of the 240 volt service of more than 20 % of the nameplate rating of the service transformer.
- 2.2.1.9 The Small Generating Facility, in aggregate with other generation interconnected to the transmission side of a substation transformer feeding the circuit where the Small Generating Facility proposes to interconnect shall not exceed 10 MW in an area where there are known, or posted, transient stability limitations to generating units located in the general electrical vicinity (e.g., three or four transmission busses from the point of interconnection).
- 2.2.1.10 No construction of facilities by the Transmission Provider on its own system shall be required to accommodate the Small Generating Facility.
- 2.2.2 If the proposed interconnection passes the screens, the Interconnection Request shall be approved and the Transmission Provider will provide the Interconnection Customer an executable interconnection agreement within five Business Days after the determination.
- 2.2.3 If the proposed interconnection fails the screens, but the Transmission Provider determines that the Small Generating Facility may nevertheless be interconnected consistent with safety, reliability, and power quality standards, the Transmission

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Provider shall provide the Interconnection Customer an executable interconnection agreement within five Business Days after the determination.

2.2.4 If the proposed interconnection fails the screens, but the Transmission Provider does not or cannot determine from the initial review that the Small Generating Facility may nevertheless be interconnected consistent with safety, reliability, and power quality standards unless the Interconnection Customer is willing to consider minor modifications or further study, the Transmission Provider shall provide the Interconnection Customer with the opportunity to attend a customer options meeting.

2.3 Customer Options Meeting

If the Transmission Provider determines the Interconnection Request cannot be approved without (1) minor modifications at minimal cost, or (2) supplemental study or other additional studies or actions, or (3) incurring significant cost to address safety, reliability, or power quality problems, the Transmission Provider shall notify the Interconnection Customer of that determination within five Business Days after the determination and provide copies of all data and analyses underlying its conclusion. Within ten Business Days of the Transmission Provider's determination, the Transmission Provider shall offer to convene a customer options meeting with the Transmission Provider to review possible Interconnection Customer facility modifications or the screen analysis and related results, to determine what further steps are needed to permit the Small Generating Facility to be connected safely and reliably. At the time of notification of the Transmission Provider's determination, or at the customer options meeting, the Transmission Provider shall:

- 2.3.1 Offer to perform facility modifications or minor modifications to the Transmission Provider's electric system (e.g., changing meters, fuses, relay settings) and provide a non-binding good faith estimate of the limited cost to make such modifications to the Transmission Provider's electric system. If the Interconnection Customer agrees to pay for the modifications to the Transmission Provider's electric system, the Transmission Provider will provide the Interconnection Customer with an executable interconnection agreement within ten Business Days of the customer options meeting; or
- 2.3.2 Offer to perform a supplemental review in accordance with section 2.4 and provide a non-binding good faith estimate of the costs of such review; or
- 2.3.3 Obtain—the Interconnection Customer's agreement to continue evaluating the Interconnection Request under the section 3 Study Process.

2.4 Supplemental Review

2.4.1 To accept the offer of a supplemental review, the Interconnection Customer shall agree in writing and submit a deposit for the estimated costs of the supplemental review in the amount of the Transmission Provider's good faith estimate of the costs of such review, both within 15 Business Days of the offer. If the written agreement and deposit have not been received by the Transmission Provider

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within that timeframe, the Interconnection Request shall continue to be evaluated under the section 3 Study Process unless it is withdrawn by the Interconnection Customer.

- 2.4.2 The Interconnection Customer may specify the order in which the Transmission Provider will complete the screens in section 2.4.4.
- 2.4.3 The Interconnection Customer shall be responsible for the Transmission Provider's actual costs for conducting the supplemental review. The Interconnection Customer must pay any review costs that exceed the deposit within 20 Business Days of receipt of the invoice or resolution of any dispute. If the deposit exceeds the invoiced costs, the Transmission Provider will return such excess within 20 Business Days of the invoice without interest.
- Within 30 Business Days following receipt of the deposit for a supplemental review, the Transmission Provider shall (1) perform a supplemental review using the screens set forth below; (2) notify in writing the Interconnection Customer of the results; and (3) include with the notification copies of the analysis and data underlying the Transmission Provider's determinations under the screens. Unless the Interconnection Customer provided instructions for how to respond to the failure of any of the supplemental review screens below at the time the Interconnection Customer accepted the offer of supplemental review, the Transmission Provider shall notify the Interconnection Customer following the failure of any of the screens, or if it is unable to perform the screen in section 2.4.4.1, within two Business Days of making such determination to obtain the Interconnection Customer's permission to: (1) continue evaluating the proposed interconnection under this section 2.4.4; (2) terminate the supplemental review and continue evaluating the Small Generating Facility under section 3; or (3) terminate the supplemental review upon withdrawal of the Interconnection Request by the Interconnection Customer.
 - 2.4.4.1 Minimum Load Screen: Where 12 months of line section minimum load data (including onsite load but not station service load served by the proposed Small Generating Facility) are available, can be calculated, can be estimated from existing data, or determined from a power flow model, the aggregate Generating Facility capacity on the line section is less than 100% of the minimum load for all line sections bounded by automatic sectionalizing devices upstream of the proposed Small Generating Facility. If minimum load data is not available, or cannot be calculated, estimated or determined, the Transmission Provider shall include the reason(s) that it is unable to calculate, estimate or determine minimum load in its supplemental review results notification under section 2.4.4.
 - 2.4.4.1.1 The type of generation used by the proposed Small Generating Facility will be taken into account when calculating, estimating, or determining circuit or line section

minimum load relevant for the application of screen 2.4.4.1. Solar photovoltaic (PV) generation systems with no battery storage use daytime minimum load (i.e. 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. for fixed panel systems and 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. for PV systems utilizing tracking systems), while all other generation uses absolute minimum load.

- 2.4. 4.1.2 When this screen is being applied to a Small Generating Facility that serves some station service load, only the net injection into the Transmission Provider's electric system will be considered as part of the aggregate generation.
- 2.4. 4.1.3 Transmission Provider will not consider as part of the aggregate generation for purposes of this screen generating facility capacity known to be already reflected in the minimum load data.
- 2.4.4.2 Voltage and Power Quality Screen: In aggregate with existing generation on the line section: (1) the voltage regulation on the line section can be maintained in compliance with relevant requirements under all system conditions; (2) the voltage fluctuation is within acceptable limits as defined by Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE) Standard 1453, or utility practice similar to IEEE Standard 1453; and (3) the harmonic levels meet IEEE Standard 519 limits.
- 2.4.4.3 Safety and Reliability Screen: The location of the proposed Small Generating Facility and the aggregate generation capacity on the line section do not create impacts to safety or reliability that cannot be adequately addressed without application of the Study Process. The Transmission Provider shall give due consideration to the following and other factors in determining potential impacts to safety and reliability in applying this screen.
 - 2.4.4.3.1 Whether the line section has significant minimum loading levels dominated by a small number of customers (e.g., several large commercial customers).
 - 2.4.4.3.2 Whether the loading along the line section is uniform or even.

- 2.4.4.3.3 Whether the proposed Small Generating Facility is located in close proximity to the substation (i.e., less than 2.5 electrical circuit miles), and whether the line section from the substation to the Point of Interconnection is a Mainline rated for normal and emergency ampacity.
- 2.4.4.3.4 Whether the proposed Small Generating Facility incorporates a time delay function to prevent reconnection of the generator to the system until system voltage and frequency are within normal limits for a prescribed time.
- 2.4.4.3.5 Whether operational flexibility is reduced by the proposed Small Generating Facility, such that transfer of the line section(s) of the Small Generating Facility to a neighboring distribution circuit/substation may trigger overloads or voltage issues.
- 2.4.4.3.6 Whether the proposed Small Generating Facility employs equipment or systems certified by a recognized standards organization to address technical issues such as, but not limited to, islanding, reverse power flow, or voltage quality.
- 2.4.5 If the proposed interconnection passes the supplemental screens in sections 2.4.4.1, 2.4.4.2, and 2.4.4.3 above, the Interconnection Request shall be approved and the Transmission Provider will provide the Interconnection Customer with an executable interconnection agreement within the timeframes established in sections 2.4.5.1 and 2.4.5.2 below. If the proposed interconnection fails any of the supplemental review screens and the Interconnection Customer does not withdraw its Interconnection Request, it shall continue to be evaluated under the section 3 Study Process consistent with section 2.4.5.3 below.
 - 2.4.5.1 If the proposed interconnection passes the supplemental screens in sections 2.4.4.1, 2.4.4.2, and 2.4.4.3 above and does not require construction of facilities by the Transmission Provider on its own system, the interconnection agreement shall be provided within ten Business Days after the notification of the supplemental review results.
 - 2.4.5.2 If interconnection facilities or minor modifications to the Transmission Provider's system are required for the proposed interconnection to pass the supplemental screens in sections 2.4.4.1, 2.4.4.2, and 2.4.4.3 above, and the Interconnection Customer agrees to pay for the modifications to the Transmission Provider's electric system, the

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interconnection agreement, along with a non-binding good faith estimate for the interconnection facilities and/or minor modifications, shall be provided to the Interconnection Customer within 15 Business Days after receiving written notification of the supplemental review results.

2.4.5.3 If the proposed interconnection would require more than interconnection facilities or minor modifications to the Transmission Provider's system to pass the supplemental screens in sections 2.4.4.1, 2.4.4.2, and 2.4.4.3 above, the Transmission Provider shall notify the Interconnection Customer, at the same time it notifies—the Interconnection Customer with the supplemental review results, that the Interconnection Request shall be evaluated under the section 3 Study Process unless the Interconnection Customer withdraws its Small Generating Facility.

Section 3. Study Process

3.1 Applicability

The Study Process shall be used by an Interconnection Customer proposing to interconnect its Small Generating Facility with the Transmission Provider's Transmission System or Distribution System if the Small Generating Facility (1) is larger than 2 MW but no larger than 20 MW, (2) is not certified, or (3) is certified but did not pass the Fast Track Process or the 10 kW Inverter Process.

3.2 Scoping Meeting

- 3.2.1 A scoping meeting will be held within ten Business Days after the Interconnection Request is deemed complete, or as otherwise mutually agreed to by the Parties. The Transmission Provider and the Interconnection Customer will bring to the meeting personnel, including system engineers and other resources as may be reasonably required to accomplish the purpose of the meeting.
- 3.2.2 The purpose of the scoping meeting is to discuss the Interconnection Request and review existing studies relevant to the Interconnection Request. The Parties shall further discuss whether the Transmission Provider should perform a feasibility study or proceed directly to a system impact study, or a facilities study, or an interconnection agreement. If the Parties agree that a feasibility study should be performed, the Transmission Provider shall provide the Interconnection Customer, as soon as possible, but not later than five Business Days after the scoping meeting, a feasibility study agreement (Attachment 6) including an outline of the scope of the study and a non-binding good faith estimate of the cost to perform the study.

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3.2.3 The scoping meeting may be omitted by mutual agreement. In order to remain in consideration for interconnection, an Interconnection Customer who has requested a feasibility study must return the executed feasibility study agreement within 15 Business Days. If the Parties agree not to perform a feasibility study, the Transmission Provider shall provide the Interconnection Customer, no later than five Business Days after the scoping meeting, a system impact study agreement (Attachment 7) including an outline of the scope of the study and a non-binding good faith estimate of the cost to perform the study.

3.3 Feasibility Study

- 3.3.1 The feasibility study shall identify any potential adverse system impacts that would result from the interconnection of the Small Generating Facility.
- 3.3.2 A deposit of the lesser of 50 percent of the good faith estimated feasibility study costs or earnest money of \$1,000 may be required from the Interconnection Customer.
- 3.3.3 The scope of and cost responsibilities for the feasibility study are described in the attached feasibility study agreement (Attachment 6).
- 3.3.4 If the feasibility study shows no potential for adverse system impacts, the Transmission Provider shall send the Interconnection Customer a facilities study agreement, including an outline of the scope of the study and a non-binding good faith estimate of the cost to perform the study. If no additional facilities are required, the Transmission Provider shall send the Interconnection Customer an executable interconnection agreement within five Business Days.
- 3.3.5 If the feasibility study shows the potential for adverse system impacts, the review process shall proceed to the appropriate system impact study(s).
- 3.3.6 The feasibility study shall evaluate static synchronous compensators, staticVAR compensators, advanced power flow control devices, transmission switching, synchronous condensers, voltage source converters, advanced conductors, and tower lifting. Transmission Provider shall evaluate each identified alternative transmission technology and determine whether it should be used, consistent with Good Utility Practice, Applicable Reliability Standards, and Applicable Laws and Regulations. Transmission Provider shall include an explanation of the results of Transmission Provider's evaluation for each technology in the feasibility study report.

3.4 System Impact Study

3.4.1 A system impact study shall identify and detail the electric system impacts that would result if the proposed Small Generating Facility were interconnected without project modifications or electric system modifications, focusing on the adverse system impacts identified in the feasibility study, or to study potential impacts, including but not limited to those identified in the scoping meeting. A system

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impact study shall evaluate the impact of the proposed interconnection on the reliability of the electric system.

- 3.4.2 If no transmission system impact study is required, but potential electric power Distribution System adverse system impacts are identified in the scoping meeting or shown in the feasibility study, a distribution system impact study must be performed. The Transmission Provider shall send the Interconnection Customer a distribution system impact study agreement within 15 Business Days of transmittal of the feasibility study report, including an outline of the scope of the study and a non-binding good faith estimate of the cost to perform the study, or following the scoping meeting if no feasibility study is to be performed.
- 3.4.3 In instances where the feasibility study or the distribution system impact study shows potential for transmission system adverse system impacts, within five Business Days following transmittal of the feasibility study report, the Transmission Provider shall send the Interconnection Customer a transmission system impact study agreement, including an outline of the scope of the study and a non-binding good faith estimate of the cost to perform the study, if such a study is required.
- 3.4.4 If a transmission system impact study is not required, but electric power Distribution System adverse system impacts are shown by the feasibility study to be possible and no distribution system impact study has been conducted, the Transmission Provider shall send the Interconnection Customer a distribution system impact study agreement.
- 3.4.5 If the feasibility study shows no potential for transmission system or Distribution System adverse system impacts, the Transmission Provider shall send—the Interconnection Customer either a facilities study agreement (Attachment 8), including an outline of the scope of the study and a non-binding good faith estimate of the cost to perform the study, or an executable interconnection agreement, as applicable.
- 3.4.6 In order to remain under consideration for interconnection, the Interconnection Customer must return executed system impact study agreements, if applicable, within 30 Business Days.
- 3.4.7 A deposit of the good faith estimated costs for each system impact study may be required from the Interconnection Customer.
- 3.4.8 The scope of and cost responsibilities for a system impact study are described in the attached system impact study agreement.
- 3.4.9 Where transmission systems and Distribution Systems have separate owners, such as is the case with transmission-dependent utilities ("TDUs") whether investor-owned or not the Interconnection Customer may apply to the nearest Transmission Provider (Transmission Owner, Regional Transmission Operator, or Independent Transmission Provider) providing transmission service to the TDU to

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request project coordination. Affected Systems shall participate in the study and provide all information necessary to prepare the study.

3.4.10 The system impact study shall evaluate static synchronous compensators, static VAR compensators, advanced power flow control devices, transmission switching, synchronous condensers, voltage source converters, advanced conductors, and tower lifting. Transmission Provider shall evaluate each identified alternative transmission technology and determine whether it should be used, consistent with Good Utility Practice, Applicable Reliability Standards, and Applicable Laws and Regulations. Transmission Provider shall include an explanation of the results of Transmission Provider's evaluation for each technology in the system impact study report.

3.5 <u>Facilities Study</u>

- 3.5.1 Once the required system impact study(s) is completed, a system impact study report shall be prepared and transmitted to the Interconnection Customer along with a facilities study agreement within five Business Days, including an outline of the scope of the study and a non-binding good faith estimate of the cost to perform the facilities study. In the case where one or both impact studies are determined to be unnecessary, a notice of the fact shall be transmitted to the Interconnection Customer within the same timeframe.
- 3.5.2 In order to remain under consideration for interconnection, or, as appropriate, in the Transmission Provider's interconnection queue, the Interconnection Customer must return the executed facilities study agreement or a request for an extension of time within 30 Business Days.
- 3.5.3 The facilities study shall specify and estimate the cost of the equipment, engineering, procurement and construction work (including overheads) needed to implement the conclusions of the system impact study(s).
- 3.5.4 Design for any required Interconnection Facilities and/or Upgrades shall be performed under the facilities study agreement. The Transmission Provider may contract with consultants to perform activities required under the facilities study agreement. The Interconnection Customer and the Transmission Provider may agree to allow the Interconnection Customer to separately arrange for the design of some of the Interconnection Facilities. In such cases, facilities design will be reviewed and/or modified prior to acceptance by the Transmission Provider, under the provisions of the facilities study agreement. If the Parties agree to separately arrange for design and construction, and provided security and confidentiality requirements can be met, the Transmission Provider shall make sufficient information available to the Interconnection Customer in accordance with confidentiality and critical infrastructure requirements to permit the Interconnection Customer to obtain an independent design and cost estimate for any necessary facilities.

- 3.5.5 A deposit of the good faith estimated costs for the facilities study may be required from the Interconnection Customer.
- 3.5.6 The scope of and cost responsibilities for the facilities study are described in the attached facilities study agreement.
- 3.5.7 Upon completion of the facilities study, and with the agreement of the Interconnection Customer to pay for Interconnection Facilities and Upgrades identified in the facilities study, the Transmission Provider shall provide the Interconnection Customer an executable interconnection agreement within five Business Days.

Section 4. Provisions that Apply to All Interconnection Requests

4.1 Reasonable Efforts

The Transmission Provider shall make reasonable efforts to meet all time frames provided in these procedures unless the Transmission Provider and the Interconnection Customer agree to a different schedule. If the Transmission Provider cannot meet a deadline provided herein, it shall notify the Interconnection Customer, explain the reason for the failure to meet the deadline, and provide an estimated time by which it will complete the applicable interconnection procedure in the process.

4.2 <u>Disputes</u>

- 4.2.1 The Parties agree to attempt to resolve all disputes arising out of the interconnection process according to the provisions of this article.
- 4.2.2 In the event of a dispute, either Party shall provide the other Party with a written Notice of Dispute. Such Notice shall describe in detail the nature of the dispute.
- 4.2.3 If the dispute has not been resolved within two Business Days after receipt of the Notice, either Party may contact FERC's Dispute Resolution Service (DRS) for assistance in resolving the dispute.
- 4.2.4 The DRS will assist the Parties in either resolving their dispute or in selecting an appropriate dispute resolution venue (e.g., mediation, settlement judge, early neutral evaluation, or technical expert) to assist the Parties in resolving their dispute. DRS can be reached at 1-877-337-2237 or via the internet at http://www.ferc.gov/legal/adr.asp.
- 4.2.5 Each Party agrees to conduct all negotiations in good faith and will be responsible for one-half of any costs paid to neutral third-parties.
- 4.2.6 If neither Party elects to seek assistance from the DRS or if the attempted dispute resolution fails, then either Party may exercise whatever rights and remedies it may have in equity or law consistent with the terms of these procedures.

4.3 Interconnection Metering

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Any metering necessitated by the use of the Small Generating Facility shall be installed at the Interconnection Customer's expense in accordance with Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, state, or local regulatory requirements or the Transmission Provider's specifications.

4.4 Commissioning

Commissioning tests of the Interconnection Customer's installed equipment shall be performed pursuant to applicable codes and standards. The Transmission Provider must be given at least five Business Days written notice, or as otherwise mutually agreed to by the Parties, of the tests and may be present to witness the commissioning tests.

4.5. Confidentiality

- 4.5.1 Confidential information shall mean any confidential and/or proprietary information provided by one Party to the other Party that is clearly marked or otherwise designated "Confidential." For purposes of these procedures all design, operating specifications, and metering data provided by the Interconnection Customer shall be deemed confidential information regardless of whether it is clearly marked or otherwise designated as such.
- 4.5.2 Confidential Information does not include information previously in the public domain, required to be publicly submitted or divulged by Governmental Authorities (after notice to the other Party and after exhausting any opportunity to oppose such publication or release), or necessary to be divulged in an action to enforce these procedures. Each Party receiving Confidential Information shall hold such information in confidence and shall not disclose it to any third party nor to the public without the prior written authorization from the Party providing that information, except to fulfill obligations under these procedures, or to fulfill legal or regulatory requirements.
 - 4.5.2.1 Each Party shall employ at least the same standard of care to protect Confidential Information obtained from the other Party as it employs to protect its own Confidential Information.
 - 4.5.2.2 Each Party is entitled to equitable relief, by injunction or otherwise, to enforce its rights under this provision to prevent the release of Confidential Information without bond or proof of damages, and may seek other remedies available at law or in equity for breach of this provision.
- 4.5.3 Notwithstanding anything in this article to the contrary, and pursuant to 18 CFR § 1b.20, if FERC, during the course of an investigation or otherwise, requests information from one of the Parties that is otherwise required to be maintained in confidence pursuant to these procedures, the Party shall provide the requested information to FERC, within the time provided for in the request for information. In providing the information to FERC, the Party may, consistent with 18 CFR § 388.112, request that the information be treated as confidential and non-public by FERC and that the information be withheld from public disclosure. Parties are

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prohibited from notifying the other Party prior to the release of the Confidential Information to FERC. The Party shall notify the other Party when it is notified by FERC that a request to release Confidential Information has been received by FERC, at which time either of the Parties may respond before such information would be made public, pursuant to 18 CFR § 388.112. Requests from a state regulatory body conducting a confidential investigation shall be treated in a similar manner if consistent with the applicable state rules and regulations.

4.6 Comparability

The Transmission Provider shall receive, process and analyze all Interconnection Requests in a timely manner as set forth in this document. The Transmission Provider shall use the same reasonable efforts in processing and analyzing Interconnection Requests from all Interconnection Customers, whether the Small Generating Facility is owned or operated by the Transmission Provider, its subsidiaries or affiliates, or others.

4.7 Record Retention

The Transmission Provider shall maintain for three years records, subject to audit, of all Interconnection Requests received under these procedures, the times required to complete Interconnection Request approvals and disapprovals, and justification for the actions taken on the Interconnection Requests.

4.8 Interconnection Agreement

After receiving an interconnection agreement from the Transmission Provider, the Interconnection Customer shall have 30 Business Days or another mutually agreeable timeframe to sign and return the interconnection agreement, or request that the Transmission Provider file an unexecuted interconnection agreement with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission. If the Interconnection Customer does not sign the interconnection agreement, or ask that it be filed unexecuted by the Transmission Provider within 30 Business Days, the Interconnection Request shall be deemed withdrawn. After the interconnection agreement is signed by the Parties, the interconnection of the Small Generating Facility shall proceed under the provisions of the interconnection agreement.

4.9 Coordination with Affected Systems

The Transmission Provider shall coordinate the conduct of any studies required to determine the impact of the Interconnection Request on Affected Systems with Affected System operators and, if possible, include those results (if available) in its applicable interconnection study within the time frame specified in these procedures. The Transmission Provider will include such Affected System operators in all meetings held with the Interconnection Customer as required by these procedures. The Interconnection Customer will cooperate with the Transmission Provider in all matters related to the conduct of studies and the determination of modifications to Affected Systems. A Transmission Provider which may be an Affected System shall cooperate with the Transmission Provider with whom interconnection has been requested in all matters related to the conduct of studies and the determination of modifications to Affected Systems.

4.10 Capacity of the Small Generating Facility

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- 4.10.1 If the Interconnection Request is for an increase in capacity for an existing Small Generating Facility, the Interconnection Request shall be evaluated on the basis of the new total capacity of the Small Generating Facility.
- 4.10.2 If the Interconnection Request is for a Small Generating Facility that includes multiple energy production devices at a site for which the Interconnection Customer seeks a single Point of Interconnection, the Interconnection Request shall be evaluated on the basis of the aggregate capacity of the multiple devices.
- 4.10.3 The Interconnection Request shall be evaluated using the maximum capacity that the Small Generating Facility is capable of injecting into the Transmission Provider's electric system. However, if the maximum capacity that the Small Generating Facility is capable of injecting into the Transmission Provider's electric system is limited (e.g., through use of a control system, power relay(s), or other similar device settings or adjustments), then the Interconnection Customer must obtain the Transmission Provider's agreement, with such agreement not to be unreasonably withheld, that the manner in which the Interconnection Customer proposes to implement such a limit will not adversely affect the safety and reliability of the Transmission Provider's system. If the Transmission Provider does not so agree, then the Interconnection Request must be withdrawn or revised to specify the maximum capacity that the Small Generating Facility is capable of injecting into the Transmission Provider's electric system without such limitations. Furthermore, nothing in this section shall prevent a Transmission Provider from considering an output higher than the limited output, if appropriate, when evaluating system protection impacts.

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Glossary of Terms

10 kW Inverter Process – The procedure for evaluating an Interconnection Request for a certified inverter-based Small Generating Facility no larger than 10 kW that uses the section 2 screens. The application process uses an all-in-one document that includes a simplified Interconnection Request, simplified procedures, and a brief set of terms and conditions. See SGIP Attachment 5

Affected System – An electric system other than the Transmission Provider's Transmission System that may be affected by the proposed interconnection.

<u>Applicable Reliability Standards</u> – The requirements and guidelines of the Electric Reliability <u>Organization and the Balancing Authority Area of the Transmission System to which the Generating Facility is directly interconnected.</u>

<u>Applicable Laws and Regulations – All duly promulgated applicable federal, state and local laws, regulations, rules, ordinances, codes, decrees, judgments, directives, or judicial or administrative orders, permits and other duly authorized actions of any Governmental Authority.</u>

Business Day – Monday through Friday, excluding Federal Holidays.

Distribution System — The Transmission Provider's facilities and equipment used to transmit electricity to ultimate usage points such as homes and industries directly from nearby generators or from interchanges with higher voltage transmission networks which transport bulk power over longer distances. The voltage levels at which Distribution Systems operate differ among areas.

Distribution Upgrades – The additions, modifications, and upgrades to the Transmission Provider's Distribution System at or beyond the Point of Interconnection to facilitate interconnection of the Small Generating Facility and render the transmission service necessary to effect the Interconnection Customer's wholesale sale of electricity in interstate commerce. Distribution Upgrades do not include Interconnection Facilities.

Good Utility Practice – Any of the practices, methods and acts engaged in or approved by a significant portion of the electric industry during the relevant time period, or any of the practices, methods and acts which, in the exercise of reasonable judgment in light of the facts known at the time the decision was made, could have been expected to accomplish the desired result at a reasonable cost consistent with good business practices, reliability, safety and expedition. Good Utility Practice is not intended to be limited to the optimum practice, method, or act to the exclusion of all others, but rather to be acceptable practices, methods, or acts generally accepted in the region.

Fast Track Process – The procedure for evaluating an Interconnection Request for a certified Small Generating Facility that meets the eligibility requirements of section 2.1 and includes the section 2 screens, customer options meeting, and optional supplemental review.

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Interconnection Customer – Any entity, including the Transmission Provider, the Transmission Owner or any of the affiliates or subsidiaries of either, that proposes to interconnect its Small Generating Facility with the Transmission Provider's Transmission System.

Interconnection Facilities – The Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and the Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities. Collectively, Interconnection Facilities include all facilities and equipment between the Small Generating Facility and the Point of Interconnection, including any modification, additions or upgrades that are necessary to physically and electrically interconnect the Small Generating Facility to the Transmission Provider's Transmission System. Interconnection Facilities are sole use facilities and shall not include Distribution Upgrades or Network Upgrades.

Interconnection Request — The Interconnection Customer's request, in accordance with the Tariff, to interconnect a new Small Generating Facility, or to increase the capacity of, or make a Material Modification to the operating characteristics of, an existing Small Generating Facility that is interconnected with the Transmission Provider's Transmission System.

Material Modification – A modification that has a material impact on the cost or timing of any Interconnection Request with a later queue priority date.

Network Resource – Any designated generating resource owned, purchased, or leased by a Network Customer under the Network Integration Transmission Service Tariff. Network Resources do not include any resource, or any portion thereof, that is committed for sale to third parties or otherwise cannot be called upon to meet the Network Customer's Network Load on a non-interruptible basis.

Network Resource Interconnection Service – An Interconnection Service that allows the Interconnection Customer to integrate its Generating Facility with the Transmission Provider's System (1) in a manner comparable to that in which the Transmission Provider integrates its generating facilities to serve native load customers; or (2) in an RTO or ISO with market based congestion management, in the same manner as Network Resources. Network Resource Interconnection Service in and of itself does not convey transmission service.

Network Upgrades – Additions, modifications, and upgrades to the Transmission Provider's Transmission System required at or beyond the point at which the Small Generating Facility interconnects with the Transmission Provider's Transmission System to accommodate the interconnection with the Small Generating Facility to the Transmission Provider's Transmission System. Network Upgrades do not include Distribution Upgrades.

Party or Parties – The Transmission Provider, Transmission Owner, Interconnection Customer or any combination of the above.

Point of Interconnection – The point where the Interconnection Facilities connect with the Transmission Provider's Transmission System.

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Queue Position – The order of a valid Interconnection Request, relative to all other pending valid Interconnection Requests, that is established based upon the date and time of receipt of the valid Interconnection Request by the Transmission Provider.

Small Generating Facility — The Interconnection Customer's device for the production and/or storage for later injection of electricity identified in the Interconnection Request, but shall not include the Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities.

Study Process – The procedure for evaluating an Interconnection Request that includes the section 3 scoping meeting, feasibility study, system impact study, and facilities study.

Transmission Owner – The entity that owns, leases or otherwise possesses an interest in the portion of the Transmission System at the Point of Interconnection and may be a Party to the Small Generator Interconnection Agreement to the extent necessary.

Transmission Provider – The public utility (or its designated agent) that owns, controls, or operates transmission or distribution facilities used for the transmission of electricity in interstate commerce and provides transmission service under the Tariff. The term Transmission Provider should be read to include the Transmission Owner when the Transmission Owner is separate from the Transmission Provider.

Transmission System – The facilities owned, controlled or operated by the Transmission Provider or the Transmission Owner that are used to provide transmission service under the Tariff.

Upgrades – The required additions and modifications to—the Transmission Provider's Transmission System at or beyond the Point of Interconnection. Upgrades may be Network Upgrades or Distribution Upgrades. Upgrades do not include Interconnection Facilities.

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SMALL GENERATOR INTERCONNECTION REQUEST (Application Form)

| Transmission Provider: |
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| Designated Contact Person: |
| Address: |
| Telephone Number: |
| Fax: |
| E-Mail Address: |
| An Interconnection Request is considered complete when it provides all applicable and correct information required below. Per SGIP section 1.5, documentation of site control must be submitted with the Interconnection Request. |
| Preamble and Instructions |
| An Interconnection Customer who requests a Federal Energy Regulatory Commission jurisdictional interconnection must submit this Interconnection Request by hand delivery, mail, e-mail, or fax to the Transmission Provider. |
| Processing Fee or Deposit: |
| If the Interconnection Request is submitted under the Fast Track Process, the non-refundable processing fee is \$500. |
| If the Interconnection Request is submitted under the Study Process, whether a new submission or an Interconnection Request that did not pass the Fast Track Process, the Interconnection Customer shall submit to the Transmission Provider a deposit not to exceed \$1,000 towards the cost of the feasibility study. |
| Interconnection Customer Information |
| Legal Name of the Interconnection Customer (or, if an individual, individual's name) |
| Name: |
| Contact Person: |
| Mailing Address: |

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| City: | State: | Zip: |
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| Facility Location (if differe | nt from above): _ | |
| Telephone (Day): | | Telephone (Evening): |
| Fax: | E-Mail A | .ddress: |
| Alternative Contact Inform | nation (if different | from the Interconnection Customer) |
| Contact Name: | | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · |
| Title: | | |
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| | | |
| Telephone (Day): | | Telephone (Evening): |
| Fax: | | E-Mail Address: |
| Application is for:Ne | w Small Generati | ng Facility |
| Ca | pacity addition to | Existing Small Generating Facility |
| If capacity addition to exis | sting facility, pleas | se describe: |
| | | |
| Will the Small Generating | Facility be used f | for any of the following? |
| Net Metering? Yes N | · | , |
| To Supply Power to the Ir | | ustomer? Ves No |
| | | _ _ |
| To Supply Power to Other | 's? Yes No | |
| For installations at location Facility will interconnect, p | | ectric service to which the proposed Small Generating |
| (Local Electric Service P | rovider*) | (Existing Account Number*) |
| [*To be provided by the Infrom the Transmission Pro | | stomer if the local electric service provider is differer |

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| Addre | ess: | | | | | | | | | |
| Telepl | hone (Day): | | | Te | lephone | (Eveni | ing): | | | |
| Fax: _ | | | | E | -Mail Add | dress: _ | | | | |
| Reques | sted Point o | f Interconne | ection: | | | | | | | |
| Interco | nnection Cu | ıstomer's R | equested | In-Service | ce Date: | | | | | |
| | Generating pply only to | | | | not the | Interco | nnecti | on Facilit | ties. | |
| Energ | y Source:_ Diesel | Solar_ _ Natural C | Wind as | Hy Fuel Oil_ | droOtl | Hydro her (sta | Type ate type | (e.g. Rur e) | n-of-River):_ | |
| Prime | Mover: _ | Fuel (| Cell rbine | _Recip | Engine | | _Gas _PV | Turb _ | Steam Other | Tı |
| Type o | f Generator | :Syr | chronous | sl | nduction | | _Invert | er | | |
| Genera | ator Namep | ate Rating: | kW | (Typical) | Genera | ıtor Naı | meplat | e kVAR: | | |
| Interco | nnection Cu | stomer or 0 | Customer | -Site Loa | d: | | | kW (if | none, so sta | ate) |
| Typical | l Reactive L | oad (if knov | vn): | | | | | | | |
| Maximı | um Physica | Export Cap | oability R | equested | : | | kV | ٧ | | |
| List cor | mponents o | f the Small(| Generatir | ng Facility | / equipm | ent pa | ckage | that are | currently cer | tifie |
| Equip | ment Type | | | | Certify | /ing En | itity | | | |
| 1 | | | | | | | | | | |
| 3 | | | | | | | | | | |
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Is the prime mover compatible with the certified protective relay package? ___Yes ___No

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| Generator (or solar collector) Manufacturer, Model Name & Number: Version Number: |
|--|
| Namenlate Output Dawer Dating in kW. (Summer) (Winter) |
| Nameplate Output Power Rating in kW: (Summer) (Winter) |
| Nameplate Output Power Rating in kVA: (Summer) (Winter) |
| Individual Generator Power Factor Rated Power Factor: Leading: Lagging: |
| Total Number of Generators in wind farm to be interconnected pursuant to this |
| Interconnection Request: Elevation: Single phaseThree phase |
| Inverter Manufacturer, Model Name & Number (if used): |
| List of adjustable set points for the protective equipment or software: |
| Note: A completed Power Systems Load Flow data sheet must be supplied with the Interconnection Request. |
| Small Generating Facility Characteristic Data (for inverter-based machines) |
| Max design fault contribution current: Instantaneous or RMS? |
| Harmonics Characteristics: |
| Start-up requirements: |
| Small Generating Facility Characteristic Data (for rotating machines) |
| RPM Frequency:(*) Neutral Grounding Resistor (If Applicable): |
| Synchronous Generators: |
| Direct Axis Synchronous Reactance, X _d :P.U. Direct Axis Transient Reactance, X' _d :P.U. Direct Axis Subtransient Reactance, X'' _d :P.U. Negative Sequence Reactance, X ₂ :P.U. Zero Sequence Reactance, X ₀ :P.U. KVA Base: |

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| Field Amperes: |
|---|
| Induction Generators: |
| Motoring Power (kW): |
| Note: Please contact—the Transmission Provider prior to submitting the Interconnection Request to determine if the specified information above is required. |
| Excitation and Governor System Data for Synchronous Generators Only |
| Provide appropriate IEEE model block diagram of excitation system, governor system and power system stabilizer (PSS) in accordance with the regional reliability council criteria. A PSS may be determined to be required by applicable studies. A copy of the manufacturer's block diagram may not be substituted. |
| Primary frequency response operating range for electric storage resources: |
| Minimum State of Charge: Maximum State of Charge: |
| (e.g., an attestation from Interconnection Customer that the model accurately represents the entire Small Generating Facility; attestations from each equipment manufacturer that the user defined model accurately represents the component of the Small Generating Facility; or test data). |

Models for Non-synchronous Small Generating Facilities

For a non-synchronous Small Generating Facility, Interconnection Customer shall provide (1) a validated user-defined root mean squared (RMS) positive sequence dynamics model; (2) an appropriately parameterized generic library RMS positive sequence dynamics model, including model block diagram of the inverter control and plant control systems, as defined by the selection in Table 1 or a model otherwise approved by the Western Electricity Coordinating Council, that corresponds to Interconnection Customer's Small Generating Facility; and (3) if

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applicable, a validated electromagnetic transient model if Transmission Provider performs an electromagnetic transient study as part of the interconnection study process. A user-defined model is a set of programming code created by equipment manufacturers or developers that captures the latest features of controllers that are mainly software based and represents the entities' control strategies but does not necessarily correspond to any generic library model. Interconnection Customer must also demonstrate that the model is validated by providing evidence that the equipment behavior is consistent with the model behavior

Table 1: Acceptable Generic Library RMS Positive Sequence Dynamics Models

| <u>GE PSLF</u> | Siemens PSS/E* | PowerWorld Simulator | <u>Description</u> |
|----------------|-----------------|-------------------------|---|
| pvd1 | | PVD1 | Distributed PV system model |
| der a | DERAU1 | DER A | Distributed energy resource model |
| regc a | REGCAU1,REGCA1 | REGC A | Generator/converter model |
| regc b | REGCBUI | REGC B | Generator converter model |
| wt1g | WT1G1 | WT1G and WT1G1 | Wind turbine model for Type-1 wind turbines (conventional directly connected induction generator) |
| wt2g | WT2G1 | WT2G and WT2G1 | Generator model for generic Type-2 wind turbines |
| wt2e | WT2E1 | WT2E and WT2E1 | Rotor resistance control model for wound-rotor induction wind-turbine generator wt2g |
| reec_a | REECAU1, REECA1 | REEC_A | Renewable energy electrical control model |
| reec c | REECCU1 | REEC C | Electrical control model for battery energy storage system |
| reec_d | REECDU1 | REEC_D | Renewable Energy electric control model |
| wt1t | <u>WT12T1</u> | WT1T and WT12T1 | Wind turbine model for Type-1 wind turbines (conventional directly connected induction generator) |
| wt1p_b | wt1p_b | WT12A1U_B | Generic wind turbine pitch controller for WTGs of Types 1 and 2 |
| wt2t | <u>WT12T1</u> | WT2T | Wind turbine model for Type-2 wind turbines (directly connected |

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| GE PSLF | Siemens PSS/E* | PowerWorld Simulator | <u>Description</u> |
|------------|---|-------------------------|--|
| | | | induction generator wind turbines with an external rotor resistance) |
| wtgt a | WTDTAU1, WTDTA1 | WTGT A | Wind turbine drive train model |
| wtga_a | WTARAU1. WTARA1 | WTGA_A | Simple aerodynamic model |
| wtgp a | WTPTAU1, WTPTA1 | WTGPT A | Wind Turbine Generator Pitch controller |
| wtgq a | WTTQAU1, WTTQA1 | WTGTRQ A | Wind Turbine Generator Torque controller |
| wtgwgo a | WTGWGOAU | WTGWGO A | Supplementary control model for Weak Grids |
| wtgibffr a | WTGIBFFRA | WTGIBFFR A | Inertial-base fast frequency response control |
| wtgp b | WTPTBU1 | WTGPT B | Wind Turbine Generator Pitch controller |
| wtgt b | WTDTBU1 | WTGT B | Drive train model |
| repc a | Type 4: REPCAU1 (v33), REPCA1 (v34) Type 3: REPCTAU1 (v33), REPCTAU1 (v33), REPCTA1 (v34) | REPC A | Power Plant Controller repc |
| repc_b | PLNTBU1 | REPC_B | Power Plant Level Controller for controlling several plants/devices In regard to Siemens PSS/E*: Names of other models for interface with other devices: REA3XBU1, REAX4BU1- for interface with Type 3 and 4 renewable machines SWSAXBU1- for interface with SVC (modeled as switched shunt in powerflow) SYNAXBU1- for interface with synchronous condenser |

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| GE PSLF | Siemens PSS/E* | PowerWorld Simulator | <u>Description</u> |
|---------|----------------|-------------------------|---|
| | | | FCTAXBU1- for interface with FACTS device |
| repc c | REPCCU | REPC C | Power plant controller |

| Interconnection Facilities Information |
|---|
| Will a transformer be used between the generator and the point of common coupling?YesNo |
| Will the transformer be provided by the Interconnection Customer?YesNo |
| <u>Transformer Data (If Applicable, for Interconnection Customer-Owned Transformer):</u> |
| Is the transformer:single phasethree phase? Size:kVA Transformer Impedance:% onkVA Base |
| If Three Phase: Transformer Primary: Volts Delta Wye Wye Grounded Transformer Secondary: Volts Delta Wye Wye Grounded Transformer Tertiary: Volts Delta Wye Wye Grounded |
| <u>Transformer Fuse Data (If Applicable, for Interconnection Customer-Owned Fuse):</u> |
| (Attach copy of fuse manufacturer's Minimum Melt and Total Clearing Time-Current Curves) |
| Manufacturer: Type: Size: Speed: |
| Interconnecting Circuit Breaker (if applicable): |
| Manufacturer: Type: |
| Load Rating (Amps): Trip Speed (Cycles): |
| Interconnection Protective Relays (If Applicable): |
| If Microprocessor-Controlled: |

List of Functions and Adjustable Setpoints for the protective equipment or software:

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| Setpoint Function | | Minim | num Maximum |
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| 4 | | | |
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| f Discrete Compone | ents: | | |
| Enclose Copy of an | ny Proposed Time-Overcu | urrent Coordination Curve | es) |
| Manufacturer: | Туре: | Style/Catalog No.: | Proposed Setting |
| Manufacturer: | Туре: | Style/Catalog No.: | Proposed Setting |
| Manufacturer: | Туре: | Style/Catalog No.: | Proposed Setting |
| Manufacturer: | Туре: | Style/Catalog No.: | Proposed Setting |
| Manufacturer: | Туре: | Style/Catalog No.: | Proposed Setting |
| Current Transforme | r Data (If Applicable): | | |
| | anufacturer's Excitation a | nd Ratio Correction Curv | es) |
| . • | and action of Excitation a | | , |
| | Accuracy Class: | | |
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| Potential Transformer | <u>Data (If Applicable):</u> | | |
|---|---|--|---|
| Manufacturer: | | | |
| Туре: | Accuracy Class: | Proposed Ratio Conne | ection: |
| Manufacturer: | | | |
| Туре: | Accuracy Class: | Proposed Ratio Cor | nnection: |
| General Information | | | |
| Facility equipment, cur line diagram must be | rent and potential circuits, signed and stamped by | showing the configuration of , and protection and control a licensed Professional E -Line Diagram Enclosed? | schemes. This one- ingineer if the Small |
| | | indicates the precise physics (SGS) topographic map of | |
| | rotective interface equipm Customer's address) | ent on property (include add | |
| | | cribes and details the opera | |
| relay potential circuits, | ematic drawings for all pro and alarm/monitoring circ gs Enclosed?Yes | | relay current circuits, |
| Applicant Signature | | | |
| I hereby certify that, Interconnection Reque | | owledge, all the information | on provided in this |
| For Interconnection Cu | ustomer: | | Date: |

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Certification Codes and Standards

IEEE1547 Standard for Interconnecting Distributed Resources with Electric Power Systems (including use of IEEE 1547.1 testing protocols to establish conformity)

UL 1741 Inverters, Converters, and Controllers for Use in Independent Power Systems

IEEE Std 929-2000 IEEE Recommended Practice for Utility Interface of Photovoltaic (PV) Systems

NFPA 70 (2002), National Electrical Code

IEEE Std C37.90.1-1989 (R1994), IEEE Standard Surge Withstand Capability (SWC) Tests for Protective Relays and Relay Systems

IEEE Std C37.90.2 (1995), IEEE Standard Withstand Capability of Relay Systems to Radiated Electromagnetic Interference from Transceivers

IEEE Std C37.108-1989 (R2002), IEEE Guide for the Protection of Network Transformers

IEEE Std C57.12.44-2000, IEEE Standard Requirements for Secondary Network Protectors

IEEE Std C62.41.2-2002, IEEE Recommended Practice on Characterization of Surges in Low Voltage (1000V and Less) AC Power Circuits

IEEE Std C62.45-1992 (R2002), IEEE Recommended Practice on Surge Testing for Equipment Connected to Low-Voltage (1000V and Less) AC Power Circuits

ANSI C84.1-1995 Electric Power Systems and Equipment – Voltage Ratings (60 Hertz)

IEEE Std 100-2000, IEEE Standard Dictionary of Electrical and Electronic Terms

NEMA MG 1-1998, Motors and Small Resources, Revision 3

IEEE Std 519-1992, IEEE Recommended Practices and Requirements for Harmonic Control in Electrical Power Systems

NEMA MG 1-2003 (Rev 2004), Motors and Generators, Revision 1

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Certification of Small Generator Equipment Packages

- 1.0 Small Generating Facility equipment proposed for use separately or packaged with other equipment in an interconnection system shall be considered certified for interconnected operation if (1) it has been tested in accordance with industry standards for continuous utility interactive operation in compliance with the appropriate codes and standards referenced below by any Nationally Recognized Testing Laboratory (NRTL) recognized by the United States Occupational Safety and Health Administration to test and certify interconnection equipment pursuant to the relevant codes and standards listed in SGIP Attachment 3, (2) it has been labeled and is publicly listed by such NRTL at the time of the interconnection application, and (3) such NRTL makes readily available for verification all test standards and procedures it utilized in performing such equipment certification, and, with consumer approval, the test data itself. The NRTL may make such information available on its website and by encouraging such information to be included in the manufacturer's literature accompanying the equipment.
- 2.0 The Interconnection Customer must verify that the intended use of the equipment falls within the use or uses for which the equipment was tested, labeled, and listed by the NRTL.
- 3.0 Certified equipment shall not require further type-test review, testing, or additional equipment to meet the requirements of this interconnection procedure; however, nothing herein shall preclude the need for an on-site commissioning test by the parties to the interconnection nor follow-up production testing by the NRTL.
- 4.0 If the certified equipment package includes only interface components (switchgear, inverters, or other interface devices), then an Interconnection Customer must show that the generator or other electric source being utilized with the equipment package is compatible with the equipment package and is consistent with the testing and listing specified for this type of interconnection equipment.
- 5.0 Provided the generator or electric source, when combined with the equipment package, is within the range of capabilities for which it was tested by the NRTL, and does not violate the interface components' labeling and listing performed by the NRTL, no further design review, testing or additional equipment on the customer side of the point of common coupling shall be required to meet the requirements of this interconnection procedure.
- 6.0 An equipment package does not include equipment provided by the utility.
- 7.0 Any equipment package approved and listed in a state by that state's regulatory body for interconnected operation in that state prior to the effective date of these small generator interconnection procedures shall be considered certified under these procedures for use in that state.

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Application, Procedures, and Terms and Conditions for Interconnecting a Certified Inverter-Based Small Generating Facility No Larger than 10 kW ("10 kW Inverter Process")

- 1.0 The Interconnection Customer ("Customer") completes the Interconnection Request ("Application") and submits it to the Transmission Provider ("Company").
- 2.0 The Company acknowledges to the Customer receipt of the Application within three Business Days of receipt.
- 3.0 The Company evaluates the Application for completeness and notifies the Customer within ten Business Days of receipt that the Application is or is not complete and, if not, advises what material is missing.
- 4.0 The Company verifies that the Small Generating Facility can be interconnected safely and reliably using the screens contained in the Fast Track Process in the Small Generator Interconnection Procedures (SGIP). The Company has 15 Business Days to complete this process. Unless the Company determines and demonstrates that the Small Generating Facility cannot be interconnected safely and reliably, the Company approves the Application and returns it to the Customer. Note to Customer: Please check with the Company before submitting the Application if disconnection equipment is required.
- 5.0 After installation, the Customer returns the Certificate of Completion to the Company. Prior to parallel operation, the Company may inspect the Small Generating Facility for compliance with standards which may include a witness test, and may schedule appropriate metering replacement, if necessary.
- 6.0 The Company notifies the Customer in writing that interconnection of the Small Generating Facility is authorized. If the witness test is not satisfactory, the Company has the right to disconnect the Small Generating Facility. The Customer has no right to operate in parallel until a witness test has been performed, or previously waived on the Application. The Company is obligated to complete this witness test within ten Business Days of the receipt of the Certificate of Completion. If the Company does not inspect within ten Business Days or by mutual agreement of the Parties, the witness test is deemed waived.
- 7.0 Contact Information The Customer must provide the contact information for the legal applicant (i.e., the Interconnection Customer). If another entity is responsible for interfacing with the Company, that contact information must be provided on the Application.
- 8.0 Ownership Information Enter the legal names of the owner(s) of the Small Generating Facility. Include the percentage ownership (if any) by any utility or public utility holding company, or by any entity owned by either.
- 9.0 UL1741 Listed This standard ("Inverters, Converters, and Controllers for Use in Independent Power Systems") addresses the electrical interconnection design of various

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forms of generating equipment. Many manufacturers submit their equipment to a Nationally Recognized Testing Laboratory (NRTL) that verifies compliance with UL1741. This "listing" is then marked on the equipment and supporting documentation.

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This Application is considered complete when it provides all applicable and correct information required below. Per SGIP section 1.5, documentation of site control must be submitted with the Interconnection Request. Additional information to evaluate the Application may be required.

Processing Fee

A non-refundable processing fee of \$100 must accompany this Application.

| Contact | | | | | F |
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| Address: | | | | | |
| City: | | | State: | Zip: | |
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| Small Generating Facility Information Location (if different from above): |
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| Electric Service Company: |
| Account Number: |
| Inverter Manufacturer: Model: |
| Nameplate Rating: (kW) (kVA) (AC Volts) |
| Single Phase Three Phase |
| System Design Capacity: (kW) (kVA) |
| Prime Mover:PhotovoltaicReciprocating EngineFuel Cell |
| TurbineOther (describe) |
| Energy Source:SolarWindHydroDieselNatural Gas |
| Fuel Oil Other (describe) |
| Is the equipment UL1741 Listed? Yes No |
| If Yes, attach manufacturer's cut-sheet showing UL1741 listing |
| Estimated Installation Date: Estimated In-Service Date: |
| The 10 kW Inverter Process is available only for inverter-based Small Generating Facilities no larger than 10 kW that meet the codes, standards, and certification requirements of Attachments 3 and 4 of the Small Generator Interconnection Procedures (SGIP), or the Transmission Provider has reviewed the design or tested the proposed Small Generating Facility and is satisfied that it is safe to operate. |
| List components of the Small Generating Facility equipment package that are currently certified: |
| Equipment Type Certifying Entity 1. 2. 3. |
| 4 5. |

Interconnection Customer Signature

I hereby certify that, to the best of my knowledge, the information provided in this Application is true. I agree to abide by the Terms and Conditions for Interconnecting an Inverter-Based Small

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| Generating Facility No Larger than 10kW and return the Certificate of Completion when the Small Generating Facility has been installed. | |
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| Signed: | |
| Title: | Date: |

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| | |
| Contingent Approval to Interconnect the Small C | Senerating Facility |
| (For Company use only) | |
| 9 | ty is approved contingent upon the Terms and d Small Generating Facility No Larger than 10kW |
| Company Signature: | |
| Title: | _ Date: |
| Application ID number: | _ |
| Company waives inspection/witness test? Yes_ | No |

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Small Generating Facility Certificate of Completion

| Is the Small Generating Facility owner | er-installed? Yes No | |
|---|---|-------|
| Interconnection Customer: | | |
| Contact Person: | | |
| Address: | | |
| Location of the Small Generating Fac | cility (if different from above): | |
| | | |
| City: | State: Zip Code: | |
| Telephone (Day): | (Evening): | |
| Fax: E-Mail A | ddress: | |
| Electrician: | | |
| Name: | | |
| Address: | | |
| City: | State: Zip Code: | |
| Telephone (Day): | (Evening): | |
| Fax: E-Mail A | ddress: | |
| License number: | | |
| Date Approval to Install Facility grant | ted by the Company: | |
| Application ID number: | | |
| | | |
| Inspection: | | |
| | been installed and inspected in compliance with the | local |
| Signed (Local electrical wiring inspec | ctor, or attach signed electrical inspection): | |

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| Print Name: | |
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| Date: | |

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copy of the signed electrical permit to (insert Company information below):

Name:

Company:

Address:

City, State, ZIP:

Fax:

Approval to Energize the Small Generating Facility (For Company use only)

Energizing the Small Generating Facility is approved contingent upon the Terms and Conditions for Interconnecting an Inverter-Based Small Generating Facility No Larger than 10kW

Company Signature:

Title: _____ Date: _____

As a condition of interconnection, you are required to send/fax a copy of this form along with a

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Terms and Conditions for Interconnecting an Inverter-Based Small Generating Facility No Larger than 10kW

1.0 Construction of the Facility

The Interconnection Customer (the "Customer") may proceed to construct (including operational testing not to exceed two hours) the Small Generating Facility when the Transmission Provider (the "Company") approves the Interconnection Request (the "Application") and returns it to the Customer.

2.0 Interconnection and Operation

The Customer may operate Small Generating Facility and interconnect with the Company's electric system once all of the following have occurred:

- 2.1 Upon completing construction, the Customer will cause the Small Generating Facility to be inspected or otherwise certified by the appropriate local electrical wiring inspector with jurisdiction, and
- 2.2 The Customer returns the Certificate of Completion to the Company, and
- 2.3 The Company has either:
 - 2.3.1 Completed its inspection of the Small Generating Facility to ensure that all equipment has been appropriately installed and that all electrical connections have been made in accordance with applicable codes. All inspections must be conducted by the Company, at its own expense, within ten Business Days after receipt of the Certificate of Completion and shall take place at a time agreeable to the Parties. The Company shall provide a written statement that the Small Generating Facility has passed inspection or shall notify the Customer of what steps it must take to pass inspection as soon as practicable after the inspection takes place; or
 - 2.3.2 If the Company does not schedule an inspection of the Small Generating Facility within ten business days after receiving the Certificate of Completion, the witness test is deemed waived (unless the Parties agree otherwise); or
 - 2.3.3 The Company waives the right to inspect the Small Generating Facility.
- 2.4 The Company has the right to disconnect the Small Generating Facility in the event of improper installation or failure to return the Certificate of Completion.
- 2.5 Revenue quality metering equipment must be installed and tested in accordance with applicable ANSI standards.

3.0 Safe Operations and Maintenance

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The Customer shall be fully responsible to operate, maintain, and repair the Small Generating Facility as required to ensure that it complies at all times with the interconnection standards to which it has been certified.

4.0 Access

The Company shall have access to the disconnect switch (if the disconnect switch is required) and metering equipment of the Small Generating Facility at all times. The Company shall provide reasonable notice to the Customer when possible prior to using its right of access.

5.0 **Disconnection**

The Company may temporarily disconnect the Small Generating Facility upon the following conditions:

- 5.1 For scheduled outages upon reasonable notice.
- 5.2 For unscheduled outages or emergency conditions.
- 5.3 If the Small Generating Facility does not operate in the manner consistent with these Terms and Conditions.
- 5.4 The Company shall inform the Customer in advance of any scheduled disconnection, or as is reasonable after an unscheduled disconnection.

6.0 **Indemnification**

The Parties shall at all times indemnify, defend, and save the other Party harmless from, any and all damages, losses, claims, including claims and actions relating to injury to or death of any person or damage to property, demand, suits, recoveries, costs and expenses, court costs, attorney fees, and all other obligations by or to third parties, arising out of or resulting from the other Party's action or inactions of its obligations under this agreement on behalf of the indemnifying Party, except in cases of gross negligence or intentional wrongdoing by the indemnified Party.

7.0 **Insurance**

The Parties agree to follow all applicable insurance requirements imposed by the state in which the Point of Interconnection is located. All insurance policies must be maintained with insurers authorized to do business in that state.

8.0 **Limitation of Liability**

Each party's liability to the other party for any loss, cost, claim, injury, liability, or expense, including reasonable attorney's fees, relating to or arising from any act or omission in its performance of this Agreement, shall be limited to the amount of direct damage actually incurred. In no event shall either party be liable to the other party for any indirect, incidental, special, consequential, or punitive damages of any kind whatsoever, except as allowed under paragraph 6.0.

9.0 **Termination**

The agreement to operate in parallel may be terminated under the following conditions:

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9.1 **By the Customer**

By providing written notice to the Company.

9.2 By the Company

If the Small Generating Facility fails to operate for any consecutive 12 month period or the Customer fails to remedy a violation of these Terms and Conditions.

9.3 **Permanent Disconnection**

In the event this Agreement is terminated, the Company shall have the right to disconnect its facilities or direct the Customer to disconnect its Small Generating Facility.

9.4 Survival Rights

This Agreement shall continue in effect after termination to the extent necessary to allow or require either Party to fulfill rights or obligations that arose under the Agreement.

10.0 Assignment/Transfer of Ownership of the Facility

This Agreement shall survive the transfer of ownership of the Small Generating Facility to a new owner when the new owner agrees in writing to comply with the terms of this Agreement and so notifies the Company.

Attachment A to this Agreement.

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Feasibility Study Agreement

| THIS A | AGREEMENT is made and entered into thisday of20 |
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| by and | l between, |
| a | organized and existing under the laws of the State |
| of | , ("Interconnection Customer,") and |
| | , a |
| existin | g under the laws of the State of, |
| | smission Provider"). Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider each may be ed to as a "Party," or collectively as the "Parties." |
| | RECITALS |
| genera Interco | REAS, Interconnection Customer is proposing to develop a Small Generating Facility or ating capacity addition to an existing Small Generating Facility consistent with the connection Request completed by Interconnection Customer on ; and |
| | REAS , Interconnection Customer desires to interconnect the Small Generating Facility with ansmission Provider's Transmission System; and |
| feasibi | REAS , Interconnection Customer has requested the Transmission Provider to perform a lity study to assess the feasibility of interconnecting the proposed Small Generating Facility Transmission Provider's Transmission System, and of any Affected Systems; |
| | THEREFORE , in consideration of and subject to the mutual covenants contained herein rties agreed as follows: |
| 1.0 | When used in this Agreement, with initial capitalization, the terms specified shall have the meanings indicated or the meanings specified in the standard Small Generator Interconnection Procedures. |
| 2.0 | The Interconnection Customer elects and the Transmission Provider shall cause to be performed an interconnection feasibility study consistent the standard Small Generator Interconnection Procedures in accordance with the Open Access Transmission Tariff. |
| 3.0 | The scope of the feasibility study shall be subject to the assumptions set forth in |

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- 4.0 The feasibility study shall be based on the technical information provided by the Interconnection Customer in the Interconnection Request, as may be modified as the result of the scoping meeting. The Transmission Provider reserves the right to request additional technical information from the Interconnection Customer as may reasonably become necessary consistent with Good Utility Practice during the course of the feasibility study and as designated in accordance with the standard Small Generator Interconnection Procedures. If the Interconnection Customer modifies its Interconnection Request, the time to complete the feasibility study may be extended by agreement of the Parties.
- 5.0 In performing the study, the Transmission Provider shall rely, to the extent reasonably practicable, on existing studies of recent vintage. The Interconnection Customer shall not be charged for such existing studies; however, the Interconnection Customer shall be responsible for charges associated with any new study or modifications to existing studies that are reasonably necessary to perform the feasibility study.
- 6.0 The feasibility study report shall provide the following analyses for the purpose of identifying any potential adverse system impacts that would result from the interconnection of the Small Generating Facility as proposed:
 - 6.1 Initial identification of any circuit breaker short circuit capability limits exceeded as a result of the interconnection;
 - 6.2 Initial identification of any thermal overload or voltage limit violations resulting from the interconnection;
 - 6.3 Initial review of grounding requirements and electric system protection; and
 - 6.4 Description and non-binding estimated cost of facilities required to interconnect the proposed Small Generating Facility and to address the identified short circuit and power flow issues.
- 7.0 The feasibility study shall model the impact of the Small Generating Facility regardless of purpose in order to avoid the further expense and interruption of operation for reexamination of feasibility and impacts if the Interconnection Customer later changes the purpose for which the Small Generating Facility is being installed.
- 8.0 The study shall include the feasibility of any interconnection at a proposed project site where there could be multiple potential Points of Interconnection, as requested by the Interconnection Customer and at the Interconnection Customer's cost.
- 9.0 A deposit of the lesser of 50 percent of good faith estimated feasibility study costs or earnest money of \$1,000 may be required from the Interconnection Customer.
- 10.0 Once the feasibility study is completed, a feasibility study report shall be prepared and transmitted to the Interconnection Customer. Barring unusual circumstances, the feasibility study must be completed and the feasibility study report transmitted within 30 Business Days of the Interconnection Customer's agreement to conduct a feasibility study.

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- 11.0 Any study fees shall be based on the Transmission Provider's actual costs and will be invoiced to the Interconnection Customer after the study is completed and delivered and will include a summary of professional time.
- 12.0 The Interconnection Customer must pay any study costs that exceed the deposit without interest within 30 calendar days on receipt of the invoice or resolution of any dispute. If the deposit exceeds the invoiced fees, the Transmission Provider shall refund such excess within 30 calendar days of the invoice without interest.

13.0 Governing Law, Regulatory Authority, and Rules

The validity, interpretation and enforcement of this Agreement and each of its provisions shall be governed by the laws of the state of ______ (where the Point of Interconnection is located), without regard to its conflicts of law principles. This Agreement is subject to all Applicable Laws and Regulations. Each Party expressly reserves the right to seek changes in, appeal, or otherwise contest any laws, orders, or regulations of a Governmental Authority.

14.0 Amendment

The Parties may amend this Agreement by a written instrument duly executed by both Parties.

15.0 No Third-Party Beneficiaries

This Agreement is not intended to and does not create rights, remedies, or benefits of any character whatsoever in favor of any persons, corporations, associations, or entities other than the Parties, and the obligations herein assumed are solely for the use and benefit of the Parties, their successors in interest and where permitted, their assigns.

16.0 Waiver

- 16.1 The failure of a Party to this Agreement to insist, on any occasion, upon strict performance of any provision of this Agreement will not be considered a waiver of any obligation, right, or duty of, or imposed upon, such Party.
- 16.2 Any waiver at any time by either Party of its rights with respect to this Agreement shall not be deemed a continuing waiver or a waiver with respect to any other failure to comply with any other obligation, right, duty of this Agreement. Termination or default of this Agreement for any reason by Interconnection Customer shall not constitute a waiver of the Interconnection Customer's legal rights to obtain an interconnection from the Transmission Provider. Any waiver of this Agreement shall, if requested, be provided in writing.

17.0 Multiple Counterparts

This Agreement may be executed in two or more counterparts, each of which is deemed an original but all constitute one and the same instrument.

18.0 No Partnership

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This Agreement shall not be interpreted or construed to create an association, joint venture, agency relationship, or partnership between the Parties or to impose any partnership obligation or partnership liability upon either Party. Neither Party shall have any right, power or authority to enter into any agreement or undertaking for, or act on behalf of, or to act as or be an agent or representative of, or to otherwise bind, the other Party.

19.0 Severability

If any provision or portion of this Agreement shall for any reason be held or adjudged to be invalid or illegal or unenforceable by any court of competent jurisdiction or other Governmental Authority, (1) such portion or provision shall be deemed separate and independent, (2) the Parties shall negotiate in good faith to restore insofar as practicable the benefits to each Party that were affected by such ruling, and (3) the remainder of this Agreement shall remain in full force and effect.

20.0 Subcontractors

Nothing in this Agreement shall prevent a Party from utilizing the services of any subcontractor as it deems appropriate to perform its obligations under this Agreement; provided, however, that each Party shall require its subcontractors to comply with all applicable terms and conditions of this Agreement in providing such services and each Party shall remain primarily liable to the other Party for the performance of such subcontractor.

- 20.1 The creation of any subcontract relationship shall not relieve the hiring Party of any of its obligations under this Agreement. The hiring Party shall be fully responsible to the other Party for the acts or omissions of any subcontractor the hiring Party hires as if no subcontract had been made; provided, however, that in no event shall the—Transmission Provider be liable for the actions or inactions of the Interconnection Customer or its subcontractors with respect to obligations of the Interconnection Customer under this Agreement. Any applicable obligation imposed by this Agreement upon the hiring Party shall be equally binding upon, and shall be construed as having application to, any subcontractor of such Party.
- 20.2 The obligations under this article will not be limited in any way by any limitation of subcontractor's insurance.

21.0 Reservation of Rights

The Transmission Provider shall have the right to make a unilateral filing with FERC to modify this Agreement with respect to any rates, terms and conditions, charges, classifications of service, rule or regulation under section 205 or any other applicable provision of the Federal Power Act and FERC's rules and regulations thereunder, and the Interconnection Customer shall have the right to make a unilateral filing with FERC to modify this Agreement under any applicable provision of the Federal Power Act and FERC's rules and regulations; provided that each Party shall have the right to protest any such filing by the other Party and to participate fully in any proceeding before FERC in which such modifications may be considered. Nothing in this Agreement shall

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limit the rights of the Parties or of FERC under sections 205 or 206 of the Federal Power Act and FERC's rules and regulations, except to the extent that the Parties otherwise agree as provided herein.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have caused this Agreement to be duly executed by their duly authorized officers or agents on the day and year first above written.

| [Insert name of Transmission Provider] | [Insert name of Interconnection Customer | |
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| | | |
| Signed | Signed | |
| Name (Printed): | Name (Printed): | |
| | | |
| Title: | _ Title: | |
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Attachment A to Feasibility Study Agreement

Assumptions Used in Conducting the Feasibility Study

| | agreed upon in the scoping meeting held on: |
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| 1) | Designation of Point of Interconnection and configuration to be studied. |
| 2) | Designation of alternative Points of Interconnection and configuration. |
| , | nd 2) are to be completed by the Interconnection Customer. Other assumptions (listed below) to be provided by the Interconnection Customer and the Transmission Provider. |

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Attachment 7

System Impact Study Agreement

| THIS | AGREEMENT is made and entered into thisday of20 |
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| by an | d between, |
| a | organized and existing under the laws of the State |
| of | , ("Interconnection Customer,") and |
| | , a |
| existi | ng under the laws of the State of, |
| | nsmission Provider"). Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider each ma ed to as a "Party," or collectively as the "Parties." |
| | RECITALS |
| on WHE | connection Request completed by the Interconnection Cust ; and ; and REAS, the Interconnection Customer desires to interconnect the Small Generating Fathe-Transmission Provider's Transmission System; |
| WHE of sai | REAS, the Transmission Provider has completed a feasibility study and provided the red study to the Interconnection Customer (This recital to be omitted if the Parties have age of the feasibility study.); and |
| a sys | REAS , the Interconnection Customer has requested the Transmission Provider to pertem impact study(s) to assess the impact of interconnecting the Small Generating Factoriansmission Provider's Transmission System, and of any Affected Systems; |
| | , THEREFORE , in consideration of and subject to the mutual covenants contained harties agreed as follows: |
| 1.0 | When used in this Agreement, with initial capitalization, the terms specified shall hav meanings indicated or the meanings specified in the standard Small Gene Interconnection Procedures. |
| 2.0 | The Interconnection Customer elects and the Transmission Provider shall cause performed a system impact study(s) consistent with the standard Small General Interconnection Procedures in accordance with the Open Access Transmission Tarif |

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- 3.0 The scope of a system impact study shall be subject to the assumptions set forth in Attachment A to this Agreement.
- 4.0 A system impact study will be based upon the results of the feasibility study and the technical information provided by Interconnection Customer in the Interconnection Request. The Transmission Provider reserves the right to request additional technical information from the Interconnection Customer as may reasonably become necessary consistent with Good Utility Practice during the course of the system impact study. If the Interconnection Customer modifies its designated Point of Interconnection, Interconnection Request, or the technical information provided therein is modified, the time to complete the system impact study may be extended.
- 5.0 A system impact study shall consist of a short circuit analysis, a stability analysis, a power flow analysis, voltage drop and flicker studies, protection and set point coordination studies, and grounding reviews, as necessary. A system impact study shall state the assumptions upon which it is based, state the results of the analyses, and provide the requirement or potential impediments to providing the requested interconnection service, including a preliminary indication of the cost and length of time that would be necessary to correct any problems identified in those analyses and implement the interconnection. A system impact study shall provide a list of facilities that are required as a result of the Interconnection Request and non-binding good faith estimates of cost responsibility and time to construct.
- 6.0 A distribution system impact study shall incorporate a distribution load flow study, an analysis of equipment interrupting ratings, protection coordination study, voltage drop and flicker studies, protection and set point coordination studies, grounding reviews, and the impact on electric system operation, as necessary.
- 7.0 Affected Systems may participate in the preparation of a system impact study, with a division of costs among such entities as they may agree. All Affected Systems shall be afforded an opportunity to review and comment upon a system impact study that covers potential adverse system impacts on their electric systems, and the Transmission Provider has 20 additional Business Days to complete a system impact study requiring review by Affected Systems.
- 8.0 If the Transmission Provider uses a queuing procedure for sorting or prioritizing projects and their associated cost responsibilities for any required Network Upgrades, the system impact study shall consider all generating facilities (and with respect to paragraph 8.3 below, any identified Upgrades associated with such higher queued interconnection) that, on the date the system impact study is commenced
 - 8.1 Are directly interconnected with the Transmission Provider's electric system; or
 - 8.2 Are interconnected with Affected Systems and may have an impact on the proposed interconnection; and

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- 8.3 Have a pending higher queued Interconnection Request to interconnect with the Transmission Provider's electric system.
- 9.0 A distribution system impact study, if required, shall be completed and the results transmitted to the Interconnection Customer within 30 Business Days after this Agreement is signed by the Parties. A transmission system impact study, if required, shall be completed and the results transmitted to the Interconnection Customer within 45 Business Days after this Agreement is signed by the Parties, or in accordance with the Transmission Provider's queuing procedures.
- 10.0 A deposit of the equivalent of the good faith estimated cost of a distribution system impact study and the one half the good faith estimated cost of a transmission system impact study may be required from the Interconnection Customer.
- 11.0 Any study fees shall be based on the Transmission Provider's actual costs and will be invoiced to the Interconnection Customer after the study is completed and delivered and will include a summary of professional time.
- 12.0 The Interconnection Customer must pay any study costs that exceed the deposit without interest within 30 calendar days on receipt of the invoice or resolution of any dispute. If the deposit exceeds the invoiced fees, the Transmission Provider shall refund such excess within 30 calendar days of the invoice without interest.
- 13.0 Governing Law, Regulatory Authority, and Rules

The validity, interpretation and enforcement of this Agreement and each of its provisions shall be governed by the laws of the state of ______ (where the Point of Interconnection is located), without regard to its conflicts of law principles. This Agreement is subject to all Applicable Laws and Regulations. Each Party expressly reserves the right to seek changes in, appeal, or otherwise contest any laws, orders, or regulations of a Governmental Authority.

14.0 Amendment

The Parties may amend this Agreement by a written instrument duly executed by both Parties.

15.0 No Third-Party Beneficiaries

This Agreement is not intended to and does not create rights, remedies, or benefits of any character whatsoever in favor of any persons, corporations, associations, or entities other than the Parties, and the obligations herein assumed are solely for the use and benefit of the Parties, their successors in interest and where permitted, their assigns.

16.0 Waiver

16.1 The failure of a Party to this Agreement to insist, on any occasion, upon strict performance of any provision of this Agreement will not be considered a waiver of any obligation, right, or duty of, or imposed upon, such Party.

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Any waiver at any time by either Party of its rights with respect to this Agreement shall not be deemed a continuing waiver or a waiver with respect to any other failure to comply with any other obligation, right, duty of this Agreement. Termination or default of this Agreement for any reason by Interconnection Customer shall not constitute a waiver of the Interconnection Customer's legal rights to obtain an interconnection from the Transmission Provider. Any waiver of this Agreement shall, if requested, be provided in writing.

17.0 Multiple Counterparts

This Agreement may be executed in two or more counterparts, each of which is deemed an original but all constitute one and the same instrument.

18.0 No Partnership

This Agreement shall not be interpreted or construed to create an association, joint venture, agency relationship, or partnership between the Parties or to impose any partnership obligation or partnership liability upon either Party. Neither Party shall have any right, power or authority to enter into any agreement or undertaking for, or act on behalf of, or to act as or be an agent or representative of, or to otherwise bind, the other Party.

19.0 Severability

If any provision or portion of this Agreement shall for any reason be held or adjudged to be invalid or illegal or unenforceable by any court of competent jurisdiction or other Governmental Authority, (1) such portion or provision shall be deemed separate and independent, (2) the Parties shall negotiate in good faith to restore insofar as practicable the benefits to each Party that were affected by such ruling, and (3) the remainder of this Agreement shall remain in full force and effect.

20.0 Subcontractors

Nothing in this Agreement shall prevent a Party from utilizing the services of any subcontractor as it deems appropriate to perform its obligations under this Agreement; provided, however, that each Party shall require its subcontractors to comply with all applicable terms and conditions of this Agreement in providing such services and each Party shall remain primarily liable to the other Party for the performance of such subcontractor.

20.1 The creation of any subcontract relationship shall not relieve the hiring Party of any of its obligations under this Agreement. The hiring Party shall be fully responsible to the other Party for the acts or omissions of any subcontractor the hiring Party hires as if no subcontract had been made; provided, however, that in no event shall the Transmission Provider be liable for the actions or inactions of the Interconnection Customer or its subcontractors with respect to obligations of the Interconnection Customer under this Agreement. Any applicable obligation

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imposed by this Agreement upon the hiring Party shall be equally binding upon, and shall be construed as having application to, any subcontractor of such Party.

20.2 The obligations under this article will not be limited in any way by any limitation of subcontractor's insurance.

21.0 Reservation of Rights

The Transmission Provider shall have the right to make a unilateral filing with FERC to modify this Agreement with respect to any rates, terms and conditions, charges, classifications of service, rule or regulation under section 205 or any other applicable provision of the Federal Power Act and FERC's rules and regulations thereunder, and the Interconnection Customer shall have the right to make a unilateral filing with FERC to modify this Agreement under any applicable provision of the Federal Power Act and FERC's rules and regulations; provided that each Party shall have the right to protest any such filing by the other Party and to participate fully in any proceeding before FERC in which such modifications may be considered. Nothing in this Agreement shall limit the rights of the Parties or of FERC under sections 205 or 206 of the Federal Power Act and FERC's rules and regulations, except to the extent that the Parties otherwise agree as provided herein.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, the Parties have caused this Agreement to be duly executed by their duly authorized officers or agents on the day and year first above written.

| [Insert name of Transmission Provider] | [Insert name of Interconnection Customer] | |
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| Signed | Signed | |
| Name (Printed): | Name (Printed): | |
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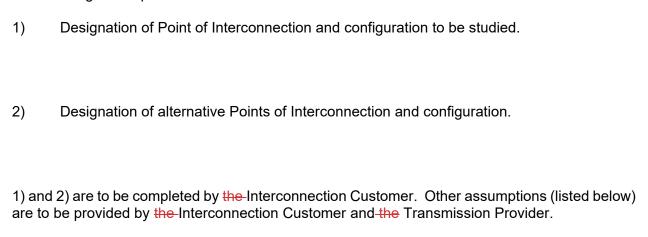
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Assumptions Used in Conducting the System Impact Study

The system impact study shall be based upon the results of the feasibility study, subject to any modifications in accordance with the standard Small Generator Interconnection Procedures, and the following assumptions:



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Attachment 8

Facilities Study Agreement

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| of | , ("Interconnection Customer,") and |
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| existing unde | er the laws of the State of, |
| | on Provider"). Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider each may be s a "Party," or collectively as the "Parties." |
| | RECITALS |
| generating Interconnect on | the Interconnection Customer is proposing to develop a Small Generating Facility or capacity addition to an existing Small Generating Facility consistent with the ion Request completed by the Interconnection Customer ; and the Interconnection Customer desires to interconnect the Small Generating Facility |
| | nsmission Provider's Transmission System; |
| | the Transmission Provider has completed a system impact study and provided the id study to the Interconnection Customer; and |
| a facilities st construction with Good U | the Interconnection Customer has requested the Transmission Provider to perform udy to specify and estimate the cost of the equipment, engineering, procurement and work needed to implement the conclusions of the system impact study in accordance tility Practice to physically and electrically connect the Small Generating Facility with ssion Provider's Transmission System. |
| NOW, THEF | REFORE, in consideration of and subject to the mutual covenants contained herein |

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of and subject to the mutual covenants contained herein the Parties agreed as follows:

1.0 When used in this Agreement, with initial capitalization, the terms specified shall have the meanings indicated or the meanings specified in the standard Small Generator Interconnection Procedures.

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- 2.0 The Interconnection Customer elects and the Transmission Provider shall cause a facilities study consistent with the standard Small Generator Interconnection Procedures to be performed in accordance with the Open Access Transmission Tariff.
- 3.0 The scope of the facilities study shall be subject to data provided in Attachment A to this Agreement.
- 4.0 The facilities study shall specify and estimate the cost of the equipment, engineering, procurement and construction work (including overheads) needed to implement the conclusions of the system impact study(s). The facilities study shall also identify (1) the electrical switching configuration of the equipment, including, without limitation, transformer, switchgear, meters, and other station equipment, (2) the nature and estimated cost of the Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Upgrades necessary to accomplish the interconnection, and (3) an estimate of the time required to complete the construction and installation of such facilities.
- 5.0 The Transmission Provider may propose to group facilities required for more than one Interconnection Customer in order to minimize facilities costs through economies of scale, but any Interconnection Customer may require the installation of facilities required for its own Small Generating Facility if it is willing to pay the costs of those facilities.
- 6.0 A deposit of the good faith estimated facilities study costs may be required from the Interconnection Customer.
- 7.0 In cases where Upgrades are required, the facilities study must be completed within 45 Business Days of the receipt of this Agreement. In cases where no Upgrades are necessary, and the required facilities are limited to Interconnection Facilities, the facilities study must be completed within 30 Business Days.
- 8.0 Once the facilities study is completed, a draft facilities study report shall be prepared and transmitted to the Interconnection Customer. Barring unusual circumstances, the facilities study must be completed and the draft facilities study report transmitted within 30 Business Days of the Interconnection Customer's agreement to conduct a facilities study.
- 9.0 Interconnection Customer may, within 30 Calendar Days after receipt of the draft report, provide written comments to Transmission Provider, which Transmission Provider shall include in the final report. Transmission Provider shall issue the final Interconnection Facilities Study report within 15 Business Days of receiving Interconnection Customer's comments or promptly upon receiving Interconnection Customer's statement that it will not provide comments. Transmission Provider may reasonably extend such fifteen-day period upon notice to Interconnection Customer if Interconnection Customer's comments require Transmission Provider to perform additional analyses or make other significant modifications prior to the issuance of the final Interconnection Facilities Report. Upon request, Transmission Provider shall provide Interconnection Customer supporting documentation, workpapers, and databases or data developed in the preparation of the

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Interconnection Facilities Study, subject to confidentiality arrangements consistent with Section 4.5 of the standard Small Generator Interconnection Procedures.

- 10.0 Within ten Business Days of providing a draft Interconnection Facilities Study report to Interconnection Customer, Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer shall meet to discuss the results of the Interconnection Facilities Study.
- 11.0 Any study fees shall be based on the Transmission Provider's actual costs and will be invoiced to the Interconnection Customer after the study is completed and delivered and will include a summary of professional time.
- 12.0 The Interconnection Customer must pay any study costs that exceed the deposit without interest within 30 calendar days on receipt of the invoice or resolution of any dispute. If the deposit exceeds the invoiced fees, the Transmission Provider shall refund such excess within 30 calendar days of the invoice without interest.

13.0 Governing Law, Regulatory Authority, and Rules

The validity, interpretation and enforcement of this Agreement and each of its provisions shall be governed by the laws of the state of ______ (where the Point of Interconnection is located), without regard to its conflicts of law principles. This Agreement is subject to all Applicable Laws and Regulations. Each Party expressly reserves the right to seek changes in, appeal, or otherwise contest any laws, orders, or regulations of a Governmental Authority.

14.0 Amendment

The Parties may amend this Agreement by a written instrument duly executed by both Parties.

15.0 No Third-Party Beneficiaries

This Agreement is not intended to and does not create rights, remedies, or benefits of any character whatsoever in favor of any persons, corporations, associations, or entities other than the Parties, and the obligations herein assumed are solely for the use and benefit of the Parties, their successors in interest and where permitted, their assigns.

16.0 Waiver

- 16.1 The failure of a Party to this Agreement to insist, on any occasion, upon strict performance of any provision of this Agreement will not be considered a waiver of any obligation, right, or duty of, or imposed upon, such Party.
- Any waiver at any time by either Party of its rights with respect to this Agreement shall not be deemed a continuing waiver or a waiver with respect to any other failure to comply with any other obligation, right, duty of this Agreement. Termination or default of this Agreement for any reason by Interconnection Customer shall not constitute a waiver of the Interconnection Customer's legal

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rights to obtain an interconnection from the Transmission Provider. Any waiver of this Agreement shall, if requested, be provided in writing.

17.0 <u>Multiple Counterparts</u>

This Agreement may be executed in two or more counterparts, each of which is deemed an original but all constitute one and the same instrument.

18.0 No Partnership

This Agreement shall not be interpreted or construed to create an association, joint venture, agency relationship, or partnership between the Parties or to impose any partnership obligation or partnership liability upon either Party. Neither Party shall have any right, power or authority to enter into any agreement or undertaking for, or act on behalf of, or to act as or be an agent or representative of, or to otherwise bind, the other Party.

19.0 Severability

If any provision or portion of this Agreement shall for any reason be held or adjudged to be invalid or illegal or unenforceable by any court of competent jurisdiction or other Governmental Authority, (1) such portion or provision shall be deemed separate and independent, (2) the Parties shall negotiate in good faith to restore insofar as practicable the benefits to each Party that were affected by such ruling, and (3) the remainder of this Agreement shall remain in full force and effect.

20.0 Subcontractors

Nothing in this Agreement shall prevent a Party from utilizing the services of any subcontractor as it deems appropriate to perform its obligations under this Agreement; provided, however, that each Party shall require its subcontractors to comply with all applicable terms and conditions of this Agreement in providing such services and each Party shall remain primarily liable to the other Party for the performance of such subcontractor.

- 20.1 The creation of any subcontract relationship shall not relieve the hiring Party of any of its obligations under this Agreement. The hiring Party shall be fully responsible to the other Party for the acts or omissions of any subcontractor the hiring Party hires as if no subcontract had been made; provided, however, that in no event shall the Transmission Provider be liable for the actions or inactions of the Interconnection Customer or its subcontractors with respect to obligations of the Interconnection Customer under this Agreement. Any applicable obligation imposed by this Agreement upon the hiring Party shall be equally binding upon, and shall be construed as having application to, any subcontractor of such Party.
- 20.2 The obligations under this article will not be limited in any way by any limitation of subcontractor's insurance.

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21.0 Reservation of Rights

The Transmission Provider shall have the right to make a unilateral filing with FERC to modify this Agreement with respect to any rates, terms and conditions, charges, classifications of service, rule or regulation under section 205 or any other applicable provision of the Federal Power Act and FERC's rules and regulations thereunder, and the Interconnection Customer shall have the right to make a unilateral filing with FERC to modify this Agreement under any applicable provision of the Federal Power Act and FERC's rules and regulations; provided that each Party shall have the right to protest any such filing by the other Party and to participate fully in any proceeding before FERC in which such modifications may be considered. Nothing in this Agreement shall limit the rights of the Parties or of FERC under sections 205 or 206 of the Federal Power Act and FERC's rules and regulations, except to the extent that the Parties otherwise agree as provided herein.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have caused this Agreement to be duly executed by their duly authorized officers or agents on the day and year first above written.

| [Insert name of Transmission Provider] | [Insert name of Interconnection Customer] |
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| Signed | Signed |
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Data to Be Provided by the Interconnection Customer with the Facilities Study Agreement

Provide location plan and simplified one-line diagram of the plant and station facilities. For staged projects, please indicate future generation, transmission circuits, etc.

On the one-line diagram, indicate the generation capacity attached at each metering location. (Maximum load on CT/PT)

On the one-line diagram, indicate the location of auxiliary power. (Minimum load on CT/PT) Amps

| One set of metering is required for each generation connection to the new ring bus or existing Transmission Provider station. Number of generation connections: |
|---|
| Will an alternate source of auxiliary power be available during CT/PT maintenance? Yes No |
| Will a transfer bus on the generation side of the metering require that each meter set be designed for the total plant generation? YesNo (Please indicate on the one-line diagram). |
| What type of control system or PLC will be located at the Small Generating Facility? |
| What protocol does the control system or PLC use? |
| Please provide a 7.5-minute quadrangle map of the site. Indicate the plant, station, transmission line, and property lines. |
| Physical dimensions of the proposed interconnection station: |
| Bus length from generation to interconnection station: |

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| Line length from interconnection station to Tr | ansmission Provider's Transmission System. |
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| Tower number observed in the field. (Painted | d on tower leg)*: |
| Number of third party easements required for | r transmission lines*: |
| * To be completed in coordination with Is the Small Generating Facility located in Tra | ansmission Provider's service area? |
| Please provide the following proposed sched | lule dates: |
| Begin Construction | Date: |
| Generator step-up transformers receive back feed power | Date: |
| Generation Testing | Date: |
| Commercial Operation | Date : |

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APPENDIX 1

SMALL GENERATOR INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT (SGIA)

(For Generating Facilities No Larger Than 20 MW)

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| This Ir | nterconnection Agreement | t ("Agreement") i | s made and ente | red into this | day of |
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| ("Inter | , 20, by smission Provider"), and _ connection Customer") ea eferred to collectively as th | ach hereinafter s | ometimes referre | d to individually as "Pa | - rty" or |
| Trans | mission Provider Inform | ation | | | |
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| | onnection Customer Applications | | | es agree as follows: | |
| Article | e 1. Scope and Limitatio | ns of Agreemer | nt | | |
| 1.1 | Applicability This Agreement shall be Generator Interconnection kW Inverter Process con | on Procedures (S | SGIP) except for | | |
| 1.2 | Purpose This Agreement govern Customer's Small Gener the Transmission Provide | ating Facility will | interconnect with | | |
| 1.3 | No Agreement to Purcha This Agreement does Interconnection Custome that the Interconnection agreements, if any. The making all necessary are the applicable Transmiss | not constitute er's power. The p n Customer ma e Interconnection rangements (incl | an agreement ourchase or delive ay require will n Customer will | ry of power and other se be covered under se be responsible for sepa | ervices parate arately |

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Nothing in this Agreement is intended to affect any other agreement between the Transmission Provider and the Interconnection Customer.

1.5 Responsibilities of the Parties

- 1.5.1 The Parties shall perform all obligations of this Agreement in accordance with all Applicable Laws and Regulations, Operating Requirements, and Good Utility Practice.
- 1.5.2 The Interconnection Customer shall construct, interconnect, operate and maintain its Small Generating Facility and construct, operate, and maintain its Interconnection Facilities in accordance with the applicable manufacturer's recommended maintenance schedule, and in accordance with this Agreement, and with Good Utility Practice.
- 1.5.3 The Transmission Provider shall construct, operate, and maintain its Transmission System and Interconnection Facilities in accordance with this Agreement, and with Good Utility Practice.
- 1.5.4 The Interconnection Customer agrees to construct its facilities or systems in accordance with applicable specifications that meet or exceed those provided by the National Electrical Safety Code, the American National Standards Institute, IEEE, Underwriter's Laboratory, and Operating Requirements in effect at the time of construction and other applicable national and state codes and standards. The Interconnection Customer agrees to design, install, maintain, and operate its Small Generating Facility so as to reasonably minimize the likelihood of a disturbance adversely affecting or impairing the system or equipment of the Transmission Provider or by the applicable system operator(s).
- 1.5.5 Each Party shall operate, maintain, repair, and inspect, and shall be fully responsible for the facilities that it now or subsequently may own unless otherwise specified in the Attachments to this Agreement. Each Party shall be responsible for the safe installation, maintenance, repair and condition of their respective lines and appurtenances on their respective sides of the point of change of ownership. The Transmission Provider and the Interconnection Customer, as appropriate, shall provide Interconnection Facilities that adequately protect the Transmission Provider's Transmission System, personnel, and other persons from damage and injury. The allocation of responsibility for the design, installation, operation, maintenance and ownership of Interconnection Facilities shall be delineated in the Attachments to this Agreement.
- 1.5.6 The Transmission Provider shall coordinate with all Affected Systems to support the interconnection.
- 1.5.7 The Interconnection Customer shall ensure "frequency ride through" capability and "voltage ride through" capability of its Small Generating Facility. The Interconnection Customer shall enable these capabilities such that its Small Generating Facility shall not disconnect

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automatically or instantaneously from the system or equipment of the Transmission Provider and any Affected Systems for a defined under-frequency or over-frequency condition, or an under-voltage or over-voltage condition, as tested pursuant to section 2.1 of this agreement. The defined conditions shall be in accordance with Good Utility Practice and consistent with any standards and guidelines that are applied to other generating facilities in the Balancing Authority Area on a comparable basis. The Small Generating Facility's protective equipment settings shall comply with the Transmission Provider's automatic load-shed program. The Transmission Provider shall review the protective equipment settings to confirm compliance with the automatic load-shed program. The term "ride through" as used herein shall mean the ability of a Small Generating Facility to stay connected to and synchronized with the system or equipment of the Transmission Provider and any Affected Systems during system disturbances within a range of conditions, in accordance with Good Utility Practice and consistent with any standards and guidelines that are applied to other generating facilities in the Balancing Authority on a comparable basis. The term "frequency ride through" as used herein shall mean the ability of a Small Generating Facility to stay connected to and synchronized with the system or equipment of the Transmission Provider and any Affected Systems during system disturbances within a range of under-frequency and over-frequency conditions, in accordance with Good Utility Practice and consistent with any standards and guidelines that are applied to other generating facilities in the Balancing Authority Area on a comparable basis. The term "voltage ride through" as used herein shall mean the ability of a Small Generating Facility to stay connected to and synchronized with the system or equipment of the Transmission Provider and any Affected Systems during system disturbances within a range of under-voltage and overvoltage conditions, in accordance with Good Utility Practice and consistent with any standards and guidelines that are applied to other generating facilities in the Balancing Authority Area on a comparable basis. For abnormal frequency conditions and voltage conditions within the "no trip zone" defined by Reliability Standard PRC-024-3 or successor mandatory ride through Applicable Reliability Standards, the nonsynchronous Small Generating Facility must ensure that, within any physical limitations of the Small Generating Facility, its control and protection settings are configured or set to (1) continue active power production during disturbance and post disturbance periods at predisturbance levels unless reactive power priority mode is enabled or unless providing primary frequency response or fast frequency response; (2) minimize reductions in active power and remain within dynamic voltage and current limits, if reactive power priority mode is enabled, unless providing primary frequency response or fast frequency response; (3) not artificially limit dynamic reactive power capability during disturbances; and (4) return to pre-disturbance active power levels without artificial ramp rate limits if active power is reduced, unless providing primary frequency response or fast frequency response.

1.6 Parallel Operation Obligations

Once the Small Generating Facility has been authorized to commence parallel operation, the Interconnection Customer shall abide by all rules and procedures pertaining to the parallel operation of the Small Generating Facility in the applicable control area Balancing Authority Area, including, but not limited to; 1) the rules and procedures concerning the operation of generation set forth in the Tariff or by the system operator for the Transmission Provider's Transmission System and; 2) the Operating Requirements set forth in Attachment 5 of this Agreement.

1.7 Metering

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The Interconnection Customer shall be responsible for the Transmission Provider's reasonable and necessary cost for the purchase, installation, operation, maintenance, testing, repair, and replacement of metering and data acquisition equipment specified in Attachments 2 and 3 of this Agreement. The Interconnection Customer's metering (and data acquisition, as required) equipment shall conform to applicable industry rules and Operating Requirements.

1.8 Reactive Power and Primary Frequency Response

1.8.1 <u>Power Factor Design Criteria</u>

- 1.8.1.1 Synchronous Generation. The Interconnection Customer shall design its Small Generating Facility to maintain a composite power delivery at continuous rated power output at the Point of Interconnection at a power factor within the range of 0.95 leading to 0.95 lagging, unless the Transmission Provider has established different requirements that apply to all similarly situated synchronous generators in the control area Balancing Authority Area on a comparable basis.
- Non-Synchronous Generation. The Interconnection Customer shall 1.8.1.2 design its Small Generating Facility to maintain a composite power delivery at continuous rated power output at the high-side of the generator substation at a power factor within the range of 0.95 leading to 0.95 lagging, unless the Transmission Provider has established a different power factor range that applies to all similarly situated nonsynchronous generators in the control areaBalancing Authority Area on a comparable basis. This power factor range standard shall be dynamic and can be met using, for example, power electronics designed to supply this level of reactive capability (taking into account any limitations due to voltage level, real power output, etc.) or fixed and switched capacitors, or a combination of the two. This requirement shall only apply to newly interconnecting non-synchronous generators that have not yet executed a Facilities Study Agreement as of the effective date of the Final Rule establishing this requirement (Order No. 827).1 This requirement also applies to existing non-synchronous generators making upgrades that require a new Generator Interconnection Agreement where the System Impact Study shows the need for reactive power as a result of an upgrade.
- 1.8.2 The Transmission Provider is required to pay the Interconnection Customer for reactive power that the Interconnection Customer provides or absorbs from the Small Generating Facility when the Transmission Provider requests the Interconnection Customer to operate its Small Generating Facility outside the range specified in article Article 1.8.1. In addition, if the Transmission Provider pays its own or affiliated generators for reactive power service within the specified range, it must also pay the Interconnection Customer.

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1.8.3 Payments shall be in accordance with the Interconnection Customer's applicable rate schedule then in effect unless the provision of such service(s) is subject to a regional transmission organization or independent system operator FERC-approved rate schedule. To the extent that no rate schedule is in effect at the time the Interconnection Customer is required to provide or absorb reactive power under this Agreement, the Parties agree to expeditiously file such rate schedule and agree to support any request for waiver of the Commission's prior notice requirement in order to compensate the Interconnection Customer from the time service commenced.

1.8.4 Primary Frequency Response. Interconnection Customer shall ensure the primary frequency response capability of its Small Generating Facility by installing, maintaining, and operating a functioning governor or equivalent controls. The term "functioning governor or equivalent controls" as used herein shall mean the required hardware and/or software that provides frequency responsive real power control with the ability to sense changes in system frequency and autonomously adjust the Small Generating Facility's real power output in accordance with the droop and deadband parameters and in the direction needed to correct frequency deviations. Interconnection Customer is required to install a governor or equivalent controls with the capability of operating: (1) with a maximum 5 percent droop and ±0.036 Hz deadband; or (2) in accordance with the relevant droop, deadband, and timely and sustained settinas from approved NERC Electric an Standard Organization reliability standard providing for equivalent or more stringent parameters. The droop characteristic shall be: (1) based on the nameplate capacity of the Small Generating Facility, and shall be linear in the range of frequencies between 59 to 61 Hz that are outside of the deadband parameter; or (2) based on an approved NERCElectric Reliability Standard Organization reliability standard providing for an equivalent or more stringent parameter. The deadband parameter shall be: the range of frequencies above and below nominal (60 Hz) in which the governor or equivalent controls is not expected to adjust the Small Generating Facility's real power output in response to frequency deviations. The deadband shall be implemented: (1) without a step to the droop curve, that is, once the frequency deviation exceeds the deadband parameter, the expected change in the Small Generating Facility's real power output in response to frequency deviations shall start from zero and then increase (for under-frequency deviations) or decrease (for over-frequency deviations) linearly in proportion to the magnitude of the frequency deviation; or accordance approved **NERC**Electric Reliability (2) with an Standard Organization reliability standard providing for an equivalent or more stringent parameter. Interconnection Customer shall notify Transmission Provider that the primary frequency response capability of the Small Generating Facility has been tested and confirmed during commissioning. Interconnection Customer has synchronized the Small Generating Facility with the Transmission System, Interconnection Customer shall operate the Small Generating Facility consistent with the provisions specified in Sections 1.8.4.1 and 1.8.4.2 of this Agreement. The primary frequency response requirements

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contained herein shall apply to both synchronous and non-synchronous Small Generating Facilities.

- Governor or Equivalent Controls. Whenever the Small Generating Facility is 1.8.4.1 operated in parallel with the Transmission System, Interconnection Customer shall operate the Small Generating Facility with its governor or equivalent controls in service and responsive to frequency. Interconnection Customer shall: (1) in coordination with Transmission Provider and/or the relevant balancing authorityBalancing Authority, set the deadband parameter to: (1) a maximum of ±0.036 Hz and set the droop parameter to a maximum of 5 percent; or (2) implement the relevant droop and deadband settings from an approved NERCElectric Reliability Standard Organization reliability standard that provides for equivalent or more stringent parameters. Interconnection Customer shall be required to provide the status and settings of the governor or equivalent controls to Transmission Provider and/or the relevant balancing authority Balancing Authority upon request. If Interconnection Customer needs to operate the Small Generating Facility with its governor or equivalent controls not in service, Interconnection Customer shall immediately notify Transmission Provider and the relevant balancing authority Balancing Authority, and provide both with the following information: (1) the operating status of the governor or equivalent controls (i.e., whether it is currently out of service or when it will be taken out of service); (2) the reasons for removing the governor or equivalent controls from service: and (3) a reasonable estimate of when the governor or equivalent controls will be returned to service. Interconnection Customer shall make Reasonable Efforts to return its governor or equivalent controls into service as soon as practicable. Interconnection Customer shall make Reasonable Efforts to keep outages of the Small Generating Facility's governor or equivalent controls to a minimum whenever the Small Generating Facility is operated in parallel with the Transmission System.
- 1.8.4.2 Timely and Sustained Response. Interconnection Customer shall ensure that the Small Generating Facility's real power response to sustained frequency deviations outside of the deadband setting is automatically provided and shall begin immediately after frequency deviates outside of the deadband, and to the extent the Small Generating Facility has operating capability in the direction needed to correct the frequency deviation. Interconnection Customer shall not block or otherwise inhibit the ability of the governor or equivalent controls to respond and shall ensure that the response is not inhibited, except under certain operational constraints including, but not limited to, ambient temperature limitations, physical energy limitations, outages of mechanical equipment, or regulatory requirements. The Small Generating Facility shall sustain the real power response at least until system frequency returns to a value within the deadband setting of the governor or equivalent controls. A Commissionapproved Reliability Standard with equivalent or more stringent requirements shall supersede the above requirements.
- 1.8.4.3 <u>Exemptions.</u> Small Generating Facilities that are regulated by the United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission shall be exempt from Sections 1.8.4, 1.8.4.1,

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and 1.8.4.2 of this Agreement. Small Generating Facilities that are behind the meter generation that is sized-to-load (i.e., the thermal load and the generation are near-balanced in real-time operation and the generation is primarily controlled to maintain the unique thermal, chemical, or mechanical output necessary for the operating requirements of its host facility) shall be required to install primary frequency response capability in accordance with the droop and deadband capability requirements specified in Section 1.8.4, but shall be otherwise exempt from the operating requirements in Sections 1.8.4, 1.8.4.1, 1.8.4.2, and 1.8.4.4 of this Agreement.

1.8.4.4 Electric Storage Resources. Interconnection Customer interconnecting an electric storage resource shall establish an operating range in Attachment 5 of its SGIA that specifies a minimum state of charge and a maximum state of charge between which the electric storage resource will be required to provide primary frequency response consistent with the conditions set forth in Sections 1.8.4, 1.8.4.1, 1.8.4.2 and 1.8.4.3 of this Agreement. Attachment 5 shall specify whether the operating range is static or dynamic, and shall consider: (1) the expected magnitude of frequency deviations in the interconnection; (2) the expected duration that system frequency will remain outside of the deadband parameter in the interconnection; (3) the expected incidence of frequency deviations outside of the deadband parameter in the interconnection; (4) the physical capabilities of the electric storage resource; (5) operational limitations of the electric storage resource due to manufacturer specifications; and (6) any other relevant factors agreed to by Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer, and in consultation with the relevant transmission owner or balancing authority Balancing Authority as appropriate. If the operating range is dynamic, then Attachment 5 must establish how frequently the operating range will be reevaluated and the factors that may be considered during its reevaluation.

Interconnection Customer's electric storage resource is required to provide timely and sustained primary frequency response consistent with Section 1.8.4.2 of this Agreement when it is online and dispatched to inject electricity to the Transmission System and/or receive electricity from the Transmission System. This excludes circumstances when the electric storage resource is not dispatched to inject electricity to the Transmission System and/or dispatched to receive electricity from the Transmission System. If Interconnection Customer's electric storage resource is charging at the time of a frequency deviation outside of its deadband parameter, it is to increase (for over-frequency deviations) or decrease (for under-frequency deviations) the rate at which it is charging in accordance with its droop parameter. Interconnection Customer's electric storage resource is not required to change from charging to discharging, or vice versa, unless the response necessitated by the droop and deadband settings requires it to do so and it is technically capable of making such a transition.

- 1.9 Capitalized terms used herein shall have the meanings specified in the Glossary of Terms in Attachment 1 or the body of this Agreement.
- [1] The effective date of Order 827 is October 14, 2016.

Article 2. Inspection, Testing, Authorization, and Right of Access

2.1 Equipment Testing and Inspection

- 2.1.1 The Interconnection Customer shall test and inspect its Small Generating Facility and Interconnection Facilities prior to interconnection. The Interconnection Customer shall notify the Transmission Provider of such activities no fewer than five Business Days (or as may be agreed to by the Parties) prior to such testing and inspection. Testing and inspection shall occur on a Business Day. The Transmission Provider may, at its own expense, send qualified personnel to the Small Generating Facility site to inspect the interconnection and observe the testing. The Interconnection Customer shall provide the Transmission Provider a written test report when such testing and inspection is completed.
- 2.1.2 The Transmission Provider shall provide the Interconnection Customer written acknowledgment that it has received the Interconnection Customer's written test report. Such written acknowledgment shall not be deemed to be or construed as any representation, assurance, guarantee, or warranty by the Transmission Provider of the safety, durability, suitability, or reliability of the Small Generating Facility or any associated control, protective, and safety devices owned or controlled by the Interconnection Customer or the quality of power produced by the Small Generating Facility.

2.2 Authorization Required Prior to Parallel Operation

- 2.2.1 The Transmission Provider shall use Reasonable Efforts to list applicable parallel operation requirements in Attachment 5 of this Agreement. Additionally, the Transmission Provider shall notify the Interconnection Customer of any changes to these requirements as soon as they are known. The Transmission Provider shall make Reasonable Efforts to cooperate with the Interconnection Customer in meeting requirements necessary for the Interconnection Customer to commence parallel operations by the in-service date.
- 2.2.2 The Interconnection Customer shall not operate its Small Generating Facility in parallel with the Transmission Provider's Transmission System without prior written authorization of the Transmission Provider. The Transmission Provider will provide such authorization once the Transmission Provider receives notification that the Interconnection Customer has complied with all applicable parallel operation requirements. Such authorization shall not be unreasonably withheld, conditioned, or delayed.

2.3 Right of Access

2.3.1 Upon reasonable notice, the Transmission Provider may send a qualified person to the premises of the Interconnection Customer at or immediately before the time the Small Generating Facility first produces energy to inspect the interconnection, and observe the commissioning of the Small Generating Facility (including any required testing), startup, and operation for a period of up to three

Business Days after initial start-up of the unit. In addition, the Interconnection Customer shall notify the Transmission Provider at least five Business Days prior to conducting any on-site verification testing of the Small Generating Facility.

- 2.3.2 Following the initial inspection process described above, at reasonable hours, and upon reasonable notice, or at any time without notice in the event of an emergency or hazardous condition, the Transmission Provider shall have access to the Interconnection Customer's premises for any reasonable purpose in connection with the performance of the obligations imposed on it by this Agreement or if necessary to meet its legal obligation to provide service to its customers.
- 2.3.3 Each Party shall be responsible for its own costs associated with following this article.

Article 3. Effective Date, Term, Termination, and Disconnection

3.1 Effective Date

This Agreement shall become effective upon execution by the Parties subject to acceptance by FERC (if applicable), or if filed unexecuted, upon the date specified by the FERC. The Transmission Provider shall promptly file this Agreement with the FERC upon execution, if required.

3.2 Term of Agreement

This Agreement shall become effective on the Effective Date and shall remain in effect for a period of ten years from the Effective Date or such other longer period as the Interconnection Customer may request and shall be automatically renewed for each successive one-year period thereafter, unless terminated earlier in accordance with article 3.3 of this Agreement.

3.3 <u>Termination</u>

No termination shall become effective until the Parties have complied with all Applicable Laws and Regulations applicable to such termination, including the filing with FERC of a notice of termination of this Agreement (if required), which notice has been accepted for filing by FERC.

- 3.3.1 The Interconnection Customer may terminate this Agreement at any time by giving the Transmission Provider 20 Business Days written notice.
- 3.3.2 Either Party may terminate this Agreement after Default pursuant to article 7.6.
- 3.3.3 Upon termination of this Agreement, the Small Generating Facility will be disconnected from the Transmission Provider's Transmission System. All costs required to effectuate such disconnection shall be bore by the terminating Party, unless such termination resulted from the non-terminating Party's Default of this SGIA or such non-terminating Party otherwise is responsible for these costs under this SGIA.

- 3.3.4 The termination of this Agreement shall not relieve either Party of its liabilities and obligations, owed or continuing at the time of the termination.
- 3.3.5 The provisions of this article shall survive termination or expiration of this Agreement.

3.4 <u>Temporary Disconnection</u>

Temporary disconnection shall continue only for so long as reasonably necessary under Good Utility Practice.

3.4.1 Emergency Conditions -- "Emergency Condition" shall mean a condition or situation: (1) that in the judgment of the Party making the claim is imminently likely to endanger life or property; or (2) that, in the case of the Transmission Provider, is imminently likely (as determined in a non-discriminatory manner) to cause a material adverse effect on the security of, or damage to the Transmission System, the Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities or the Transmission Systems of others to which the Transmission System is directly connected; or (3) that, in the case of the Interconnection Customer, is imminently likely (as determined in a non-discriminatory manner) to cause a material adverse effect on the security of, or damage to, the Small Generating Facility or the Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities. Under Emergency Transmission Provider may immediately Conditions, the interconnection service and temporarily disconnect the Small Generating Facility. The Transmission Provider shall notify the Interconnection Customer promptly when it becomes aware of an Emergency Condition that may reasonably be expected to affect the Interconnection Customer's operation of the Small Generating Facility. The Interconnection Customer shall notify the Transmission Provider promptly when it becomes aware of an Emergency Condition that may reasonably be expected to affect the Transmission Provider's Transmission System or any Affected Systems. To the extent information is known, the notification shall describe the Emergency Condition, the extent of the damage or deficiency, the expected effect on the operation of both Parties' facilities and operations, its anticipated duration, and the necessary corrective action.

3.4.2 Routine Maintenance, Construction, and Repair

The Transmission Provider may interrupt interconnection service or curtail the output of the Small Generating Facility and temporarily disconnect the Small Generating Facility from the Transmission Provider's Transmission System when necessary for routine maintenance, construction, and repairs on the Transmission Provider's Transmission System. The Transmission Provider shall provide the Interconnection Customer with five Business Days notice prior to such interruption. The Transmission Provider shall use Reasonable Efforts to coordinate such reduction or temporary disconnection with the Interconnection Customer.

3.4.3 Forced Outages

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During any forced outage, the Transmission Provider may suspend interconnection service to effect immediate repairs on the Transmission Provider's Transmission System. The Transmission Provider shall use Reasonable Efforts to provide the Interconnection Customer with prior notice. If prior notice is not given, the Transmission Provider shall, upon request, provide the Interconnection Customer written documentation after the fact explaining the circumstances of the disconnection.

3.4.4 Adverse Operating Effects

The Transmission Provider shall notify the Interconnection Customer as soon as practicable if, based on Good Utility Practice, operation of the Small Generating Facility may cause disruption or deterioration of service to other customers served from the same electric system, or if operating the Small Generating Facility could cause damage to the Transmission Provider's Transmission System or Affected Systems. Supporting documentation used to reach the decision to disconnect shall be provided to the Interconnection Customer upon request. If, after notice, the Interconnection Customer fails to remedy the adverse operating effect within a reasonable time, the Transmission Provider may disconnect the Small Generating Facility. The Transmission Provider shall provide the Interconnection Customer with five Business Day notice of such disconnection, unless the provisions of article 3.4.1 apply.

3.4.5 <u>Modification of the Small Generating Facility</u>

The Interconnection Customer must receive written authorization from the Transmission Provider before making any change to the Small Generating Facility that may have a material impact on the safety or reliability of the Transmission System. Such authorization shall not be unreasonably withheld. Modifications shall be done in accordance with Good Utility Practice. If the Interconnection Customer makes such modification without the Transmission Provider's prior written authorization, the latter shall have the right to temporarily disconnect the Small Generating Facility.

3.4.6 Reconnection

The Parties shall cooperate with each other to restore the Small Generating Facility, Interconnection Facilities, and the—Transmission Provider's Transmission System to their normal operating state as soon as reasonably practicable following a temporary disconnection.

Article 4. Cost Responsibility for Interconnection Facilities and Distribution Upgrades

4.1 <u>Interconnection Facilities</u>

4.1.1 The Interconnection Customer shall pay for the cost of the Interconnection Facilities itemized in Attachment 2 of this Agreement. The Transmission Provider shall provide a best estimate cost, including overheads, for the purchase and construction of its Interconnection Facilities and provide a detailed itemization of such costs. Costs associated with Interconnection Facilities may be shared with other entities that may benefit from such facilities by agreement

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of the Interconnection Customer, such other entities, and the Transmission Provider.

4.1.2 The Interconnection Customer shall be responsible for its share of all reasonable expenses, including overheads, associated with (1) owning, operating, maintaining, repairing, and replacing its own Interconnection Facilities, and (2) operating, maintaining, repairing, and replacing the Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities.

4.2 <u>Distribution Upgrades</u>

The Transmission Provider shall design, procure, construct, install, and own the Distribution Upgrades described in Attachment 6 of this Agreement. If the Transmission Provider and the Interconnection Customer agree, the Interconnection Customer may construct Distribution Upgrades that are located on land owned by the Interconnection Customer. The actual cost of the Distribution Upgrades, including overheads, shall be directly assigned to the Interconnection Customer.

Article 5. Cost Responsibility for Network Upgrades

5.1 Applicability

No portion of this article 5 shall apply unless the interconnection of the Small Generating Facility requires Network Upgrades.

5.2 Network Upgrades

The Transmission Provider or the Transmission Owner shall design, procure, construct, install, and own the Network Upgrades described in Attachment 6 of this Agreement. If the Transmission Provider and the Interconnection Customer agree, the Interconnection Customer may construct Network Upgrades that are located on land owned by the Interconnection Customer. Unless the Transmission Provider elects to pay for Network Upgrades, the actual cost of the Network Upgrades, including overheads, shall be borne initially by the Interconnection Customer.

5.2.1 Repayment of Amounts Advanced for Network Upgrades

The Interconnection Customer shall be entitled to a cash repayment, equal to the total amount paid to the Transmission Provider and Affected System operator, if any, for Network Upgrades, including any tax gross-up or other tax-related payments associated with the Network Upgrades, and not otherwise refunded to the Interconnection Customer, to be paid to the Interconnection Customer on a dollar-for-dollar basis for the non-usage sensitive portion of transmission charges, as payments are made under the Transmission Provider's Tariff and Affected System's Tariff for transmission services with respect to the Small Generating Facility. Any repayment shall include interest calculated in accordance with the methodology set forth in FERC's regulations at 18 C.F.R. § 35.19a(a)(2)(iii) from the date of any payment for Network Upgrades through the date on which the Interconnection Customer receives a repayment of such payment pursuant to this subparagraph. The Interconnection Customer may assign such repayment rights to any person.

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- 5.2.1.1 Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Interconnection Customer, the Transmission Provider, and any applicable Affected System operator may adopt any alternative payment schedule that is mutually agreeable so long as the Transmission Provider and said Affected System operator take one of the following actions no later than five years from the Commercial Operation Date: (1) return to the Interconnection Customer any amounts advanced for Network Upgrades not previously repaid, or (2) declare in writing that the Transmission Provider or any applicable Affected System operator will continue to provide payments to the Interconnection Customer on a dollar-for-dollar basis for the non-usage sensitive portion of transmission charges, or develop an alternative schedule that is mutually agreeable and provides for the return of all amounts advanced for Network Upgrades not previously repaid; however, full reimbursement shall not extend beyond twenty (20) years from the commercial operation date.
- 5.2.1.2 If the Small Generating Facility fails to achieve commercial operation, but it or another generating facility is later constructed and requires use of the Network Upgrades, the Transmission Provider and Affected System operator shall at that time reimburse the Interconnection Customer for the amounts advanced for the Network Upgrades. Before any such reimbursement can occur, the Interconnection Customer, or the entity that ultimately constructs the generating facility, if different, is responsible for identifying the entity to which reimbursement must be made.

5.3 Special Provisions for Affected Systems

Unless the Transmission Provider provides, under this Agreement, for the repayment of amounts advanced to any applicable Affected System operator for Network Upgrades, the Interconnection Customer and Affected System operator shall enter into an agreement that provides for such repayment. The agreement shall specify the terms governing payments to be made by the Interconnection Customer to Affected System operator as well as the repayment by Affected System operator.

5.4 Rights Under Other Agreements

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, nothing herein shall be construed as relinquishing or foreclosing any rights, including but not limited to firm transmission rights, capacity rights, transmission congestion rights, or transmission credits, that the Interconnection Customer shall be entitled to, now or in the future, under any other agreement or tariff as a result of, or otherwise associated with, the transmission capacity, if any, created by the Network Upgrades, including the right to obtain cash reimbursements or transmission credits for transmission service that is not associated with the Small Generating Facility.

Article 6. Billing, Payment, Milestones, and Financial Security

- 6.1 <u>Billing and Payment Procedures and Final Accounting</u>
 - 6.1.1 The Transmission Provider shall bill the Interconnection Customer for the design, engineering, construction, and procurement costs of Interconnection Facilities

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and Upgrades contemplated by this Agreement on a monthly basis, or as otherwise agreed by the Parties. The Interconnection Customer shall pay each bill within 30 calendar days of receipt, or as otherwise agreed to by the Parties.

Within three months of completing the construction and installation of the 6.1.2 Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and/or Upgrades described in the Attachments to this Agreement, the Transmission Provider shall provide the Interconnection Customer with a final accounting report of any difference between (1) the Interconnection Customer's cost responsibility for the actual cost of such facilities or Upgrades, and (2) the Interconnection Customer's previous aggregate payments to the Transmission Provider for such facilities or Upgrades. If the Interconnection Customer's cost responsibility exceeds its previous aggregate payments, the Transmission Provider shall invoice Interconnection Customer for the amount due and the Interconnection Customer shall make payment to the Transmission Provider within 30 calendar days. If the Interconnection Customer's previous aggregate payments exceed its cost responsibility under this Agreement, the Transmission Provider shall refund to the Interconnection Customer an amount equal to the difference within 30 calendar days of the final accounting report.

6.2 <u>Milestones</u>

The Parties shall agree on milestones for which each Party is responsible and list them in Attachment 4 of this Agreement. A Party's obligations under this provision may be extended by agreement. If a Party anticipates that it will be unable to meet a milestone for any reason other than a Force Majeure Event, it shall immediately notify the other Party of the reason(s) for not meeting the milestone and (1) propose the earliest reasonable alternate date by which it can attain this and future milestones, and (2) requesting appropriate amendments to Attachment 4. The Party affected by the failure to meet a milestone shall not unreasonably withhold agreement to such an amendment unless it will suffer significant uncompensated economic or operational harm from the delay, (2) attainment of the same milestone has previously been delayed, or (3) it has reason to believe that the delay in meeting the milestone is intentional or unwarranted notwithstanding the circumstances explained by the Party proposing the amendment.

6.3 Financial Security Arrangements

At least 20 Business Days prior to the commencement of the design, procurement, installation, or construction of a discrete portion of the Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Upgrades, the Interconnection Customer shall provide the Transmission Provider, at the Interconnection Customer's option, a guarantee, a surety bond, letter of credit or other form of security that is reasonably acceptable to the Transmission Provider and is consistent with the Uniform Commercial Code of the jurisdiction where the Point of Interconnection is located. Such security for payment shall be in an amount sufficient to cover the costs for constructing, designing, procuring, and installing the applicable portion of the Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Upgrades and shall be reduced on a dollar-for-dollar basis for payments made to the Transmission Provider under this Agreement during its term. In addition:

- 6.3.1 The guarantee must be made by an entity that meets the creditworthiness requirements of the Transmission Provider, and contain terms and conditions that guarantee payment of any amount that may be due from the Interconnection Customer, up to an agreed-to maximum amount.
- 6.3.2 The letter of credit or surety bond must be issued by a financial institution or insurer reasonably acceptable to the Transmission Provider and must specify a reasonable expiration date.

Article 7. Assignment, Liability, Indemnity, Force Majeure, Consequential Damages, and Default

7.1 Assignment

This Agreement may be assigned by either Party upon 15 Business Days prior written notice and opportunity to object by the other Party; provided that:

- 7.1.1 Either Party may assign this Agreement without the consent of the other Party to any affiliate of the assigning Party with an equal or greater credit rating and with the legal authority and operational ability to satisfy the obligations of the assigning Party under this Agreement, provided that the Interconnection Customer promptly notifies the Transmission Provider of any such assignment;
- 7.1.2 The Interconnection Customer shall have the right to assign this Agreement, without the consent of the Transmission Provider, for collateral security purposes to aid in providing financing for the Small Generating Facility, provided that the Interconnection Customer will promptly notify the Transmission Provider of any such assignment.
- 7.1.3 Any attempted assignment that violates this article is void and ineffective. Assignment shall not relieve a Party of its obligations, nor shall a Party's obligations be enlarged, in whole or in part, by reason thereof. An assignee is responsible for meeting the same financial, credit, and insurance obligations as the Interconnection Customer. Where required, consent to assignment will not be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed.

7.2 Limitation of Liability

Each Party's liability to the other Party for any loss, cost, claim, injury, liability, or expense, including reasonable attorney's fees, relating to or arising from any act or omission in its performance of this Agreement, shall be limited to the amount of direct damage actually incurred. In no event shall either Party be liable to the other Party for any indirect, special, consequential, or punitive damages, except as authorized by this Agreement.

7.3 Indemnity

7.3.1 This provision protects each Party from liability incurred to third parties as a result of carrying out the provisions of this Agreement. Liability under this provision is exempt from the general limitations on liability found in article 7.2.

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- 7.3.2 The Parties shall at all times indemnify, defend, and hold the other Party harmless from, any and all damages, losses, claims, including claims and actions relating to injury to or death of any person or damage to property, demand, suits, recoveries, costs and expenses, court costs, attorney fees, and all other obligations by or to third parties, arising out of or resulting from the other Party's action or failure to meet its obligations under this Agreement on behalf of the indemnifying Party, except in cases of gross negligence or intentional wrongdoing by the indemnified Party.
- 7.3.3 If an indemnified person is entitled to indemnification under this article as a result of a claim by a third party, and the indemnifying Party fails, after notice and reasonable opportunity to proceed under this article, to assume the defense of such claim, such indemnified person may at the expense of the indemnifying Party contest, settle or consent to the entry of any judgment with respect to, or pay in full, such claim.
- 7.3.4 If an indemnifying party is obligated to indemnify and hold any indemnified person harmless under this article, the amount owing to the indemnified person shall be the amount of such indemnified person's actual loss, net of any insurance or other recovery.
- 7.3.5 Promptly after receipt by an indemnified person of any claim or notice of the commencement of any action or administrative or legal proceeding or investigation as to which the indemnity provided for in this article may apply, the indemnified person shall notify the indemnifying party of such fact. Any failure of or delay in such notification shall not affect a Party's indemnification obligation unless such failure or delay is materially prejudicial to the indemnifying party.

7.4 Consequential Damages

Other than as expressly provided for in this Agreement, neither Party shall be liable under any provision of this Agreement for any losses, damages, costs or expenses for any special, indirect, incidental, consequential, or punitive damages, including but not limited to loss of profit or revenue, loss of the use of equipment, cost of capital, cost of temporary equipment or services, whether based in whole or in part in contract, in tort, including negligence, strict liability, or any other theory of liability; provided, however, that damages for which a Party may be liable to the other Party under another agreement will not be considered to be special, indirect, incidental, or consequential damages hereunder.

7.5 Force Majeure

7.5.1 As used in this article, a Force Majeure Event shall mean "any act of God, labor disturbance, act of the public enemy, war, insurrection, riot, fire, storm or flood, explosion, breakage or accident to machinery or equipment, any order, regulation or restriction imposed by governmental, military or lawfully established civilian authorities, or any other cause beyond a Party's control. A Force Majeure Event does not include an act of negligence or intentional wrongdoing."

7.5.2 If a Force Majeure Event prevents a Party from fulfilling any obligations under this Agreement, the Party affected by the Force Majeure Event (Affected Party) shall promptly notify the other Party, either in writing or via the telephone, of the existence of the Force Majeure Event. The notification must specify in reasonable detail the circumstances of the Force Majeure Event, its expected duration, and the steps that the Affected Party is taking to mitigate the effects of the event on its performance. The Affected Party shall keep the other Party informed on a continuing basis of developments relating to the Force Majeure Event until the event ends. The Affected Party will be entitled to suspend or modify its performance of obligations under this Agreement (other than the obligation to make payments) only to the extent that the effect of the Force Majeure Event cannot be mitigated by the use of Reasonable Efforts. The Affected Party will use Reasonable Efforts to resume its performance as soon as possible.

7.6 Default

- 7.6.1 No Default shall exist where such failure to discharge an obligation (other than the payment of money) is the result of a Force Majeure Event as defined in this Agreement or the result of an act or omission of the other Party. Upon a Default, the non-defaulting Party shall give written notice of such Default to the defaulting Party. Except as provided in article 7.6.2, the defaulting Party shall have 60 calendar days from receipt of the Default notice within which to cure such Default; provided however, if such Default is not capable of cure within 60 calendar days, the defaulting Party shall commence such cure within 20 calendar days after notice and continuously and diligently complete such cure within six months from receipt of the Default notice; and, if cured within such time, the Default specified in such notice shall cease to exist.
- 7.6.2 If a Default is not cured as provided in this article, or if a Default is not capable of being cured within the period provided for herein, the non-defaulting Party shall have the right to terminate this Agreement by written notice at any time until cure occurs, and be relieved of any further obligation hereunder and, whether or not that Party terminates this Agreement, to recover from the defaulting Party all amounts due hereunder, plus all other damages and remedies to which it is entitled at law or in equity. The provisions of this article will survive termination of this Agreement.

Article 8. Insurance

8.1 The-Interconnection Customer shall, at its own expense, maintain in force general liability insurance without any exclusion for liabilities related to the interconnection undertaken pursuant to this Agreement. The amount of such insurance shall be sufficient to insure against all reasonably foreseeable direct liabilities given the size and nature of the generating equipment being interconnected, the interconnection itself, and the characteristics of the system to which the interconnection is made. The-Interconnection Customer shall obtain additional insurance only if necessary as a function of owning and operating a generating facility. Such insurance shall be obtained from an insurance

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provider authorized to do business in the State where the interconnection is located. Certification that such insurance is in effect shall be provided upon request of the Transmission Provider, except that the Interconnection Customer shall show proof of insurance to the Transmission Provider no later than ten Business Days prior to the anticipated commercial operation date. An Interconnection Customer of sufficient creditworthiness may propose to self-insure for such liabilities, and such a proposal shall not be unreasonably rejected.

- 8.2 The Transmission Provider agrees to maintain general liability insurance or self-insurance consistent with the Transmission Provider's commercial practice. Such insurance or self-insurance shall not exclude coverage for the Transmission Provider's liabilities undertaken pursuant to this Agreement.
- 8.3 The Parties further agree to notify each other whenever an accident or incident occurs resulting in any injuries or damages that are included within the scope of coverage of such insurance, whether or not such coverage is sought.

Article 9. Confidentiality

- 9.1 Confidential Information shall mean any confidential and/or proprietary information provided by one Party to the other Party that is clearly marked or otherwise designated "Confidential." For purposes of this Agreement all design, operating specifications, and metering data provided by the Interconnection Customer shall be deemed Confidential Information regardless of whether it is clearly marked or otherwise designated as such.
- 9.2 Confidential Information does not include information previously in the public domain, required to be publicly submitted or divulged by Governmental Authorities (after notice to the other Party and after exhausting any opportunity to oppose such publication or release), or necessary to be divulged in an action to enforce this Agreement. Each Party receiving Confidential Information shall hold such information in confidence and shall not disclose it to any third party nor to the public without the prior written authorization from the Party providing that information, except to fulfill obligations under this Agreement, or to fulfill legal or regulatory requirements.
 - 9.2.1 Each Party shall employ at least the same standard of care to protect Confidential Information obtained from the other Party as it employs to protect its own Confidential Information.
 - 9.2.2 Each Party is entitled to equitable relief, by injunction or otherwise, to enforce its rights under this provision to prevent the release of Confidential Information without bond or proof of damages, and may seek other remedies available at law or in equity for breach of this provision.
- 9.3 Notwithstanding anything in this article to the contrary, and pursuant to 18 CFR § 1b.20, if FERC, during the course of an investigation or otherwise, requests information from one of the Parties that is otherwise required to be maintained in confidence pursuant to this Agreement, the Party shall provide the requested information to FERC, within the time provided for in the request for information. In providing the information to FERC, the Party

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may, consistent with 18 CFR § 388.112, request that the information be treated as confidential and non-public by FERC and that the information be withheld from public disclosure. Parties are prohibited from notifying the other Party to this Agreement prior to the release of the Confidential Information to FERC. The Party shall notify the other Party to this Agreement when it is notified by FERC that a request to release Confidential Information has been received by FERC, at which time either of the Parties may respond before such information would be made public, pursuant to 18 CFR § 388.112. Requests from a state regulatory body conducting a confidential investigation shall be treated in a similar manner if consistent with the applicable state rules and regulations.

Article 10. Disputes

- 10.1 The Parties agree to attempt to resolve all disputes arising out of the interconnection process according to the provisions of this article.
- 10.2 In the event of a dispute, either Party shall provide the other Party with a written Notice of Dispute. Such Notice shall describe in detail the nature of the dispute.
- 10.3 If the dispute has not been resolved within two Business Days after receipt of the Notice, either Party may contact FERC's Dispute Resolution Service (DRS) for assistance in resolving the dispute.
- 10.4 The DRS will assist the Parties in either resolving their dispute or in selecting an appropriate dispute resolution venue (e.g., mediation, settlement judge, early neutral evaluation, or technical expert) to assist the Parties in resolving their dispute. DRS can be reached at 1-877-337-2237 or via the internet at http://www.ferc.gov/legal/adr.asp.
- 10.5 Each Party agrees to conduct all negotiations in good faith and will be responsible for one-half of any costs paid to neutral third-parties.
- 10.6 If neither Party elects to seek assistance from the DRS, or if the attempted dispute resolution fails, then either Party may exercise whatever rights and remedies it may have in equity or law consistent with the terms of this Agreement.

Article 11. Taxes

- 11.1 The Parties agree to follow all applicable tax laws and regulations, consistent with FERC policy and Internal Revenue Service requirements.
- 11.2 Each Party shall cooperate with the other to maintain the other Party's tax status. Nothing in this Agreement is intended to adversely affect—the Transmission Provider's tax exempt status with respect to the issuance of bonds including, but not limited to, local furnishing bonds.

Article 12. Miscellaneous

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The validity, interpretation and enforcement of this Agreement and each of its provisions shall be governed by the laws of the state of ______ (where the Point of Interconnection is located), without regard to its conflicts of law principles. This Agreement is subject to all Applicable Laws and Regulations. Each Party expressly reserves the right to seek changes in, appeal, or otherwise contest any laws, orders, or regulations of a Governmental Authority.

12.2 Amendment

The Parties may amend this Agreement by a written instrument duly executed by both Parties, or under article 12.2 of this Agreement.

12.3 No Third-Party Beneficiaries

This Agreement is not intended to and does not create rights, remedies, or benefits of any character whatsoever in favor of any persons, corporations, associations, or entities other than the Parties, and the obligations herein assumed are solely for the use and benefit of the Parties, their successors in interest and where permitted, their assigns.

12.4 Waiver

- 12.4.1 The failure of a Party to this Agreement to insist, on any occasion, upon strict performance of any provision of this Agreement will not be considered a waiver of any obligation, right, or duty of, or imposed upon, such Party.
- 12.4.2 Any waiver at any time by either Party of its rights with respect to this Agreement shall not be deemed a continuing waiver or a waiver with respect to any other failure to comply with any other obligation, right, duty of this Agreement. Termination or default of this Agreement for any reason by Interconnection Customer shall not constitute a waiver of the Interconnection Customer's legal rights to obtain an interconnection from the Transmission Provider. Any waiver of this Agreement shall, if requested, be provided in writing.

12.5 Entire Agreement

This Agreement, including all Attachments, constitutes the entire agreement between the Parties with reference to the subject matter hereof, and supersedes all prior and contemporaneous understandings or agreements, oral or written, between the Parties with respect to the subject matter of this Agreement. There are no other agreements, representations, warranties, or covenants which constitute any part of the consideration for, or any condition to, either Party's compliance with its obligations under this Agreement.

12.6 <u>Multiple Counterparts</u>

This Agreement may be executed in two or more counterparts, each of which is deemed an original but all constitute one and the same instrument.

12.7 No Partnership

This Agreement shall not be interpreted or construed to create an association, joint venture, agency relationship, or partnership between the Parties or to impose any partnership obligation or partnership liability upon either Party. Neither Party shall have any right, power or authority to enter into any agreement or undertaking for, or act on

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behalf of, or to act as or be an agent or representative of, or to otherwise bind, the other Party.

12.8 Severability

If any provision or portion of this Agreement shall for any reason be held or adjudged to be invalid or illegal or unenforceable by any court of competent jurisdiction or other Governmental Authority, (1) such portion or provision shall be deemed separate and independent, (2) the Parties shall negotiate in good faith to restore insofar as practicable the benefits to each Party that were affected by such ruling, and (3) the remainder of this Agreement shall remain in full force and effect.

12.9 Security Arrangements

Infrastructure security of electric system equipment and operations and control hardware and software is essential to ensure day-to-day reliability and operational security. FERC expects all Transmission Providers, market participants, and Interconnection Customers interconnected to electric systems to comply with the recommendations offered by the President's Critical Infrastructure Protection Board and, eventually, best practice recommendations from the electric reliability authority. All public utilities are expected to meet basic standards for system infrastructure and operational security, including physical, operational, and cyber-security practices.

12.10 Environmental Releases

Each Party shall notify the other Party, first orally and then in writing, of the release of any hazardous substances, any asbestos or lead abatement activities, or any type of remediation activities related to the Small Generating Facility or the Interconnection Facilities, each of which may reasonably be expected to affect the other Party. The notifying Party shall (1) provide the notice as soon as practicable, provided such Party makes a good faith effort to provide the notice no later than 24 hours after such Party becomes aware of the occurrence, and (2) promptly furnish to the other Party copies of any publicly available reports filed with any governmental authorities addressing such events.

12.11 Subcontractors

Nothing in this Agreement shall prevent a Party from utilizing the services of any subcontractor as it deems appropriate to perform its obligations under this Agreement; provided, however, that each Party shall require its subcontractors to comply with all applicable terms and conditions of this Agreement in providing such services and each Party shall remain primarily liable to the other Party for the performance of such subcontractor.

12.11.1 The creation of any subcontract relationship shall not relieve the hiring Party of any of its obligations under this Agreement. The hiring Party shall be fully responsible to the other Party for the acts or omissions of any subcontractor the hiring Party hires as if no subcontract had been made; provided, however, that in no event shall the Transmission Provider be liable for the actions or inactions of the Interconnection Customer or its subcontractors with respect to obligations of the Interconnection Customer under this Agreement. Any applicable obligation imposed by this Agreement upon the hiring Party shall be equally

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binding upon, and shall be construed as having application to, any subcontractor of such Party.

12.11.2 The obligations under this article will not be limited in any way by any limitation of subcontractor's insurance.

12.12 Reservation of Rights

The Transmission Provider shall have the right to make a unilateral filing with FERC to modify this Agreement with respect to any rates, terms and conditions, charges, classifications of service, rule or regulation under section 205 or any other applicable provision of the Federal Power Act and FERC's rules and regulations thereunder, and the Interconnection Customer shall have the right to make a unilateral filing with FERC to modify this Agreement under any applicable provision of the Federal Power Act and FERC's rules and regulations; provided that each Party shall have the right to protest any such filing by the other Party and to participate fully in any proceeding before FERC in which such modifications may be considered. Nothing in this Agreement shall limit the rights of the Parties or of FERC under sections 205 or 206 of the Federal Power Act and FERC's rules and regulations, except to the extent that the Parties otherwise agree as provided herein.

Article 13. Notices

13.1 General

Unless otherwise provided in this Agreement, any written notice, demand, or request required or authorized in connection with this Agreement ("Notice") shall be deemed properly given if delivered in person, delivered by recognized national currier service, or sent by first class mail, postage prepaid, to the person specified below:

| | If to the Interconnection Customer: | | |
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| | Interconnection Customer: | | |
| | Attention: | | |
| | Address: | | |
| | City: | State: | Zip: |
| | Phone: | | |
| | If to the Transmission Provider: | | |
| | Transmission Provider: | | |
| | Attention: | | |
| | Address: | | |
| | City: | State: | Zip: |
| | Phone: | | |
| 13.2 | Billing and Payment | | |
| | Billings and payments shall be sent to | the addresses set out below: | |
| | Interconnection Customer: | | |
| | Attention: | | |
| | Address: | | |
| | Citv: | State: | Zip: |

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| Transmission F | Provider: | | |
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| Attention: | | | |
| Address: | | | |
| City: | | State: | Zip: |

13.3 <u>Alternative Forms of Notice</u>

Any notice or request required or permitted to be given by either Party to the other and not required by this Agreement to be given in writing may be so given by telephone, facsimile or e-mail to the telephone numbers and e-mail addresses set out below:

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13.5 Changes to the Notice Information

Either Party may change this information by giving five Business Days written notice prior to the effective date of the change.

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Article 14. Signatures

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have caused this Agreement to be executed by their respective duly authorized representatives.

| For the | Transmission Provid | <u>er</u> | |
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| Name: | | | |
| Title: | | | |
| Date: | | | |
| For the | Interconnection Cus | <u>tomer</u> | |
| Name: | | | |
| Title: | | | |
| Date: | | | |

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Glossary of Terms

Affected System – An electric system other than the Transmission Provider's Transmission System that may be affected by the proposed interconnection.

Applicable Laws and Regulations – All duly promulgated applicable federal, state and local laws, regulations, rules, ordinances, codes, decrees, judgments, directives, or judicial or administrative orders, permits and other duly authorized actions of any Governmental Authority.

<u>Applicable Reliability Standards</u> - The requirements and guidelines of the Electric Reliability Organization and the Balancing Authority Area of the Transmission System to which the Generating Facility is directly interconnected.

<u>Balancing Authority</u> - An entity that integrates resource plans ahead of time, maintains demand and resource balance within a Balancing Authority Area, and supports interconnection frequency in real time.

Balancing Authority Area - The collection of generation, transmission, and loads within the metered boundaries of the Balancing Authority. The Balancing Authority maintains load-resource balance within this area.

Business Day – Monday through Friday, excluding Federal Holidays.

Default – The failure of a breaching Party to cure its breach under the Small Generator Interconnection Agreement.

Distribution System — The Transmission Provider's facilities and equipment used to transmit electricity to ultimate usage points such as homes and industries directly from nearby generators or from interchanges with higher voltage transmission networks which transport bulk power over longer distances. The voltage levels at which Distribution Systems operate differ among areas.

Distribution Upgrades – The additions, modifications, and upgrades to the Transmission Provider's Distribution System at or beyond the Point of Interconnection to facilitate interconnection of the Small Generating Facility and render the transmission service necessary to effect the Interconnection Customer's wholesale sale of electricity in interstate commerce. Distribution Upgrades do not include Interconnection Facilities.

Good Utility Practice – Any of the practices, methods and acts engaged in or approved by a significant portion of the electric industry during the relevant time period, or any of the practices, methods and acts which, in the exercise of reasonable judgment in light of the facts known at the time the decision was made, could have been expected to accomplish the desired result at a reasonable cost consistent with good business practices, reliability, safety and expedition. Good Utility Practice is not intended to be limited to the optimum practice, method, or act to the exclusion of all others, but rather to be acceptable practices, methods, or acts generally accepted in the region.

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Governmental Authority – Any federal, state, local or other governmental regulatory or administrative agency, court, commission, department, board, or other governmental subdivision, legislature, rulemaking board, tribunal, or other governmental authority having jurisdiction over the Parties, their respective facilities, or the respective services they provide, and exercising or entitled to exercise any administrative, executive, police, or taxing authority or power; provided, however, that such term does not include the Interconnection Customer, the Interconnection Provider, or any Affiliate thereof.

Interconnection Customer – Any entity, including the Transmission Provider, the Transmission Owner or any of the affiliates or subsidiaries of either, that proposes to interconnect its Small Generating Facility with the Transmission Provider's Transmission System.

Interconnection Facilities – The Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and the Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities. Collectively, Interconnection Facilities include all facilities and equipment between the Small Generating Facility and the Point of Interconnection, including any modification, additions or upgrades that are necessary to physically and electrically interconnect the Small Generating Facility to the Transmission Provider's Transmission System. Interconnection Facilities are sole use facilities and shall not include Distribution Upgrades or Network Upgrades.

Interconnection Request — The Interconnection Customer's request, in accordance with the Tariff, to interconnect a new Small Generating Facility, or to increase the capacity of, or make a Material Modification to the operating characteristics of, an existing Small Generating Facility that is interconnected with the Transmission Provider's Transmission System.

Material Modification – A modification that has a material impact on the cost or timing of any Interconnection Request with a later queue priority date.

Network Upgrades – Additions, modifications, and upgrades to the Transmission Provider's Transmission System required at or beyond the point at which the Small Generating Facility interconnects with the Transmission Provider's Transmission System to accommodate the interconnection of the Small Generating Facility with the Transmission Provider's Transmission System. Network Upgrades do not include Distribution Upgrades.

Operating Requirements – Any operating and technical requirements that may be applicable due to Regional Transmission Organization, Independent System Operator, control areaBalancing Authority Area, or the Transmission Provider's requirements, including those set forth in the Small Generator Interconnection Agreement.

Party or Parties – The Transmission Provider, Transmission Owner, Interconnection Customer or any combination of the above.

Point of Interconnection – The point where the Interconnection Facilities connect with the Transmission Provider's Transmission System.

Reasonable Efforts – With respect to an action required to be attempted or taken by a Party under the Small Generator Interconnection Agreement, efforts that are timely and consistent with

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Good Utility Practice and are otherwise substantially equivalent to those a Party would use to protect its own interests.

Small Generating Facility — The Interconnection Customer's device for the production and/or storage for later injection of electricity identified in the Interconnection Request, but shall not include the Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities.

Tariff — The Transmission Provider or Affected System's Tariff through which open access transmission service and Interconnection Service are offered, as filed with the FERC, and as amended or supplemented from time to time, or any successor tariff.

Transmission Owner – The entity that owns, leases or otherwise possesses an interest in the portion of the Transmission System at the Point of Interconnection and may be a Party to the Small Generator Interconnection Agreement to the extent necessary.

Transmission Provider – The public utility (or its designated agent) that owns, controls, or operates transmission or distribution facilities used for the transmission of electricity in interstate commerce and provides transmission service under the Tariff. The term Transmission Provider should be read to include the Transmission Owner when the Transmission Owner is separate from the Transmission Provider.

Transmission System – The facilities owned, controlled or operated by the Transmission Provider or the Transmission Owner that are used to provide transmission service under the Tariff.

Upgrades – The required additions and modifications to the Transmission Provider's Transmission System at or beyond the Point of Interconnection. Upgrades may be Network Upgrades or Distribution Upgrades. Upgrades do not include Interconnection Facilities.

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Description and Costs of the Small Generating Facility, Interconnection Facilities, and Metering Equipment

Equipment, including the Small Generating Facility, Interconnection Facilities, and metering equipment shall be itemized and identified as being owned by the Interconnection Customer, the Transmission Provider, or the Transmission Owner. The Transmission Provider will provide a best estimate itemized cost, including overheads, of its Interconnection Facilities and metering equipment, and a best estimate itemized cost of the annual operation and maintenance expenses associated with its Interconnection Facilities and metering equipment.

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One-line Diagram Depicting the Small Generating Facility, Interconnection Facilities, Metering Equipment, and Upgrades

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| In-Service Date: | |
| Critical milestones and responsibility as agreed to | by the Parties: |
| Milestone/Date | Responsible Party |
| (1) | |
| (2) | |
| (3) | |
| (4) | |
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| Agreed to by: | |
| For the Transmission Provider | Date |

For the Transmission Owner (If Applicable) _____ Date ____

For-the Interconnection Customer _____ Date _____

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The Transmission Provider shall also provide requirements that must be met by the Interconnection Customer prior to initiating parallel operation with the Transmission Provider's Transmission System.

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Transmission Provider's Description of its Upgrades and Best Estimate of Upgrade Costs

The Transmission Provider shall describe Upgrades and provide an itemized best estimate of the cost, including overheads, of the Upgrades and annual operation and maintenance expenses associated with such Upgrades. The Transmission Provider shall functionalize Upgrade costs and annual expenses as either transmission or distribution related.

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Applicable to all Generating Facilities that exceed 20 MWs or any Generating Facility that is requesting Network Resource Interconnection Service connecting to the Transmission System¹

of

Public Service Company of Colorado

Note: For further information regarding a large generation interconnection to the transmission system of any of the Xcel Energy Operating Companies, please consult the currently effective "Interconnection Guidelines For Transmission Interconnected Producer-Owned Generation Greater than 20 MW" available at the Xcel Energy Inc.

website

¹ Order No. 2006 at P 140 states: "Because Network Resource Interconnection Service entails high technical standards, we expect that an Interconnection Customer, particularly one interconnecting at a lower voltage, would rarely find this service to be efficient or practical. Nevertheless, we do not want to preclude it from choosing this option. If it wishes to interconnect its Small Generating Facility using Network Resource Interconnection Service, it may do so. However, it must request interconnection under the LGIP and execute the LGIA."

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Section 1. Definitions

Adverse System Impact shall mean the negative effects due to technical or operational limits on conductors or equipment being exceeded that may compromise the safety and reliability of the electric system.

Affected System shall mean an electric system other than the Transmission Provider's Transmission System that may be affected by the proposed interconnection.

Affected System Facilities Construction Agreement shall mean the agreement contained in Appendix 6 (Two-Party Affected System Facilities Construction Agreement) or Appendix 7 (Multiparty Affected System Facilities Construction Agreement), as applicable, of this LGIP that is made between Transmission Provider and Affected System Interconnection Customer to facilitate the construction of and to set forth cost responsibility for necessary Affected System Network Upgrades on Transmission Provider's Transmission System.

Affected System Interconnection Customer shall mean any entity that submits an interconnection request for a generating facility to a transmission system other than Transmission Provider's Transmission System that may cause the need for Affected System Network Upgrades on Transmission Provider's Transmission System.

Affected System Network Upgrades shall mean the additions, modifications, and upgrades to Transmission Provider's Transmission System required to accommodate Affected System Interconnection Customer's proposed interconnection to a transmission system other than Transmission Provider's Transmission System.

Affected System Operator shall mean the entity that operates an Affected System.

Affected System Queue Position shall mean the queue position of an Affected System Interconnection Customer in Transmission Provider's interconnection queue relative to Transmission Provider's Interconnection Customers' Queue Positions.

Affected System Study shall mean the evaluation of Affected System Interconnection Customers' proposed interconnection(s) to a transmission system other than Transmission Provider's Transmission System that have an impact on Transmission Provider's Transmission System, as described in Section 10 of this LGIP.

Affected System Study Agreement shall mean the agreement contained in Appendix 4 (Two-Party Affected System Study Agreement) or Appendix 5 (MultiParty Affected System Study Agreement), as applicable, to this LGIP that is made between Transmission Provider and Affected System Interconnection Customer to conduct an Affected System Study pursuant to Section 10 of this LGIP.

Affected System Study Report shall mean the report issued following completion of an Affected System Study pursuant to Section 10.7 of this LGIP.

Affiliate shall mean, with respect to a corporation, partnership or other entity, each such other corporation, partnership or other entity that directly or indirectly, through one or more

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Ancillary Services shall mean those services that are necessary to support the transmission of capacity and energy from resources to loads while maintaining reliable operation of the Transmission Provider's Transmission System in accordance with Good Utility Practice.

Applicable Laws and Regulations shall mean all duly promulgated applicable federal, state and local laws, regulations, rules, ordinances, codes, decrees, judgments, directives, or judicial or administrative orders, permits and other duly authorized actions of any Governmental Authority.

Applicable Reliability Council shall mean the reliability council applicable to the Transmission System to which the Generating Facility is directly interconnected.

Applicable Reliability Standards shall mean the requirements and guidelines of NERC, the Applicable Electric Reliability Council, Organization and the Control Balancing Authority Area of the Transmission System to which the Generating Facility is directly interconnected.

Balancing Authority shall mean an entity that integrates resource plans ahead of time, maintains demand and resource balance within a Balancing Authority Area, and supports interconnection frequency in real time.

Balancing Authority Area shall mean the collection of generation, transmission, and loads within the metered boundaries of the Balancing Authority. The Balancing Authority maintains load-resource balance within this area.

Base Case shall mean the base case power flow, short circuit, and stability data bases used for the Interconnection Studies by the Transmission Provider or Interconnection Customer.

Breach shall mean the failure of a Party to perform or observe any material term or condition of the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement.

Breaching Party shall mean a Party that is in Breach of the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement.

Business Day shall mean Monday through Friday, excluding Federal Holidays.

Calendar Day shall mean any day including Saturday, Sunday or a Federal Holiday. If a requirement due date lands on a Saturday, Sunday or Federal Holiday, the requirement is due the next Business Day.

Cluster shall mean a group of <u>one or more</u> Interconnection Requests (<u>one or more</u>) that are studied together for the purpose of conducting the Interconnection Studies a Cluster Study.

Cluster Request Window shall mean the time period set forth in Section 3.4.1 of this LGIP.

<u>Cluster Restudy shall mean a restudy of a Cluster Study shall mean an Interconnection</u> conducted pursuant to Section 8.5 of this LGIP.

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<u>Cluster Restudy Report</u> shall mean the report issued following completion of a Cluster Restudy pursuant to Section 8.5 of this LGIP.

Cluster Restudy Report Meeting shall mean the meeting held to discuss the results of a Cluster Restudy pursuant to Section 8.5 of this LGIP.

<u>Cluster</u> Study <u>evaluatingshall mean the evaluation of</u> one or more Interconnection Requests within a Cluster as described in Section 8 of this LGIP.

<u>Cluster Study Agreement</u> shall mean the agreement contained in Appendix 2 to this LGIP for conducting the Cluster Study.

<u>Cluster Study Process</u> shall mean the following processes, typically conducted in sequence: the <u>Cluster Request Window</u>; the <u>Customer Engagement Window</u> and <u>Scoping Meetings therein</u>; the <u>Cluster Study</u>; any needed <u>Cluster Restudies</u>; and the Interconnection Facilities <u>Study</u>.

<u>Cluster Study Report</u> shall mean the report issued following completion of a Cluster Study pursuant to Section 8 of this LGIP.

<u>Cluster Study Report Meeting</u> shall mean the meeting held to discuss the results of a Cluster Study pursuant to Section 8 of this <u>LGIP</u>.

Clustering shall mean the process whereby a group of one or more Interconnection Requests is are studied together, instead of serially, for the purpose of conducting the Interconnection Studies as described in Section 8 of this LGIP.

Commercial Operation shall mean the status of a Generating Facility, or Replacement Generating Facility, that has commenced generating electricity for sale, excluding electricity generated during Trial Operation.

Commercial Operation Date of a unit shall mean the date on which the Generating Facility, or Replacement Generating Facility, commences Commercial Operation as agreed to by the Parties pursuant to Appendix E to the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement.

Confidential Information shall mean any confidential, proprietary or trade secret information of a plan, specification, pattern, procedure, design, device, list, concept, policy or compilation relating to the present or planned business of a Party, which is designated as confidential by the Party supplying the information, whether conveyed orally, electronically, in writing, through inspection, or otherwise.

Contingent Facilities shall mean those unbuilt Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades upon which the Interconnection Request's costs, timing, and study findings are dependent, and if delayed or not built, could cause a need for restudies of the Interconnection Request or a reassessment of the Interconnection Facilities and/or Network Upgrades and/or costs and timing.

Control Area shall mean an electrical system or systems bounded by interconnection metering and telemetry, capable of controlling generation to maintain its interchange schedule with other

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Control Areas and contributing to frequency regulation of the interconnection. A Control Area must be certified by an Applicable NERC Regional Reliability Entity. Control Area shall have the same meaning as Balancing Authority Area as defined by NERC.

Customer Engagement Window shall have the meaning set forth in Section <u>3.</u>4.<u>2.15</u> of the Revised-LGIP.

Default shall mean the failure of a Breaching Party to cure its Breach in accordance with Article 17 of the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement.

Definitive Interconnection Study Process ("Definitive Interconnection Study") shall mean the complete definitive study process inclusive of the DISIS Request Window, Customer Engagement Window, Definitive Interconnection System Impact Study, and the Interconnection Facilities Study. Both the Resource Solicitation Cluster and the DISIS Cluster are processed under the Definitive Interconnection Study.

Definitive Interconnection System Impact Study ("DISIS") shall mean an engineering study that evaluates the impact of a Cluster of Interconnection Requests on the safety and reliability of the Transmission System and, if applicable, an Affected System.

Definitive Interconnection System Impact Study Agreement ("DISIS Agreement") shall mean the form of agreement contained in Appendix 2 of the Revised LGIP for conducting the Definitive Interconnection System Impact Study.

Definitive Interconnection System Impact Study Cluster ("DISIS Cluster") shall mean an engineering study that evaluates the impact of the proposed interconnection(s) on the safety and reliability of Transmission System and, if applicable, an Affected System.

DISIS Request Window shall have the meaning set forth in Section 4.2.1 of the Revised LGIP.

Dispute Resolution shall mean the procedure for resolution of a dispute between the Parties in which they will first attempt to resolve the dispute on an informal basis.

Distribution System shall mean—the Transmission Provider's facilities and equipment used to transmit electricity to ultimate usage points such as homes and industries directly from nearby generators or from interchanges with higher voltage transmission networks which transport bulk power over longer distances. The voltage levels at which distribution systems operate differ among areas.

Distribution Upgrades shall mean the additions, modifications, and upgrades to the Transmission Provider's Distribution System at or beyond the Point of Interconnection to facilitate interconnection of the Generating Facility and render the transmission service necessary to affect Interconnection Customer's wholesale sale of electricity in interstate commerce. Distribution Upgrades do not include Interconnection Facilities.

Effective Date shall mean the date on which the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement becomes effective upon execution by the Parties subject to acceptance by FERC, or if filed unexecuted, upon the date specified by FERC.

Electric Reliability Organization shall mean the North American Electric Reliability Corporation or its successor organization.

Emergency Condition shall mean a condition or situation: (1) that in the judgment of the Party making the claim is imminently likely to endanger life or property; or (2) that, in the case of a Transmission Provider, is imminently likely (as determined in a non-discriminatory manner) to cause a material adverse effect on the security of, or damage to Transmission Provider's Transmission System, Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities or the electric systems of others to which the Transmission Provider's Transmission System is directly connected; or (3) that, in the case of Interconnection Customer, is imminently likely (as determined in a non-discriminatory manner) to cause a material adverse effect on the security of, or damage to, the Generating Facility or Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities. System restoration and black start shall be considered Emergency Conditions; provided that Interconnection Customer is not obligated by the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement to possess black start capability.

Energy Resource Interconnection Service shall mean an Interconnection Service that allows the Interconnection Customer to connect its Generating Facility to the Transmission Provider's Transmission System to be eligible to deliver the Generating Facility's electric output using the existing firm or non-firm capacity of the Transmission Provider's Transmission System on an as available basis. Energy Resource Interconnection Service in and of itself does not convey transmission service.

Engineering & Procurement (E&P) Agreement shall mean an agreement that authorizes the Transmission Provider to begin engineering and procurement of long lead-time items necessary for the establishment of the interconnection in order to advance the implementation of the Interconnection Request.

Environmental Law shall mean Applicable Laws or Regulations relating to pollution or protection of the environment or natural resources.

Existing Generating Facility shall mean a Generating Facility that is currently in-service or under construction with an unsuspended interconnection agreement.

Federal Power Act shall mean the Federal Power Act, as amended, 16 U.S.C. §§ 791a et seg.

FERC shall mean the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) or its successor.

Force Majeure shall mean any act of God, labor disturbance, act of the public enemy, war, insurrection, riot, fire, storm or flood, explosion, breakage or accident to machinery or equipment, any order, regulation or restriction imposed by governmental, military or lawfully established civilian authorities, or any other cause beyond a Party's control. A Force Majeure event does not include acts of negligence or intentional wrongdoing by the Party claiming Force Majeure.

Generating Facility shall mean Interconnection Customer's device(s) for the production and/or storage for later injection of electricity identified in the Interconnection Request but shall not include the Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities. A Generating Facility may

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consist of one or more generating unit(s) and/or storage device(s) which usually can operate independently and be brought online or taken offline individually.

Generating Facility Capacity shall mean the net capacity of the Generating Facility and or the aggregate net capacity of the Generating Facility where it includes multiple energymore than one device for the production devices and/or storage for later injection of electricity.

Generating Facility Modification shall mean modification to an Existing Generating Facility, including comparable replacement of only a portion of the equipment at the Existing Generating Facility.

Generation Replacement shall mean replacement of one or more generating units and/or storage devices at an Existing Generating Facility with one or more new generating units or storage devices at the same electrical Point of Interconnection as those being decommissioned and electrically disconnected. The replacement facility may be of a different fuel type or a combination of different fuel types.

Generator Replacement Interconnection Facilities Study shall mean a study to determine a list of facilities to grant an Interconnection Customer's request to interconnect a Replacement Generating Facility, the cost of those facilities, and the time required to interconnect those facilities. The scope of the study is defined in Section 3.910.4 of the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Procedures LGIP.

Good Utility Practice shall mean any of the practices, methods and acts engaged in or approved by a significant portion of the electric industry during the relevant time period, or any of the practices, methods and acts which, in the exercise of reasonable judgment in light of the facts known at the time the decision was made, could have been expected to accomplish the desired result at a reasonable cost consistent with good business practices, reliability, safety and expedition. Good Utility Practice is not intended to be limited to the optimum practice, method, or act to the exclusion of all others, but rather to be acceptable practices, methods, or acts generally accepted in the region.

Governmental Authority shall mean any federal, state, local or other governmental regulatory or administrative agency, court, commission, department, board, or other governmental subdivision, legislature, rulemaking board, tribunal, or other governmental authority having jurisdiction over the Parties, their respective facilities, or the respective services they provide, and exercising or entitled to exercise any administrative, executive, police, or taxing authority or power; provided, however, that such term does not include Interconnection

Customer, Transmission Provider, or any Affiliate thereof.

Hazardous Substances shall mean any chemicals, materials or substances defined as or included in the definition of "hazardous substances," "hazardous wastes," "hazardous materials," "hazardous constituents," "restricted hazardous materials," "extremely hazardous substances," "toxic substances," "radioactive substances," "contaminants," "pollutants," "toxic pollutants" or words of similar meaning and regulatory effect under any applicable Environmental Law, or any other chemical, material or substance, exposure to which is prohibited, limited or regulated by any applicable Environmental Law.

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Informational Interconnection Study shall mean an analysis based on assumptions specified by Interconnection Customer in the Informational Interconnection Study Agreement.

Informational Interconnection Study Agreement shall mean the form of agreement contained in Appendix 5.5 of the Revised LGIP for conducting the Informational Interconnection Study.

Initial Synchronization Date shall mean the date upon which the Generating Facility is initially synchronized and upon which Trial Operation begins.

In-Service Date shall mean the date upon which the Interconnection Customer reasonably expects it will be ready to begin use of the Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities to obtain back feed power.

Interconnection Customer shall mean any entity, including the Transmission Provider, Transmission Owner or any of the Affiliates or subsidiaries of either, that proposes to interconnect its Generating Facility with the Transmission Provider's Transmission System or represents an Existing Generating Facility.

Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities shall mean all facilities and equipment, as identified in Appendix A of the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement, that are located between the Generating Facility and the Point of Change of Ownership, including any modification, addition, or upgrades to such facilities and equipment necessary to physically and electrically interconnect the Generating Facility to the Transmission Provider's Transmission System. Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities are sole use facilities (e.g. for generator interconnection).

Interconnection Facilities shall mean the Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and the Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities. Collectively, Interconnection Facilities include all facilities and equipment between the Generating Facility and the Point of Interconnection, including any modification, additions or upgrades that are necessary to physically and electrically interconnect the Generating Facility to the Transmission Provider's Transmission System. Interconnection Facilities are sole use facilities (e.g. for generator interconnection) and shall not include Distribution Upgrades, Stand Alone Network Upgrades or Network Upgrades. Interconnection Facilities may be shared by more than one Generating Facility in a Cluster.

Interconnection Facilities Study shall mean a study conducted by the Transmission Provider or a third party consultant for the Interconnection Customer to determine a list of facilities (including Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades as identified in the Definitive Interconnection System Impact StudyClusterStudy), the cost of those facilities, and the time required to interconnect the Generating Facility with the Transmission Provider's Transmission System. The scope of the study is defined in Section 89 of the Revised LGIP.

Interconnection Facilities Study Agreement shall mean the form of agreement contained in Appendix 3 of the Revised-LGIP for conducting the Interconnection Facilities Study.

Interconnection Facilities Study Report shall mean the report issued following completion of an Interconnection Facilities Study pursuant to Section 9 of this LGIP.

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Interconnection Request shall mean an Interconnection Customer's request, in the form of Appendix 1 to the Revised_LGIP, in accordance with the Tariff, to (1) interconnect a new Generating Facility, (2)or to increase the capacity of, or (3)-make a Material Modification to the operating characteristics of, (a) an Existing Generating Facility that is interconnected with the Transmission Provider's Transmission System—or (b) a Generating Facility with an LGIA that is not yet interconnected.

Interconnection Service shall mean the service provided by the Transmission Provider associated with interconnecting the Interconnection Customer's Generating Facility to the Transmission Provider's Transmission System and enabling it to receive electric energy and capacity from the Generating Facility at the Point of Interconnection, pursuant to the terms of the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement and, if applicable, the Transmission Provider's Tariff.

Interconnection Study shall mean any of the following various interconnection studies: the Replacement Impact Study, the Reliability Assessment Study, Generator Replacement Interconnection Facilities Study, the Informational Interconnection Study, the Definitive Interconnection System Impact Study, and the Interconnection Facilities Study described in the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Procedures or Revised LGIP. this Attachment N.

Interconnection Study Agreement shall mean an agreement relating to performance of any of the following agreements: the Informational Interconnection Study Agreement, the Definitive Interconnection System Impact Study Agreement, or the Interconnection Facilities Study Agreement described various interconnection studies identified in the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Procedures or Revised LGIP. this Attachment N.

IRS shall mean the Internal Revenue Service.

Joint Operating Committee shall be a group made up of representatives from Interconnection Customers and the Transmission Provider to coordinate operating and technical considerations of Interconnection Service.

Large Generating Facility shall mean a Generating Facility having a Generating Facility Capacity of more than 20 MW or any size Generating Facility requesting NRIS.

Loss shall mean any and all losses relating to injury to or death of any person or damage to property, demand, suits, recoveries, costs and expenses, court costs, attorney fees, and all other obligations by or to third parties, arising out of or resulting from the other Party's performance, or non-performance of its obligations under the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement on behalf of the indemnifying Party, except in cases of gross negligence or intentional wrongdoing by the indemnifying Party.

Material Modification shall mean (1) modification to an Interconnection Request in the Queue or a not yet in-service Generating Facility with an LGIA that has a material adverse impact on the cost or timing of any other Interconnection Request with a later or equal Queue Position or (2) a planned modification to an Existing Generating Facility that has a material adverse impact on the Transmission System with respect to: i) steady-state thermal or voltage limits, ii) dynamic system

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stability and response, or iii) short-circuit capability limit; compared to the impacts of the Existing Generating Facility prior to the modification or replacement.

Metering Equipment shall mean all metering equipment installed or to be installed at the Generating Facility pursuant to the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement at the metering points, including but not limited to instrument transformers, MWh-meters, data acquisition equipment, transducers, remote terminal unit, communications equipment, phone lines, and fiber optics.

NERC shall mean the North American Electric Reliability Council or its successor organization. **Multiparty Affected System Facilities Construction Agreement** shall mean the agreement contained in Appendix 7 to this LGIP that is made among Transmission Provider and multiple Affected System Interconnection Customers to facilitate the construction of and to set forth cost responsibility for necessary Affected System Network Upgrades on Transmission Provider's Transmission System.

Multiparty Affected System Study Agreement shall mean the agreement contained in Appendix 5 to this LGIP that is made among Transmission Provider and multiple Affected System Interconnection Customers to conduct an Affected System Study pursuant to Section 10 of this LGIP.

Network Resource shall mean any designated generating resource owned, purchased, or leased by a Network Customer under the Network Integration Transmission Service Tariff. Network Resources do not include any resource, or any portion thereof, that is committed for sale to third parties or otherwise cannot be called upon to meet the Network Customer's Network Load on a non-interruptible basis.

Network Resource Interconnection Service shall mean an Interconnection Service that allows the Interconnection Customer to integrate its Large Generating Facility with the Transmission Provider's Transmission System (1) in a manner comparable to that in which the Transmission Provider integrates its generating facilities to serve native load customers; or (2) in an RTO or ISO with market based congestion management, in the same manner as Network Resources. Network Resource Interconnection Service in and of itself does not convey transmission service.

Network Upgrades shall mean the additions, modifications, and upgrades to the Transmission Provider's Transmission System required at or beyond the point at which the Interconnection Facilities connect to the Transmission Provider's Transmission System to accommodate the interconnection of the Large Generating Facility to the Transmission Provider's Transmission System.

Notice of Dispute shall mean a written notice of a dispute or claim that arises out of or in connection with the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement or its performance.

OASIS shall mean the Transmission Provider's Open Access Same-Time Information System.

Party or Parties shall mean Transmission Provider, Transmission Owner, Interconnection Customer or any combination of the above.

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Permissible Technological Advancement shall mean modification to equipment that (1) results in electrical performance that is equal to or better than the electrical performance expected prior to the technology change, (2) does not cause any reliability concerns, (3) does not degrade the electrical characteristics of the generating equipment (e.g., the ratings, impedances, efficiencies, capabilities, and performance of the equipment under steady-state and dynamic conditions) and (4) does not have a material impact on the cost or timing of any Interconnection Request with a later queue priority date, and is therefore not a Material Modification. A Permissible Technological Advancements is a change in equipment that may achieve cost or grid performance efficiencies that may include turbines, inverters, plant supervisory controls or other devices that may affect a generating facility's ability to provide ancillary services but does not include changes in generation technology type of fuel type.

Phase ("Phase 1, Phase 2, Phase 3, or Phase 4") shall mean a distinct part of the Definitive Study Process as described in Section 7.

Point of Change of Ownership shall mean the point, as set forth in Appendix A to the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement, where the Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities connect to the Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities.

Point of Interconnection shall mean the point, as set forth in Appendix A to the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement, where the Interconnection Facilities connect to the Transmission Provider's Transmission System.

Proportional Impact Method shall mean a technical analysis conducted by Transmission Provider to determine the degree to which each Generating Facility in the Cluster Study contributes to the need for a specific System Network Upgrade.

Provisional Interconnection Service shall mean interconnection service provided by Transmission Provider associated with interconnecting the Interconnection Customer's Generating Facility to Transmission Provider's Transmission System and enabling that Transmission System to receive electric energy and capacity from the Generating Facility at the Point of Interconnection, pursuant to the terms of the Provisional Large Generator Interconnection Agreement and, if applicable, the Tariff.

Provisional Interconnection Study shall mean an analysis described in Section 6.2 and based on assumptions specified in the Provisional Interconnection Study Agreement.

Provisional Interconnection Study Agreement shall mean the form of agreement contained in Appendix 5.29 of the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Procedures for conducting the Provisional Interconnection Study.

Provisional Large Generator Interconnection Agreement (PLGIA) shall mean the interconnection agreement for Provisional Interconnection Service established between Transmission Provider and/or the Transmission Owner and the Interconnection Customer. The pro forma agreement is provided in Appendix 814 and takes the form of the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement, modified for provisional purposes.

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Queue shall mean a queue for valid Interconnection Requests for the Definitive Interconnection Study Process.

Queue Position shall mean the order of a valid Interconnection Request, relative to all other pending valid Interconnection Requests, in the Definitive Interconnection Study Process. The Queue Position is established based upon the date and time Interconnection Customer satisfies all of the requirements of Section 7.2 of this Attachment N to enter the Definitive Study Processestablished pursuant to Section 4.1 of this LGIP.

Readiness Milestone Demonstrations(s) shall have the meaning set forth in Section 7.78.6 of the Revisedthis LGIP.

Reasonable Efforts shall mean, with respect to an action required to be attempted or taken by a Party under the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement, efforts that are timely and consistent with Good Utility Practice and are otherwise substantially equivalent to those a Party would use to protect its own interests.

Reliability Assessment Study shall mean an engineering study that evaluates the impact of a proposed Generation Replacement on the reliability of Transmission System during the time period between the date that the Existing Generating Facility ceases commercial operations and the Commercial Operation Date of the Replacement Generating Facility.

Replacement Generating Facility shall mean a Generating Facility that replaces an Existing Generating Facility, or a portion thereof, at the same electrical Point of Interconnection pursuant to Section 3.910 of this Revised LGIP.

Replacement Impact Study shall mean an engineering study that evaluates the impact of a proposed Generation Replacement on the reliability of the Transmission System.

Revised LGIP shall mean the Large Generator Interconnection Process as described in this Attachment N.

Resource Plan shall mean any process authorized or required by Applicable Laws and Regulations for, *inter alia*, the selection of Generating Facilities.

Resource Planning Entity shall mean any entity required to develop a Resource Plan or conduct a Resource Solicitation Process.

Resource Solicitation Cluster shall mean a Cluster Study associated with a Resource Plan or related process.

Resource Solicitation Process shall mean any process authorized or required by Applicable Laws and Regulations for the acquisition of Network Resources.

Scoping Meeting shall mean the meeting between representatives of the Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider conducted for the purpose of discussing the proposed interconnection request, Interconnection Request and any alternative interconnection options, to exchange exchanging information including any transmission data and earlier study evaluations

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that would be reasonably expected to <u>affectimpact</u> such interconnection options, to <u>analyze such refining</u> information, and to determine the potential feasible Points of <u>models provided by Interconnection</u>, <u>Customer(s)</u>, <u>discussing the Cluster Study materials posted to OASIS pursuant to Section 3.4.5 of this LGIP, and analyzing such information.</u>

Site Control shall mean the exclusive land right to develop, construct, operate, and maintain the Generating Facility over the term of expected operation of the Generating Facility. Site Control shall include the right to develop, construct, operate, and maintain Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities. Site Control may be demonstrated by documentation establishing: (1) ownership of, a leasehold interest in, or a right to develop a site of sufficient size to construct and operate the Generating Facility and associated Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities: (2) an option to purchase or acquire a leasehold interest in a site of sufficient size to construct and operate the Generating Facility and associated Interconnection Facilities; or (3) any other documentation that clearly demonstrates the right of the Interconnection Customer to exclusively occupy a site of sufficient size to construct and operate the Generating Facility. Acceptable demonstration of Site Control of land owned by the Colorado State Land Board is described in Section 7.7.6 of this Revised LGIP. For purposes of lands managed by a federal entity (such as the Bureau of Land Management or United States Forest Service), a Right of Way Grant, Special Use Permit or equivalent government-issued documentation shall be sufficient for demonstrating Site Control as to such land. Site Control for any co-located project is demonstrated by a contract or other agreement demonstrating shared land use for all co-located projects that meet the aforementioned provisions of this Site Control definition Transmission Provider will maintain acreage requirements for each Generating Facility type on its OASIS or public website.

Small Generating Facility shall mean a Generating Facility that has a Generating Facility Capacity of no more than 20 MW not requesting NRIS.

Stand Alone Network Upgrades shall mean Network Upgrades that are not part of an Affected System that an Interconnection Customer may construct without affecting day-to-day operations of the Transmission System during their construction and the following conditions are met: (1) a Substation Network Upgrade must only be required for a single Interconnection Customer in the Cluster and no other Interconnection Customer in that Cluster is required to interconnect to the same Substation Network Upgrades, and (2) a System Network Upgrade must only be required for a single Interconnection Customer in the Cluster, as indicated under the Transmission Provider's Proportional Impact Method. Both Both the Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer must agree as to what constitutes Stand Alone Network Upgrades and identify them in Appendix A to the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement. If the Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer disagree about whether a particular Network Upgrade is a Stand Alone Network Upgrade, the Transmission Provider must provide the Interconnection Customer a written technical explanation outlining why the Transmission Provider does not consider the Network Upgrade to be a Stand Alone Network Upgrade within 15 daysfifteen (15) Business Days of its determination.

Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement (LGIA) shall mean the form of interconnection agreement applicable to an Interconnection Request pertaining to a Large Generating Facility that is included in the Transmission Provider's Tariff.

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Standard Large Generator Interconnection Procedures (LGIP) shall mean the interconnection procedures applicable to an Interconnection Request pertaining to a Large Generating Facility that are included in the Transmission Provider's Tariff.

Station Network Upgrades shall mean <u>Network Upgrades that are required at the upgrades</u> described in Section 4.2.4.asubstation located at the Point of this Revised LGIPInterconnection.

Surplus Interconnection Service shall mean any unneeded portion of Interconnection Service established in a <u>Standard</u> Large Generator Interconnection Agreement, such that if Surplus Interconnection Service is utilized the total amount of Interconnection Service at the Point of Interconnection would remain the same.

Surplus Interconnection Study shall mean an analysis based on assumptions specified by the Interconnection Customer in the Surplus Interconnection Study Agreement.

Surplus Interconnection Study Agreement shall mean the form of agreement contained in Appendix 5.310 of the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Procedures for conducting the Surplus Interconnection Study.

System Network Upgrades shall mean <u>Network Upgrades that are required beyond</u> the <u>upgrades described in Section 4.2.4.b</u> <u>substation located at the Point</u> of <u>this Revised LGIP</u>Interconnection.

System Protection Facilities shall mean the equipment, including necessary protection signal communications equipment, required to protect (1) the Transmission Provider's Transmission System from faults or other electrical disturbances occurring at the Generating Facility and (2) the Generating Facility from faults or other electrical system disturbances occurring on the Transmission Provider's Transmission System or on other delivery systems or other generating systems to which the Transmission Provider's Transmission System is directly connected.

Tariff shall mean the Transmission Provider's Tariff through which open access transmission service and Interconnection Service are offered, as filed with FERC, and as amended or supplemented from time to time, or any successor tariff.

Transmission Owner shall mean an entity that owns, leases or otherwise possesses an interest in the portion of the Transmission System at the Point of Interconnection and may be a Party to the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement to the extent necessary.

Transmission Provider shall mean the public utility (or its designated agent) that owns, controls, or operates transmission or distribution facilities used for the transmission of electricity in interstate commerce and provides transmission service under the Tariff. The term Transmission Provider should be read to include the Transmission Owner when the Transmission Owner is separate from the Transmission Provider.

Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities shall mean all facilities and equipment owned, controlled, or operated by the Transmission Provider from the Point of Change of Ownership to the Point of Interconnection as identified in Appendix A to the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement, including any modifications, additions or upgrades to such

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facilities and equipment. Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities are sole use facilities (e.g. for generator interconnection) and shall not include Distribution Upgrades, Stand Alone Network Upgrades or Network Upgrades. Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities may be shared by more than one Generating Facility in a given Study.

Transmission System shall mean the facilities owned, controlled or operated by the Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner that are used to provide transmission service under the Tariff.

Trial Operation shall mean the period during which Interconnection Customer is engaged in onsite test operations and commissioning of the Generating Facility prior to Commercial Operation.

Withdrawal Penalty shall have mean the meaningpenalty assessed by Transmission Provider to an Interconnection Customer that chooses to withdraw or is deemed withdrawn from Transmission Provider's interconnection queue or whose Generating Facility does not otherwise reach Commercial Operation. The calculation of the Withdrawal Penalty is set forth in Section 3.7.1 of the Revised this LGIP.

Section 2. Scope and Application.

2.1 Application of Revised LGIP.

Sections 2 through 4214 of this LGIP apply to processing an Interconnection Request pertaining to a Large Generating Facility, including, but not limited to, a Generating Facility Modification that may constitute a Material Modification to the operating characteristics of an Existing Generating Facility, or a Replacement Generating Facility.

A request for a Replacement Generating Facility shall be evaluated pursuant to Section 3.910 of this Revised LGIP.

A request for Generating Facility Modification for an Existing Generating Facility must be submitted to and coordinated with the Transmission Provider to allow the Transmission Provider to determine whether the proposed modification constitutes a Material Modification. If the Transmission Provider determines that the proposed Generating Facility Modification is a Material Modification, then the Generating Facility Modification request shall be submitted as a separate Interconnection Request pursuant to Section 3.4 of the LGIP for that Generating Facility Modification. Such separate Interconnection Request shall be assigned a new Queue Position and proceed through the study process in the same manner as an Interconnection Request for a new Generating Facility.

As provided in Attachment P to the Tariff, Small Generating Facilities that are not eligible for the fast-track process will be processed in a single Queue with Large Generating Facilities. Additionally, Small Generating Facilities requesting NRIS shall be processed under this Revised-LGIP.

2.2 Comparability.

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Transmission Provider shall receive, process and analyze all Interconnection Requests in a timely manner as set forth in this Revised_LGIP. Transmission Provider will use the same Reasonable Efforts in processingshall process and analyzinganalyze Interconnection Requests from all Interconnection Customers, regardless of whether the Generating Facilities are owned by Transmission Provider, its subsidiaries or Affiliates, or others.

2.3 Base Case Data.

Transmission Provider shall maintain base power flow, short circuit and stability databases, including all underlying assumptions, and contingency list on either its OASIS site or a password-protected website subject to confidentiality provisions in Revised LGIP Section 4214.1. In addition, Transmission Provider shall maintain network models and underlying assumptions on either its OASIS site or a password-protected website. Such network models shall be the models used in the most recent DISIS for which a report is complete (either a standard DISIS cluster or a Resource Solicitation Cluster).and underlying assumptions should reasonably represent those used during the most recent Interconnection Study and be representative of current system conditions. If Transmission Provider posts this information on a password-protected website, a link to the information must be provided on Transmission Provider's OASIS site. Transmission Provider is permitted to require that Interconnection Customers, OASIS site users and password-protected website users sign a confidentiality agreement before the release of commercially sensitive information or Critical Energy Infrastructure Information in the Base Case data. Such databases and lists, hereinafter referred to as Base Cases, shall include all (1) generation projects and (2) transmission projects, including merchant transmission projects that are proposed for the Transmission System for which a transmission expansion plan has been submitted and approved by the applicable authority. Some planned transmission projects must receive approval of the Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity from the Colorado Public Utility Commission prior to being included in the Base Case models. Base Case model assumptions for each Cluster are generally fixed once the study process starts.

2.4 No Applicability to Transmission Service.

Nothing in this Revised LGIP shall constitute a request for transmission service or confer upon an Interconnection Customer any right to receive transmission service.

Section 3. Interconnection Requests.

3.1 General Interconnection Requests

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3.1.1 Study Deposits.

Interconnection Customer shall submit to Transmission Provider, <u>during a Cluster Request Window</u>, an Interconnection Request in the form of Appendix 1 to this Revised-LGIP, a non-refundable <u>cash</u> application fee of \$5,000, and a <u>refundable</u> study deposit of: in the form of an irrevocable letter of credit, cash, a surety bond,

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or other form of security that is reasonably acceptable to Transmission Provider of:

- a. \$7535,000 plus \$1,000 per MW for requests of less than 50 MW,Interconnection Requests ≥ 20 MW <80 MW; or,
- b. \$150,000 for requests of 50 MW and greater, but less than Interconnection Requests ≥ 80 MW < 200 MW₁; or or
- c. \$250,000 for requests of Interconnection Requests 200 MW and greater.

Transmission Provider shall apply the study deposit toward the cost of the Definitive Interconnection Cluster Study Process.

3.1.2 Submission

Interconnection Customer shall submit a separate Interconnection Request for each site/. Where multiple Generating Facility.Facilities share a site, Interconnection Customer must(s) may submit separate Interconnection Requests or a deposit with each single Interconnection Request. An Interconnection Customers evaluating Request to evaluate one site at two different options (such voltage levels shall be treated as different sizes, sites or voltages) are encouraged but not required to use the Informational Interconnection Study Process (please see Section 9) before entering the Definitive Interconnection Study Process.two Interconnection Requests.

At Interconnection Customer's option, Transmission Provider and/or Interconnection Customer maywill identify alternative Point(s) of Interconnection and/or configurations during at a Scoping Meeting within the Customer Engagement Window to evaluate in this process and, upon mutual agreement, the Point(s) of attempt to eliminate alternatives in a reasonable fashion given resources and information available. Interconnection and/or configurations may be modified during the Customer Engagement Window. Interconnection Customer shallwill select the definitive Point of Interconnection to be studied no later than the execution of the Definitive System ImpactCluster Study Agreement.

During the study process For purposes of clustering Interconnection Requests, Transmission Provider may make reasonable propose changes to the requested Point(s) of Interconnection to facilitate efficient interconnection, including for purposes of connecting Interconnection Customers at common points of interconnection, for siting or permitting restrictions at the proposed Point(s) of Interconnection, improving reliability, lowering costs, or accommodating and ensuring reliable load service... Transmission Provider shall notify Interconnection Customers in writing of any intended changes to the requested Point(s) of Interconnection within the Customer Engagement Window, and the Point(s) of Interconnection shall only change upon mutual agreement, such agreement shall not be unreasonably withheld.

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Interconnection Customer may request a level of Transmission Provider shall have a process in place to consider requests for Interconnection Service below the Generating Facility Capacity. These requests for Interconnection Service shall be studied at the level of Interconnection Service requested for purposes of Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades, and associated costs, but may be subject to other studies at the full Generating Facility Capacity to ensure safety and reliability of the system, with the study costs borne by the Interconnection Customer. If after the additional studies are complete, Transmission Provider determines that additional Network Upgrades are necessary, then Transmission Provider must: (1) specify which additional Network Upgrade costs are based on which studies; and (2) provide a detailed explanation of why the additional Network Upgrades are necessary. Any Interconnection Facility and/or Network Upgrade costs required for safety and reliability also will be borne by the Interconnection Interconnection Customers may be subject to additional control technologies as well as testing and validation of those technologies consistent with Article 6 of the LGIA. The necessary control technologies and protection systems shall be established in Appendix C of the executed, or requested to be filed unexecuted, LGIA.

Transmission Provider shall have a process in place to study Generating Facilities that include at least one electric storage resource using operating assumptions (i.e., whether the interconnecting Generating Facility will or will not charge at peak load) that reflect the proposed charging behavior of the Generating Facility as requested by Interconnection Customer, unless Transmission Provider determines that Good Utility Practice, including Applicable Reliability Standards, otherwise requires the use of different operating assumptions. If Transmission Provider finds Interconnection Customer's requested operating assumptions conflict with Good Utility Practice, Transmission Provider must provide Interconnection Customer an explanation in writing of why the submitted operating assumptions are insufficient or inappropriate by no later than thirty (30) Calendar Days before the end of the Customer Engagement Window and allow Interconnection Customer to revise and resubmit requested operating assumptions one time at least ten (10) Calendar Days prior to the end of the Customer Engagement Window. Transmission Provider shall study these requests for Interconnection Service, with the study costs borne by Interconnection Customer, using the submitted operating assumptions for purposes of Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades, and associated costs. These requests for Interconnection Service also may be subject to other studies at the full Generating Facility Capacity to ensure safety and reliability of the system, with the study costs borne by Interconnection Customer. Interconnection Customer's Generating Facility may be subject to additional control technologies as well as testing and validation of such additional control technologies consistent with Article 6 of the LGIA. The necessary control technologies and protection systems shall be set forth in Appendix C of the Interconnection Customer's LGIA.

The expected Commercial Operation Date of a Replacement Generating Facility shall be no more than three (3) years from the date of cessation of operation of the Existing Generating Facility or four (4) years from the date a unit is determined as

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an unplanned (forced) outage. If the requested period of time between the cessation of Commercial Operation of the Existing Generating Facility and expected Commercial Operation Date of the Replacement Generating Facility is greater than three or four years as described in the preceding sentence, the request shall be treated as an Interconnection Request for a new Generating Facility.

3.2 Identification of Types of Interconnection Services.

At the time the Interconnection Request is submitted, Interconnection Customer must request either Energy Resource Interconnection Service or Network Resource Interconnection Service, as described below-; provided, however, that any Interconnection Customer may designate only one type of requesting Network Resource Interconnection Service may also request that it be concurrently studied for each separate Interconnection Request in the Queue. The type of Energy Resource Interconnection Service must be finalized on submission of the executed Definitive System Impact, up to the point when an Interconnection Facilities Study Agreement and may only be changed after the start of the Definitive Study Process between Phase 2 and Phase 3 of the Definitive sexecuted. Interconnection Study Process and only if a Cluster must be re-studied in Phase 3 (See Section 7.4) and otherwise may not be changed Customer may then elect to proceed with Network Resource Interconnection Service or to proceed under a lower level of interconnection service to the extent that only certain upgrades will be completed.

3.2.1 Energy Resource Interconnection Service.

3.2.1.1 The Product.

Energy Resource Interconnection Service allows Interconnection Customer to connect the Large Generating Facility to the Transmission System and be eligible to deliver the Large Generating Facility's output using the existing firm or non-firm capacity of the Transmission System on an "as available" basis. Energy Resource Interconnection Service does not in and of itself convey any right to deliver electricity to any specific customer or Point of Delivery.

3.2.1.2 The Study.

The study consists of short circuit/fault duty, steady state (thermal and voltage) and stability analyses. The short circuit/fault duty analysis would identify direct Interconnection Facilities required and the Network Upgrades necessary to address short circuit issues associated with the Interconnection Facilities. The stability and steady state studies would identify necessary upgrades to allow full output of the proposed Large Generating Facility using the Transmission System on an as available basis. To provide an indication of the potential amount of firm transmission service available, the study also identifies, except for Generating Facilities that include at least one electric storage resource that request to use operating assumptions

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pursuant to Section 3.1.2, unless Transmission Provider determines that Good Utility Practice, including Applicable Reliability Standards, otherwise requires the use of different operating assumptions, and would also identify the maximum output, at the time the study is performed, of the interconnecting Large Generating Facility without requiring additional Network Upgrades. The determination of maximum output in the ERIS study is for informational purposes only, it does not limit the amount of interconnection service provided or the operational output. ERIS does not convey transmission service and unreserved use may be charged if the output of the generator exceeds the granted transmission service. Details of the study process are provided in the business practice manual posted on OASIS.

3.2.2 Network Resource Interconnection Service.

- 3.2.2.1 The Product. Transmission Provider must conduct the necessary studies and construct the Network Upgrades needed to integrate the Large Generating Facility: (1) in a manner comparable to that in which Transmission Provider integrates its generating facilities to serve native load customers: or (2) in an ISO or RTO with market-based congestion management, in the same manner as Network Resources. Network Resource Interconnection Service allows Interconnection Customer's Large Generating Facility to be designated as a Network Resource, up to the Large Generating Facility's full output, on the same basis as existina Network Resources interconnected Transmission Provider's Transmission System, and to be studied as a Network Resource on the assumption that such a designation will occur. If the Transmission Provider has not been notified pursuant to Section 29.2 of Part III of the Tariff that Interconnection Customer's proposed Generating Facility is to be designated as a Network Resource within Transmission Provider's Transmission System. Interconnection Customer must provide the point of delivery or the geographic location on the seam of Transmission Provider's Transmission System at which Interconnection Customer intends to deliver the generation output to enable eventual delivery out of Transmission Provider's Transmission System.
- 3.2.2.2 The Study. The Interconnection Study for Network Resource Interconnection Service shall assure that Interconnection Customer's Large Generating Facility meets the requirements for Network Resource Interconnection Service and, as a general matter, that such

Large Generating Facility's interconnection is also studied with Transmission Provider's Transmission System at peak load, under a variety of severely stressed conditions, to determine whether, with the Large Generating Facility at full output, except for Generating Facilities that include at least one electric storage resource that requests to use, and for Transmission Provider approves, operating which assumptions pursuant to Section 3.1.2, the aggregate of generation in the local area can be delivered to the aggregate of load on Transmission Provider's Transmission System, consistent with Transmission Provider's reliability criteria and procedures. This approach assumes that some portion of existing Network Resources' output is Resources are displaced by the output of Interconnection Customer's Facility. Large Generating Network Resource Interconnection Service in and of itself does not convey any right to deliver electricity to any specific customer or Point of Delivery. The Transmission Provider may also study the Transmission System under non-peak load conditions. However, upon request by the Interconnection Customer, the Transmission Provider must explain in writing to the Interconnection Customer why the study of non-peak load conditions is required for reliability purposes. Details of the study process are provided in the business practice manual

3.3 Utilization of Surplus Interconnection Service.

Transmission Provider's Provider must provide a process below that allows an Interconnection Customer to utilize or transfer Surplus Interconnection Service at an existing Point of Interconnection. The original Interconnection Customer or one of its Affiliates shall have priority to utilize Surplus Interconnection Service. If the existing Interconnection Customer or one of its Affiliates does not exercise its priority, then that service may be made available to other potential Interconnection Customers.

3.3.1 Surplus Interconnection Service Requests.

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Surplus Interconnection Service requests may be made by the existing Interconnection Customer whose Generating Facility is already interconnected or one of its Affiliates or may be submitted once Interconnection Customer has executed the LGIA or requested that the LGIA be filed unexecuted. Surplus Interconnection Service requests also may be made by another Interconnection Customer. Section 3.3.2 provides a process for evaluating Interconnection Requests for Surplus Interconnection Service. Studies for Surplus Interconnection Service shall consist of reactive power, short circuit/fault duty, stability analyses, and any other appropriate studies. Steady-state (thermal/voltage) analyses may be performed as necessary to ensure that all required reliability conditions are studied. If the Surplus

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Interconnection Service was not studied under off-peak conditions, off-peak steady state analyses shall be performed to the required level necessary to demonstrate reliable operation of the Surplus Interconnection Service. If the original <a href="System Impactsystem Impactsyst

Transmission Provider shall study Surplus Interconnection Service requests for a Generating Facility that includes at least one electric storage resource using operating assumptions (i.e., whether the interconnecting Generating Facility will or will not charge at peak load) that reflect the proposed charging behavior of the Generating Facility as requested by Interconnection Customer, unless Transmission Provider determines that Good Utility Practice, including Applicable Reliability Standards, otherwise requires the use of different operating assumptions.

3.3.2 Process for Evaluating Surplus Interconnection Requests and Obtaining Surplus Interconnection Service.

The following process will be used for evaluating and obtaining Surplus Interconnection Service.

An existing (original) Interconnection Customer whose Generating Facility is already interconnected may choose to, but is not required to, make Surplus Interconnection Service available to potential Interconnection Customers. The original Interconnection Customer retains the ability to use, either for themselves, for an Affiliate, or for sale to a third party of their choosing, any Surplus Interconnection Service. The original Interconnection Customer may (a) stipulate the amount of Surplus Interconnection Service that is available, (b) designate when that service is available, and (c) describe any other conditions under which Surplus Interconnection Service at the Point of Interconnection may be used.

If the original Interconnection Customer makes Surplus Interconnection Service available at its Point of Interconnection, Transmission Provider shall work with the original Interconnection Customer (and the requesting Interconnection Customer, if different) to evaluate that Surplus Interconnection Service. Transmission Provider may accept third-party studies demonstrating no adverse impact to the Transmission Provider's Transmission System, but may require its own or additional studies at its discretion. Transmission Provider will use available studies to the extent applicable. If a Generating Facility

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interconnected prior to the issuance of Order No. 2003 and does not have an existing Large Generator Interconnection Agreement, it shall be considered to have Interconnection Service up to its installed capacity for purposes of the offering of Surplus Interconnection Service.

The requesting Interconnection Customer shall execute a Surplus Interconnection Study Agreement to evaluate Surplus Interconnection Service in the form of Appendix 5.310, and the Interconnection Customer requesting Surplus Interconnection Service shall be responsible for the cost of such study. Transmission Provider shall study Surplus Interconnection Service outside of the Queue and shall make reasonable efforts to complete the study within sixty (60) days of executing the Surplus Interconnection Study Agreement including the study deposit and receiving data required to perform the study.

Studies for Surplus Interconnection Service shall consist of reactive power, short circuit/fault duty, stability analyses, and any other appropriate studies. Steady-state (thermal/voltage) analyses may be performed as necessary to ensure that all required reliability conditions are studied. If the Surplus Interconnection Service was not studied under off-peak conditions, off-peak steady state analyses shall be performed to the required level necessary to demonstrate reliable operation of the Surplus Interconnection Service. If the original System Impact Study is not available for the Surplus Interconnection Service, both off-peak and peak analysis may need to be performed for the Existing Generating Facility associated with the request for Surplus Interconnection Service. The reactive power, short circuit/fault duty, stability, and steady-state analyses for Surplus Interconnection Service will identify any additional Interconnection Facilities and/or Network Upgrades necessary. Surplus Interconnection Service is only available up to the amount that can be accommodated without requiring new Network Upgrades.

Transmission Provider, original Interconnection Customer, and Surplus Interconnection Customer shall develop a Surplus Interconnection Agreement and other agreements as necessary and file such agreements with the Commission. Such agreements shall, among other things, establish conditions such as the term of operation, the interconnection service limit, and the mode of operation for energy production (i.e., common or singular operation) and the roles and responsibilities of the parties for maintaining the operation of the facility within the parameters of the surplus interconnection service agreement. Surplus Interconnection Service Agreement.

Transmission Provider is not required to execute an Interconnection Agreement for Surplus Interconnection Service if the agreements do not meet the definition set forth in their Tariff or if the customer does not agree to the terms of such service, including any requirements that

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may be identified by the Transmission Provider in the studies for Surplus Interconnection Service. If the Surplus Interconnection Customer disputes an issue in the Interconnection Agreement for Surplus Interconnection Service, Transmission Provider must file the unexecuted Surplus Interconnection Service Agreement with the Commission if requested to do so by the Surplus Interconnection Customer.

3.4 Valid Interconnection Request.

3.4.1 Cluster Request Window. Transmission Provider shall accept Interconnection Requests during a forty-five (45) Calendar Day period (the Cluster Request Window). Cluster Request Windows shall open annually every March 15 or the first Business Day thereafter.

3.4.2 Initiating an Interconnection Request.

An Interconnection Customer <u>wishingseeking</u> to join <u>the Definitive Interconnection Study Processa Cluster</u> shall submit its Interconnection Request to Transmission Provider within, and no later than the close of the <u>DISIS Request Window.Cluster Request Window. Interconnection Requests received shortly before the close of the Cluster Request Window may be rejected if Transmission Provider has insufficient time to review the Interconnection Request prior to the close of the Cluster Request Window.</u>

<u>Interconnection Requests submitted outside of the Cluster Request</u> Window will not be considered.

To initiate an Interconnection Request, Interconnection Customer must submit all of the following:

- a. The application fee and Applicable study deposit described in amount pursuant to Section 3.1.1 of this LGIP;
- b. A completed application in the form of Appendix 1—to the Revised LGIP (including applicable technical information);
- c. A demonstration of Site Control as defined in Sections 1 and 7.7 of the Revised LGIP. Specifications for acceptable site size for the purposes of demonstrating Site Control are posted on Transmission Provider's OASIS website. Interconnection Customer may propose alternative specifications for site size to those posted on OASIS for Transmission Provider approval. In the event Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer cannot reach agreement related to adequacy of site size, Transmission Provider will accept a Professional Engineer (licensed in the state of Colorado) stamped site plan drawing that depicts the proposed generation arrangement and specifies

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maximum facility output for that arrangement; Demonstration of no less than ninety percent (90%) Site Control or (1) a signed affidavit from an officer of the company indicating that Site Control is unobtainable due to regulatory limitations as such term is defined by Transmission Provider; (2) documentation sufficiently describing and explaining the source and effects of such regulatory limitations, including a description of any conditions that must be met to satisfy the regulatory limitations and the anticipated time by which Interconnection Customer expects to satisfy the regulatory requirements; and (3) a deposit in lieu of Site Control of \$10,000 per MW, subject to a minimum of \$500,000 and a maximum of \$2,000,000. Interconnection Requests from multiple Interconnection Customers for multiple Generating Facilities that share a site must include a contract or other agreement that allows for shared land use:

- d.(d) Generating Facility Capacity (MW) (and requested Interconnection Service level if the requested Interconnection Service is less than the Generating Facility Capacity);
- (e) If applicable, (1) the requested operating assumptions (i.e., whether the interconnecting Generating Facility will or will not charge at peak load) to be used by Transmission Provider that reflect the proposed charging behavior of the Generating Facility that includes at least one electric storage resource, and (2) a description of any control technologies (software and/or hardware) that will limit the operation of the Generating Facility to the operating assumptions submitted by Interconnection Customer;

(f) A Point of Interconnection;

e. (g) Whether the Interconnection Request shall be studied for Network Resource Interconnection Service or for Energy Resource Interconnection Service, consistent with Section 3.2 of this LGIP. If the request is for NRIS and if Transmission Provider has not been notified pursuant to Section 29.2 of Part III of the Tariff that Interconnection Customer's proposed Generating Facility is to be designated as a Network Resource, Interconnection Customer shall provide (1) the Network Transmission Customer which will later designate the resource as a Network Resource, (2) the expected point of delivery within the Transmission Provider's Transmission System, or (3) the geographic location on the seam of Transmission Provider's Transmission System at which Interconnection Customer intends to deliver the generation output out of Transmission Provider's Transmission System. This information is used to

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model the delivery of the NRIS request, but does not result in transmission service;

- f. ____(h) Interconnection Service amount (MW) requested, and the Generating Facility's capacity (MW) (i.e. plant size), including the energy storage capability (MWH) within the Generating Facility, if applicable;
- g.(i) One of the Readiness Milestone ("M1")Demonstration options totaling the entire capacity of the Generating Facility (or requested Interconnection Service amount if the requested Interconnection Service is less than the Generating Facility Capacity) described in Section 7.7.1.8.6.
- h. Security equal one times the study deposit described in Section 3.1 in the form of an irrevocable letter of credit or cash. The security is refunded to the Interconnection Customer according to Section 7.7.5.

Transmission Provider shall determine if An Interconnection Customer that submits a deposit in lieu of Site Control due to demonstrated regulatory limitations must demonstrate that it is taking identifiable steps to secure the necessary regulatory approvals from the applicable federal, state, and/or tribal entities before execution of the Cluster Study Agreement. Such deposit will be held by Transmission Provider until Interconnection Customer provides the required Site Control demonstration for its point in the Cluster Study Process. Interconnection Customers facing qualifying regulatory limitations must demonstrate one hundred percent (100%) Site Control within one hundred eighty (180) Calendar Days of the effective date of the LGIA.

Interconnection Customer shall promptly inform Transmission Provider of any material change to Interconnection Customer's demonstration of Site Control under Section 3.4.2(c) of this LGIP. If Transmission Provider determines, based on Interconnection Customer's information, that Interconnection Customer no longer satisfies the Site Control requirement, Transmission Provider shall give Interconnection Customer ten (10) Business Days to demonstrate satisfaction with the applicable requirement subject to Transmission Provider's approval. Absent such, Transmission Provider shall deem the Interconnection Request is valid during the Customer Engagement Window. withdrawn pursuant to Section 3.7 of this LGIP.

An Interconnection Request is valid when all information required in 3.4.42 (a-hi) has been received and determined to be complete by the Transmission Provider. An Interconnection Request is not valid until the technical data associated with the Interconnection Request, including the Generating Facility's modeling data received, is determined by

Transmission Provider to be sufficient to perform the Phase 1 and/or Phase 2 study. An Interconnection Request is not valid until the Site Control associated with the Interconnection Request is validated.

The expected In-Service Date of the new Large Generating Facility or increase in capacity of the Existing Generating Facility shall be no more than seven (7) years from the date the Interconnection Request is received by Transmission Provider, unless Interconnection Customer demonstrates that engineering, permitting and construction of the new Large Generating Facility or increase in capacity of the Existing Generating Facility will take longer than seven (7) years. The In-Service Date may succeed the date the Interconnection Request is received by Transmission Provider by a period up to ten (10) years, or longer where Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider agree, such agreement not to be unreasonably withheld.

An Interconnection Request for Generation Replacement shall be accompanied by: (i) a completed application in the form of Appendix 1 to the LGIP; and (ii) a study deposit in the amount of \$50,000.

3.4.23 Acknowledgment of Interconnection Request.

Transmission Provider shall acknowledge receipt of the Interconnection Request within five (5) Business Days of the close of the DISIS Request Window receipt of the request. Such acknowledgment shall identify the developer, MW, Point of Interconnection, and service requested in the Interconnection Request.

3.4.34 Deficiencies in Interconnection Request.

An Interconnection Request is not a valid request until all items in Section 3.4.1(a-i) have been received and deemed complete by Transmission Provider during the Cluster Request Window, including the technical data and Site Control. Transmission Provider shall provide written notice to the Interconnection Customer when the Interconnection Request is determined to be valid.

If an Interconnection Request fails to provide any item specified in Section 3.4.1 (a-h),2. Transmission Provider shall notify Interconnection Customer within five (5) Business Days of the closereceipt of the DISIS initial Interconnection Request Window of the reasons for such failure and that the Interconnection Request does not constitute a valid request. Interconnection Customer shall provide Transmission Provider the required item(s) needed to constitute a valid request within ten (10) Business Days after issuance of such notice.

Transmission Provider shall validate Site Control and technical data (including the Generating Facility's modeling data) during the Customer Engagement Window and may identify deficiencies. Upon identification

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of deficiencies in additional requested Site Control or technical data (including the Generating Facility's modeling data), Transmission Provider shall notify Interconnection Customer of such deficiencies and that the Interconnection Request does not constitute a valid request. Interconnection Customer shall provide Transmission Provider the required information needed to constitute a valid request within ten (10) Business Days after issuancereceipt of such notice.

Transmission Provider may grant Interconnection Customer up until the start of the Phase 2 study to cure deficiencies in the modeling data that is not required for the Phase 1 study but is needed for the Phase 2 study. If such modeling deficiencies are not cured by the start of the Phase 2 study, Interconnection Request shall be deemed invalid and withdrawn according to Section 3.7.

no later than the close of the Cluster Request Window. At any time after the start of the Phase 1 study, if Transmission Provider identifies issues with finds that the technical data (including the Generating Facility's modeling data) provided by Interconnection Customer is incomplete or contains errors, Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider shall work expeditiously and in good faith to remedy such technical and/or modeling data issues. In the event that Interconnection Customer fails to comply with this Section 3.4.4, Transmission Provider shall deem the Interconnection Request withdrawn (without the cure period provided under Section 3.7), the application fee is forfeited by Interconnection Customer, and the study deposit and any security deposit made under 8.6.1 for Readiness Demonstration 1 shall be returned to Interconnection Customer.

3.4.5 Customer Engagement Window.

Upon the close of each Cluster Request Window, Transmission Provider shall open a sixty (60) Calendar Day period (Customer Engagement Window). During the Customer Engagement Window, Transmission Provider shall hold a Scoping Meeting with all interested Interconnection Customers. Notwithstanding the preceding requirements and upon written consent of all Interconnection Customers within the Cluster, Transmission Provider may shorten the Customer Engagement Window and begin the Cluster Study. Within ten (10) Business Days of the opening of the Customer Engagement Window, Transmission Provider shall post on its OASIS a list of Interconnection Requests for that Cluster as specified in 3.5.1. Transmission Provider must ensure that project information is anonymized and does not reveal the identity or commercial information of Interconnection Customers with submitted requests. During the Customer Engagement Window, Transmission Provider shall provide to Interconnection Customer a non-binding updated good faith estimate of the cost and timeframe for completing the Cluster Study and a Cluster Study Agreement to be executed prior to the close of the Customer Engagement

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Window. During the Customer Engagement Window, Transmission Provider may request additional information from the Interconnection Customer regarding the Interconnection Request, to which Interconnection Customer must provide the responsive information within ten (10) Business Days.

At the end of the Customer Engagement Window, all Failure by Interconnection Customer to comply with this Section 3.4.3 shall be treated in accordance with Section 3.7.

3.4.4 Scoping Meeting.

Within ten (10) Business Days after the close of the DISIS Request Window, Transmission Provider shall host an open Scoping Meeting, for all Interconnection Requests received in that DISIS Request Window. Transmission Provider shall post the date and time of Scoping Meeting on OASIS prior to the close of the DISIS Request Window. Only customers who submit an Interconnection Request in that DISIS Request Window will be invited (even if the request is not yet valid) and specific meeting details will be communicated to those Interconnection Customers when Transmission Provider acknowledges receipt of the Interconnection Request.

If requested by Interconnection Customer, Transmission Provider shall also hold individual customer specific Scoping Meetings, which must be requested no later than fifteen (15) business days after the close of the DISIS Request Window.

Interconnection Requests deemed valid that have executed a Cluster Study Agreement in the form of Appendix 2 to this LGIP shall be included in the Cluster Study. Any Interconnection Requests for which Interconnection Customer has not executed a Cluster Study Agreement shall be deemed withdrawn (without the cure period provided under Section 3.7 of this LGIP) by Transmission Provider, the application fee shall be forfeited to Transmission Provider, and Transmission Provider shall return the study deposit and any security deposit for Readiness Demonstration 1 under 8.6.1 to Interconnection Customer. Immediately following the Customer Engagement Window, Transmission Provider shall initiate the Cluster Study described in Section 8 of this LGIP.

3.4.6 Cluster Study Scoping Meetings.

<u>During the Customer Engagement Window, Transmission Provider shall hold a Scoping Meeting with all Interconnection Customers whose valid Interconnection Requests were received in that Cluster Request Window</u>

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The purpose of the cluster or individual, customer specific Cluster Study Scoping Meeting shall be to discuss alternative interconnection options: to exchange information, including any transmission data and earlier study evaluations that would reasonably be expected to impact such interconnection options; to discuss the Cluster Study materials posted to OASIS pursuant to Section 3.5 of this LGIP, if applicable, and to analyze such information; and to determine the potential feasible Points of Interconnection. Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer(s) will bring to the meeting such technical data, including, but not limited to: (i) general facility loadings, (ii) general instability issues, (iii) general short circuit issues, (iv) general voltage issues, and (v) general reliability issues as may be reasonably required to accomplish the purpose of the meeting. Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer(s) will also bring to the meeting personnel and other resources as may be reasonably required to accomplish the purpose of the meeting in the time allocated for the meeting. On the basis of the meeting, Interconnection Customer(s) shall designate its Point of Interconnection, pursuant to Section 7.2. The duration of the meeting shall be sufficient to accomplish its purpose. If the Cluster Study Scoping Meeting consists of more than one Interconnection Customer, Transmission Provider shall issue, no later than fifteen (15) Business Days after the commencement of the Customer Engagement Window, and Interconnection Customer shall execute a non-disclosure agreement prior to a group Cluster Study Scoping Meeting, which will provide for confidentiality of identifying information or commercially sensitive information pertaining to any other Interconnection A form of non-disclosure agreement is provided in Customers. Appendix 15, Cluster Study Scoping Meeting Non-Disclosure Agreement.

3.5 OASIS Posting.

3.5.1 OASIS Posting.

Transmission Provider will maintain on its OASIS a list of all Interconnection Requests. The list will identify, for each Interconnection Request: (i) the maximum summer and winter megawatt electrical output; (ii) the location by county and state; (iii) the station or transmission line or lines where the interconnection will be made; (iv) the projected In-Service Date; (v) the status of the Interconnection Request, including Queue Position; (vi) the type of Interconnection Service being requested; (vii) the availability of any studies related to the Interconnection Request; (viii) the date of the Interconnection Request; (ix) the type of Generating Facility to be constructed (e.g. wind, solar, combined cycle, hybrid (e.g. solar and storage) or combustion turbine, and fuel type); and (x) for Interconnection Requests that have not resulted in a completed interconnection, an explanation as to why it was not completed. In addition, for a Generation Replacement, Transmission Provider will post the planned

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date of cessation of operation for the Existing Generating Facility or actual date if the Existing Generating Facility already has ceased commercial operations, the expected Commercial Operation Date of

Except in the case of an Affiliate, the list will not disclose the identity of Interconnection Customer until Interconnection Customer executes an LGIA or requests that Transmission Provider file an unexecuted LGIA with FERC. Before holding a Scoping Meeting with its Affiliate, Transmission Provider shall post on OASIS an advance notice of its intent to do so.

the Replacement Generating Facility, and the type of requested

Interconnection Service.

Transmission Provider shall post to its OASIS site any deviations from the study timelines set forth herein. Interconnection Study reports shall be posted to Transmission Provider's OASIS site subsequent to the meeting between Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider to discuss the applicable study results. Transmission Provider shall also post any known deviations in the Large Generating Facility's In-Service Date.

3.5.2 Requirement to Post Interconnection Study Metrics.

Transmission Provider will maintain on its OASIS or its website summary statistics related to processing Interconnection Studies pursuant to Interconnection Requests, updated quarterly. If Transmission Provider posts this information on its website, a link to the information must be provided on Transmission Provider's OASIS site. For each calendar quarter, Transmission Provider must calculate and post the information detailed in Sections 3.5.42.1 through 3.5.42.3 of this LGIP.

3.5.2.1.1 <u>Definitive</u> <u>Interconnection Cluster</u> Study <u>Phase 1</u> Processing Time.

- (A) Number of Interconnection Requests that had Phase 4Cluster Studies completed within Transmission Provider's coordinated region during the reporting quarter,
- (B) Number of Interconnection Requests that had Phase 1 Studies completed within Transmission Provider's coordinated region during the reporting quarter that were completed more than ninety (90) Calendar Days after the start of the Phase 1 Study for that ClusterCluster;
- (C) At the end of the reporting quarter, the number of active valid Interconnection Requests with engoing incomplete

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Phase 1 Studies where such Phase 1 Studies started more than ninety (90) Calendar Days before the reporting quarter end,

- (D) Mean time (in days), Phase 1 Studies completed within Transmission Provider's coordinated region during the reporting quarter, from the date when Transmission Provider started the Phase 1 Study to the date when Transmission Provider provided the completed Phase 1 Study report to the Interconnection Customer,
- (E) Percentage of Phase 1 Studies exceeding ninety (90) Calendar Days to complete this reporting quarter, calculated as the sum of (3.5.1.1(B) plus 3.5.1.1(C)) divided by the sum of (3.5.1.1(A) plus 3.5.1.1(C)).

3.5.1.2 Definitive Interconnection System Impact Studies Processing Time.

- (A) Number of Interconnection Requests that had Definitive Interconnection System Impact Studies (Phase 2 or Phase 3) completed within Transmission Provider's coordinated region during the reporting guarter.
- (B) Number of Definitive Interconnection Requests that had Phase 2 or Phase 3 Studies completed within Transmission Provider's coordinated region during the reporting quarter that were completed more than one hundred fifty (150) Calendar Days after startthe close of the respective Phase 2 or Phase 3 StudyCustomer Engagement Window,
- (C) At the end of the reporting quarter, the number of active valid Interconnection Requests with ongoing incomplete Phase 2 or Phase 3 Cluster Studies where such started Interconnection Requests had executed a Cluster Study Agreement received by Transmission Provider more than one hundred fifty (150) Calendar Days before the reporting quarter end,
- (D) Mean time (in days), Phase 2 and Phase 3Cluster Studies completed within Transmission Provider's coordinated region during the reporting quarter, from commencement of the date when the Phase 2 or Phase 3 Study startedCluster Study to the date when Transmission Provider provided the completed Cluster Study Report to Interconnection Customer.

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- within Transmission Provider's coordinated region during the reporting quarter, from the close of the Cluster Request Window to the date when Transmission Provider provided the completed Phase 2 or Phase 3 Cluster Study report Report to the Interconnection Customer,; and
- (F) Percentage of Cluster Studies exceeding one hundred and fifty (150) Calendar Days to complete this reporting quarter, calculated as the sum of Section 3.5.2.1(B) plus Section 3.5.2.1(C)) divided by the sum of (Section 3.5.2.1(A) plus section 3.5.2.1(C) of this LGIP.

3.5.2.2 Cluster Restudies Processing Time.

- (A) Number of Interconnection Requests that had Cluster Restudies completed within Transmission Provider's coordinated region during the reporting quarter,
- (B) Number of Interconnection Requests that had Cluster Restudies completed within Transmission Provider's coordinated region during the reporting quarter that were completed more than one hundred fifty (150) Calendar Days after Transmission Provider notifies Interconnection Customers in the Cluster that a Cluster Restudy is required pursuant to Section 8.5.
- (C) At the end of the reporting quarter, the number of active valid Interconnection Requests with ongoing incomplete (E) Percentage of Phase 2 or Phase 3 Studies Cluster Restudies where Transmission Provider notified Interconnection Customers in the Cluster that a Cluster Restudy is required pursuant to Section 8.5 more than one hundred fifty (150) Calendar Days before the reporting quarter end,
- (D) Mean time (in days), Cluster Restudies completed within Transmission Provider's coordinated region during the reporting quarter, from the date when Transmission Provider notifies Interconnection Customers in the Cluster that a Cluster Restudy is required pursuant to Section 8.5to the date when Transmission Provider provided the completed Cluster Restudy Report to Interconnection Customer,
- (E) Mean time (in days), Cluster Restudies completed within Transmission Provider's coordinated region during the reporting quarter, from the close of the Cluster Request

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Window to the date when Transmission Provider provided the completed Cluster Restudy Report to Interconnection Customer;

(F) Percentage of Cluster Restudies exceeding one hundred fifty (150) Calendar Days to complete this reporting quarter, calculated as the sum of (Section 3.5.42.2(B) plus Section 3.5.42.2(C)) divided by the sum of (Section 3.5.42.2(A) plus Section 3.5.42.2(C)) of this LGIP).

3.5.42.3 Interconnection Facilities Studies Processing Time.

- (A) Number of Interconnection Requests that had Interconnection Facilities Studies that are completed within Transmission Provider's coordinated region during the reporting quarter,
- (B) Number of Interconnection Requests that had Interconnection Facilities Studies that are completed within Transmission Provider's coordinated region during the reporting quarter that were completed more than ninety (90) Calendar Days after receipt by Transmission Provider of the Interconnection Customer's executed Interconnection Facilities Study Agreement,
- (C) At the end of the reporting quarter, the number of active valid Interconnection Service requests with ongoing incomplete Interconnection Facilities Studies where such Interconnection Requests had executed Interconnection Facilities Studies Agreement received by Transmission Provider more than ninety (90) Calendar Days before the reporting quarter end.
- (D) Mean time (in days), for Interconnection Facilities Studies completed within Transmission Provider's coordinated region during the reporting quarter, calculated from the date when Transmission Provider received the executed Interconnection Facilities Study Agreement to the date when Transmission Provider provided the completed Interconnection Facilities Study to the Interconnection Customer.
- (E(E) Mean time (in days), Interconnection Facilities Studies completed within Transmission Provider's coordinated region during the reporting quarter, from the close of the Cluster Request Window to the date when Transmission

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<u>Provider provided the completed Interconnection</u> <u>Facilities Study to Interconnection Customer;</u>

- (F) Percentage of delayed Interconnection Facilities Studies this reporting quarter, calculated as the sum of (Section 3.5.42.3(B) plus Section 3.5.42.3(C)) divided by the sum of (Section 3.5.42.3(A) plus Section 3.5.42.3(C)).) of this LGIP).
- 3.5.42.4 Valid Interconnection Service Requests Withdrawn from Transmission Provider's Definitive Interconnection Study Process Queue
 - (A) Number of Interconnection Requests withdrawn from Transmission Provider's interconnection queue during the reporting quarter,
 - (B) Number of Interconnection Requests withdrawn from Transmission Provider's interconnection queue during the reporting quarter before completion of any interconnection studies or execution of any interconnection study Interconnection Study agreements,
 - (C) Number of Interconnection Requests withdrawn from Transmission Provider's interconnection queue during the reporting quarter after the start of a Phase 1 study and before completion of an associated Phase 1, Phase 2, or Phase 3a Cluster Study,
 - (D) Number of Interconnection Requests withdrawn from Transmission Provider's interconnection queue during the reporting quarter after the completion of a System Impact Study Phase (e.g. Phase 2 or Phase 3), but before completion of an Interconnection Facilities Study,
 - (E) Number of Interconnection Requests withdrawn from Transmission Provider's interconnection queue after completion of an Interconnection Facilities Study but before execution of a generator interconnection agreementan LGIA or Interconnection Customer requests the filing of an unexecuted, new interconnection agreementLGIA,
 - (F(F) Number of Interconnection Requests withdrawn from Transmission Provider's interconnection queue after execution of an LGIA or Interconnection Customer requests the filing of an unexecuted, new LGIA,

(G) Mean time (in days), for all withdrawn Interconnection Requests, from the date when the request was determined to be valid to when Transmission Provider received the request to withdraw from the queue.

3.5.2 Requirement to Post Interconnection3 Posting of Study Metrics.

Transmission Provider is required to post on OASIS or its website the measures in paragraphSection 3.5.42.4(FG) for each calendar quarter within thirty (30-days) Calendar Days of the end of the calendar quarter. Transmission Provider will keep the quarterly measures posted on OASIS or its website for three (3) calendar years with the first required report to be in the first quarter of 2020. If Transmission Provider retains this information on its website, a link to the information must be provided on Transmission Provider's OASIS site.

3.5.34 Reporting Requirement for Late Studies.

In the event that any of the values calculated in paragraphsSections 3.5.2.1.4(E(F), 3.5.4.2(E.2(F), or 3.5.42.3(EF)) exceeds 25twenty-five percent (25%) for two (2) consecutive calendar quarters, Transmission Provider will have to comply with the measures below for the next four (4) consecutive calendar quarters and must continue reporting this information until Transmission Provider reports four (4) consecutive calendar quarters without the values calculated in Sections 3.5.42.1(E), 3.5.42.2(E), or 3.5.42.3(E) exceeding 25twenty five percent (25%) for two (2) consecutive calendar quarters:

- (i) Transmission Provider must submit a report to the Commission describing the reason for each <a href="study-cluster-study-clu
- (ii) Transmission Provider shall aggregate the total number of employee-hours and third party consultant hours expended towards interconnection studies Interconnection Studies within its coordinated region that quarter and post on OASIS or its website. If Transmission Provider posts this information on its website, a link to the information must be provided on Transmission

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Provider's OASIS site. This information is to be posted within 30 daysthirty (30) Calendar Days of the end of the calendar quarter.

3.6 Coordination with Affected Systems.

Transmission Provider will coordinate the conduct of any studies required to determine the impact of the Interconnection Request on Affected Systems with Affected System Operators and, if possible, include those results (if available) in its applicable Interconnection Study within the time frame specified in this Revised LGIP. Transmission Provider will invite all Affected System Operators to the Scoping Meetings and all Report Meetings. Once the study results have identified the particular Affected System(s) needing mitigation for acceptable system performance, Transmission Provider will invite such Affected System Operators to all meetings held with Interconnection Customer where the meeting topic is associated with the Affected System impact... Interconnection Customer will cooperate with Transmission Provider and Affected System Operator in all matters related to the conduct of studies and the determination of modifications to Affected Systems.

A transmission provider which whose system may be an Affected System impacted by a proposed interconnection on another transmission provider's transmission system shall cooperate with Transmission Provider the transmission provider with whom interconnection has been requested in all matters related to the conduct of studies and the determination of modifications to Affected Systems. It is the responsibility of the Affected System Owner to provide the requirements or potential impediments to providing the requested interconnection service, including a preliminary indication of the cost and length of time that would be necessary to (i) complete any interconnection studies and (ii) construct any necessary interconnection facilities and network upgrades needed to reliably interconnect at the requested service level. Transmission Provider's Transmission System.

3.6.1 Initial Notification. Transmission Provider must notify Affected System Operator of a potential Affected System impact caused by an Interconnection Request within ten (10) Business Days of the completion of the Cluster Study.

At the time of initial notification, Transmission Provider must provide Interconnection Customer with a list of potential Affected Systems, along with relevant contact information.

3.6.2 Notification of Cluster Restudy.

Transmission Provider must notify Affected System Operator of a Cluster Restudy concurrently with its notification of such Cluster Restudy to Interconnection Customers.

3.6.3 Notification of Cluster Restudy Completion.

<u>Upon the completion of Transmission Provider's Cluster Restudy,</u> Transmission Provider will notify Affected System Operator of a potential

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Affected System impact caused by an Interconnection Request within ten (10) Business Days of the completion of the Cluster Restudy, regardless of whether that potential Affected System impact was previously identified. At the time of the notification of the completion of the Cluster Restudy to the Affected System Operator, Transmission Provider must provide Interconnection Customer with a list of potential Affected System Operators, along with relevant contact information.

3.7 Withdrawal.

Interconnection Customer may withdraw its Interconnection Request at any time by written notice of such withdrawal to Transmission Provider. In addition, if Interconnection Customer fails to adhere to all requirements of this Revised LGIP, except as provided in Section 4214.5 (Disputes), Transmission Provider shall deem the Interconnection Request to be withdrawn and shall provide written notice to Interconnection Customer of the deemed withdrawal and an explanation of the reasons for such deemed withdrawal. Upon receipt of such written notice, Interconnection Customer shall have fifteen (15) Business Days in which to either respond with information or actions that curecures the deficiency or to notify Transmission Provider of its intent to pursue Dispute Resolution.

Withdrawal shall result in the loss of Interconnection Customer's Queue Position. If Interconnection Customer disputes the withdrawal and loss of its Queue Position, then during Dispute Resolution, Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Request is eliminated from the Queuequeue until such time that the outcome of Dispute Resolution would restore its Queue Position. An Interconnection Customer that withdraws or is deemed to have withdrawn its Interconnection Request shall pay to Transmission Provider all costs that Transmission Provider prudently incurs with respect to that Interconnection Request prior to Transmission Provider's receipt of notice described above. Interconnection Customer must pay all monies due to Transmission Provider before it is allowed to obtain any Interconnection Study data or results.

In the case of a withdrawallf Interconnection Customer withdraws its Interconnection Request or is deemed withdrawn by Transmission Provider under Section 3.7 of this LGIP, Transmission Provider shall: (i) update the OASIS Queue Position posting; (ii) impose the Withdrawal Penalty described in Section 3.7.1 of this LGIP; and (iii), refund any security after settling the final invoice (see Section 7.7.5), and (iv) refund to Interconnection Customer any portion of the refundable portion of Interconnection Customer's study deposit that exceeds the share of the costs that Transmission Provider has incurred, including interest calculated in accordance with section 35.19a(a)(2) of FERC's regulations. Transmission Provider shall also refund any portion of security used to demonstrate readiness under section 8.6 which is not applied to the Withdrawal Penalty and, if applicable, the deposit in lieu of site control. In the event of such withdrawal, Transmission Provider, subject to the confidentiality provisions of Section 4214.1, shall provide, at Interconnection Customer's request, all information that Transmission Provider developed for any completed study conducted up to the date of withdrawal of the Interconnection Request.

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3.7.1 Withdrawal Penalty.

Interconnection <u>Customers Customer</u> shall be subject to a Withdrawal Penalty under 3.7.1.1 if <u>theirits</u> request is withdrawn from the <u>Queuequeue</u> or the Generating Facility does not otherwise reach Commercial Operation, unless:

- (1) the withdrawal does not negatively affect the timing or cost of any equal or lower queued project;
- the cost responsibility identified for that Interconnection Customer in the current study report (including a restudy) associated with new upgrades to the Transmission Provider's Transmission System or Affected System increased by more than twenty-five percent (25%) compared to the costs identified in the <a href="mailto:previous report (including the report for the same phase, if the report is a restudy); Inteconnection Customer's preceding Cluster Study Report or Cluster Restudy Report;
- the Interconnection Request is withdrawn after the Phase 4 report Interconnection Facilities Study Report is published and before Interconnection Customer provides M5Readiness Demonstration 4 as specified in Section 8.6.3 of this LGIP, and the cost responsibility for that Interconnection Customer identified in the Interconnection Facilities Study report (the Phase 4 report) such report increases by more than one hundred percent (100%) compared to the Phase 2 report estimates in the current Cluster Study or Cluster Restudy Report;
 - (4) Interconnection Request is withdrawn due to the Generating Facility being rejected from the Resource Solicitation Process as described in Section 4.2.2;
 - (5) Applicable Laws and Regulations, such as laws related to permitting, change between the date the Interconnection Request is made and the withdrawal that (i) prevent the Generating Facility from reaching Commercial Operation, and (ii) are outside the control of the Interconnection Customer. To qualify for this exemption, Interconnection Customer shall have had and acted on a plan to interconnect their Generating Facility under the laws or regulations in effect when the Interconnection Request was submitted; or
 - (6) a Certificate Of Public Convenience and Necessity associated with the Interconnection Request is denied by the Colorado Public Utilities Commission.

3.7.1.1 Calculation of the Withdrawal Penalty.

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If the Interconnection Customer withdraws prior to executing an LGIA and does not use any of the Readiness Milestonesmilestones described in Section 7.78.6.1.e, 7.78.6.2.e, 7.7.3.e or 7.7.48.6.3.e, that Interconnection Customer's Withdrawal Penalty shall be equal to the higher of the study deposit or one (1) times its actual allocated cost of the Definitive Interconnection Study ProcessCluster and Facilities Study Processes, including restudies.

The Withdrawal Penalty is five million dollars (\$5,000,000) for any Interconnection Customer that does not use any of the Readiness Milestones milestones described in Section 7.78.6.1.e-7.7, 8.6.2.e, 7.78.6.3.e, or 7.78.6.4.e, and that withdraws or otherwise does not reach Commercial Operation after executing an LGIA or after the Commission accepts an unexecuted LGIA.

If the Interconnection Customer uses one or more of the Readiness Milestonemilestones described in Section 7.78.6.1.e, 7.78.6.2.e, 7.78.6.3.e, or 7.78.6.4.e, and withdraws from the study phase where that milestone was used, the Withdrawal Penalty shall be dependent on the phase of the study from which the Interconnection Request is withdrawn as follows (MW amount is the MW of requested Interconnection Service):

- (1) If the request withdraws from Phase 1 (after providing M1 and before providing M2)the Cluster Study process at any stage, including upon issuance of the Cluster Study Report or Cluster Restudy Report, the Withdrawal Penalty shall be the lower of five thousand dollars per megawatt (\$5,000/MW) or five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000)
- (2) If the request withdraws from Phase 2 (after providing M2 and before providing M3) the Withdrawal Penalty shall be Interconnection Facilities Study process at any stage, including upon issuance of the lower of twenty thousand dollars per megawatt (\$20,000/MW)Interconnection Facilities Study Report or two million dollars (\$2,000,000)
- (3) If the request withdraws from Phase 3 (after providing M3 and before providing M4)Interconnection Facilities Restudy Report, the Withdrawal Penalty shall be the lower of fifty offifty thousand dollars per megawatt (\$50,000/MW) or five million dollars (\$5,000,000)
- (43) If the request withdraws from Phase 4 or the otherwise does not reach Commercial Operation after executing an LGIA Phase (after providing M4 and before reaching commercial operations) or after the Commission accepts an unexecuted LGIA the Withdrawal Penalty shall be the lower of seventy five thousand dollars per megawatt (\$75,000/MW) or seven and a half million dollars (\$7,500,000).

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The calculation of the Withdrawal Penalty for the transitional projects is described in Section 5 of this Revised LGIP.

3.7.1.2 Distribution of the Withdrawal Penalty.

3.7.1.2.1 Initial Distribution of Withdrawal Penalties Prior to Assessment of Network Upgrade Costs Previously Shared with Withdrawn Interconnection Customers in the Same Cluster

For a single Cluster, Transmission Provider shall hold all Withdrawal Penalty funds until all Interconnection Customers in that Cluster have either: (1) withdrawn or been deemed withdrawn; (2) executed an LGIA; or (3) requested an LGIA to be filed unexecuted. Any Withdrawal Penalty funds collected from the Cluster shall first be used to fund studies conducted under the Cluster Study Process for Interconnection Customers in the same Cluster that have executed the LGIA or requested the LGIA to be filed unexecuted. Next, after the Withdrawal Penalty funds are applied to relevant study costs in the same Cluster, Transmission Provider will apply the remaining Withdrawal Penalty funds to reduce net increases, for Interconnection Customers in the same Cluster, in Interconnection Customers' Network Upgrade cost assignment and associated financial security requirements under Article 11.5 of the pro forma LGIA attributable to the impacts of withdrawn Interconnection Customers that shared an obligation with the remaining Interconnection Customers to fund a Network Upgrade, as described in more detail in Sections 3.7.1.2.3 and 3.7.1.2.4. The total amount of funds used to fund these studies under the Cluster Study Process or those applied to any net increases in Network Upgrade costs for Interconnection Customers in the same Cluster shall not exceed the total amount of Withdrawal Penalty funds collected from the Cluster.

Withdrawal Penalty funds shall first be applied as a refund to invoiced study costs for Interconnection Customers in the same Cluster that did not withdraw within thirty (30) Calendar Days of such Interconnection Customers executing their LGIA or requesting to have their LGIA filed unexecuted. Distribution of Withdrawal Penalty funds within one specific Cluster for study costs shall not exceed the total actual Cluster Study Process costs for the Cluster. Withdrawal Penalty funds applied to study costs shall be allocated within the same Cluster to Interconnection Customers in a manner consistent with Transmission Provider's method in Section 14.3 of this LGIP for allocating the costs of Interconnection Studies conducted on a clustered basis. Transmission Provider shall post the balance of Withdrawal Penalty funds held by Transmission Provider but not yet dispersed on its OASIS site and update this posting on a quarterly basis.

If an Interconnection Customer withdraws after it executes, or requests the unexecuted filing of, its LGIA, Transmission Provider shall first apply such

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Interconnection Customer's Withdrawal Penalty funds to any restudy costs required due to Interconnection Customer's withdrawal as a credit to asyet-to be invoiced study costs to be charged to the remaining Interconnection Customers in the same Cluster in a manner consistent with Transmission Provider's method in Section 14.3 of this LGIP for allocating the costs of Interconnection Studies conducted on a clustered basis. Distribution of the Withdrawal Penalty funds for such restudy costs shall not exceed the total actual restudy costs.

<u>3.7.1.2.2 Assessment of Network Upgrade Costs Previously Shared</u> with Withdrawn Interconnection Customers in the Same Cluster

If Withdrawal Penalty funds remain for the same Cluster after the Withdrawal Penalty funds are applied to relevant study costs, Transmission Provider will determine if the withdrawn Interconnection Customers, at any point in the Cluster Study Process, shared cost assignment for one or more Network Upgrades with any remaining Interconnection Customers in the same Cluster based on the Cluster Study Report, Cluster Restudy Report(s), Interconnection Facilities Study Report, and any subsequent issued restudy report issued for the Cluster.

In Section 3.7.1.2 of this LGIP, shared cost assignments for Network Upgrades refers to the cost of Network Upgrades still needed for the same Cluster for which an Interconnection Customer, prior to withdrawing its Interconnection Request, shared the obligation to fund along with Interconnection Customers that have executed an LGIA, or requested the LGIA to filed unexecuted.

If Transmission Provider's assessment determines that there are no shared cost assignments for any Network Upgrades in the same Cluster for the withdrawn Interconnection Customer, or determines that the withdrawn Interconnection Customer's withdrawal did not cause a net increase in the shared cost assignment for any remaining Interconnection Customers' Network Upgrade(s) in the same Cluster, Transmission Provider will return any remaining Withdrawal Penalty funds to the withdrawn Interconnection Customer(s). Such remaining Withdrawal Penalty funds will be returned to withdrawn Interconnection Customers based on the proportion of each withdrawn Interconnection Customer's contribution to the total amount of Withdrawal Penalty funds collected for the Cluster (i.e., the total amount before the initial disbursement required under Section 3.7.1.2.1 of this LGIP). Transmission Provider must make such disbursement within sixty (60) Calendar Days of the date on which all Interconnection Customers in the same Cluster have either: (1) withdrawn or been deemed withdrawn; (2) executed an LGIA; or (3) requested an LGIA to be filed unexecuted. For the withdrawn Interconnection Customers that Transmission Provider determines have caused a net increase in the shared cost assignment for one or more Network Upgrade(s) in the same Cluster under Section 3.7.1.2.3(a) of this LGIP, Transmission Provider will

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determine each such withdrawn Interconnection Customers' Withdrawal Penalty funds remaining balance that will be applied toward net increases in Network Upgrade shared costs calculated under Sections 3.7.1.2.3(a) and 3.7.1.2.3(b) of this LGIP based on each such withdrawn Interconnection Customer's proportional contribution to the total amount of Withdrawal Penalty funds collected for the same Cluster (i.e., the total amount before the initial disbursement requirement under Section 3.7.1.2.1 of this LGIP).

If Transmission Provider's assessment determines that there are shared cost assignments for Network Upgrades in the same Cluster, Transmission Provider will calculate the remaining Interconnection Customers' net increase in cost assignment for Network Upgrades due to a shared cost assignment for Network Upgrades with the withdrawn Interconnection Customer and distribute Withdrawal Penalty funds as described in Section 3.7.1.2.3, depending on whether the withdrawal occurred before the withdrawing Interconnection Customer executed the LGIA (or filed unexecuted), as described in Section 3.7.1.2.3(a) of this LGIP, or after such execution (or filing unexecuted) of an LGIA, as described in Section 3.7.1.2.3(b) of this LGIP.

As discussed in Section 3.7.1.2.4 of this LGIP, Transmission Provider will amend executed (or filed unexecuted) LGIAs of the remaining Interconnection Customers in the same Cluster to apply the remaining Withdrawal Penalty funds to reduce net increases in Interconnection Customers' Network Upgrade cost assignment and associated financial security requirements under Article 11.5 of the pro forma LGIA attributable to the impacts of withdrawn Interconnection Customers on Interconnection Customers remaining in the same Cluster that had a shared cost assignment for Network Upgrades with the withdrawn Interconnection Customers.

3.7.1.2.3 Impact Calculations.

3.7.1.2.3(a) Impact Calculation for Withdrawals During the Cluster Study Process.

If an Interconnection Customer withdraws before it executes, or requests the unexecuted filing of, its LGIA, Transmission Provider will distribute in the following manner the Withdrawal Penalty funds to reduce the Network Upgrade cost impact on the remaining Interconnection Customers in the same Cluster who had a shared cost assignment for a Network Upgrade with the withdrawn Interconnection Customer.

To calculate the reduction in the remaining Interconnection Customers' net increase in Network Upgrade costs and associated financial security requirements under Article 11.5 of the pro forma LGIA, Transmission Provider will determine the financial impact of a withdrawing

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Interconnection Customer on other Interconnection Customers in the same Cluster that shared an obligation to fund the same Network Upgrade(s). Transmission Provider shall calculate this financial impact once all Interconnection Customers in the same Cluster either: (1) have withdrawn or have been deemed withdrawn; (2) executed an LGIA; or (3) request an LGIA to be filed unexecuted. Transmission Provider will perform the financial impact calculation using the following steps.

First, Transmission Provider must determine which withdrawn Interconnection Customers shared an obligation to fund Network Upgrades with Interconnection Customers from the same Cluster that have LGIAs that are executed or have been requested to be filed unexecuted. Next, Transmission Provider shall perform the calculation of the financial impact of a withdrawal on another Interconnection Request in the same Cluster by performing a comparison of the Network Upgrade cost estimates between each of the following:

- (1) Cluster Study phase to Cluster Restudy phase (if Cluster Restudy was necessary);
- (2) Cluster Restudy phase to Interconnection Facilities Study phase (if a Cluster Restudy was necessary);
- (3) Cluster Study phase to Interconnection Facilities Study phase (if no Cluster Restudy was performed);
- (4) Interconnection Facilities Study phase to any subsequent restudy that was performed before the execution or filing of an unexecuted LGIA;
- (5) the restudy to the executed, or filed unexecuted, LGIA (if a restudy was performed after the Interconnection Facilities Study phase and before the execution or filing of an unexecuted LGIA).

If Any Withdrawal Penalty revenues shall be used to fund generation interconnection studies. Withdrawal Penalty revenues shall first be applied, in the form of a bill credit, to not-yet-invoiced study costs for other Interconnection Customers in the same cluster, and to the extent that such studies are fully credited, shall be applied to study costs of future clusters in Queue order. Withdrawn Interconnection Customers shall not receive a bill credit associated with Withdrawal Penalties. Distribution of Withdrawal Penalty revenues to a specific study shall not exceed the total actual study costs. Allocation of Withdrawal Penalty revenues within a cluster to a specific customer shall be comparable to the allocation of study costs described in Section 4.2.3. Specifically, the Withdrawal Penalty revenue distribution to each customer in a specific cluster, shall be (1) fifty percent

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(50%) on a per capita basis based on number of Interconnection Requests in the applicable Cluster; and (2) fifty percent (50%) to Interconnection Customers on a prorata basis based on requested megawatts included in the applicable Cluster. Distribution of Withdrawal Penalty revenue associated with Readiness Milestone 5 shall not be distributed to the remaining customers in that cluster until all customers in that cluster have reached Commercial Operation and thereafter shall be distributed as described above. Transmission Provider shall not change the distribution of Withdrawal Penalty revenue without authorization by the Commission. Transmission Provider shall post the Withdrawal Penalty balance on its OASIS site.

, based on the above calculations, Transmission Provider determines:

- (i) that the costs assigned to an Interconnection Customer in the same Cluster for Network Upgrades that a withdrawn Interconnection Customer shared cost assignment for increased between any two studies, and
- diter the impacted Interconnection Customer's LGIA was executed or filed unexecuted, Interconnection Customer's cost assignment for the relevant Network Upgrade is greater than it was prior to the withdrawal of Interconnection Customer in the same Cluster that shared cost assignment for the Network Upgrade, then Transmission Provider shall apply the withdrawn Interconnection Customer's Withdrawal Penalty funds that have not already been applied to study costs in the amount of the financial impact by reducing, in the same Cluster, the remaining Interconnection Customer's Network Upgrade costs and associated financial security requirements under Article 11.5 of the pro forma LGIA.

If Transmission Provider determines that more than one Interconnection Customer in the same Cluster was financially impacted by the same withdrawn Interconnection Customer, Transmission Provider will apply the relevant withdrawn Interconnection Customer's Withdrawal Penalty funds that have not already been applied to study costs to reduce the financial impact to each Interconnection Customer based on each Interconnection Customer's proportional share of the financial impact, as determined by either the Proportional Impact Method if it is a System Network Upgrade or on a per capita basis if it is a Substation Network Upgrade, as described under Section 4.2.4 of this LGIP.

3.7.1.2.3(b) Impact Calculation for Withdrawals in the Same Cluster After the Cluster Study Process

If an Interconnection Customer withdraws after it executes, or requests the unexecuted filing of, its LGIA, Transmission Provider will distribute in the following manner the remaining Withdrawal Penalty funds to reduce the Network Upgrade cost impact on the remaining Interconnection Customers

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in the same Cluster who had a shared cost assignment with the withdrawn Interconnection Customer for one or more Network Upgrades.

Transmission Provider will determine the financial impact on the remaining Interconnection Customers in the same Cluster within thirty (30) Calendar Days after the withdrawal occurs. Transmission Provider will determine that financial impact by comparing the Network Upgrade cost funding obligations Interconnection Customers shared with the withdrawn Interconnection Customer before the withdrawal of Interconnection Customer and after the withdrawal of Interconnection Customer. If that comparison indicates an increase in Network Upgrade costs for an Interconnection Customer, Transmission Provider shall apply the withdrawn Interconnection Customer's Withdrawal Penalty funds to the increased costs each impacted Interconnection Customer in the same Cluster experienced associated with such Network Upgrade(s) in proportion to each Interconnection Customer's increased cost assignment, as determined by Transmission Provider.

3.7.1.2.4 Amending LGIA to Apply Changes to Interconnection Customer's Assigned Network Upgrade Costs and Associated Financial Security Requirement with Respect to Withdrawals in the Same Cluster

Within thirty (30) Calendar Days of all Interconnection Customers in the same Cluster having: (1) withdrawn or been deemed withdrawn; (2) executed an LGIA; or (3) requested an LGIA to be filed unexecuted, Transmission Provider must perform the calculations described in Section 3.7.1.2.3(a) of this LGIP and provide such Interconnection Customers with an amended LGIA that provides the change in Network Upgrade cost assignment and associated change to Interconnection Customer's financial security requirements, under Article 11.5 of the *pro forma* LGIA, due from Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider.

Where an Interconnection Customer executes the LGIA (or requests the filing of an unexecuted LGIA) and is later withdrawn or its LGIA is terminated, Transmission Provider must, within thirty (30) Calendar Days of such withdrawal or termination, perform the calculations described in Section 3.7.1.2.3(b) of this LGIP and provide such Interconnection Customers in the same Cluster with an amended LGIA that provides the reduction in Network Upgrade cost assignment and associated change to Interconnection Customer's financial security requirements, under Article 11.5 of the pro forma LGIA, due from Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider.

Any repayment by Transmission Provider to Interconnection Customer under Article 11.4 of the pro forma LGIA of amounts advanced for Network Upgrades after the Generating Facility achieves Commercial Operation shall be limited to Interconnection Customer's total amount of Network

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<u>Upgrade costs paid and associated financial security provided to</u> Transmission Provider under Article 11.5 of the pro forma LGIA.

After a Network Upgrade is placed into service, in the event that a withdrawn Interconnection Customer's Withdrawal Penalty was applied as a credit to reduce the assignment of the costs of the Network Upgrade to one or more other non-withdrawn Interconnection Customers pursuant to LGIP Section 3.7.1.2, the withdrawn Interconnection Customer shall not be entitled to any refund of the construction costs of the Network Upgrade and the costs shall instead be refunded to the non-withdrawn Interconnection Customers who received the credit, either through credits against transmission charges over a period not to exceed twenty years pursuant to Commission policy, or sooner if the Transmission Provider elects to refund the amounts prior to twenty years.

3.7.1.2.5 Final Distribution of Withdrawal Penalty Funds

If Withdrawal Penalty funds remain for the Cluster after the Withdrawal Penalty funds are applied to relevant study costs and net increases in shared cost assignments for Network Upgrades to remaining Interconnection Customers in the same or later Clusters, Transmission Provider will return any remaining Withdrawal Penalty funds to the withdrawn Interconnection Customers net of the amount of each withdrawn Interconnection Customer's Withdrawal Penalty funds applied to study costs and net increases in shared cost assignments for Network Upgrades to remaining Interconnection Customers.

3.8 Identification of Contingent Facilities.

Contingent Facilities shall be identified in the Interconnection System ImpactCluster Study reportReport including in any subsequent restudies, in the Interconnection FacilitiesCluster Study reportReport including in any subsequent restudies, and then included in the Interconnection Customer's Large Generator Interconnection Agreement. Transmission Provider shall also provide, upon request of the Interconnection Customer, the estimated interconnection facility and/or network upgrade costs and estimated in-service completion date of each identified Contingent Facility when this information is readily available and not commercially sensitive.

Any unbuilt Interconnection Facility and/or Network Upgrade included in the study model that is necessary as determined through technical studies such as power flow, short circuit and/or stability analysis to accommodate the Interconnection Request, will be identified as a Contingent Facility. Network Upgrades will include both Network Upgrades planned by the Transmission Provider or Affected Systems in the Base Case as well as those Network Upgrades identified for higher queued Interconnection Requests.

In the System ImpactCluster Study report, including in any subsequent restudies, Transmission Provider is to explain why each listed Contingent Facility was identified as such, and how it relates to the Interconnection Customer's

Interconnection Request, such that Interconnection Customer can better understand their potential risk exposure should any such Contingent Facility be delayed or not built.

3.8.1 Method for Identifying Contingent Facilities

The following steps are to be taken by Transmission Provider to identify and list the Contingent Facilities, if any, upon which the Interconnection Customer's costs, timing, and study findings are dependent.

- **Step 1**: Transmission Provider will employ the following method to identify potential contingent facilities:
 - (a) review any applicable Interconnection Study associated with Generating Facilities that have a higher queued interconnection request and determining whether any of those request(s) have unbuilt Interconnection Facilities and/or Network Upgrades that may be necessary to accommodate the Interconnection Customer's requested interconnection,
 - reviewing(b) review its 10-year(b) transmission expansion plan and identifying any planned upgrades to its System which may be necessary to accommodate the Interconnection Customer's requested interconnection, and
 - (c) coordinating with applicable Affected Systems to obtain from such Affected Systems any completed and available Affected System studies to determine what Contingent Facilities have been identified in such studies based on the Affected Systems' respective criteria.
- **Step 2**: Using the methods identified in Step 1, Transmission Provider will make a list of potential contingent facilities that consist of:
 - (a) any unbuilt Interconnection Facilities and/or Network Upgrades associated with higher queued interconnection requests that are identified as potentially necessary to accommodate the Interconnection Customer's requested interconnection,
 - (b) any of Transmission Provider's planned upgrades to its system that are identified as potentially necessary to accommodate the Interconnection Customer's requested interconnection, and
 - (c) any Contingent Facilities that have been identified in Affected System studies as potentially necessary to accommodate Interconnection Customer's requested interconnection.
- **Step 3**: The Transmission Provider will, use the list of potential contingent facilities identified in Steps 2(a) and 2(b), conduct a flow impact analysis on such facilities

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based on the performance requirements set forth in NERC the Electric Reliability Organization Standard TPL-001-4, Table 1 (Transmission System Planning Performance Requirements) or any successor applicable version of such Reliability Standard; provided, however, that the flow impact analysis is not necessary if the related modification or upgrade is the facility the generator is connecting to (effectively 100% flow impact).

Step 4: The criteria that shall apply to the flow impact analysis performed in Step 3 are as follows:

- (a) the MW amount of the Interconnection Request (the distribution factor) or
- (b) the applicable MVA rating of the existing facility that is mitigated by the potential contingent facility

If Transmission Provider's analysis in accordance w demonstrates that the MW impact on the potential contingent facility is either (a) at least 3% of the MW amount of the Interconnection Request (the distribution factor) or (b) at least 1% of the applicable MVA rating of the existing facility that is mitigated by the potential contingent facility then Transmission Provider shall deem such potential contingent facilities as Contingent Facilities.

Step 5: In the applicable study report (Phase 2 or later)and the LGIA, Transmission Provider will list the identified Contingent Facilities and explain why each listed Contingent Facility was identified as such by explaining (a) which threshold in Step 4 was exceeded and (b) the amount by which such threshold was exceeded.

3.9 Penalties for Failure to Meet Study Deadlines.

Transmission Provider shall be subject to a penalty if it fails to complete a Cluster (1) Study, Cluster Restudy, Interconnection Facilities Study, or Affected Systems Study by the applicable deadline set forth in this LGIP. Transmission Provider must pay the penalty for each late Cluster Study, Cluster Restudy, and Interconnection Facilities Study on a pro rata basis per Interconnection Request to all Interconnection Customer(s) included in the relevant study that did not withdraw. or were not deemed withdrawn, from Transmission Provider's interconnection queue before the missed study deadline, in proportion to each Interconnection Customer's final study cost. Transmission Provider must pay the penalty for a late Affected Systems Study on a pro rata basis per interconnection request to all Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) included in the relevant Affected System Study that did not withdraw, or were not deemed withdrawn, from the host transmission provider's interconnection queue before the missed study deadline, in proportion to each Interconnection Customer's final study cost. The study delay penalty for each late study shall be distributed no later than forty-five (45) Calendar Davs after the late study has been completed.

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- (2) For penalties assessed in accordance with this Section, the penalty amount will be equal to: \$1,000 per Business Day for delays of Cluster Studies beyond the applicable deadline set forth in this LGIP; \$2,000 per Business Day for delays of Cluster Re-Studies beyond the applicable deadline set forth in this LGIP; \$2,000 per Business Day for delays of Affected System Studies beyond the applicable deadline set forth in this LGIP; and \$2,500 per Business Day for delays of Interconnection Facilities Studies beyond the applicable deadline set forth in this LGIP. The total amount of a penalty assessed under this Section shall not exceed:

 (a) one hundred percent (100%) of the initial study deposit(s) received for all of the Interconnection Requests in the Cluster for Cluster Studies and Cluster Restudies;

 (b) one hundred percent (100%) of the initial study deposit received for the single Interconnection Request in the study for Interconnection Facilities Studies; and (c) one hundred percent (100%) of the study deposit(s) that Transmission Provider collects for conducting the Affected System Study.
- (3) Transmission Provider may appeal to the Commission any penalties imposed under this Section. Any such appeal must be filed no later than forty-five (45) Calendar Days after the late study has been completed. While an appeal to the Commission is pending, Transmission Provider shall remain liable for the penalty, but need not distribute the penalty until forty-five (45) Calendar Days after (1) the deadline for filing a rehearing request has ended, if no requests for rehearing of the appeal have been filed, or (2) the date that any requests for rehearing of the Commission's decision on the appeal are no longer pending before the Commission. The Commission may excuse Transmission Provider from penalties under this Section for good cause.
- (4) No penalty will be assessed under this Section where a study is delayed by ten (10) Business Days or less. If the study is delayed by more than ten (10) Business Days, the penalty amount will be calculated from the first Business Day Transmission Provider misses the applicable study deadline.
- (5) If (a) Transmission Provider needs to extend the deadline for a particular study subject to penalties under this Section and (b) all Interconnection Customers or Affected System Interconnection Customers included in the relevant study mutually agree to such an extension, the deadline for that study shall be extended thirty (30) Business Days from the original deadline. In such a scenario, no penalty will be assessed for Transmission Provider missing the original deadline.
- (6) No penalties shall be assessed until the third Cluster Study cycle after the Commission-approved effective date of Transmission Provider's filing made in compliance with the Final Rule in Docket No. RM22-14-000.
- Transmission Provider must maintain on its OASIS or its public website summary statistics related to penalties assessed under this Section, updated quarterly. For each calendar quarter, Transmission Provider must calculate and post (1) the total amount of penalties assessed under this Section during the previous reporting quarter and (2) the highest penalty assessed under this Section paid to a single Interconnection Customer or Affected System Interconnection Customer during

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the previous reporting quarter. Transmission Provider must post on its OASIS or its website these penalty amounts for each calendar quarter within thirty (30) Calendar Days of the end of the calendar quarter. Transmission Provider must maintain the quarterly measures posted on its OASIS or its website for three (3) calendar years with the first required posting to be the third Cluster Study cycle after Transmission Provider transitions to the Cluster Study Process.

3.10 Additional Requirements for Generation Replacement Requests.

3.910.1 Requirements for Generation Replacement Requests.

- i) Any Replacement Generating Facility must connect to the Transmission System at the same electrical Point of Interconnection as the Existing Generating Facility.
- ii) The request for Generation Replacement must be submitted to the Transmission Provider by the Interconnection Customer for its Existing Generating Facility (a) at least one (1) year prior to the date that the Existing Generating Facility is planned to cease operation or (b) up to (1) one year after a unit is determined as an unplanned (forced) outage as reported to NERCthe Electric Reliability Organization through the Generating Availability Data System. The request shall include the planned or actual date of cessation of operation for the Existing Generating Facility and the expected Commercial Operation Date for the Replacement Generating Facility.
- iii) The Interconnection Customer shall request only ERIS for the Replacement Generating Facility if the Existing Generating Facility has only ERIS. The request for NRIS for the Replacement Generating Facility, when the Existing Generating Facility has only ERIS, shall be submitted as a separate Interconnection Request and shall proceed through the review process in the same manner as an Interconnection Request for a new Generating Facility. The Interconnection Customer may request either ERIS or NRIS for the Replacement Generating Facility if the Existing Generating Facility has NRIS. Requests for ERIS or NRIS that exceed the amount of Interconnection Service for the Existing Generating Facility shall be processed as a new Interconnection Request for the amount of such excess pursuant to Section 3.910.1.iv of this LGIP.
- iv) If the Replacement Generating Facility requires Interconnection Service (MW) in excess of that of the Existing Generating Facility that is being replaced, Interconnection Customer shall initiate a separate request for Interconnection Service in an amount (MW) equal to the excess pursuant to Section 3.4 of the Revised LGIPthisLGIP. Such separate Interconnection Request shall be assigned a new Queue Position and proceed through the study process in the same manner as an Interconnection Request for a new Generating Facility.
- v) If the request for Replacement Generating Facility requests less Interconnection Service (MW) than that of the Existing Generating Facility that is being replaced, then any future request for Interconnection Service for that Replacement

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Generating Facility shall be submitted as a separate Interconnection Request pursuant to Section 3.4 of the Revised LGIPthisLGIP. Such separate Interconnection Request shall be assigned a new Queue Position and proceed through the study process in the same manner as an Interconnection Request for a new Generating Facility.

vi) No request for Generation Replacement may be made until twelve (12) months have elapsed from: (1) the date of any assignment of the LGIA applicable to the Existing Generating Facility; or (2) the date of sale or other transfer of such Existing Generating Facility. Upon submission of a request for Generation Replacement, the Interconnection Customer shall not sell or otherwise transfer the Existing Generating Facility, the Replacement Generating Facility, nor assign the applicable LGIA until such time as the Transmission Provider completes evaluation of the request for Generation Replacement unless the Interconnection Customer first withdraws such request for Generation Replacement in writing. In the event that the Transmission Provider notifies Interconnection Customer that the request for Generation Replacement has been granted, the prohibition on sale, transfer, or assignment shall be extended in accordance with Section 3.910.5 of this Revised LGIP. For purposes of this Section 3.910.1(vi), prohibited assignments include assignments to Affiliates pursuant to Article 19.1 of the LGIA, or any analogous provision in an applicable interconnection agreement.

A transfer, sale, or assignment of the Existing Generating Facility, Replacement Generating Facility, or applicable LGIA that violates this Section 3.910.1(vi) of Attachment N shall void the request for Generation Replacement.

(vii) The request for Generation Replacement must include: (1) a \$50,000 study deposit; and (2) an executed Generation Replacement Study Agreement in the form of Appendix 5.611. Approval of the Generation Replacement request is contingent on the results of the Replacement Impact Study. Transmission Provider shall notify Interconnection Customer in writing when the Replacement Generating Facility is accepted.

3.910.1.1 Requirements for modification Modification of Generation Replacement Requests.

The request for Generation Replacement can be modified any time before the evaluation process is complete.

- 1) If the revised planned date of cessation of operation for the Existing Generating Facility is prior to the planned date of cessation of operation specified in the original request, a new request for Generation Replacement must be submitted at least one (1) year prior to the date that the Existing Generating Facility is planned to cease operation.
- 2) If the revised expected Commercial Operation Date for the Replacement Generating Facility is after the expected Commercial Operation Date for the Replacement Generating Facility in the original request, a new request for

Generation Replacement must be submitted at least one (1) year prior to the date that the Existing Generating Facility is planned to cease operation, unless the Existing Generating Facility is in forced outage.

3.910.2 Evaluation Process for Generation Replacement Requests.

The Transmission Provider will place requests for Generation Replacement in a separate Generation Replacement queue on a first come first served basis based upon the date that the Transmission Provider receives a complete Generation Replacement request. The Transmission Provider will evaluate Generation Replacement requests in the order in which they are submitted. The evaluation will consist of two studies: i) a Replacement Impact Study as set forth in Section 3.910.2.1 of this Revised LGIP, and ii) a Reliability Assessment Study as set forth in Section 3.910.2.2 of this Revised LGIP.

Transmission Provider shall use Reasonable Efforts to complete the Replacement Impact Study and Reliability Assessment Study and share results with the Interconnection Customer within one hundred eighty (180) Calendar Days of the request.

3.910.2.1 Generation Replacement—Replacement Impact Study.

The Replacement Impact Study will include analyses to determine if the Generation Replacement has a material adverse impact on the Transmission System when compared to Existing Generating Facility. The Replacement Impact Study may include steady-state (thermal/voltage), reactive power, short circuit/fault duty, and stability analyses, as necessary, to ensure that required reliability conditions are studied. If the Replacement Impact Study identifies any materially adverse impact from operating the Replacement Generating Facility when compared to the Existing Generating Facility, the Transmission Provider shall deem such impact as a Material Modification, and, in such an instance, if the Interconnection Customer wishes to move forward with its request, the Interconnection Customer must submit all information and milestone payments necessary for a valid Interconnection Request for a new Generating Facility pursuant to Section 3.4 of this Revised LGIP.

3.910.2.2 Generation Replacement—Reliability Assessment Study.

The Reliability Assessment Study for the time period between the date that the Existing Generating Facility ceases commercial operations and the expected Commercial Operation Date of the Replacement Generating Facility shall evaluate the performance of the Transmission System to determine if thermal and/or voltage violations of Applicable Reliability Standards and Transmission Owner planning criteria are caused by removing the Existing Generating Facility from service prior to the expected Commercial Operation Date of the Replacement Generating Facility. This study shall compare the conditions on the Transmission System that would exist if the Existing Generating Facility is taken offline to the conditions on the Transmission System as they exist when the Existing Generating Facility is online. The scope of Reliability Assessment Study may include stability analysis as necessary. The Existing Generating Facility shall be responsible for mitigating any reliability violation identified in the Reliability Assessment Study and may not

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cease operations until all mitigations are implemented or are in service. Mitigation for this interim period may, as applicable, include: (i) redispatch/reconfiguration through operator instruction; and (ii) remedial action scheme or any other operating steps depending upon the type of reliability violation identified.

3.910.3 Generation Replacement—Notice to Proceed.

An Interconnection Customer requesting Generation Replacement shall inform Transmission Provider within thirty (30) Calendar Days of receiving the results of the Replacement Impact Study and Reliability Assessment Study of its election to proceed. If the Interconnection Customer provides the Transmission Provider notice to proceed, then the Transmission Provider will either: (i) initiate a Generator Replacement Interconnection Facilities Study; or (ii) tender a draft LGIA. If the Interconnection Customer fails to notify the Transmission Provider with its election to proceed within thirty (30) Calendar Days, then the Interconnection Request will be deemed withdrawn pursuant to Section 3.7 of this Revised LGIP.

3.910.4 Scope of Generator Replacement Interconnection Facilities Study.

Within thirty (30) Calendar Days after the Interconnection Customer has notified the Transmission Provider of its intent to proceed, the Transmission Provider will determine whether it will conduct a Generator Replacement Interconnection Facilities Study, pursuant to Section 89 of this Revised LGIP. The scope of such a Generator Replacement Interconnection Facilities Study will focus on the Interconnection Facilities for the Replacement Generating Facility. This Generator Replacement Interconnection Facilities Study will identify estimates for cost and the time required to construct the Interconnection Facilities. Transmission Provider shall use Reasonable Efforts to complete this portion of the Generator Replacement Interconnection Facilities Study within ninety (90) Calendar Days.

3.910.5 LGIA for Generation Replacement.

Consistent with the process described in Section 4012 of this Revised LGIP, Transmission Provider shall tender a draft LGIA or, if deemed appropriate, an amended LGIA that conforms to the LGIA in effect at the time, within thirty (30) Calendar Days after the Interconnection Customer has notified the Transmission Provider of its intent to proceed if a Generator Replacement Interconnection Facilities Study is not required, or within thirty (30) Calendar Days after the final Generator Replacement Interconnection Facilities Study report is provided to the Interconnection Customer. The draft LGIA shall include updated appendices describing the timing of Generation Replacement and a condition that the LGIA cannot be assigned and the Replacement Generating Facility cannot be transferred to any other Party, including an Affiliate of the Interconnection Customer, until the Commercial Operation Date of the Replacement Generating Facility, Replacement Generating Facility, or applicable LGIA that violates this Section 3.910.5 shall be void and constitute a material breach of the LGIA.

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Once an Interconnection Customer has submitted a valid Interconnection Request pursuant to Section 3.4 of this LGIP, such Interconnection Request shall become part of Transmission Provider's interconnection gueue for further processing pursuant to the following procedures.

4.1 Queue Position.

4.1.1 Assignment of Queue Position

Transmission Provider shall assign a Queue Position as follows: the Queue Position within the Queuequeue shall be assigned based upon the date and time of receipt of all items required pursuant to the provisions of Section 3.4. There is no queue for Informational Interconnection Studies of this LGIP. All Interconnection Requests submitted and validated in a single Cluster Request Window shall be considered equally queued.

4.1.2 Higher Queue Position

A higher Queue Position assigned to an Interconnection Request is one that has been placed "earlier" in the Queuequeue in relation to another Interconnection Request that is assigned a lower Queue Position. All requests studied in a single Cluster shall be considered equally queued but. Interconnection Customers that are part of Clusters initiated earlier in time than an instant queue shall be considered to have a higher Queue Position than clusters Interconnection Customers that are part of Clusters initiated later. The Queue Position of an Interconnection Request shall have no bearing on the allocation of the cost of the common upgrades identified in the applicable Cluster Study (such costs will be allocated among Interconnection Requests in accordance with Section 4.2.4), than an instant queue.

Moving a Point of Interconnection shall result in a loss of Queue Position if it is deemed a Material Modification under Section 4.4.3.

4.2 General Study Process.

The diagram attached as Appendix A-1 provides an overview and timeline of initiation of a Definitive Interconnection Study: the DISIS Request Window, Customer Engagement Window, and Phase 1 of the DISIS.

<u>Cluster Interconnection</u> Studies performed within the <u>Definitive InterconnectionCluster</u> Study Process shall be conducted in such a manner to ensure the efficient implementation of the applicable regional transmission expansion plan in light of the Transmission System's capabilities at the time of each study and consistent with Good Utility Practice.

Transmission Provider may use subgroups in the Cluster Study Process. In all instances in which Transmission Provider elects to use subgroups in the Cluster Study Process, Transmission Provider must publish the criteria used to define and determine subgroups on its OASIS or public website.

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4.2.1 Initiation of a Definitive Interconnection System Impact Study Cluster Study.

Transmission Provider shall accept Interconnection Requests during the "DISIS Request Window." The DISIS Request Window shall open annually on March 15th and shall close on May 1st, or the following Business Day if May 1st falls on a weekend or NERC recognized holiday.

If one or more Interconnection Request is received, a Customer Engagement Window shall open on May 2nd. The Customer Engagement Window shall close on August 5th, or the following Business Day if August 5th falls on a weekend or NERC recognized holiday. During the Customer Engagement Window, Transmission Provider shall work with applicable Interconnection Customers to build models, verify data, hold stakeholder meetings (including Scoping Meetings, as appropriate), work with requestors to cure any deficiencies in the Interconnection Request, and generally prepare for the start of the Definitive Interconnection System Impact Study. Notwithstanding the preceding sentence and upon written consent of all Interconnection Requests for a specific Cluster, Transmission Provider may shorten the Customer Engagement Window in order to start the Definitive Interconnection System Impact Study earlier. Within the first ten (10) Business Days following the close of the DISIS Request Window, Transmission Provider shall post on its OASIS site a list of Interconnection Requests for that Cluster. Cluster Request Window" specified in Section 3.4.1

At the end of the Customer Engagement Window, all valid Interconnection Requests deemed sufficient that have an executed DISIS Agreement shall be included in that DISIS Cluster. Any Interconnection Requests not valid, deemed sufficient or undergoing Dispute Resolution at the close of the Customer Engagement Window shall not be included in that DISIS Cluster. Immediately following the close of the Customer Engagement Window, Transmission Provider shall initiate the Definitive Interconnection System Impact Study described in more detail in Section 7.

4.2.2 Initiation of a Resource Solicitation Cluster.

At any time, and upon request of a Resource Planning Entity, Transmission Provider may initiate the study of a Resource Solicitation Cluster. The Resource Solicitation Cluster shall respect Queue Position and shall be studied as its own Cluster. Within ten (10) Business Days of receipt of a request to perform a Resource Solicitation Cluster that includes one or more Interconnection Requests as described in Section 3.4, Transmission Provider and Resource Planning Entity shall meet to determine a mutually agreeable scope of study and timeframe to initiate the Resource Solicitation Cluster. The timeline shall indicate the close of the Customer Engagement Window for that Resource Solicitation Cluster. Thereafter the Definitive Interconnection System ImpactResource Solicitation Cluster Study shall proceed as described

in Section 78. Transmission Provider shall post on OASIS that a Resource Solicitation Cluster is initiated but may delay posting the individual requests until after the competitive solicitation process is complete.

In order to initiate Transmission Provider's study of Interconnection Requests made in connection with a Resource Solicitation Process, Resource Planning Entity must: (a) act as the authorized representative for all Interconnection Requests submitted to the Resource Solicitation Cluster; (b) submit all Interconnection Requests arising from the Resource Solicitation Process at the same time to ensure an equal Queue Position for all Generating Facilities included in the Resource Solicitation Cluster; (c) cooperate with Transmission Provider in conducting the studies; and (d) request a reasonable number of different combinations of such Interconnection Requests to meet Resource Planning Entity's identified need and assumptions in the Resource Solicitation Process. Such studies in connection with a Resource Solicitation Process shall be implemented based upon Queue Position (relative to higher or lower gueued clusters) and shall consider Resource Planning Entity's needs and assumptions identified in the Resource Solicitation Process.

The Resource Planning Entity may submit for inclusion in the Resource Solicitation Process an Interconnection Request for a Generating Facility that already has a higher Queue Position pursuant to Section 4.1.1. A Generating Facility that initially is associated with a Queue Position through the Resource Solicitation Process may also reserve a lower Queue Position separate from the Resource Solicitation Process pursuant to Section 4.1.1. In either case, Interconnection Customer must meet all requirements associated with maintaining each Queue Position for the Generating Facility. In the event a Generating Facility has multiple Queue Positions, it shall not be double counted in the study models.

A Generating Facility in the Resource Solicitation Process is subject to study according to the Queue Position of the Resource Solicitation Cluster. A Generating Facility that is not a part of the Resource Solicitation Process is also subject to study according to its Queue Position. All studies must be performed in accordance with the provisions of the Revisedthis LGIP and may not be delayed as a result of the Resource Solicitation Process.

After Transmission Provider completes the <u>Definitive Interconnection System ImpactResource Solicitation Cluster</u> Studies for the requested combinations, the results will be provided (<u>Phase 1 Reports, Phase 2 Reports, Phase 3 Reports, etc.</u>; as applicable under Section 7.4) to the Resource Planning Entity for use in the Resource Solicitation Process.

The results will be posted on Transmission Provider's OASIS consistent with the posting of other study results.

After receipt of the Phase 2 Resource Soliciation Cluster Study Report, Resource Planning Entity must select one of the studied combinations prior to the commencement of any Resource Solicitation Interconnection Facilities Study associated with the Resource Solicitation Process. Prior to the completion of the Interconnection Facilities Study of all of the components of the selected combination, Resource Planning Entity may replace components, subject to any necessary restudy pursuant to Sections 7.68.5 or 8.59. While conducting the DefinitiveResource Solicitation Interconnection Facilities Study-Process, Transmission Provider may suspend further action on the Interconnection Requests in the Resource Solicitation Process that are not included in the selected combination. Once a Generating Facility is rejected in the Resource Solicitation Process, the Generating Facility shall lose the Queue Position it held as part of the Resource Solicitation Process and withdrawnwithdraw from the Resource Solicitation Cluster. If a Generating Facility is rejected in the Resource Solicitation Process, Interconnection Customer will not be subject to a Withdrawal Penalty under Section 3.7.1 when it withdraws that Generating Facility from the Resource Solicitation Cluster. If a Generating Facility is selected by Resource Planning Entity at the conclusion of the Resource Solicitation Process, the Generating Facility may no longer maintain more than one Queue Position.

4.2.3 Study Cost Allocation.

Transmission Provider shall determine each Interconnection Customer's share of the DISIS costs of a Cluster Study by allocating: (1) fifty percent (50%) of the applicable study costs to Interconnection Customers on a per capita basis based on number of Interconnection Requests included in the applicable Cluster; and (2) fifty percent (50%) of the applicable study costs to Interconnection Customers on a prorata basis based on requested megawatts included in the applicable Cluster. For instance, the cost of a cluster study consisting of a 100 MW request and a 900 MW request would be allocated 30% to the 100 MW request and 70% to the 900 MW request. The Interconnection Facilities Study portion of the Definitive Interconnection Cluster Study Process is an individual study and costs for each Interconnection Facilities Study is directly assigned to the Interconnection Customer associated with such study.

4.2.4 Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrade Cost Allocation.

For Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades identified in Cluster Studies, Transmission Provider shall calculate each Interconnection Customer's share of costs in the following manner:

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- a) Station equipment Network Upgrades ("Station Network Upgrades"), including all switching stations, shall be allocated based on the number of Generating Facilities interconnecting at an individual station on a per capita basis (i.e. on a per Interconnection Request basis). If multiple Interconnection Customers are connecting to the Transmission Provider's System through a single Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facility (i.e. sharing the Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facility connecting to the Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facility(ies)), those Interconnection Customers shall be considered Interconnection Customer for the per capita calculation described in the preceding sentence. Shared Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities shall be allocated based on the number of Generating Facilities sharing that Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facility on a per capita basis.
- All Network Upgrades other than those identified in Section 4.2.4.a b) ("System Network Upgrades") will be allocated based on the proportional impact of each individual Generating Facility in the Cluster Studies on suchthe need for a specific System Network Upgrades. Upgrade. The proportional impact of such Network Upgrades shall be calculated as follows. All transmission lines and transformers identified as Network Upgrades shall be allocated using distribution factor analysis. Voltage support related Network Upgrades shall be allocated using a voltage impact analysis which will identify each Generating Facility's contribution to the voltage violation. Network Upgrades associated with upgrading existing breakers not physically located at the substation to which the Generating Facility is interconnecting or associated with a new transmission facility shall be allocated based on short circuit analysis.
- c) Costs of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities are directly assigned to the Interconnection Customer(s) using such facilities. The cost of such Interconnection Facilities shall be allocated based on the number of Generating Facilities sharing use of such Interconnection Facilities on a per capita basis (i.e., on a per Generating Facility basis), unless Parties mutually agree to a different cost sharing arrangement.

Interconnection Customer funding of <u>Substation and System</u> Network Upgrades are eligible for credits as provided in <u>SectionArticle</u> 11.4 of the LGIA.

4.3 Transferability of Queue Position.

An Interconnection Customer may transfer its Queue Position to another entity only if such entity acquires the specific Generating Facility identified in the Interconnection Request and the Point of Interconnection does not change.

4.4 Modifications.

Interconnection Customer shall submit to Transmission Provider, in writing (including an updated AttachmentAppendix A to Appendix 1), modifications to any information provided in the Interconnection Request. Such modification request may require updated technical data, Site Control and readiness demonstrations (as applicable) to be considered complete. Interconnection Customer shall retain its Queue Position if the modifications are in accordance with Sections 4.4.1, 4.4.2, 4.4.5 of this LGIP, or are determined not to be Material Modifications pursuant to Section 4.4.3 of this LGIP.

Notwithstanding the above, during the course of the Interconnection Studies, either Interconnection Customer or Transmission Provider may identify changes to the planned interconnection that may improve the costs and benefits (including reliability) of the interconnection, and the ability of the proposed change to accommodate the Interconnection Request. Subject to the forgoing sentence, and provided, however, they do not result in a material modification, to the extent the identified changes are acceptable to Transmission Provider, Interconnection Customer and potentially impacted Interconnection Customers in the same Cluster, such acceptance not to be unreasonably withheld, Transmission Provider shall modify the Point of Interconnection and/or configuration in accordance with such changes and proceed with any re-studies necessary to do so in accordance with Section 7.6 and Section 8.5 as applicable and Interconnection Customer shall retain its Queue Positionprior to return of the executed Cluster Study Agreement.

If the requested MW Interconnection Service is decreased in accordance with Section 4.4.1 or 4.4.2 of this Revised LGIA, the required study deposit is recalculated and the excess study deposit is refunded, if applicable

Requests to increase the Interconnection Service amount are considered Material Modifications and the requested incremental increase in Interconnection Service project will go to the end of the Queue for the purposes of cost allocation and study analysis. If the Interconnection Service is not increased, Interconnection Customer may increase the plant size if such increase is not determined to be a Material Modification by Transmission Provider.

4.4.1 No later than forty (40) Calendar Days after the close of the DISIS Request Window and prior Prior to the return of the executed Definitive Interconnection System Impact Cluster Study Agreement to Transmission Provider, the modifications permitted under this Section shall include specifically: (a) a decrease of up to sixty percent (60%) of electrical output (MW) of the proposed project, through either (1) a decrease in plant size, or (2) a decrease in Interconnection Service level (consistent with the process described in Section 3.1 of this LGIP) accomplished by applying Transmission Provider-approved injection-limiting equipment; (b) modifying the technical parameters associated with the Large Generating Facility technology or the Large Generating Facility step-up transformer impedance characteristics; (c) changing

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the type of service (ERIS or NRIS) and (d) modifying the interconnection configuration. For plant increases, the incremental increase in plant output will go in the next Cluster Request Window for the purposes of cost allocation and study analysis.

- 4.4.2 Prior to the return of the executed Interconnection Facilities Study Agreement to Transmission Provider, the modifications permitted under this Section shall include specifically: (a) fifteen percent (15%) decrease of electrical output of the proposed project through either (1) a decrease in in plant size (MW), or (2) a decrease in Interconnection Service level (consistent with the process described in Section 3.1) accomplished by applying Transmission Providerapproved injection-limiting equipment; (b) Large Generating Facility technical parameters associated with modifications to Large Generating Facility technology and transformer impedances; provided, however, the incremental costs associated with those modifications are the responsibility of the requesting Interconnection Customer; and (c) a Permissible Technological Advancement for the Large Generating Facility after the submission of the Interconnection Request. Section 4.4.6 of this LGIP specifies a separate technological change procedure including the requisite information and process that will be followed to whether Interconnection Customer's assess the proposed technological advancement under Section 4.4.2(c) of this LGIP is a Material Modification. Section 1 of this LGIP contains a definition of Permissible Technological Advancement.
- Prior to making any modification other than those specifically permitted 4.4.3 by Sections 4.4.1, 4.4.2, and 4.4.5, Interconnection Customer may first request that Transmission Provider evaluate whether such modification is a Material Modification. In response to Interconnection Customer's request, Transmission Provider shall evaluate the proposed modifications prior to making them and inform Interconnection Customer in writing of whether the modifications would constitute a Material Modification. Any change to the Point of Interconnection, except those deemed acceptable under Section 4.4.1, Sections 3.1.2 or 4.4 of this LGIP or so allowed elsewhere, shall constitute a Material Modification. Interconnection Customer may then withdraw the proposed modification or proceed with a new Interconnection Request for such modification. Transmission Provider shall study the addition of a Generating Facility that includes at least one electric storage resource using operating assumptions (i.e., whether the interconnecting Generating Facility will or will not charge at peak load) that reflect the proposed charging behavior of the Generating Facility as requested by Interconnection Customer, unless Transmission Provider determines that Good Utility Practice, including Applicable Reliability Standards, otherwise requires the use of different operating assumptions. Transmission Provider shall not accept modification requests after the draft Interconnection Facilities Study Report has been tendered. After

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execution of the LGIA, modification requests shall be processed according to Article 5.19 of the LGIA.

- 4.4.3.1 Interconnection Customer may request, and Transmission Provider shall evaluate, the addition to the Interconnection Request of a Generating Facility with the same Point of Interconnection indicated in the initial Interconnection Request, if the addition of the Generating Facility does not increase the requested Interconnection Service level. Transmission Provider must evaluate such modifications prior to deeming them a Material Modification, but only if Interconnection Customer submits them prior to the return of the executed Interconnection Facilities Study Agreement by Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider. Interconnection Customers requesting that such a modification be evaluated must demonstrate the required Site Control at the time such request is made.
- 4.4.4 Upon receipt of Interconnection Customer's written request for modification permitted under this Section 4.4 that includes updated technical data associated with the requested modification of this LGIP, Transmission Provider shall commence and perform any necessary additional studies as soon as practicable, but in no event shall Transmission Provider commence such studies later than thirty (30) Calendar Days after receiving notice of the modification of Interconnection Customer's request. Any additional studies resulting from such modification shall be performed at Interconnection Customer's cost. Any such request for modification of the Interconnection Request must be accompanied by any resulting updates to the models described in Appendix A to Appendix 1 of this LGIP.
- Extensions of less than three (3) cumulative years in the Commercial 4.4.5 Operation Date of the Generating Facility to which the Interconnection Request relates are not material and should be handled through construction sequencing. Extensions of more than three (3) cumulative years shall be considered Material Modifications unless the extension is required to allow for the construction of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades. The initial requested For purposes of this section, the Commercial Operation Date used for this calculation is determined from the date proposed reflected in the initial Interconnection Request (Revised LGIP Appendix 1 Section 4.d).shall be used to calculate the permissible extension prior to Interconnection Customer executing an LGIA or requesting that the LGIA be filed unexecuted. After an LGIA is executed or requested to be filed unexecuted, the Commercial Operation Date reflected in the LGIA shall be used to calculate the permissible extension. Such cumulative extensions are inclusive of may not exceed three years including both extensions requested after execution of the LGIA by Interconnection Customer of the LGIA or the filing of an unexecuted LGIA by Transmission Provider and those requested prior to execution of the

LGIA by Interconnection Customer or the filing of an unexecuted LGIA by Transmission Provider.

4.4.6 Technological Change Procedure.

The technological change procedure included in this Section 4.4.6 will be followed to assess whether Interconnection Customer's proposed modification is a Material Modification.

4.4.6.1 Technological Change Request.

If an Interconnection Customer seeks to incorporate a technological advancement into its existing Interconnection Request, it must submit a Technological Change Request (TCR) as described below to the Transmission Provider in writing any time prior to the return of the signed Interconnection Facilities Study Agreement.

The Interconnection Customer's TCR shall include a description of the proposed change, a \$10,000 study deposit and the following information: (1) updated technical data called for in AttachmentAppendix A of Appendix 1; (2) type and specifications of equipment being replaced; updated modeling information; (3) make and model of new equipment; (4) dynamic, steady-state and performance characteristics of the new equipment; (5) efficiencies, impedances, and ratings of the equipment; (6) and technical analysis demonstrating that the technological change would (i) result in electrical performance that is equal to or better than the electrical performance expected prior to the technological change, and (ii) not cause any reliability concerns. The customer's analysis should contain engineering evidence and reasoning that clearly demonstrates the proposed change aligns with the definition of a Permissible Technological Advancement. Accordingly, a TCR should demonstrate that the proposed incorporation of the technological advancement would result in electrical performance that is equal to or better than the electrical performance expected prior to the technology change and would not cause any reliability concerns (i.e., would not materially impact the transmission system with regard to short circuit capability limits, steady-state thermal and voltage limits, or dynamic system stability and response).

Upon receipt by the Transmission Provider of a completed TCR from the Interconnection Customer, the Transmission Provider will evaluate the TCR to determine whether the TCR is a Permissible Technological Advancement or if it necessitates the performance of additional analyses and/or studies. If the technological change request has no adverse effect on electrical parameters or performance, the

technological advancement request will not be considered a Material Modification and will be deemed a Permissible Technological Advancement.

If the Transmission Provider determines that additional analyses and/or studies are required, Transmission Provider's studies may include steady-state, reactive power, short circuit, stability analysis and any other appropriate studies that the Transmission Provider deems necessary based on the Transmission Provider's engineering judgment. These additional studies and/or analyses will determine whether the technological change results in electrical performance that is equal to or better than the electrical performance expected prior to the technological change request and be deemed a Technological Advancement, Permissible technological change is deemed a Material Modification. Transmission Provider shall complete the evaluation as soon as practical but no later than thirty (30) Calendar Days after the receipt of the completed TCR.

Transmission Provider will produce a report that will state if the technological advancement is permissible. If the proposed technology fails to meet the definition of a Permissible Technological Advancement, then the TCR is deemed to be a Material Modification. In such cases, the study report shall provide an explanation regarding why the technological change is a Material Modification. The Interconnection Customer can choose to abandon the request and retain its queue position or choose to proceed with the request and reenter the queue with a new queue position.

If the study determines that the proposed technology meets the definition of a Permissible Technological Advancement the modification is approved and will be incorporated into the Interconnection Request. Study reports may be updated if appropriate. Once the Permissible Technological Advancement is approved and incorporated into the Interconnection Request; a new TCR would be required for the Interconnection Customer to revert back to the original equipment or make additional modifications to equipment.

Transmission Provider shall either refund any overage or charge for any shortage for costs of the study that exceed the deposit amount. The studies associated with the TCR shall be billed separately from other Interconnection Studies.

Section 5. Transition Procedures.

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5.1 Procedures for Transitioning to the Ready Process 5.1 Transmission Providers with Existing Cluster Study Processes or Currently in Transition

Within sixty (60) Calendar Days of the Commission-approved effective date of this LGIP, Interconnection Customers that have not executed an LGIA or requested an LGIA to be filed unexecuted must meet the requirements of Sections 3.4.2, 7.5, or 8.1.1—An of this LGIP, based on Interconnection Customer assigned a Customer's Queue Position prior to the effective date (granted by FERC in Docket No. ER23-629) of this Section 5.1 of the Revised LGIP, shall retain that Queue Position subject to the requirements in Sections 5.1.1.1 and 5.1.1.2. An.

Any Interconnection Customer that fails to meet the these requirements described in within sixty (60) Calendar Days of the Commission-approved effective date of this section LGIP shall have its Interconnection Request deemed withdrawn by Transmission Provider pursuant to Section 3.7. Any unused deposit amounts of withdrawn this LGIP. In such case, Transmission Provider shall not assess Interconnection Requests shall be returned pursuant to Section 3.7. Customer any Withdrawal Penalty.

Interconnection Customers with Queue Positions that notify Transmission Provider within thirty (30) Calendar Days of the effective date of this section of the Revised LGIP (granted by FERC in Docket No. ER23-629) that they withdraw their Interconnection Request, shall not be charged a Withdrawal Penalty. Interconnection Customers with an executed LGIA that notify Transmission Provider within thirty (30) Calendar Days of the effective date of this section of the Revised LGIP that they voluntarily terminate their LGIA shall not be charged a Withdrawal Penalty. Any project that fails to withdraw or provide notice of LGIA termination within thirty (30) Calendar Days of the effective date as described above shall be assessed a Withdrawal Penalty based on the study phase the project was in as of the effective date as follows:

- 1. Projects in Phase 1 (after M1, but before M2), the Withdrawal Penalty shall equal the study deposit
- 2. Projects in Phase 2 (after M2, but before M3), the Withdrawal Penalty shall equal three (3) times the study deposit
- 3. Projects in Phase 3 (after M3, but before M4), the Withdrawal Penalty shall equal five (5) times the study deposit

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4. Projects in Phase 4 (after M4, but before M5), the Withdrawal Penalty shall equal seven (7) times the study deposit

If an Interconnection Customer elects to stay in the queue and continue with a Transitional Interconnection Facilities Study or a Transitional Cluster Study as described below, Transmission Provider shall retain the current study deposits, and Interconnection Customer shall be responsible for the entire cost of all studies pursuant to Sections 4.2.3 and 12.3.

5.1.1.1 Transitional Projects With Executed Interconnection Facilities Study Agreements.

An Interconnection Customer that has (a) a final Phase 2 or Phase 3 DISIS Study Report that identifies facilities required to feasibly interconnect and is not subject to restudy, and (b) an executed Interconnection Facilities Study Agreement that was executed prior to June 3, 2023, may opt to continue with the Interconnection Facilities Study process if the Interconnection Customer: (1) meets each of the following requirements that demonstrate readiness; and (2) executes a Transitional Interconnection Facilities Study Agreement in the form of Appendix 4 to the Revised LGIP within one hundred twenty (120) Calendar Days of the effective date of this Section of the Revised LGIP (granted by FERC in Docket No. ER23-629). All of the following are required:

A deposit on the Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades identified in the System Impact Study (Phase 2 or Phase 3 DISIS) Report. The deposit shall be equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the costs identified for Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades in the System Impact Study Report and will be reconciled to actual costs after the associated facilities are in-service. If the Interconnection Customer does not withdraw, the deposit shall be reconciled with and applied towards future construction costs described in the LGIA. If the Interconnection Customer withdraws or otherwise does not reach Commercial Operation, the deposit is fully refundable once the final invoice for study costs and Withdrawal Penalty is settled. The deposit shall be in the form of an irrevocable letter of credit upon which the Transmission Provider may draw or cash where cash deposits will be treated according to Section 7.7.5.

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- Exclusive Site Control for the entire Generating Facility and any Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities.
- c) Interconnection Customer shall provide one of the following or a combination of the following to demonstrate readiness for the entire Generating Facility:
 - i. A contract, binding upon the parties to the contract, for sale of the Generating Facility's energy, or the entire constructed Generating Facility; where the term of sale is not less than five (5) years, or
 - ii. Reasonable evidence that the Generating Facility is included in an approved Resource Plan or Resource Solicitation Process, or
 - iii. An executed Provisional Large Generator Interconnection Agreement filed with FERC. Such an agreement shall not be suspended and shall include a commitment to construct the Generating Facility, or
 - iv. Reasonable evidence (1) that design and engineering has started for the Generating Facility (2) all major Generating Facility equipment is ordered, (3) all construction contracts required to construct the Generating Facility are executed, (4) all required permits (air, water, or land use) required to construct the Generating Facility are approved, or if not yet approved, a detailed plan and schedule to achieve approval is developed, and (5) evidence of closing of project financing for the Generating Facility or proof of financial capability and commitment to construct the Generating Facility.

All LGIA negotiations shall be completed and the LGIA executed (or filed unexecuted) within sixty (60) Calendar Days of the publication of the final Interconnection Facilities Study Report or the Interconnection Request shall be deemed withdrawn pursuant to Section 3.7 unless extended by mutual agreement of Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer. A change in the Commercial Operation Date shall not delay the construction of facilities if such delay negatively affects lower or equal queued projects.

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If the Interconnection Customer withdraws or otherwise does not reach Commercial Operation, a Withdrawal Penalty equal to the lesser of the deposit identified in Section 5.1.1.1.a or five million dollars (\$5,000,000) is imposed.

5.1.1.2 Combined System Impact and Interconnection Facilities Transitional Cluster Study.

An Interconnection Customer that does not qualify under Section 5.1.1.1 above (i.e. the Transitional Interconnection Facilities Study) with an assigned Queue Position prior to June 3, 2023, may opt to enter the combined system impact and interconnection facilities transitional cluster study ("Transitional Cluster Study") if the Interconnection Customer: (1) meets each of the following requirements that demonstrate readiness; and (2) executes a Transitional Cluster Study Agreement in the form of Appendix 4.1 to the Revised LGIP within one hundred twenty (120) Calendar Days of the effective date of this Revised LGIP (granted by FERC in Docket No. ER23-629). All Interconnection Requests that enter the Transitional Cluster Study shall be considered to have an equal Queue Position and identified upgrade costs shall be allocated according to Section 4.2.4 of the Revised LGIP. The Transitional Cluster Study costs shall be allocated according to the method described in Section 4.2.3. Interconnection Customer may make a one-time extension to its requested Commercial Operation date upon entry into the Transitional Cluster Study and such an extension shall not be past 2026 and may not change its Point of Interconnection.

All of the following are required:

- a) Choice of requesting either ERIS or NRIS
- b) A deposit on the Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades expected to be identified in the Transitional Cluster Study. The deposit shall be equal to five million dollars (\$5,000,000) and be in the form of an irrevocable letter of credit upon which the Transmission Provider may draw or cash where cash deposits will be treated according to Section 7.7.5. If the Interconnection Customer does not withdraw, the deposit shall be reconciled with and applied towards future construction costs described in the LGIA. Any amounts in excess of the actual construction costs shall be returned to the customer. If the Interconnection Customer withdraws or otherwise does not reach Commercial Operation, the

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deposit is fully refundable once the final invoice for study costs and Withdrawal Penalty is settled.

- Exclusive Site Control for the entire Generating Facility.
- d) Interconnection Customer shall provide one of the following or a combination of the following to demonstrate readiness for the entire Generating Facility:
 - i. A contract, binding upon the parties to the contract, for sale of the Generating Facility's energy, or the entire constructed Generating Facility; where the term of sale is not less than five (5) years, or
 - ii. Reasonable evidence that the Generating Facility is included in an approved Resource Plan or Resource Solicitation Process, or
 - iii. An executed Provisional Large Generator Interconnection Agreement filed with FERC that is not in suspension with 1) a commitment to construct the facility, 2) a Commercial Operation Date no later than 2026 and 3) a security deposit in addition to the five million dollars identified in 5.1.1.2.b where the total security deposit represents a reasonable estimation of the potential costs that could be ultimately allocated to the project in the transitional cluster study, or
 - iv. reasonable evidence (1) that design and engineering has started for the Generating Facility (2) all major Generating Facility equipment is ordered, (3) all construction contracts required to construct the Generating Facility are executed, (4) all required permits (air, water, or land use) required to construct the Generating Facility are approved, or if not yet approved, a detailed plan and schedule to achieve approval is developed, and (5) evidence of closing of project financing for the Generating Facility or proof of financial capability and commitment to construct the Generating Facility

After the Transitional Cluster Study report is published, the remaining process shall proceed according to Section 10 of this Revised LGIP. All LGIA negotiations shall be completed and the LGIA executed (or filed unexecuted) within sixty (60) Calendar Days of the tender of the draft LGIA or the Interconnection Request is deemed withdrawn unless extended by mutual agreement of Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer. A change in the Commercial Operation Date shall not delay the construction of Transmission Provider's Interconnection

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Facilities or Network Upgrades if such delay negatively affects lower or equal queued projects. Any Cluster Studies in-progress as of the effective date of this LGIP will conform to the requirements of Section 8 providing for a single Cluster Study Report, subject to any Cluster Study Restudies triggered by this Section 5.1.

If the Interconnection Customer withdraws or otherwise does not reach Commercial Operation, a Withdrawal Penalty equal to five million dollars (\$5,000,000) is imposed.

5.2 New Transmission Provider.

If Transmission Provider transfers control of its Transmission System to a successor Transmission Provider during the period when an Interconnection Request is pending, the original Transmission Provider shall transfer to the successor Transmission Provider any amount of the deposit or payment with interest thereon that exceeds the cost that it incurred to evaluate the request for interconnection. Any difference between such net amount and the deposit or payment required by this Revised_LGIP shall be paid by or refunded to the Interconnection Customer, as appropriate. The original Transmission Provider shall coordinate with the successor Transmission Provider to complete any Interconnection Study, as appropriate, that the original Transmission Provider has begun but has not completed.

If original Transmission Provider has tendered a draft LGIA to Interconnection Customer, but Interconnection Customer has not either executed the LGIA or requested the filing of an unexecuted LGIA with FERC, unless otherwise provided, Interconnection Customer must complete negotiations with the successor Transmission Provider.

Section 6. Informational Interconnection Study and Provisional Interconnection Study.

6.1 Informational Interconnection Study Agreement.

At any time, a customer may request, and Transmission Provider (either itself or through a consultant) shall perform a reasonable number of Informational Interconnection Studies. Interconnection Customer shall submit a separate Informational Interconnection Request for each potential project and may submit multiple Informational Interconnection Requests for a single potential project. Interconnection Customer must submit a deposit with each Informational Interconnection Request even when more than one request is submitted for a single potential project. As an example, an Informational Interconnection Request to evaluate one potential project at different voltage levels or two different Points of Interconnection shall be treated as two Informational Interconnection Requests. The request shall use the form in Appendix 5.4 of the Revised LGIP and shall describe the assumptions that Interconnection Customer wishes Transmission Provider to study within the scope described in Section 6.2 of the Revised LGIP below. Transmission Provider shall schedule an initial scoping meeting within 10

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Business Days, unless a later date is mutually agreed, after receipt of a request for an Informational Interconnection Study. Within five (5) Business Days after the initial scoping meeting, Transmission Provider shall provide to Interconnection Customer an Informational Interconnection Study Agreement in the form of Appendix 5.5.6.1

The Informational Interconnection Study Agreement shall: (i) include the scope of work for the Informational Interconnection Study (ii) specify the technical data that Interconnection Customer must provide, (iii) specify the Informational Interconnection Study case and assumptions, and (iv) identify the Transmission Provider's estimate of the cost of the Informational Interconnection Study. To the extent known by Transmission Provider, such estimate shall include any costs expected to be incurred by any Affected System whose participation is necessary to complete the Informational Interconnection Study. Notwithstanding the above, Transmission Provider shall not be required as a result of an Informational Interconnection Study request to conduct any additional Interconnection Studies with respect to any other Interconnection Request.

Interconnection Customer shall execute the Informational Interconnection Study Agreement within ten (10) Business Days of receipt and deliver the Informational Interconnection Study Agreement, the technical data, and a \$20,000 deposit to Transmission Provider.

Informational Interconnection Study requests are not Interconnection Requests, and such requests are not posted on OASIS.

6.2 Scope of Informational Interconnection Study.

The intent of the Informational Interconnection Study is to aid Interconnection Customer in its business decisions related to interconnection of generation facilities prior to entering the Definitive Interconnection Process. The Informational Interconnection Study shall consist of analysis based on the assumptions and scope of work specified by Interconnection Customer in the Informational Interconnection Study Agreement. Informational Interconnection Requests maybe as simple as estimating direct interconnection (e.g. station) costs or high level feasibility evaluation, but may be as complex as a full DISIS study (i.e. power flow, stability and short circuit). The study request should be targeted based off the customer's business need to more fully develop the project prior to entering the queue. As an example, the Informational Interconnection Study may be designed in such a way as to provide information needed to apply for permits. The Informational Interconnection Study may identify the potential Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and the Network Upgrades, and the estimated cost thereof, that may be required to provide transmission service and/or Interconnection Service based upon the results and assumptions of the Informational Interconnection Study. The Informational Interconnection Study shall be performed solely for informational purposes. Transmission Provider shall use Reasonable Efforts to coordinate the study with any Affected Systems that may be affected by the types of Interconnection Services that are being studied. Transmission Provider shall utilize existing studies to the extent practicable in conducting the Informational Interconnection Study.

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6.3 Informational Interconnection Study Procedures.

The executed Informational Interconnection Study Agreement, the deposit, and technical and other data called for therein must be provided to Transmission Provider within ten (10) Business Days of Interconnection Customer receipt of the Informational Interconnection Study Agreement. Transmission Provider shall use Reasonable Efforts to complete the Informational Interconnection Study within a mutually agreed upon time period specified within the Informational Interconnection Study Agreement. If Transmission Provider is unable to complete the Informational Interconnection Study within such time period, it shall notify Interconnection Customer and provide an estimated completion date and an explanation of the reasons why additional time is required. Any difference between the study deposit and the actual cost of the study shall be paid to Transmission Provider or refunded to Interconnection Customer, as appropriate. Upon request, Transmission Provider shall provide Interconnection Customer supporting documentation and work papers and databases or data developed in the preparation of the Informational Interconnection Study, subject to confidentiality arrangements consistent with Section 12.1.

Informational Interconnection Study reports shall be posted on OASIS. The customer may request the posting be redacted and/or posting delayed for a period of up to 12 months.

6.4 Provisional Interconnection Request and Study Agreement.

At any time, a customer may request Transmission Provider perform a Provisional Interconnection Study. Customers are encouraged to discuss the potential request with Transmission Provider ahead of submitting a request. Interconnection Customer shall first submit a Provisional Interconnection Request in the form of Appendix 5.18 to this Revised LGIP. Transmission Provider shall schedule an initial scoping meeting within 10 Business Days of receipt of a completed request for Provisional Interconnection Service, unless a later date is mutually agreed. If the customer has provided sufficient information to initateinitiate a study and has confirmed they desire a study, within five (5) Business Days after the initial scoping meeting, or later upon mutual agreement, Transmission Provider shall provide to Interconnection Customer a Provisional Interconnection Study Agreement in the form of Appendix 5.2appendix 9.

The Provisional Interconnection Study Agreement shall: (i) include the scope of work for the Provisional Interconnection Study (ii) specify the technical data that Interconnection Customer must provide, (iii) specify the study case and assumptions, and (iv) identify the Transmission Provider's Provider's estimate estimate of the cost of the Provisional Interconnection Study. To the extent known by Transmission Provider at the time, such estimate shall include any costs expected to be incurred by any Affected System whose participation is necessary to complete the Provisional Interconnection Study.

Interconnection Customer shall execute the Provisional Interconnection Study Agreement within ten (10) Business Days of receipt and deliver the Provisional Interconnection Study Agreement, the technical data, and a \$45,000 deposit to Transmission Provider within this timeframe.

6.52 Scope of Provisional Interconnection Study.

The intent of the Provisional Interconnection Study is to identify requirements to obtain Provisional Interconnection Service. The Provisional Interconnection Study shall consist of analysis based on the assumptions and scope of work specified in the Provisional Interconnection Study Agreement. The Provisional Interconnection Study will identify the potential Transmission Provider's Provider's Interconnection Facilities and the Network Upgrades, and the estimated cost thereof, that may be required to provide Provisional Interconnection Service as described in Article 5.9.2 of the LGIA. The study shall also estimate the amount of additional security that may be required as part of the Provisional Large Generator Agreement. Transmission Provider shall use Reasonable Efforts to coordinate the study with any Affected Systems that may be affected by the request. Transmission Provider shall utilize existing studies to the extent practicable in conducting the Provisional Interconnection Study.

6.63 Provisional Interconnection Study Procedures.

Transmission Provider shall use Reasonable Efforts to complete the Provisional Interconnection Study within a mutually agreed upon time period specified within the Provisional Interconnection Study Agreement. If Transmission Provider is unable to complete the Provisional Interconnection Study within such time period, it shall notify Interconnection Customer and provide an estimated completion date and an explanation of the reasons why additional time is required. Any difference between the study deposit and the actual cost of the study shall be paid to Transmission Provider or refunded to Interconnection Customer, as appropriate. Upon request, Transmission Provider shall provide Interconnection Customer supporting documentation and work papers and databases or data developed in the preparation of the Provisional Interconnection Study, subject to confidentiality arrangements consistent with Section 4214.1. The Provisional Interconnection Study results may be used to develop a Provisional Large Generator Interconnection Agreement at the discretion of Transmission Provider in accordance with Article 5.9.2 of the LGIA.

Section 7. Phase 1 through 3 of the Definitive Interconnection Study Process. Information Access

7.1 <u>DefinitivePublicly Posted</u> Interconnection <u>Information</u>.

Transmission Provider shall maintain and make publicly available: (1) an interactive visual representation of the estimated incremental injection capacity (in megawatts) available at each point of interconnection in Transmission Provider's footprint under N-1 conditions, and (2) a table of metrics concerning the estimated impact of a potential Generating Facility on Transmission Provider's Transmission System Impact Study Agreement based on a user-specified addition of a particular number of megawatts at a particular voltage level at a particular point of interconnection. At a minimum, for each transmission facility impacted by the user-specified megawatt addition, the following information will be provided in the table: (1) the distribution factor; (2) the megawatt impact (based on the megawatt values of the proposed Generating Facility and the distribution factor); (3) the percentage impact on each impacted transmission facility (based on the megawatt values of the proposed Generating Facility and the facility rating); (4) the

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percentage of power flow on each impacted transmission facility before the injection of the proposed project; (5) the percentage power flow on each impacted transmission facility after the injection of the proposed Generating Facility. These metrics must be calculated based on the power flow model of the Transmission System with the transfer simulated from each point of interconnection to the whole Transmission Provider's footprint (to approximate Network Resource Interconnection Service), and with the incremental capacity at each point of interconnection decremented by the existing and queued Generating Facilities (based on the existing or requested interconnection service limit of the generation). These metrics must be updated within thirty (30) Calendar Days after the completion of each Cluster Study and Cluster Restudy. This information must be publicly posted, without a password or a fee. The website will define all underlying assumptions, including the name of the most recent Cluster Study or Restudy used in the Base Case. Transmission Provider will make this interactive visual and table of metrics publicly available following the completion of the first Cluster Study for Interconnection Requests submitted after the effective date of this LGIP.

Unless otherwise agreed pursuant to the Scoping Meeting provided for in Section 3.4.4, within thirty (30) Calendar8. Cluster Study.

8.1 Cluster Study Agreement.

No later than five (5) Business Days of acknowledgement of receipt of the Interconnectionafter the close of a Cluster Request Window, Transmission Provider shall provide tender to each to Interconnection Customer a DISISthat submitted a valid Interconnection Request a Cluster Study Agreement in the form of Appendix 2 to this Revised LGIP. The DISISCluster Study Agreement shall provide that require Interconnection Customer shall to compensate Transmission Provider for the actual cost of the DISIS. At least seven (7) Calendar Days before the close of a Customer Engagement Window, Transmission Provider shall provide to Interconnection Customer a non-binding updated good faith estimate of the cost and timeframe for completing the Definitive Interconnection System Impact Study. Cluster Study pursuant to Section 14.3 of this LGIP. The specifications, assumptions, or other provisions in the appendices of the Cluster Study Agreement provided pursuant to Section 8.1 of this LGIP shall be subject to change by Transmission Provider following the conclusion of the Scoping Meeting.

78.2 Execution of Definitive Interconnection System Impact Cluster Study Agreement.

Interconnection Customer shall execute the <u>DISISCluster Study</u> Agreement and deliver the executed <u>DISISCluster Study</u> Agreement to Transmission Provider no later than five (5) days prior to the close of the Customer Engagement Window.

7.3 Scope of Definitive Interconnection System Impact Study.

The Definitive Interconnection System Impact If Interconnection Customer does not provide all required technical data when it delivers the Cluster Study Agreement. Transmission Provider shall notify Interconnection Customer of the deficiency within five (5) Business Days of the receipt of the executed Cluster Study

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Agreement and Interconnection Customer shall cure the deficiency within ten (10) Business Days of receipt of the notice, provided, however, such deficiency does not include failure to deliver the executed Cluster Study Agreement or study deposit.

8.3 Scope of Cluster Study.

The Cluster Study shall evaluate the impact of the proposed interconnection on the reliability of the Transmission System. The Definitive Interconnection System ImpactThe Cluster Study will be performed by updating the Base Case to include all generating facilities (and with respect to (iii) and (iv) below, any identified Network Upgrades associated with such higher queued interconnection requests) that, on the date the DISIS Request Window closes Cluster Study is commenced: (i) are existing and directly interconnected to the Transmission Provider's Transmission System; (ii) are existing and interconnected to Affected Systems and may have an impact on the Interconnection Request; (iii) have a pending higher queued Interconnection Request to interconnect to the Transmission Provider's Transmission System; and (iv) have executed an LGIA or requested that an unexecuted LGIA be filed with FERC. Generating Facilities with higher queued NRIS requests and requests associated with Firm Transmission Service shall generally be dispatched in the study model at output levels similar to the output levels of existing generation and may also be re-dispatched like existing generation in the study model to maintain system reliability, stress the system as appropriate, and/or accommodate new Interconnection Requests. Higher queued ERIS requests or in-service ERIS generators without associated Firm Transmission Service may be modeled offline or dispatched at zero in some study models. If the total output for all new Interconnection Requests for NRIS in a Cluster exceeds or otherwise cannot be sunk to the Network Load modeled in the Base Case, the excess output shall be assumed to be delivered outside of the Transmission Provider's Transmission System in the study. In-service generation in the study model may be re-dispatched in the DISISCluster Study, but generally will not be studied at less than its minimum operating limit unless the generation owner agrees the Generating Facility should be modeled as if retired. Existing generation dispatch will be used, for instance, to maintain reliability and stress the system as appropriate. Transmission Provider studies the new Interconnection Requests using a study pocket approach - the NRIS requests in each study pocket are evaluated first, followed by evaluating the combined NRIS and ERIS requests in each study pocket. Additional study methodology details are included in the business practice manual posted on OASIS.

As discussed in more detail in Section 7.4 below, the Definitive Interconnection System Impact Study is a phased study where the first phase (Phase 1) consists of a power flow and voltage analysis that is followed by a phase (Phase 2) that consists of a short circuit analysis and a stability analysis. Any DISIS re-studies (Phase 3) shall consist of a power flow/voltage analysis, a short circuit analysis, and/or a stability analysis as needed. The Definitive Interconnection System Impact Study reportThe Cluster Study will consist of power flow, stability and short circuit analyses, the results of which are documented in a single Cluster Study Report, as applicable. At the conclusion of the Cluster Study, Transmission

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Provider shall issue a Cluster Study Report. The Cluster Study Report will state the assumptions upon which it is based; state the results of the analyses; and provide the requirements or potential impediments to providing the requested interconnection service. Including a preliminary indication of the cost and length of time that would be necessary to correct any problems identified in those analyses and implement the interconnection. The Cluster Study Report shall identify the Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades expected to be required to reliably interconnect the Generating Facilities in that Cluster Study at the requested Interconnection Service level and hsall provide non-binding cost estimates for required Network Upgrades. The Cluster Study Report shall identify each Interconnection Customer's estimated allocated costs for Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades pursuant to the method in Section 4.2.4 of this LGIP. Transmission Provider shall hold an open stakeholder meeting pursuant to Section 8.4 of this LGIP.

For purposes of determining necessary Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades, the <u>Definitive Interconnection System ImpactCluster</u> Study shall <u>consideruse</u> the level of Interconnection Service requested by the Interconnection <u>Customer, unless Customers in the Cluster, except where the Transmission Provider otherwise required to determines that it must study the full Generating Facility Capacity due to safety or reliability concerns.</u>

For purposes of determining necessary Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades, the Cluster Study shall use operating assumptions (i.e., whether the interconnecting Generating Facility will or will not charge at peak load) that reflect the proposed charging behavior of a Generating Facility that includes at least one electric storage resource as requested by Interconnection Customer, unless Transmission Provider determines that Good Utility Practice, including Applicable Reliability Standards, otherwise requires the use of different operating assumptions. Transmission Provider may require the inclusion of control technologies sufficient to limit the operation of the Generating Facility per the operating assumptions as set forth in the Interconnection Request and to respond to dispatch instructions by Transmission Provider. As determined by Transmission Provider, Interconnection Customer may be subject to testing and validation of those control technologies consistent with Article 6 of the LGIA.

The Definitive Interconnection System Impact Study report Cluster Study shall evaluate the use of static synchronous compensators, static VAR compensators, advanced power flow control devices, transmission switching, synchronous condensers, voltage source converters, advanced conductors, and tower lifting. Transmission Provider shall evaluate each identified alternative transmission technology and determine whether the above technologies should be used, consistent with Good Utility Practice, Applicable Reliability Standards, and Applicable Laws and Regulations. Transmission Provider shall include an explanation of the results of Transmission Provider's evaluation for each technology in the Cluster Study Report. The Cluster Study Report will provide a list of facilities that are required as a result of the Interconnection RequestRequests

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within the Cluster and a non-binding good faith estimate of cost responsibility and a non-binding good faith estimated time to construct.

78.4 Definitive Interconnection System ImpactCluster Study Procedures.

Transmission Provider shall coordinate the <u>Definitive Interconnection System ImpactCluster</u> Study with any Affected System <u>Operator</u> that is affected by the Interconnection Request pursuant to Section 3.6 <u>above of this LGIP</u>. Transmission Provider shall utilize existing studies to the extent practicable when it performs the <u>DISIS_Cluster Study</u>. Interconnection Requests for <u>DISIS_a Cluster Study</u> may be submitted only within the <u>DISISCluster</u> Request Window and Transmission Provider shall initiate the <u>Definitive InterconnectionCluster</u> Study Process pursuant to Section <u>4.2.18</u> of this LGIP.

The diagram attached as Appendix A-2 provides an overview and timeline of the Definitive Interconnection Study Process, including the Phases associated with the Definitive Interconnection System Impact Study.

- a. The DISIS Cluster shall consist of all eligible Interconnection Requests that have executed a DISIS Agreement and have provided all required information before the close of the Customer Engagement Window. Transmission Provider shall use Reasonable Efforts to complete the first phase (Phase 1) consisting of a power flow and voltage analysis within ninety (90) Calendar Days. The Phase 1 Report shall identify Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Transmission Provider's Network Upgrades that are expected to be required as a result of the Interconnection Request(s) and a non-binding good-faith indicative level estimate of cost responsibility and a non-binding good-faith estimated time to construct. Transmission Provider shall hold an open stakeholder meeting ("Phase 1 Report Meeting") within ten (10) Business Days of publishing the DISIS Phase 1 results on OASIS.
- b. Within twenty (20) Calendar Days of the Phase 1 Report Meeting, all Interconnection Customers are required to provide Readiness Milestone 2 ("M2") and continued evidence of Site Control as described in Section 7.7. Interconnection Customers that do not provide the Readiness Milestone or do not provide Site Control described in Section 7.7.6. by the required date shall be deemed withdrawn from the Queue pursuant to Section 3.7.
- c. Interconnection Customers whose M2 and Site Control are accepted by Transmission Provider shall continue in to the second phase ("Phase 2") of the Definitive Interconnection System Impact Study. Phase 2 consists of an updated power flow/voltage analysis (if necessary), stability analysis and short circuit analysis and an electromagnetic transient ("EMT") study (if necessary) for the Interconnection Customers remaining in the DISIS Cluster. Transmission Provider shall use Reasonable Efforts to complete the Phase 2 analysis within one hundred fifty (150) Calendar Days. If an EMT study is required, the Phase 2 study may be extended by an additional 90 Calendar Days. The results of this analysis shall identify Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Transmission Provider's Network Upgrades

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expected to be required to reliably interconnect the Generating Facilities in that DISIS Cluster at the requested Interconnection Service level and shall provide non-binding estimates for required upgrades. The Phase 2 Report shall identify each Interconnection Customer's estimated allocated costs for Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Transmission Provider's Network Upgrades. Transmission Provider shall hold an open stakeholder meeting ("Phase 2 Report Meeting") within ten (10) Business Days of publishing the DISIS Phase 2 results on OASIS.

- d. Within twenty (20) Calendar Days of the Phase 2 Report Meeting, each Interconnection Customer is required to provide Readiness Milestone 3 ("M3") and additional evidence of Site Control described in Section 7.7.6. Milestones for the Definitive Interconnection Study Process are described in Section 7.7. Interconnection Customers that do not provide the Readiness Milestone or do not provide Site Control described in Section 7.7.6. by the required date shall be deemed withdrawn from the Queue pursuant to Section 3.7.
 - i. If all Interconnection Customers in the Cluster provide M3 and no Interconnection Customers withdraw from the Queue at this stage, the Definitive Interconnection Study Process advances to the Interconnection Facilities Study (Section 7.4.g). Transmission Provider shall electronically notify Interconnection Customers in the Cluster that Phase 3 is not required and simultaneously provide the Interconnection Facilities Agreement in the form of Appendix 3.
 - ii. If one or more Interconnection Customer withdraws from the Cluster, Transmission Provider shall determine if a full system impact restudy is necessary. If Transmission Provider determines a restudy is not necessary and Phase 3 is not required, Transmission Provider shall provide an updated Phase 2 Report within thirty (30) Calendar Days of such determination and the Definitive Interconnection Study Process advances to the Interconnection Facilities Study (Section 7.4.g). When the updated Phase 2 report is issued, Transmission Provider shall electronically notify Interconnection Customers in the Cluster that Phase 3 is not required and simultaneously provide the Interconnection Facilities Agreement in the form of Appendix 3.
 - iii. If one or more Interconnection Customer withdraws from the Cluster and Transmission Provider determines a full system impact restudy is necessary, Transmission Provider will continue with System Impact restudies ("Phase 3") as described in Section 7.4.e below, until Transmission Provider determines that no further restudies are required. If a customer withdraws after Section 7.4.d.i or Section 7.4.d.ii or during the Interconnection Facilities Study and Transmission Provider determines system impact level studies are necessary, the Cluster shall be restudied under the terms of Phase 3. Transmission Provider shall electronically notify Interconnection Customers in the Cluster and post on OASIS that a restudy is required. Interconnection Customers that have

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elected NRIS may make a onetime change between Phase 2 and Phase 3 (before the restudy starts) to ERIS if they notify Transmission Provider of such change in election within five (5) Business Days of the Transmission Provider's notification the first restudy is required.

- e. Interconnection Customers whose M3 and additional evidence of Site Control is accepted by Transmission Provider shall continue with Phase 3 of the Definitive Interconnection System Impact Study. Phase 3 may consist of updated power flow/voltage analysis, stability analysis, and/or short circuit analysis, if necessary, for the Interconnection Customers remaining in the Cluster. Transmission Provider shall use Reasonable Efforts to complete the Phase 3 analysis within one hundred fifty (150) Calendar Days. The results of this analysis shall identify Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Transmission Provider's Network Upgrades expected to be required to reliably interconnect the Generating Facilities in that Cluster at the requested Interconnection Service level and shall provide non-binding estimates for required upgrades. The Phase 3 Report shall identify each Interconnection Customer's estimated allocated costs for Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Transmission Provider's Network Upgrades. Transmission Provider shall hold an open stakeholder meeting ("Phase 3 Report Meeting") within ten (10) Business Days of publishing the DISIS Phase 3 results on OASIS. If additional re-studies are required before moving to Phase 4 below, within twenty (20) Calendar Days of the Phase 3 Report Meeting (or Phase 3 Updated Report Meeting), all Interconnection Customers are required to provide an updated Readiness Milestone 3 ("M3"). Readiness Milestones for the Definitive Interconnection Study Process are described in Section 7.7. Interconnection Customers that do not provide the Readiness Milestone or do not provide Site Control described in Section 7.7.6. by the required date shall be deemed withdrawn from the Queue pursuant to Section 3.7. Transmission Provider shall electronically notify Interconnection Customers in the Cluster when no further re-studies are required and simultaneously provide the Interconnection Facilities Agreement in the form of Appendix 3.
- f. Within twenty (20) Calendar Days of the notice that no System Impact restudies are needed, each Interconnection Customer is required to provide Readiness Milestone 4 ("M4"), Site Control requirements described in Section 7.7.6, and an executed Interconnection Facilities Agreement in the form of Appendix 3 (completed and including all required data identified therein). Readiness Milestones for the Definitive Interconnection System Process are described in Section 7.7. Interconnection Customers that do not provide the Readiness Milestone or do not provide Site Control described in Section 7.7.6. by the required date shall be deemed withdrawn from the Queue pursuant to Section 3.7.
- g. Twenty (20) Calendar Days after the notice that no further Re-Studies are needed, Transmission Provider shall proceed with the Interconnection Facilities Study phase ("Phase 4") of the Definitive Study Process, described

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in detail in Section 8 below. An additional study deposit is not required for Phase 4.

<u>Transmission Provider shall complete the Cluster Study within one hundred fifty</u> (150) Calendar Days of the close of the Customer Engagement Window.

Within ten (10) Business Days of simultaneously furnishing a Cluster Study Report to each Interconnection Customer within the Cluster and posting such report on OASIS, Transmission Provider shall convene a Cluster Study Report Meeting.

At the request of Interconnection Customer or at any time Transmission Provider determines that it will not meet the indicated timeframe for completing the DISISCluster Study, Transmission Provider shall notify Interconnection Customer(s) as to the schedule status of the DISIS-Cluster Study. If Transmission Provider is unable to complete the DISISCluster Study within the time period, it shall notify Interconnection Customer(s) and provide an estimated completion date with an explanation of the reasons why additional time is required.

Upon request, Transmission Provider shall provide <u>to</u> Interconnection Customer(s)all supporting documentation, workpapers, and relevant pre-Interconnection Request and post-Interconnection Request power flow, short circuit and stability databases for the <u>DISISCluster Study</u>, subject to confidentiality arrangements consistent with Section <u>1214.1 of this LGIP</u>.

78.5 Cluster Study Restudies.

- (1) Within twenty (20) Calendar Days after the Cluster Study Report Meeting with, Interconnection Customer must provide the following:
 - (a) Demonstration of continued Site Control pursuant to Section 3.4.2(c) of this LGIP: and
 - (b) a Readiness Demonstration 2 as required under Section 8.6.2 of this LGIP.

Interconnection Customer shall promptly inform Transmission Provider, of any material change to Interconnection Customer's demonstration of Site Control under Section 3.4.2(c) of this LGIP. Upon Transmission Provider determining that Interconnection Customer no longer satisfies the Site Control requirement, Transmission Provider shall notify Interconnection Customer. Within ten (10) Business Days of such notification, Interconnection Customer must demonstrate compliance with the applicable requirement subject to Transmission Provider's approval, not to be unreasonably withheld. Absent such demonstration, Transmission Provider shall deem the subject Interconnection Request withdrawn pursuant to Section 3.7 of this LGIP.

Within ten (10) Business Days of furnishing a DISIS study report to

(2) If no Interconnection Customer and postingwithdraws from the report on OASIS, Transmission Provider shall convene an open meeting Cluster after completion of the Cluster Study or Cluster Restudy or is deemed withdrawn pursuant to Section 3.7 of this LGIP after completion of the Cluster Study or Cluster Restudy, Transmission Provider

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shall notify Interconnection Customers in the Cluster that a Cluster Restudy is not required.

- (3) If one or more Interconnection Customers withdraw from the Cluster or are deemed withdrawn pursuant to discuss the study results. Section 3.7 of this LGIP, Transmission Provider shall, upon request, also make itself available to meet determine if a Cluster Restudy is necessary within thirty (30) Calendar Days after the Cluster Study Report Meeting. If Transmission Provider determines a Cluster Restudy is not necessary, Transmission Provider shall notify Interconnection Customers in the Cluster that a Cluster Restudy is not required and Transmission Provider shall provide an updated Cluster Study Report within thirty (30) Calendar Days of such determination.
- (4) If one or more Interconnection Customers withdraws from the Cluster or is deemed withdrawn pursuant to Section 3.7 of this LGIP, and Transmission Provider determines a Cluster Restudy is necessary as a result, Transmission Provider shall notify Interconnection Customers in the Cluster and post on OASIS that a Cluster Restudy is required within thirty (30) Calendar Days after the Cluster Study Report Meeting. Transmission Provider shall continue with individual Interconnection Customers after the study report is provided, such restudies until Transmission Provider determines that no further restudies are required. If an Interconnection Customer withdraws or is deemed withdrawn pursuant to Section 3.7 of this LGIP during the Interconnection Facilities Study, or after other Interconnection Customers in the same Cluster have executed LGIAs, or requested that unexecuted LGIAs be filed, and Transmission Provider determines a Cluster Restudy is necessary, the Cluster shall be restudied. If a Cluster Restudy is required due to a higher queued project withdrawing from the queue, or a modification of a higher or equally queued project subject to Section 4.4 of this LGIP, Transmission Provider shall so notify affected Interconnection Customers in writing. Except as provided in Section 3.7 of this LGIP in the case of withdrawing Interconnection Customers, any cost of Restudy shall be borne by Interconnection Customers being restudied.

7.6 Restudy.

If restudy of the Definitive Interconnection System Impact Study other than the restudy described above in 7.4.e is required due to a higher or equal priority queued project dropping out of the Queue, or a modification of a higher queued project subject to on 4.4, Transmission Provider shall notify Interconnection Customer(s) in writing. (5) The scope of any Cluster Restudy shall be consistent with the scope of an initial Cluster Study pursuant to Section 8.3 of this LGIP. Transmission Provider shall make Reasonable Efforts to ensure such restudy take no longer than complete the Cluster Restudy within one hundred fifty (150) Calendar Days-Any cost of restudy shall be borne by Interconnection Customer(s) being restudied.

To of the Transmission Provider informing the extent Interconnection Customers in the cluster that the restudy is needed. The results of the Cluster Restudy shall be combined into a single report (Cluster Restudy Report). Transmission Provider concludes that one or more Interconnection Requests in a Cluster are not impacted by (1) one or more higher or equal priority Requests dropping out of the Queue; or (2) the modification of a higher queued Interconnection Request or Requests subject to Section 4.4, such Requests shall

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hold a meeting with the Interconnection Customers in the cluster (Cluster will not require restudy. The remainingRestudy Report Meeting) within ten (10) Business Days of simultaneously furnishing the Cluster Restudy Report to each Interconnection Requests in the Cluster will continue forwardCustomer in the restudy process. Projects not subject to restudy shall not bearCluster Restudy and publishing the additional costs of the restudy. Cluster Restudy Report on OASIS.

7.7 Readiness Milestones and Site Control.

If additional restudies are required, Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider shall follow the procedures of this Section 8.5 of this LGIP until such time that Transmission Provider determines that no further restudies are required. Transmission Provider shall notify each Interconnection Customer within the Cluster when no further restudies are required.

Notwithstanding any provision of this Section 8.5 to the contrary, restudies may be required if projects in any prior Cluster withdraw and regardless of whether projects in the same Cluster withdraw. In the event restudies are required due to the withdrawal of projects in a prior Cluster, the general process laid out in this section shall be followed, except that Cluster Restudies shall proceed sequentially starting with the first-in-time impacted Cluster.

8.6 Readiness Milestones Demonstrations

Readiness Demonstrations are required throughoutat four separate stages of the Definitive InterconnectionCluster Study Process to demonstrate readiness.: (a) to enter the Cluster Study; (b) for any required Cluster Restudy, (c) to participate in the Interconnection Facilities Study; and (d) to execute an LGIA. A customer that does not sufficiently demonstrate readiness by providing a required Readiness Milestones Demonstration is subject to withdrawal as described in Section 3.7, which may include additional penalties.

The Readiness Milestone options that demonstrate readiness through the study process (i.e. for Readiness Milestones 1 (M1) through Readiness Milestones 4 (M4))Demonstrations are below and may be combined. For example, a 200 MW request may provide a contract for sale (i.e. 7.78.6.1.a) for 50 MW and evidence that 150 MW has been selected in a resource plan. Customer's Customers may update their readiness demonstrations Readiness Demonstrations at any time and shall provide notice to Transmission Provider if thea previously supplied readiness demonstration—Readiness Demonstration—is no longer valid (i.e. the contract for sale is terminated). Contracts provided under this section may be redacted. Transmission Provider shall accept reasonable modifications to Interconnection Customer's plan for Customers providing a Readiness Milestone 7.7 Demonstrations 8.6.1.d, 7.78.6.2.d, 7.7or 8.6.3.d, or 7.7.4.d. that must change due to interconnection study results. For instance, delayed Network Upgrades may cause the in-service date to change, along with the milestones leading up to that new in-service date.

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M1 is satisfied byTo enter a Cluster Study, any one or a combination of the options belowof this Section 8.6.1 of this LGIP must be provided at the time the Interconnection Customer's option. Customer submits an application to enter a Cluster Study pursuant to the provisions of Section 3.6 of this LGIP:

- a) Executed term sheet (or comparable evidence) related to a contract, binding upon the parties to the contract, for sale of (i) the constructed Generating Facility, (ii) the Generating Facility's energy, or (iii) the Generating Facility's ancillary services if the Generating Facility is an electric storage resource; where the term of sale is not less than five (5) years. Contract The contract must include an end use customer (i.e. representing load) and may not be between Affiliates.;
- b) Reasonable evidence the project has been selected in a Resource Plan or Resource Solicitation Process.;
- c) Provisional Large Generator Interconnection Agreement accepted for filing at FERC. Such an agreement shall not be suspended and shall include a commitment to construct the Generating Facility:
- Applications for all required land, water and air permits required d) for the Generating Facility. If Interconnection Customer is unable to apply for a specific permit, Interconnection Customer must (1) describe the reasons it is unable to apply for the permit and (2) provide a detailed permitting plan that includes specific permitting milestones. Transmission Provider shall accept reasonable permitting plans and shall deem the Interconnection Request withdrawn if it does not meet the permitting milestones. Interconnection Customer shall provide evidence it is meeting permitting milestones or shall be withdrawn according to Section 3.7. Unless Transmission Provider is able to provide or has provided such information, applications for permits that require information associated Transmission Interconnection Facilities or Network Upgrades are not required until thirty (30) Calendar Days after the draft Interconnection Facilities Study report is tendered.; or
- e) Seven and a half million dollars (\$7,500,000) in security in the form of an irrevocable letter of credit, cash, surety bond, or other form of security that is reasonably acceptable to Transmission Provider.

7.78.6.2 Readiness Milestone Demonstration 2 ("M2"). M2 is satisfied by any one or combination of the options below at Interconnection Customer's option.

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- a) Executed term sheet (or comparable evidence) related to a contract, binding upon the parties to the contract, for sale of (i) the constructed Generating Facility, (ii) the Generating Facility's energy, or (iii) the Generating Facility's ancillary services if the Generating Facility is an electric storage resource; where the term of sale is not less than five (5) years. Contract must include an end use customer (i.e. representing load) and may not be between Affiliates.;
- b) Reasonable evidence that the project has been selected in a Resource Plan or Resource Solicitation Process;
- c) Provisional Large Generator Interconnection Agreement accepted for filing at FERC. Such an agreement shall not be suspended and shall include a commitment to construct the Generating Facility.;
- d) In addition to the information described in 7.7.1.d, Generating Facility, site and substation 30% design drawings are complete.: or
- e) Having previously satisfied 7.7.1.e or, if not, providing seven and a half million dollars (\$7,500,000) in security in the form of an irrevocable letter of credit.

7.7.3 Readiness Milestone 3 ("M3").

M3If a Cluster Restudy is required, Readiness Demonstration 2 is required within twenty (20) Calendar Days after the Cluster Study Report Meeting. Readiness Demonstration 2 is satisfied by any one or combination of the options below at Interconnection Customer's option.

- a) Executed contract, binding upon the parties to the contract, for sale of (i) the constructed Generating Facility, (ii) the Generating Facility's energy, or (iii) the Generating Facility's ancillary services if the Generating Facility is an electric storage resource; where the term of sale is not less than five (5) years. Contract must include an end use customer (i.e. representing load) and may not be between Affiliates;
- b) Reasonable evidence that the project has been selected in an approved Resource Plan or Resource Solicitation Process.;
- c) An unsuspended Provisional Large Generator Interconnection Agreement accepted for filing by FERC with reasonable evidence that the Generating Facility and Interconnection Facilities have commenced design and engineering.;

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d) In addition to the information described in 7.7.28.6.1.d, (1) evidence of Generating Facility, site and substation 60% design drawings are complete, (2) procurement plan for all Generating Facility equipment consistent with expected In-Service date, including (i) updated lead time for equipment, (ii) purchase orders of site-specific equipment consistent with procurement plan and (3) if required for the project, (i) completed Phase 1 Environmental Site Assessment and (ii) completed Wetland Delineation. Interconnection Customer shall provide reasonable evidence it is meeting milestones in the procurement plan or it shall be withdrawn according to Section 3.7; or

e) Having previously satisfied 7.78.6.1.e or 7.7.2.e or, if not, providing seven and a half million dollars (\$7,500,000) in security in the form of an irrevocable letter of credit.

7.7.48.6.3 Readiness Milestone 4 ("M4"). Demonstration 3

M4Readiness Demonstration 3 is required to proceed to the Facilities Study and is satisfied by any one or combination of the options below at Interconnection Customer's option.

- a) Executed contract, binding upon the parties to the contract, for sale of (i) the constructed Generating Facility, (ii) the Generating Facility's energy, or (iii) the Generating Facility's ancillary services and capacity if the Generating Facility is an electric storage resource; where the term of sale is not less than five (5) years. Contract must include an end use customer (i.e. representing load) and may not be between Affiliates.;
- b) Reasonable evidence that the project has been selected in an approved Resource Plan or Resource Solicitation Process;
- c) An unsuspended Provisional Large Generator Interconnection Agreement accepted for filing by FERC with reasonable evidence that the Generating Facility and Interconnection Facilities have commenced construction.;
- d) In addition to the information described in 7.7.38.6.1.d and 8.6.2.d, (1) construction, engineering and procurement plan for the Generation Facility consistent with the expected In-Service Date, (2) reasonable evidence that any actions in the construction, engineering and procurement plan required to achieve the requested In-Service Date are complete, including execution of contracts, (3) all required permits (air, water, and land use) needed to construct the Generating Facility are approved, or if not yet approved, a detailed plan and schedule to achieve approval is developed, (4) if required for the project, a completed Natural and Cultural Resources Assessment, and

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(5) evidence of closing of project financing for the Generating Facility or proof of financial capability and commitment to construct the Generating Facility. Closing of project financing may be contingent on executing the LGIA with interconnection costs reasonably estimated by the Phase 2 or 3 studyCluster Study results and may be provided up to sixty (60) Calendar Days after M4 Readiness Demonstration 3 is due. Interconnection Customer shall provide reasonable evidence it has met each milestonesmilestone identified in the construction, engineering and procurement plan by the date the milestone is due or shall be withdrawn according to Section 3.7.; or

e) Having previously satisfied 7.78.6.1.e, 7.7.2.e, or 7.7.38.6.2.e, or, if not, providing seven and a half million dollars (\$7,500,000) in security in the form of an irrevocable letter of credit, cash, surety bond, or other form of security that is reasonably acceptable to Transmission Provider.

7.7.58.6.4 Security Requirements and Readiness Milestone 5 ("M5"). Demonstration 4

Readiness Demonstration 4 is required to proceed to an LGIA. Security shall be in the form of an irrevocable letter of credit, cash, asurety bond, or other form of security that is reasonably acceptable to Transmission Provider, upon which Transmission Provider may draw-or cash. The, or cash. Subject to the Withdrawal Penalty provisions of Section 3.7, the security is refunded to the Interconnection Customer upon withdrawal, LGIA termination, or Commercial Operation after any final invoice is settled. If cash is provided as security, it shall be refunded plus interest, where the interest is calculated in accordance with the methodology set forth in FERC's regulations at 18 CFR § 35.19a(a)(2)(iii) from the date the security is received to the date that it is refunded. Security may be drawn upon if costs under this Revised LGIP, including the LGIA, remain unpaid as per this Revised LGIP and/or the LGIA.

As part of a valid interconnection request all Interconnection Customers must provide security equal to the study deposit amount as described in Section 3.4.1.<u>h1.a.</u> The security provided in Section 3.4.1.<u>h1.a.</u> will be applied towards the amount of security required for <u>M5under this Section 8.6.4</u> if the final study invoice is paid and the Interconnection Request is not withdrawn or undergoing dispute resolution.

All Interconnection Customers are required to provide security in order to satisfy Readiness Milestone 5 (M5)Demonstration 4 prior to full execution of the LGIA as described in Section 10.312. The amount of security required for M5 is Readiness Demonstration for LGIA is equal to five (5) million dollars for projects not using any of the Readiness Milestone Demonstration options listed in 7.78.6.1.e, 7.78.6.2.e, 7.7.3.e, or 7.7.48.6.3.e), and seven and a half (7.5) million dollars for

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projects using a a—Readiness Milestone Demonstration option in 7.78.6.1.e, 7.78.6.2.e, 7.7.3.e, or 7.7.48.6.3.e, and in the form of an irrevocable letter of credit, cash, surety bond, or other form of security that is reasonably acceptable to Transmission Provider, upon which Transmission Provider may draw, or cash. As this M5the additional amount required under this Section 8.6.4 is the total security required to satisfy Readiness Milestone 5Demonstration 4, any security provided pursuant to Sections 3.4.1.h1(a) shall be applied towardstoward the Readiness Milestone 5Demonstration 4 amount when the LGIA is executed. The Interconnection Customer shall only be responsible to provide the incremental amount of security to the Transmission Provider and any excess security provided shall be refunded to the Interconnection Customer. Transmission Provider shall refund all security provided under this section to the Interconnection Customer upon achieving Commercial Operation.

7.7.6 Site Control.

In addition to the above Readiness Milestones, Site Control is required to determine increased readiness through the Definitive Interconnection Study Process. Additional information on Site Control is posted on Transmission Provider's OASIS. For land owned by the Colorado State Land Board, a planning lease is acceptable Site Control up to and including Section 7.7.6.d (concurrent with M4). For land owned by the Colorado State Land Board, a production lease is required Site Control before executing an LGIA (Section 7.7.6.e (concurrent with M5)).

- a) Before entering Phase 1 (concurrent with M1) demonstration of 50% Site Control and 0% Site Control of Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities is required. Interconnection Requests using the generation deployment Readiness Milestone described in Section 7.7.1.d must provide 80% Site Control and 0% Site Control of Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities.
- b) Before entering Phase 2 (concurrent with M2): continued demonstration of 50% Site Control and 0% Site Control of Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities is required. Interconnection Requests using the generation deployment Readiness Milestone described in Section 7.7.2.d must provide 80% Site Control and 0% Site Control of Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities.
- e) Before entering Phase 3 (concurrent with M3): demonstration of 60% Site Control and 0% Site Control of Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities is required. Interconnection Requests using the generation deployment Readiness Milestone described in Section 7.7.3.d must provide

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80% Site Control and 0% Site Control of Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities.

- d) Before entering Phase 4 (concurrent with M4): demonstration of 75% Site Control and 0% Site Control of Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities is required. Interconnection Requests using the generation deployment Readiness Milestone described in Section 7.7.4.d must provide 80% Site Control and 0% Site Control of Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities.
- e) Before executing an LGIA (concurrent with M5): demonstration of 90% Site Control and 50% Site Control of Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities is required.

Section 8. Interconnection Facilities Study.

8 Section 9. Interconnection Facilities Study.

9.1 Interconnection Facilities Study Agreement.

Simultaneously with the notice to Within five (5) Business Days following Transmission Provider notifying each Interconnection Customer(s) within the Cluster that Phase 3no further Cluster Restudy is complete or not required, (per Section 7.5 of this LGIP), Transmission Provider shall provide to Interconnection Customer an Interconnection Facilities Study Agreement in the form of Appendix 3 to this Revised LGIP. Within five (5) Business Days following the open DISIS results (Phase 2Cluster Report Meeting or Phase 3) meeting Cluster Restudy Report Meeting if applicable, Transmission Provider shall provide to Interconnection Customer a non-binding good faith estimate of the cost and timeframe for completing the Interconnection Facilities Study. The Interconnection Facilities Study Agreement shall provide that Interconnection Customer shall compensate Transmission Provider for the actual cost of the Interconnection Facilities Study. Interconnection Customer shall execute the Interconnection Facilities Study Agreement and deliver the executed Interconnection Facilities Study Agreement to Transmission Provider within twenty (20) Calendar Days after its receipt, together with the required technical data, Readiness Milestone 4 and the Site Control requirements described in Section 7.7.6. Interconnection Customers that do not provide the Readiness Milestone and provide Site Control described in Section 7.7.6, by the required date shall be deemed withdrawn from the Queue pursuant to Section 3.7. thirty (30) Calendar Days after its receipt, together with:

8(1) any of the required technical data; and

(2) a Readiness Demonstration 3 pursuant to Section 8.6.3 of this LGIP. Any deposit paid pursuant to this Section 9 shall be refunded upon withdrawal in accordance with Section 3.7 of this LGIP.

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Interconnection Customer shall promptly inform Transmission Provider of any material change to Interconnection Customer's demonstration of Site Control under Section 3.4.2(c) of this LGIP. Upon Transmission Provider determining separately that Interconnection Customer no longer satisfies the Site Control requirement, Transmission Provider shall notify Interconnection Customer. Within ten (10) Business Days of such notification, Interconnection Customer must demonstrate compliance with the applicable requirement subject to Transmission Provider's approval, not to be unreasonably withheld. Absent such demonstration, Transmission Provider shall deem the subject Interconnection Request withdrawn pursuant to Section 3.7 of this LGIP.

9.2 Scope of Interconnection Facilities Study.

The Interconnection Facilities Study shall be specific to each Interconnection Request and performed on an individual, i.e., non-clustered, basis. Interconnection Facilities Study shall specify and provide a non-binding estimate of the cost of the equipment, engineering, procurement and construction work needed to implement the conclusions of the final Phase 2 or Phase 3 report (as appropriateCluster Study Report (and any associated restudies) in accordance with Good Utility Practice to physically and electrically connect the Interconnection Facilities to the Transmission System. If not already obtained, Transmission Provider shall endeavor to obtain Site Control and initiate permitting for all Transmission Provider Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades and shall perform other work needed to ensure the feasibility of the interconnection during the Interconnection Facility Study. The Interconnection Facilities Study shall also identify the electrical switching configuration of the connection equipment, including, without limitation: the transformer, switchgear, meters, and other station equipment; the nature and estimated cost of any Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades necessary to accomplish the interconnection; and an estimate of the time required to complete the construction and installation of such facilities.

The Interconnection Facilities Study will also identify any potential control equipment for (1) requests for Interconnection Service that are lower than the Generating Facility Capacity, and/or (2) requests to study a Generating Facility that includes at least one electric storage resource using operating assumptions (i.e., whether the interconnecting Generating Facility will or will not charge at peak load) that reflect its proposed charging behavior, as requested by Interconnection Customer, unless Transmission Provider determines that Good Utility Practice, including Applicable Reliability Standards, otherwise require the use of different operating assumptions.

89.3 Interconnection Facilities Study Procedures.

a. Transmission Provider shall coordinate the Interconnection Facilities Study with any Affected System Operator pursuant to Section 3.6 above of this LGIP. Transmission Provider shall utilize existing studies to the extent practicable in performing the Interconnection Facilities Study. Transmission Provider shall use Reasonable Efforts to complete the study and issue a draft Interconnection Facilities Study report Report to Interconnection Customer within ninety (90) Calendar Daysthe following

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number of days after acceptancereceipt of thean executed Interconnection Facilities Study Agreement and Readiness Milestone 4.: ninety (90) Calendar Days, with no more than a +/- twenty percent (20%) cost estimate contained in the report; or one hundred eighty (180) Calendar Days, if Interconnection Customer requests a +/- ten percent (10%) cost estimate.

- b. At the request of Interconnection Customer or at any time Transmission Provider determines that it will not meet the required time frame for completing the Interconnection Facilities Study, Transmission Provider shall notify Interconnection Customer as to the schedule status of the Interconnection Facilities Study. If Transmission Provider is unable to complete the Interconnection Facilities Study and issue a draft Interconnection Facilities Study reportReport within the time identified, it shall notify Interconnection Customer and provide an estimated completion date and an explanation of the reasons why additional time is required.
- Interconnection Customer may, within thirty (30) Calendar Days after C. receipt of the draft Interconnection Facilities Study reportReport, provide written comments to Transmission Provider, which Transmission Provider shall consider in completing the final Interconnection Facilities Study reportReport. Transmission Provider shall issue the final Interconnection Facilities Study report Report within fifteen (15) Business Days of receiving Interconnection Customer's comments or promptly upon receiving Interconnection Customer's statement that it will not provide comments. Transmission Provider may reasonably extend such fifteen (15) Business Day period upon notice to Interconnection Customer if Interconnection Customer's comments require Transmission Provider to perform additional analyses or make other significant modifications prior to the issuance of the final Interconnection Facilities Study reportReport. Upon request, Transmission Provider shall provide Interconnection Customer supporting documentation, workpapers, and databases or data developed in the preparation of the Interconnection Facilities Study, subject to confidentiality arrangements consistent with Section 4214.1.

89.4 Meeting with Transmission Provider.

Transmission Provider shall offer a meeting scheduled within ten (10) Business Days of providing a draft Interconnection Facilities Study report to discuss the results of the Interconnection Facilities Study. Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer shall work to hold such a meeting on a mutually agreeable date.

89.5 Restudy.

If restudy of the Interconnection Facilities Study is required due to a higher or equal priority queued project dropping out of withdrawing from the Queuequeue or a modification of a higher or equally queued project pursuant to Section 4.4 of this LGIP, Transmission Provider shall so notify Interconnection Customer in writing. The Transmission Provider shall make Reasonable Efforts to ensure that such restudy takes no longer than sixty (60) Calendar Days from the date of notice

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provided that a Cluster Restudy is not also required. In the event a Cluster Restudy is required, the process associated with such Cluster Restudies must be completed before the restudy of the Interconnection Facilities Study. Except as provided in Section 3.7 of this LGIP in the case of withdrawing Interconnection Customers, any cost of Restudy shall be borne by Interconnection Customer(s) being restudied.

Section 10. Affected System Study

10.1 Applicability.

This Section 10 outlines the duties of Transmission Provider when it receives notification that an Affected System Interconnection Customer's proposed interconnection to its host transmission provider may impact Transmission Provider's Transmission System.

10.2 Response to Notifications

10.2.1 Response to Initial Notification

When Transmission Provider receives initial notification either following the Cluster Study or Cluster Restudy that an Affected System Interconnection Customer's proposed interconnection to its host transmission provider may impact Transmission Provider's Transmission System, Transmission Provider must respond in writing within twenty (20) Business Days whether it intends to conduct an Affected System Study.

By fifteen (15) Business Days after the Transmission Provider responds with its affirmative intent to conduct an Affected System Study, Transmission Provider shall share with Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) and the Affected System Interconnection Customer's host transmission provider a non-binding good faith estimate of the cost and the schedule to complete the Affected System Study.

10.2.2 Response to Notification of Cluster Restudy

Within five (5) Business Days of receipt of notification of Cluster Restudy, Transmission Provider will send written notification to Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) involved in the Cluster Restudy and the host transmission provider that Transmission Provider intends to delay a planned or in-progress Affected System Study until after completion of the Cluster Restudy. If Transmission Provider decides to delay the Affected System Study, it is not required to meet its obligations under Section 9 of this LGIP until the time that it receives notification from the host transmission provider that the Cluster Restudy is complete. If Transmission Provider decides to move forward with its Affected System Study despite the Cluster Restudy, then it must meet all requirements under Section 9 of this LGIP.

10.3 Affected System Queue Position.

<u>Transmission Provider must assign an Affected System Queue Position to Affected System Interconnection Customer(s)</u> that require(s) an Affected System Study. Such Affected System

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Queue Position shall be assigned based upon the date of execution of the Affected System Study Agreement. Relative to Transmission Provider's Interconnection Customers, this Affected System Queue Position shall be higher-queued than any Cluster that has not yet received its Cluster Study Report and shall be lower-queued than any Cluster that has already received its Cluster Study Report. Consistent with Section 10.7 of this LGIP, Transmission Provider shall study the Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) via Clustering, and all Affected System Interconnection Customers studied in the same Cluster under Section 10.7 shall be equally queued. For Affected System Interconnection Customers that are equally queued, the Affected System Queue Position shall have no bearing on the assignment of Affected System Network Upgrades identified in the applicable Affected System Study. The costs of the Affected System Network Upgrades shall be allocated among the Affected System Interconnection Customers in accordance with Section 10.9 of this LGIP.

10.4 Affected System Study Agreement/Multiparty Affected System Study Agreement.

Unless otherwise agreed, Transmission Provider shall provide to Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) an Affected System Study Agreement/Multiparty Affected System Study Agreement, in the form of Appendix 4 or Appendix 5 to this LGIP, as applicable, within ten (10) Business Days of Transmission Provider sharing the schedule for the Affected System Study per Section 10.2 of this LGIP. Upon Affected System Interconnection Customer(s)' receipt of the Affected System Study Report, Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) shall compensate Transmission Provider for the actual cost of the Affected System Study. Any difference between the study deposit and the actual cost of the Affected System Study shall be paid by or refunded to the Affected System Interconnection Customer(s). Any invoices for the Affected System Study shall include a detailed and itemized accounting of the cost of the study. Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) shall pay any excess costs beyond the already-paid Affected System Study deposit or be reimbursed for any costs collected over the actual cost of the Affected System. Study within thirty (30) Calendar Days of receipt of an invoice thereof. If Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) fail to pay such undisputed costs within the time allotted, it shall lose its Affected System Queue Position. Transmission Provider shall notify Affected System Interconnection Customer's host transmission provider of such failure to pay.

10.5 Execution of Affected System Study Agreement/Multiparty Affected System Study Agreement.

Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) shall execute the Affected System Study Agreement/Multiparty Affected System Study Agreement, deliver the executed Affected System Study Agreement to Transmission Provider, and provide the Affected System Study deposit within ten (10) Business Days of receipt. If Transmission Provider notifies Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) that it will delay the Affected System Study pursuant to Section 10.2.2 of this LGIP, Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) are neither required to execute and return the previously tendered Affected System Study/Multiparty Affected System Study Agreement nor provide the Affected System Study Agreement.

If Affected System Interconnection Customer does not provide all required technical data when it delivers the Affected System Study Agreement/Multiparty Affected System Study Agreement,

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Transmission Provider shall notify the deficient Affected System Interconnection Customer, as well as the host transmission provider with which Affected System Interconnection Customer seeks to interconnect, of the technical data deficiency within five (5) Business Days of the receipt of the executed Affected System Study Agreement/Multiparty Affected System Study Agreement and the deficient Affected System Interconnection Customer shall cure the technical deficiency within ten (10) Business Days of receipt of the notice: provided, however, that such deficiency does not include failure to deliver the executed Affected System Study Agreement/Multiparty Affected System Study Agreement or deposit for the Affected System Study Agreement/Multiparty Affected System Study Agreement. If Affected System Interconnection Customer does not cure the technical data deficiency within the cure period or fails to execute the Affected System Study Agreement/Multiparty Affected System Study Agreement or provide the deposit, the Affected System Interconnection Customer shall lose its Affected System Queue Position.

10.6 Scope of Affected System Study.

The Affected System Study shall evaluate the impact that any Affected System Interconnection Customer's proposed interconnection to another transmission provider's transmission system will have on the reliability of Transmission Provider's Transmission System. The Affected System Study shall consider the Base Case as well as all Generating Facilities (and with respect to (iii) below, any identified Affected System Network Upgrades associated with such higher-queued Interconnection Request) that, on the date the Affected System Study is commenced: (i) are directly interconnected to Transmission Provider's Transmission System; (ii) are directly interconnected to another transmission provider's transmission system and may have an impact on Affected System Interconnection Customer's interconnection request; (iii) have a pending higher-queued Interconnection Request to interconnect to Transmission Provider's Transmission System; and (iv) have no queue position but have executed an LGIA or requested that an unexecuted LGIA be filed with FERC. Transmission Provider has no obligation to study impacts of Affected System Interconnection Customers of which it is not notified.

The Affected System Study shall consist of a power flow, stability, and short circuit analysis. The Affected System Study Report will: state the assumptions upon which it is based; state the results of the analyses; and provide the potential impediments to Affected System Interconnection Customer's receipt if interconnection service on its host transmission provider's transmission system, including a preliminary indication of the cost and length of time that would be necessary to correct any problems identified in those analyses and implement the interconnection. For purposes of determining necessary Affected System Network Upgrades, the Affected System Study shall consider the level of interconnection service requested in megawatts by Affected System Interconnection Customer, unless otherwise required to study the full generating facility capacity due to safety or reliability concerns. The Affected System Study Report shall provide a list of facilities that are required as a result of Affected System Interconnection Customer's proposed interconnection to another transmission provider's system, a nonbinding good faith estimate of cost responsibility, and a non-binding good faith estimated time to construct. The Affected System Study may consist of a system impact study, a facilities study, or some combination thereof.

10.7 Affected System Study Procedures.

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Transmission Provider shall use Clustering in conducting the Affected System Study and shall use existing studies to the extent practicable, when multiple Affected System Interconnection Customers that are part of a single Cluster may cause the need for Affected System Network Upgrades. Transmission Provider shall complete the Affected System Study and provide the Affected System Study Report to Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) and the host transmission provider with whom interconnection has been requested within one hundred fifty (150) Calendar Days after the receipt of the Affected System Study Agreement and deposit.

At the request of Affected System Interconnection Customer, Transmission Provider shall notify Affected System Interconnection Customer as to the status of the Affected System Study. If Transmission Provider is unable to complete the Affected System Study within the requisite time period, it shall notify Affected System Interconnection Customer(s), as well as the transmission provider with which Affected System Interconnection Customer seeks to interconnect, and shall provide an estimated completion date with an explanation of the reasons why additional time is required. If Transmission Provider does not meet the deadlines in this section, Transmission Provider shall be subject to the financial penalties as described in Section 3.9 of this LGIP. Upon request, Transmission Provider shall provide Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) with all supporting documentation, workpapers and relevant power flow, short circuit and stability databases for the Affected System Study, subject to confidentiality arrangements consistent with Section 14.1 of this LGIP. Transmission Provider must study an Affected System Interconnection Customer using the Energy Resource Interconnection Service modeling standard used for Interconnection Requests on its own Transmission System, regardless of the level of interconnection service that Affected System Interconnection Customer is seeking from the host transmission provider with whom it seeks to interconnect.

10.8 Meeting with Transmission Provider.

Within ten (10) Business Days of providing the Affected System Study Report to Affected System Interconnection Customer(s), Transmission Provider and Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) shall meet to discuss the results of the Affected System Study.

10.9 Affected System Cost Allocation.

<u>Transmission Provider shall allocate Affected System Network Upgrade costs identified during the Affected System Study to Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) using a proportional impact method, consistent with Section 4.2.4(b) of this LGIP.</u>

10.10 Tender of Affected Systems Facilities Construction Agreement/Multiparty Affected System Facilities Construction Agreement.

Transmission Provider shall tender to Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) an Affected System Facilities Construction Agreement/Multiparty Affected System Facilities Construction Agreement, as applicable, in the form of Appendix 6 or 7 to this LGIP, within thirty (30) Calendar Days of providing the Affected System Study Report. Within ten (10) Business Days of the receipt of the Affected System Facilities Construction Agreement/Multiparty Affected System Facilities Construction Agreement, the Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) must execute the agreement or request the agreement to be filed unexecuted with FERC. Transmission Provider shall execute the agreement or file the agreement unexecuted within five (5) Business Days after

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receiving direction from Affected System Interconnection Customer(s). Affected System Interconnection Customer's failure to execute the Affected System Facilities Construction Agreement/Multiparty Affected System Facilities Construction Agreement, or failure to request the agreement to be filed unexecuted with FERC, shall result in the loss of its Affected System Queue Position.

10.11 Restudy.

If restudy of the Affected System Study is required, Transmission Provider shall notify Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) in writing within thirty (30) Calendar Days of discovery of the need for restudy. Such restudy shall take no longer than sixty (60) Calendar Days from the date of notice. Re-Studies that require rerunning the system impact study analysis may take longer than sixty days and may be processed as described in Section 7.6. Any cost of restudy shall be borne by the Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) being re-studied.

Section 911. Engineering & Procurement ("E&P") Agreement.

Prior to executing an LGIA, an Interconnection Customer may, in order to advance the implementation of its interconnection, request and Transmission Provider shall offer the Interconnection Customer, an E&P Agreement that authorizes Transmission Provider to begin engineering and procurement of long lead-time items necessary for the establishment of the interconnection. However, Transmission Provider shall not be obligated to offer an E&P Agreement if Interconnection Customer is in Dispute Resolution as a result of an allegation that failed Interconnection Customer has to meet any Readiness Milestones Demonstrations or comply with any prerequisites specified in other parts of the Revised LGIP. The E&P Agreement is an optional procedure and it will not alter the Interconnection Customer's Queue Position or In-Service Date. At the Transmission Provider's sole discretion. Transmission Provider Interconnection Customer may enter into an E&P Agreement prior to the customer making an Interconnection Request. Transmission Provider may use an E&P Agreement to develop information Interconnection Customer may require to become a ready project such as for permitting applications, Generating Facility design or other activities associated with increasing readiness prior to entering the Queue. The E&P Agreement shall provide for Interconnection Customer to pay the cost of all activities authorized by Interconnection Customer and to make advance payments or provide other satisfactory security for such costs.

Interconnection Customer shall pay the cost of such authorized activities and any cancellation costs for equipment that is already ordered for its interconnection, which cannot be mitigated as hereafter described, whether or not such items or equipment later become unnecessary. If Interconnection Customer withdraws its application for interconnection or either Party terminates the E&P Agreement, to the extent the equipment ordered can be canceled under reasonable terms, Interconnection Customer shall be obligated to pay the associated cancellation costs. To the extent that the equipment cannot be reasonably canceled, Transmission Provider may elect: (i) to take title to the equipment, in which event Transmission Provider shall refund Interconnection Customer any amounts paid

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by Interconnection Customer for such equipment and shall pay the cost of delivery of such equipment, or (ii) to transfer title to and deliver such equipment to Interconnection Customer, in which event Interconnection Customer shall pay any unpaid balance and cost of delivery of such equipment.

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1012.1 Tender.

Interconnection Customer shall tender comments on the draft Interconnection Facilities Study report within thirty (30) Calendar Days of receipt of the draft Interconnection Facilities Study report. Within thirty (30) Calendar Days (1) after the comments from Interconnection Customer are received, (2) after the Interconnection Customer notifies Transmission Provider that it will provide no comments, or (3) after thirty (30) Calendar Days if no comments are received, Transmission Provider shall tender (1) a draft LGIA that includes appendices (partially or fully completed) and (2) a final Interconnection Facilities Study report. The draft LGIA shall be in the form of Transmission Provider's FERC-approved standard form LGIA, which is in Appendix 612, unless parties have mutually agreed to develop a non-conforming agreement. Interconnection Customer shall return the completed draft appendices and execute the LGIA within thirty (30) Calendar Days of receiving the draft LGIA and final Interconnection Facilities Study unless (1) the sixty (60) Calendar Day negotiation period under Section 4012.2 has commenced, or (2) LGIA execution, or filing unexecuted, has been delayed to await the Affected System Study Report pursuant to Section 12.2.1 of this LGIP.

4012.2 Negotiation.

Notwithstanding Section <u>4012.1 of this LGIP</u>, at the request of Interconnection Customer, Transmission Provider shall begin negotiations with Interconnection Customer concerning the appendices to the LGIA at any time after Interconnection Customer executes the Interconnection Facilities Study Agreement.

Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer shall negotiate any provisions in the appendices to the draft LGIA for not more than sixty (60) Calendar Days after tender of the draft LGIA and final Interconnection Facilities Study report.

If Interconnection Customer determines that negotiations are at an impasse, Interconnection Customer may request termination of the negotiations at any time after tender of the draft LGIA and request submission of an unexecuted LGIA with FERC or initiate Dispute Resolution procedures pursuant to Section 4214.5- of this LGIP. If Interconnection Customer requests termination of the negotiations, but within fifteen (15sixty (60)) Business Days thereafter fails to request either the filing of the unexecuted LGIA or initiate Dispute Resolution, it shall be deemed to have withdrawn its Interconnection Request. If Interconnection Customer requests submission of an unexecuted LGIA, Transmission Provider shall develop and provide to Interconnection Customer the final LGIA within (15) Business Days of such request.

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Unless otherwise mutually agreed by the Parties, if Interconnection Customer has not executed the LGIA, requested filing of an unexecuted LGIA, or initiated Dispute Resolution procedures pursuant to Section 4214.5 of this LGIP within sixty (60) Calendar Days of tender of draft LGIA and final Interconnection Facilities Study report, it shall be deemed to have withdrawn its Interconnection Request.

Transmission Provider shall provide to Interconnection Customer a final LGIA within fifteen (15) Business Days after the completion of the negotiation process.

1012.2.1 Delay in LGIA Execution, or Filing Unexecuted, to Await Affected System Study Report.

If Interconnection Customer has not received its Affected System Study Report from the Affected System Operator prior to the date that it would be required to execute its LGIA (or request that its LGIA be filed unexecuted) pursuant to Section 12.1 of this LGIP, Transmission Provider shall, upon request of Interconnection Customer, extend this deadline to thirty (30) Calendar Days after Interconnection Customer's receipt of the Affected System Study Report. If Interconnection Customer, after delaying LGIA execution, or requesting unexecuted filing, to await Affected System Study Report, decides to proceed to LGIA execution, or request unexecuted filing, without those results, it may notify Transmission Provider of its intent to proceed with LGIA execution (or request that its LGIA be filed unexecuted) pursuant to Section 12.1 of this LGIP. If Transmission Provider determines that further delay to the LGIA execution date would cause a material impact on the cost or timing of an equal- or lower-queued Interconnection Customer, Transmission Provider must notify Interconnection Customer of such impacts and set the deadline to execute the LGIA (or request that the LGIA be filed unexecuted) to thirty (30) Calendar Days after such notice is provided.

12.3 Execution and Filing.

Within fifteen (15

Simultaneously with submitting the executed LGIA to Transmission Provider, or within ten (10) Business Days after receipt of the finalInterconnection Customer requests that the Transmission Provider file the LGIA unexecuted at the Commission, Interconnection Customer shall—(a) provide reasonable evidence Transmission Provider with the following:

- (1) demonstration of continued Site Control as defined in Section 7.7.6 and (b) postfor Interconnection Customer's Generation Facilities pursuant to Section 3.4.2 of the LGIP:
- (2) demonstration of Site Control for 50% of Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities; and
- (3) Readiness Milestone 5 (Demonstration 4 equal to
 - <u>a.</u> security equal to five million dollars for customers have(\$5,000,000) for Interconnection Customers that have not used Section 7.78.6.1.e, 7.78.6.2.e, 7.70r 8.6.3.e₇); or 7.7.4.e).
 - <u>b.</u> Interconnection <u>Customer's Customers</u> that have used Section <u>7.78.6.1.e, 8.6.2.e, 7.7.2.e, 7.7.3.e,</u> or <u>7.7.48.6.3.e,</u> meaning they have provided seven and a half <u>(7.5)</u> million dollars

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(\$7,500,000) in security, are considered to have met Readiness Milestone 5. If the Demonstration 4.

If Interconnection Customer does not reach Commercial Operation, upon payment of any final invoice, including any Withdrawal Penalty, Readiness Milestone 5Demonstration 4 shall be refunded to the Interconnection Customer, including any accumulated interest, if applicable. If the Interconnection Customer reaches Commercial Operation, Readiness Milestone 5 is refunded to the Interconnection Customer including any accumulated interest, if applicable Demonstration 4 is refunded to the Interconnection Customer including any accumulated interest, if applicable. Interconnection Customer may not request to suspend its LGIA under LGIA Article 5.16 until Interconnection Customer has provided (1), (2), and (3) of this Section 12.3 to Transmission Provider. If Interconnection Customer fails to provide (1), (2), and (3) of this Section 12.3 to Transmission Provider within the thirty (30) Calendar Days allowed for returning the executed LGIA and appendices under LGIP Section 12.1, or within ten (10) Business Days after Interconnection Customer requests that Transmission Provider file the LGIA unexecuted at the Commission as allowed in this Section 12.3 of this LGIP, the Interconnection Request will be deemed withdrawn pursuant to Section 3.7 of this LGIP.

Within fifteen (15) Business Days after receipt of the final LGIA, Interconnection Customer also shall provide reasonable evidence that one or more of the following milestones in the development of the Large Generating Facility, at Interconnection Customer election, has been achieved: (unless such milestone is inapplicable due to the characteristics of the Generating Facility): (i) the execution of a contract for the supply or transportation of fuel to the Large Generating Facility (not available for storage, wind or solar resources); (ii) the execution of a contract for the supply of cooling water to the Large Generating Facility (not available for storage, wind or solar resources); (iii) execution of a contract for the engineering for, procurement of major equipment for, or construction of, the Large Generating Facility; (iv) execution of a contract (or comparable evidence) for the sale of electric energy or capacity from the Large Generating Facility; or (v) application for an air, water, or land use permit.

Within fifteen (15) Business Days after receipt of the final LGIA, Interconnection Customer shall either: (i) execute two originals of the tendered final LGIA and return them to Transmission Provider (or upon mutual agreement electronically execute the final LGIA); or (ii) request in writing that Transmission Provider file with FERC an LGIA in unexecuted form. As soon as practicable, but not later than ten (10) Business Days after receiving either the two executed originals of the tendered final LGIA (if it does not conform with a FERC-approved standard form of interconnection agreementStandard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement) or the request to file the final LGIA unexecuted, Transmission Provider shall file the final LGIA with FERC, together with its explanation of any matters as to which Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider disagree and support for the costs that Transmission Provider proposes to charge to Interconnection Customer under the LGIA. An unexecuted LGIA should contain terms and conditions deemed appropriate by Transmission Provider for the

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Interconnection Request. If the Parties agree to proceed with design, procurement, and construction of facilities and upgrades under the agreed-upon terms of the unexecuted LGIA, they may proceed pending FERC action.

If Interconnection Customer provides the requirements and executes final LGIAs as described above in this section, Transmission Provider shall fully execute the LGIA.

4012.4 Commencement of Interconnection Activities.

If Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider execute the final LGIA, Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer shall perform their respective obligations in accordance with the terms of the LGIA, subject to modification by FERC. Upon submission of an unexecuted LGIA to FERC, Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider shall promptly comply with the unexecuted LGIA, subject to modification by FERC.

Section 4413. Construction of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades.

1113.1 Schedule.

Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer shall negotiate in good faith concerning a schedule for the construction of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and the Network Upgrades.

4413.2 Construction Sequencing.

4413.2.1 General.

In general, the In-Service Date of an Interconnection Customer seeking interconnection to the Transmission System will determine the sequence of construction of Network Upgrades. Construction sequencing may also apply to shared Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities in a similar manner as described below for Network Upgrades.

4413.2.2 Advance Construction of Network Upgrades that are an Obligation of an Entity other than Interconnection Customer.

An Interconnection Customer with an LGIA, in order to maintain its In-Service Date, may request that Transmission Provider advance, to the extent necessary, the completion of Network Upgrades that: (i) were assumed in the Interconnection Studies for such Interconnection Customer, (ii) are necessary to support such In-Service Date, and (iii) would otherwise not be completed, pursuant to a contractual obligation of an entity other than Interconnection Customer that is seeking interconnection to the Transmission System, in time to support such In-Service Date. Upon such request, Transmission Provider will use Reasonable Efforts to advance the construction of such Network Upgrades to accommodate such request; provided that Interconnection

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Customer commits to pay Transmission Provider: (i) any associated expediting costs; and (ii) the cost of such Network Upgrades.

Construction sequencing may result in a different interconnection configuration than identified in the interconnection studies (before any amendment described in Section 4413.2.4, if appliable). The cost responsibility/allocation of upgrades between the other entity and the Interconnection Customer shall be determined by the interconnection or other study results (i.e. prior to any amendment described in Section 413.2.4, if appliable). The updated configuration and cost responsibilities shall be described in the LGIA and the other entity's LGIA. LGIAs shall be amended if necessary. To minimize costs, Transmission Provider may elect to only construct upgrades needed to meet the requested in-service date and may delay other upgrades until the other entity requires the remaining upgrades to be constructed.

Transmission Provider will refund to Interconnection Customer both the expediting costs and the cost of Network Upgrades, in accordance with Article 11.4 of the LGIA. Consequently, the entity with a contractual obligation to construct such Network Upgrades shall be obligated to pay only that portion of the costs of the Network Upgrades that Transmission Provider has not refunded to Interconnection Customer. Payment by that entity shall be due on the date that it would have been due had there been no request for advance construction. Transmission Provider shall forward to Interconnection Customer the amount paid by the entity with a contractual obligation to construct the Network Upgrades as payment in full for the outstanding balance owed to Interconnection Customer. Transmission Provider then shall refund to that entity the amount that it paid for the Network Upgrades, in accordance with Article 11.4 of the LGIA.

44<u>13</u>.2.3 Advancing Construction of Network Upgrades that are Part of an Expansion Plan of the Transmission Provider.

An Interconnection Customer with an LGIA, in order to maintain its In-Service Date, may request that Transmission Provider advance to the extent necessary the completion of Network Upgrades that: (i) are necessary to support such In-Service Date; and (ii) would otherwise not be completed, pursuant to an expansion plan of Transmission Provider, in time to support such In-Service Date. Upon such request, Transmission Provider will use Reasonable Efforts to advance the construction of such Network Upgrades to accommodate such request; provided that Interconnection Customer commits to pay Transmission Provider any associated expediting costs. Interconnection Customer shall be entitled to transmission credits, if any, for any expediting costs paid.

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A Definitive Interconnection System ImpactCluster Study Report or Interconnection Facilities Study Report may be amended to determine the facilities necessary to support the requested In-Service Date. This amended study report will include those transmission and Large Generating Facilities that are expected to be in service on or before the requested In-Service Date.

Section 4214. Miscellaneous.

1214.1 Confidentiality.

Confidential Information shall include, without limitation, all information relating to a Party's technology, research and development, business affairs, and pricing, and any information supplied by either of the Parties to the other prior to the execution of an LGIA.

Information is Confidential Information only if it is clearly designated or marked in writing as confidential on the face of the document, or, if the information is conveyed orally or by inspection, if the Party providing the information orally informs the Party receiving the information that the information is confidential.

If requested by either Party, the other Party shall provide in writing the basis for asserting that the information referred to in this Article warrants confidential treatment, and the requesting Party may disclose such writing to the appropriate Governmental Authority. Each Party shall be responsible for the costs associated with affording confidential treatment to its information.

1214.1.1 Scope.

Confidential Information shall not include information that the receiving Party can demonstrate: (1) is generally available to the public other than as a result of a disclosure by the receiving Party; (2) was in the lawful possession of the receiving Party on a non-confidential basis before receiving it from the disclosing Party; (3) was supplied to the receiving Party without restriction by a third party, who, to the knowledge of the receiving Party after due inquiry, was under no obligation to the disclosing Party to keep such information confidential; (4) was independently developed by the receiving Party without reference to Confidential Information of the disclosing Party; (5) is, or becomes, publicly known, through no wrongful act or omission of the receiving Party or Breach of the LGIA; or (6) is required, in accordance with Section <u>4214</u>.1.6 of this LGIP, Order of Disclosure, to be disclosed by any Governmental Authority or is otherwise required to be disclosed by law or subpoena, or is necessary in any legal proceeding establishing rights and obligations under the LGIA.

Information designated as Confidential Information will no longer be deemed confidential if the Party that designated the information as confidential notifies the other Party that it no longer is confidential.

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4214.1.2 Release of Confidential Information.

Neither Party shall release or disclose Confidential Information to any other person, except to its Affiliates (limited by the Standards of Conduct requirements), employees, consultants, or to parties who may be or considering providing financing to or equity participation with Interconnection Customer, or to potential purchasers or assignees of Interconnection Customer, on a need-to-know basis in connection with these procedures, unless such person has first been advised of the confidentiality provisions of this Section 4214.1 and has agreed to comply with such provisions. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a Party providing Confidential Information to any person shall remain primarily responsible for any release of Confidential Information in contravention of this Section 4214.1.

1214.1.3 Rights.

Each Party retains all rights, title, and interest in the Confidential Information that each Party discloses to the other Party. The disclosure by each Party to the other Party of Confidential Information shall not be deemed a waiver by either Party or any other person or entity of the right to protect the Confidential Information from public disclosure.

4214.1.4 No Warranties.

By providing Confidential Information, neither Party makes any warranties or representations as to its accuracy or completeness. In addition, by supplying Confidential Information, neither Party obligates itself to provide any particular information or Confidential Information to the other Party nor to enter into any further agreements or proceed with any other relationship or joint venture.

4214.1.5 Standard of Care.

Each Party shall use at least the same standard of care to protect Confidential Information it receives as it uses to protect its own Confidential Information from unauthorized disclosure, publication or dissemination. Each Party may use Confidential Information solely to fulfill its obligations to the other Party under these procedures or its regulatory requirements.

4214.1.6 Order of Disclosure.

If a court or a Government Authority or entity with the right, power, and apparent authority to do so requests or requires either Party, by subpoena, oral deposition, interrogatories, requests for production of documents, administrative order, or otherwise, to disclose Confidential Information, that Party shall provide the other Party with prompt notice of such request(s) or requirement(s) so that the other Party may seek an appropriate protective order or waive compliance with the terms of the LGIA. Notwithstanding the absence of a protective order or waiver, the Party may disclose such Confidential Information which, in the opinion of its counsel, the Party is legally compelled to disclose. Each

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Party will use Reasonable Efforts to obtain reliable assurance that confidential treatment will be accorded any Confidential Information so furnished.

1214.1.7 Remedies.

The Parties agree that monetary damages would be inadequate to compensate a Party for the other Party's Breach of its obligations under this Section 4214.1. Each Party accordingly agrees that the other Party shall be entitled to equitable relief, by way of injunction or otherwise, if the first Party Breaches or threatens to Breach its obligations under this Section 4214.1, which equitable relief shall be granted without bond or proof of damages, and the receiving Party shall not plead in defense that there would be an adequate remedy at law. Such remedy shall not be deemed an exclusive remedy for the Breach of this Section 4214.1, but shall be in addition to all other remedies available at law or in equity. The Parties further acknowledge and agree that the covenants contained herein are necessary for the protection of legitimate business interests and are reasonable in scope. No Party, however, shall be liable for indirect, incidental, or consequential or punitive damages of any nature or kind resulting from or arising in connection with this Section 1214.1.

4214.1.8 Disclosure to FERC, its Staff, or a State.

Notwithstanding anything in this Section 4214.1 to the contrary, and pursuant to 18 CFR Section 1b.20, if FERC or its staff, during the course of an investigation or otherwise, requests information from one of the Parties that is otherwise required to be maintained in confidence pursuant to the Revisedthis LGIP, the Party shall provide the requested information to FERC or its staff, within the time provided for in the request for information. In providing the information to FERC or its staff, the Party must, consistent with 18 CFR Section 388.112, request that the information be treated as confidential and non-public by FERC and its staff and that the information be withheld from public disclosure. Parties are prohibited from notifying the other Party prior to the release of the Confidential Information to FERC or its staff. The Party shall notify the other Party to the LGIA when it is notified by FERC or its staff that a request to release Confidential Information has been received by FERC, at which time either of the Parties may respond before such information would be made public, pursuant to 18 CFR Section 388.112. Requests from a state regulatory body conducting a confidential investigation shall be treated in a similar manner, consistent with applicable state rules and regulations.

1214.1.9 Subject to the exception in Section <u>4214.1.8</u> of this LGIP, any information that a Party claims is competitively sensitive, commercial or financial information ("Confidential Information") shall not be disclosed by the other Party to any person not employed or retained by the other Party, except to the extent disclosure is (i) required by law;

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(ii) reasonably deemed by the disclosing Party to be required to be disclosed in connection with a dispute between or among the Parties, or the defense of litigation or dispute; (iii) otherwise permitted by consent of the other Party, such consent not to be unreasonably withheld; or (iv) necessary to fulfill its obligations under this Revised LGIP or as a transmission service provider or a Control Balancing Authority Area operator including disclosing the Confidential Information to an RTO or ISO or to a subregional, regional or national reliability organization or planning group. The Party asserting confidentiality shall notify the other Party in writing of the information it claims is confidential. Prior to any disclosures of the other Party's Confidential Information under this subparagraph, or if any third party or Governmental Authority makes any request or demand for any of the information described in this subparagraph, the disclosing Party agrees to promptly notify the other Party in writing and agrees to assert confidentiality and cooperate with the other Party in seeking to protect the Confidential Information from public disclosure by confidentiality agreement, protective order or other reasonable measures.

1214.1.10 This provision shall not apply to any information that was or is hereafter in the public domain (except as a result of a Breach of this provision).

Transmission Provider shall, at Interconnection Customer's election, destroy, in a confidential manner, or return the Confidential Information provided at the time of Confidential Information is no longer needed.

1214.2 Delegation of Responsibility.

Transmission Provider may use the services of subcontractors as it deems appropriate to perform its obligations under this Revised_LGIP. Transmission Provider shall remain primarily liable to Interconnection Customer for the performance of such subcontractors and compliance with its obligations of this Revised_LGIP. The subcontractor shall keep all information provided confidential and shall use such information solely for the performance of such obligation for which it was provided and no other purpose.

4214.3 Obligation for Study Costs and Withdrawal Penalty

In the event an Interconnection Customer withdraws its Interconnection Request prior to the commencement of the Cluster Study, Interconnection Customer must pay Transmission Provider shall the actual costs of processing its Interconnection Request. In the event an Interconnection Customer withdraws after the commencement of the Cluster Study, Transmission Provider shall charge and Interconnection Customer shall pay the actual costs of the Interconnection Studies and the Withdrawal Penalty, as applicable. The costs of any interconnection study conducted on a clustered basis shall be allocated among each Interconnection Customer within the cluster as specified in Section 4.2.3 of this LGIP.

Any difference between the study deposit and the actual cost of the applicable Interconnection StudyStudies shall be paid by or refunded, except as otherwise

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provided herein, to Interconnection Customers. . Any invoices for Interconnection Studies shall include a detailed and itemized accounting of the cost of each Interconnection Study as well as the Withdrawal Penalty, if applicable. Interconnection Customer Customers shall pay any such undisputed costs within thirty (30) Calendar Days of receipt of an invoice. Transmission Provider shall not be obligated to perform or continue to perform any studies unless of an Interconnection Customer has paid all fails to pay such undisputed amounts in compliance herewith. If invoices are not paid within thirty (30) Calendar Days of receipt of an invoice, Transmission Provider costs within the time allotted, its Interconnection Request shall draw upon the security provided under this Revised LGIP to settle all accounts, which shall include any offsets of amounts due be deemed withdrawn from the Cluster Study Process and owing by Transmission Provider. After the final invoice is paid and all accounts are settled, Transmission Provider shall refund all remaining security will be subject to Withdrawal Penalties pursuant to Section 3.7 of this LGIP.

1214.4 Third Parties Conducting Studies.

If (i) at the time of the signing of an Interconnection Study Agreement there is disagreement as to the estimated time to complete an Interconnection Study, (ii) Interconnection Customer receives notice pursuant to Sections 78.4 or 89.3 of this LGIP that Transmission Provider will not complete an Interconnection Study within the applicable timeframe for such Interconnection Study, or (iii) Interconnection Customer receives neither the Interconnection Study nor a notice under Sections 78.4 or 89.3 of this LGIP within the applicable timeframe for such Interconnection Study, then Interconnection Customer may require Transmission Provider to utilize a third party consultant reasonably acceptable to Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider to perform such Interconnection Study under the direction of Transmission Provider. At other times, Transmission Provider may also utilize a third party consultant to perform such Interconnection Study, either in response to a general request of Interconnection Customer, or on its own volition.

In all cases, use of a third party consultant shall be in accord with Article 26 of the LGIA (Subcontractors) and limited to situations where Transmission Provider determines that doing so will help maintain or accelerate the study process for Interconnection Customer's pending Interconnection Request and not interfere with Transmission Provider's progress on Interconnection Studies for other pending Interconnection Requests. In cases where Interconnection Customer requests use of a third party consultant to perform such Interconnection Study, Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider shall negotiate all of the pertinent terms and conditions, including reimbursement arrangements and the estimated study completion date and study review deadline. Transmission Provider shall convey all workpapers, data bases, study results and all other supporting documentation prepared to date with respect to the Interconnection Request as soon as soon as practicable upon Interconnection Customer's request subject to the confidentiality provision in Section 4214.1 of this LGIP. In any case, such third party contract may be entered into with either Interconnection Customer or Transmission Provider at Transmission Provider's discretion. In the case of

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clause (iii), above, Interconnection Customer maintains its right to submit a claim to Dispute Resolution to recover the costs of such third party study. Such third party consultant shall be required to comply with this Revised LGIP, Article 26 of the LGIA (Subcontractors), and the relevant Tariff procedures and protocols as would apply if Transmission Provider were to conduct the Interconnection Study and shall use the information provided to it solely for purposes of performing such services and for no other purposes. Transmission Provider shall cooperate with such third party consultant and Interconnection Customer to complete and issue the Interconnection Study in the shortest reasonable time.

1214.5 Disputes.

1214.5.1 Submission.

In the event either Party has a dispute, or asserts a claim, that arises out of or in connection with the LGIA, the Revised LGIP, or their performance, such Party (the "disputing Party") shall provide the other Party with written notice of the dispute or claim ("Notice of Dispute"). Such dispute or claim shall be referred to a designated senior representative of each Party for resolution on an informal basis as promptly as practicable after receipt of the Notice of Dispute by the other Party. In the event the designated representatives are unable to resolve the claim or dispute through unassisted or assisted negotiations within thirty (30) Calendar Days of the other Party's receipt of the Notice of Dispute, such claim or dispute may, upon mutual agreement of the Parties, be submitted to arbitration and resolved in accordance with the arbitration procedures set forth below. In the event the Parties do not agree to submit such claim or dispute to arbitration, each Party may exercise whatever rights and remedies it may have in equity or at law consistent with the terms of this LGIA.

4214.5.2 External Arbitration Procedures.

Any arbitration initiated under these procedures shall be conducted before a single neutral arbitrator appointed by the Parties. If the Parties fail to agree upon a single arbitrator within ten (10) Calendar Days of the submission of the dispute to arbitration, each Party shall choose one arbitrator who shall sit on a three-member arbitration panel. The two arbitrators so chosen shall within twenty (20) Calendar Days select a third arbitrator to chair the arbitration panel. In either case, the arbitrators shall be knowledgeable in electric utility matters, including electric transmission and bulk power issues, and shall not have any current or past substantial business or financial relationships with any party to the arbitration (except prior arbitration). The arbitrator(s) shall provide each of the Parties an opportunity to be heard and, except as otherwise provided herein, shall conduct the arbitration in accordance with the Commercial Arbitration Rules of the American Arbitration Association ("Arbitration Rules") and any applicable FERC regulations or RTO rules; provided, however, in the event of a conflict between the

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Arbitration Rules and the terms of this Section 4214, the terms of this Section 4214 shall prevail.

4214.5.3 Arbitration Decisions.

Unless otherwise agreed by the Parties, the arbitrator(s) shall render a decision within ninety (90) Calendar Days of appointment and shall notify the Parties in writing of such decision and the reasons therefore. The arbitrator(s) shall be authorized only to interpret and apply the provisions of the LGIA and Revised LGIP and shall have no power to modify or change any provision of the LGIA and Revised LGIP in any manner. The decision of the arbitrator(s) shall be final and binding upon the Parties, and judgment on the award may be entered in any court having jurisdiction. The decision of the arbitrator(s) may be appealed solely on the grounds that the conduct of the arbitrator(s), or the decision itself, violated the standards set forth in the Federal Arbitration Act or the Administrative Dispute Resolution Act. The final decision of the arbitrator must also be filed with FERC if it affects jurisdictional rates, terms and conditions of service, Interconnection Facilities, or Network Upgrades.

1214.5.4 Costs.

Each Party shall be responsible for its own costs incurred during the arbitration process and for the following costs, if applicable: (1) the cost of the arbitrator chosen by the Party to sit on the three member panel and one-half of the cost of the third arbitrator chosen; or (2) one-half the cost of the single arbitrator jointly chosen by the Parties.

4214.5.5 Non-Binding Dispute Resolution Procedures.

If a Party has submitted a Notice of Dispute pursuant to Section 1214.5.1 of this LGIP, and the Parties are unable to resolve the claim or dispute through unassisted or assisted negotiations within the thirty (30) Calendar Days provided in that section, and the Parties cannot reach mutual agreement to pursue the Section 4214.5 arbitration process, a Party may request that Transmission Provider engage in Non-binding Dispute Resolution pursuant to this sectionSection by providing written notice to Transmission Provider ("Request for Nonbinding Dispute Resolution"). Conversely, either Party may file a Request for Non-binding Dispute Resolution pursuant to this sectionSection without first seeking mutual agreement to pursue the Section 4214.5 arbitration process. The process in Section 4214.5.5 shall serve as an alternative to, and not a replacement of, the Section 1214.5 arbitration process. Pursuant to this process, Transmission Provider must within thirty (30) Calendar Days of receipt of the Request for Non-binding Dispute Resolution appoint a neutral decision-maker that is an independent subcontractor that shall not have any current or past substantial business or financial relationships with either Party. Unless otherwise agreed by the Parties, the decision-maker shall render a decision within sixty (60) Calendar Days of appointment and

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shall notify the Parties in writing of such decision and reasons therefore. This decision-maker shall be authorized only to interpret and apply the provisions of the Revised-LGIP and LGIA and shall have no power to modify or change any provision of the Revised-LGIP and LGIA in any manner. The result reached in this process is not binding, but, unless otherwise agreed, the Parties may cite the record and decision in the non-binding dispute resolution process in future dispute resolution processes, including in Section 4214.5 arbitration, or in a Federal Power Act Section 206 complaint. Each Party shall be responsible for its own costs incurred during the process and the cost of the decision-maker shall be divided equally among each Party to the dispute.

1214.6 Local Furnishing Bonds.

4214.6.1 Transmission Providers That Own Facilities Financed by Local Furnishing Bonds.

This provision is applicable only to a Transmission Provider that has financed facilities for the local furnishing of electric energy with tax-exempt bonds, as described in Section 142(f) of the Internal Revenue Code ("local furnishing bonds"). Notwithstanding any other provision of this LGIA and Revised LGIP, Transmission Provider shall not be required to provide Interconnection Service to Interconnection Customer pursuant to this LGIA and Revised LGIP if the provision of such Transmission Service would jeopardize the tax-exempt status of any local furnishing bond(s) used to finance Transmission Provider's facilities that would be used in providing such Interconnection Service.

4214.6.2 Alternative Procedures for Requesting Interconnection Service.

If Transmission Provider determines that the provision of Interconnection Service requested by Interconnection Customer would jeopardize the tax-exempt status of any local furnishing bond(s) used to finance its facilities that would be used in providing such Interconnection Service, it shall advise Interconnection Customer within thirty (30) Calendar Days of receipt of the Interconnection Request.

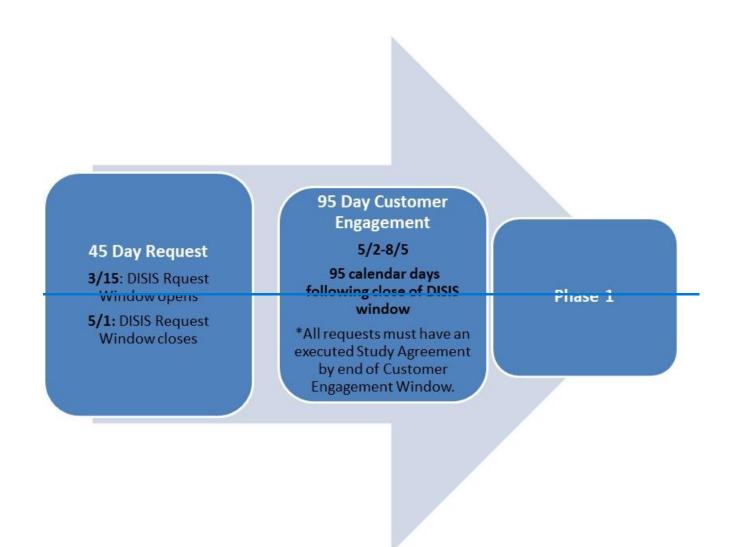
Interconnection Customer thereafter may renew its request for interconnection using the process specified in Article 5.2(ii) of the Transmission Provider's Tariff.

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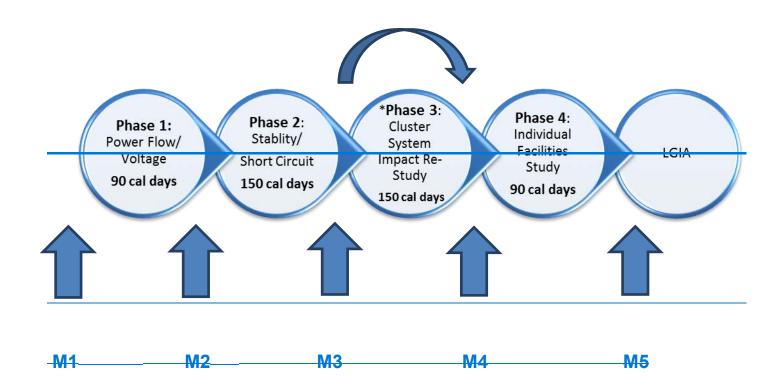


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Phase 1: Power Flow/Voltage: Within 90 calendar days

- Transmission Provider to perform Power Flow and Voltage Analysis.
- Transmission Provider to complete Phase 1 report within 90 Calendar Days.
- Interconnection Customer to demonstrate M2 Readiness within 20 Business Days following Phase 1 report meeting.

Phase 2: Stability/Short Circuit: Within 150 calendar days

- Transmission Provider to perform Stability/Short Circuit analysis.
- Transmission Provider to complete Phase 2 study report within 150 Calendar Days •
- Interconnection Customer to demonstrate M3 (if restudy is necessary) or M4 Readiness within 20 Business Days of Phase 2 report meeting.

**Phase 3: Iterative Cluster System Impact Restudy: Within 150 calendar days

May not be necessary

- If a restudy is needed, Transmission Provider to perform Phase 3 Restudy within 150 Calendar days.
- Interconnection Customer to demonstrate M4 Readiness if no further System Impact Restudies are necessary within 20 Business Days of Phase 3 restudy report meeting.

Phase 4: Individual Interconnection Facilities Study: Within 90 calendar days

- Transmission Provider to complete Interconnection Facilites Study within 90 days.
- Interconnection Customer to provide written comments of Interconnection Facilities Study Report to Transmission Provider within 30 days of receipt of draft Interconnection Facilities Study Report.

Phase 5: LGIA:

- Interconnection Customer shall return the completed draft appendices and execute the LGIA within thirty (30) Calendar Days of receiving the draft LGIA and final Interconnection Facilities Study
- Interconnection Customer to execute and return completed draft appendices within 30 calendar days of receipt of draft LGIA.
- Deadline for LGIA negotiations to be completed within 60 calendar days of after tender of the final Interconnection Facilities Study Report.
- Deadline for filing or executing LGIA is within 60 calendar days of after tender the draft LGIA provided to Interconnection Customer.
- Interconnection Customer to satisfy Readiness Milestone 5 and other requirements described in Section 10.3 prior to full execution of final LGIA

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APPENDIX 1 to Revised LGIP INTERCONNECTION REQUEST FOR A LARGE GENERATING FACILITY

| 1. | | undersigned Interconnection Customer submits this request to interconnect its Large erating Facility with Transmission Provider's Transmission System pursuant to a f. | | | | |
|----|---|---|--|--|--|--|
| 2. | This Interconnection Request is for (check one): A proposed new Large Generating Facility. An increase in the generating capacity or a Material Modification of an existing Generating Facility. A Generating Facility proposed for inclusion in a resource solicitation process. Replacement of Existing Generating Facility with no increase in capacity. Surplus Interconnection Service | | | | | |
| 3. | The | type of interconnection service requested (check one):Energy Resource Interconnection ServiceNetwork Resource Interconnection Service Check here only if Interconnection Customer requesting Network Resource Interconnection Service also seeks to have its Generating Facility studied for Energy Resource Interconnection Service | | | | |
| 4. | Inter | Interconnection Customer provides the following information: | | | | |
| | a. | Address or location or the proposed new Large Generating Facility site (to the extent known) or, in the case of an existing Generating Facility, the name and specific location of the existing Generating Facility; | | | | |
| | b. | Maximum summer at degrees C and winter at degrees C megawatt electrical output of the proposed new Large Generating Facility or the amount of megawatt increase in the generating capacity of an existing Generating Facility; | | | | |
| | c. d. | General description of the equipment configuration; Commercial Operation Date (Month, Day, and Year); | | | | |
| | e. | Name, address, telephone number, and e-mail address of Interconnection | | | | |
| | 0. | Customer's contact person; | | | | |
| | f. | Approximate location of the proposed Point of Interconnection; | | | | |
| | g. | Interconnection Customer Data (set forth in AttachmentAppendix A) | | | | |
| | h. | Primary frequency response operating range for electric storage resources. | | | | |
| | i. | Requested capacity (in MW) of Interconnection Service (if lower than the Generating Facility Capacity). | | | | |
| | j. | If this Interconnection Request is for Generation Replacement, Interconnection Customer must submit: Planned or Actual date of cessation of operation for the Existing Generating Facility: Expected Commercial Operation Date for the Replacement Generating Facility: | | | | |

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- k. If applicable, (1) the requested operating assumptions (i.e., whether the interconnecting Generating Facility will or will not charge at peak load) to be used by Transmission Provider that reflect the proposed charging behavior of a Generating Facility that includes at least one electric storage resource, and (2) a description of any control technologies (software and/or hardware) that will limit the operation of the Generating Facility to its intended operation.
- 5. Interconnection Customer provides applicable study deposit amount as specified in the Revised-LGIP.

\$75,000 for requests of less than 50 MW; or \$150,000 for requests of 50 MW and Greater, but less than 200 MW; or \$250,000 for requests of 200 MW and greater

- 6. Interconnection Customer provides Readiness Milestone Demonstration 1—(M1) as specified in the Revised LGIP (Section 7.78.6.1).
- 7. Interconnection Customer provides security equal to one times the study deposit described in Section 3.1 of the Revised-LGIP in the form of an irrevocable letter of credit, cash, a surety bond, or eashother form of security that is reasonably acceptable to Transmission Provider.
- 8. If the request is for NRIS and if Transmission Provider has not been notified pursuant to Section 29.2 of Part III of the Tariff that Interconnection Customer's proposed Generating Facility is to be designated as a Network Resource-within Transmission Provider's Control Area, the Network Transmission Customer which will later designate the resource as a Network Resource, or the point of delivery or the geographic location on Transmission Provider's Transmission System at which Interconnection Customer intends to deliver the generation output out of Transmission Provider's Transmission System, Interconnection Customer
 - 1) The Network Transmission Customer which will later designate the resource as a Network Resource:
 - 2) The expected Point of Delivery within the Transmission Provider's Transmission system:

 or
 - 3) The georgraphic location on the seam of Transmission Provider's Transmission System at which the Interconnection Customer intends to deliver the generation output out of Transmission Provider's Transmission System.
- 9. Interconnection Customer provides evidence of Site Control as specified in the Revised LGIP and Transmission Provider's business practices posted on OASIS.
- 10. This Interconnection Request shall be submitted to the <u>representative email box</u> indicated below:

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[To be completed by Transmission Provider]

PSCointerconnection@xcelenergy.com

11. Representative of Interconnection Customer to contact:

[To be completed by Interconnection Customer]

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| 12. | This Interconnection Request is submitted by: |
| | Name of Interconnection Customer: |
| | By (signature): |
| | Name (type or print): |
| | Title: |
| | Date: |

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LARGE GENERATING FACILITY DATA

UNIT RATINGS

| kVA | °F | Voltage | |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------------|--|
| Power Factor | | - | |
| Speed (RPM) | Connection (e.g. Wye) | | |
| Short Circuit Ratio | Frequency, Hertz | | |
| Stator Amperes at Rated kVA | | Field Volts | |
| Max Turbine MW | °F | | |
| Primary frequency response | onse operating range fo | or electric storage resources. | |
| Minimum State of Cha | rge: | | |
| Maximum State of Cha | | | |
| | | | |
| COMBINED TUR | BINE-GENERATOR-EX | CITER INERTIA DATA | |
| Inertia Constant, H = | kW sec/kVA | | |
| Moment-of-Inertia, WR ² = | lb. ft. ² | | |
| PEACTA | NCE DATA (PER UNIT- | PATED KVA) | |
| REACTA | NICE DATA (FER ONIT- | KATED KVAJ | |
| DIR | RECT AXIS QUADRATU | RE AXIS | |
| Synchronous – saturated | X_{dv} | X _{qv} | |
| Synchronous – unsaturated | X_{di} | X_{qi} | |
| Transient – saturated | X ' _{dv} | X' _{qv} | |
| Transient – unsaturated | X'di | X'qi | |
| Subtransient – saturated | X" _{dv} | X" _{qv} | |
| Subtransient – unsaturated | X"di | X"qi | |
| Negative Sequence – saturated | X2 _v | | |
| Negative Sequence – unsaturate | ed X2 _i | | |
| Zero Sequence – saturated | X0 _v | | |
| Zero Sequence – unsaturated | X0 _i | | |
| Leakage Reactance | XI _m | | |

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| Open Circuit | T' _{do} | T' _{qo} |
|---|--|--|
| Three-Phase Short Circuit Transie | nt T' _{d3} | |
| Line to Line Short Circuit Transien | t T' _{d1} | - |
| Short Circuit Subtransient | T" _d | T" _q |
| Open Circuit Subtransient | T' _{d2} | - |
| Line to Neutral Short Circuit Trans | ient T" _{do} | T" _{qo} |
| | TIME CONSTANT DARE TIME CONSTANT | |
| Line to Line Short Circuit T | a3 a2 a1 | |
| NOTE: If requested information is n | ot applicable, indicate | by marking "N/A." |
| | LITY AND PLANT CO GENERATING FACI | |
| ARMATURE WI | NDING RESISTANCE | E DATA (PER UNIT) |
| Positive R Negative R Zero R | 1 2 0 | |
| Rotor Short Time Thermal Capacity Field Current at Rated kVA, Armatu Field Current at Rated kVA and Arm Three Phase Armature Winding Cap Field Winding Resistance = | re Voltage and PF =_ nature Voltage, 0 PF = pacitance =m _ ohms°C | =amps nicrofarad |
| | CURVES | |
| Provide Saturation, Vee, Reactiv Designate normal and emergency F | | city Temperature Correction curves. perating range for multiple curves. |
| GENERATOR ST | EP-UP TRANSFORM | MER DATA RATINGS |
| Capacity Self-cooled/ Maximum Name | olate kVA | |
| Voltage Ratio(Generator Side/Syste | em side/Tertiary) | |

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| | kV | |
| Winding Connections (Low V/High V/Tertiary V | | |
| Fixed Taps Available | | |
| Present Tap Setting | | |
| If more than one transformer stage is used to Facility to the Transmission System, please pr or transformer type. | | |
| IMPE | DANCE | |
| Positive Z ₁ (on self-cooled kVA rating) | %% | X/R |
| Zero Z ₀ (on self-cooled kVA rating) | <u></u> %% | X/R |
| EXCITATION | SYSTEM DATA | |
| Identify appropriate IEEE model block diagram (PSS) for computer representation in power sy excitation system and PSS constants for use in | ystem stability simula | |
| GOVERNOR | SYSTEM DATA | |
| Identify appropriate IEEE model block diagram in power system stability simulations and the cin the model. | | |
| WIND AND OTHER NON-SY | NCHRONOUS GEN | IERATORS |
| Number of generators to be interconnected | ed pursuant to thi | s Interconnection Reques |
| Elevation Single Phase | Three Pha | ase |
| Inverter manufacturer, model name, number, a | | |

Note: A completed General Electric Company Power Systems Load Flow (PSLF) data sheet or other compatible formats, such as IEEE and PTI power flow models, must be supplied with the

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Interconnection Request as specified in the business practice manual or other OASIS postings. If other data sheets are more appropriate to the proposed device, then they shall be provided and discussed at Scoping Meeting.

| Project Information: Site Control and Adequacy | | | | |
|--|--|--|--|--|
| Total acres required to construct the Generating Facility: | | | | |
| Total acres under site control for the Generating Facility at the time of application: | | | | |
| Is Site Control required for Interconnection Facilities, i.e. transmission gen-tie or substation, to interconnect the Generating Facility? Y N If yes, how many miles of gen-tie right-of-way are required? What is the total number of acres required to build the gen-tie? How many miles of gen-tie right-of-way are under Site Control at the time of this application? | | | | |
| List any local, state, or federal government permits required to construct the Generating Facility and any applicable Interconnection Facilities, i.e. transmission gen-tie: | | | | |

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INDUCTION GENERATORS

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| (* | <u>) Field Volts:</u> |
|-----|---|
| (* | Field Amperes: |
| (* | Motoring Power (kW): |
| (*) | Neutral Grounding Resistor (If Applicable: |
| (* |) I ₂ ² t or K (Heating Time Constant): |
| (* | Rotor Resistance: |
| (*) | Stator Resistance: |
| (*) | Stator Reactance: |
| (* | Rotor Reactance: |
| (* | Magnetizing Reactance: |
| (*) | Short Circuit Reactance: |
| (* | Exciting Current: |
| (* | Temperature Rise: |
| (*) | Frame Size: |
| (*) | Design Letter: |
| (*) | Reactive Power Required In Vars (No Load): |
| (*) | Reactive Power Required In Vars (Full Load): |
| (* |) Total Rotating Inertia, H: Per Unit on KVA Bas |

Note: Please consult Transmission Provider prior to submitting the Interconnection Request to determine if the information designated by (*) is required.

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MODELS FOR NON-SYNCHRONOUS GENERATORS For a non-synchronous Large Generating Facility, Interconnection Customer shall provide (1) a validated user-defined root mean squared (RMS) positive sequence dynamics model; (2) an appropriately parameterized generic library RMS positive sequence dynamics model, including model block diagram of the inverter control and plant control systems, as defined by the selection in Table 1 or a model otherwise approved by the Western Electricity Coordinating Council, that corresponds to Interconnection Customer's Large Generating Facility; and (3) if applicable, a validated electromagnetic transient model if Transmission Provider performs an electromagnetic transient study as part of the interconnection study process. A user-defined model is a set of programming code created by equipment manufacturers or developers that captures the latest features of controllers that are mainly software based and represents the entities' control strategies but does not necessarily correspond to any generic library model. Interconnection Customer must also demonstrate that the model is validated by providing evidence that the equipment behavior is consistent with the model behavior (e.g., an attestation from Interconnection Customer that the model accurately represents the entire Large Generating Facility; attestations from each equipment manufacturer that the user defined model accurately represents the component of the Large Generating Facility; or test data).

Table 1: Acceptable Generic Library RMS Positive Sequence Dynamics Models

| GE PSLF | Siemens PSS/E* | PowerWorld Simulator | <u>Description</u> |
|---------|--------------------|-------------------------|---|
| pvd1 | | PVD1 | <u>Distributed PV system model</u> |
| der_a | DERAU1 | DER_A | Distributed energy resource model |
| regc a | REGCAU1, REGCA1 | REGC A | Generator/converter model |
| regc_b | REGCBU1 | REGC_B | Generator/converter model |
| wt1g | WT1G1 | WT1G and WT1G1 | Wind turbine model for Type-1 wind turbines (conventional directly connected induction generator) |
| wt2g | WT2G1 | WT2G and WT2G1 | Generator model for generic Type-2 wind turbines |

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| GE PSLF | Siemens PSS/E* | PowerWorld Simulator | Description |
|------------|--------------------|-------------------------|--|
| wt2e | WT2E1 | WT2E and WT2E1 | Rotor resistance control model for wound-rotor induction wind-turbine generator wt2g |
| reec a | REECAU1, REECA1 | REEC A | Renewable energy electrical control model |
| reec c | REECCU1 | REEC C | Electrical control model for battery energy storage system |
| reec_d | REECDU1 | REEC_D | Renewable energy electrical control model |
| wt1t | <u>WT12T1</u> | WT1T and WT12T1 | Wind turbine model for Type-1 wind turbines (conventional directly connected induction generator) |
| wt1p b | wt1p b | WT12A1U B | Generic wind turbine pitch controller for WTGs of Types 1 and 2 |
| wt2t | WT12T1 | WT2T | Wind turbine model for Type-2 wind turbines (directly connected induction generator wind turbines with an external rotor resistance) |
| wtgt_a | WTDTAU1, WTDTA1 | WTGT_A | Wind turbine drive train model |
| wtga_a | WTARAU1, WTARA1 | WTGA_A | Simple aerodynamic model |
| wtgp a | WTPTAU1, WTPTA1 | WTGPT A | Wind Turbine Generator Pitch controller |
| wtgq_a | WTTQAU1, WTTQA1 | WTGTRQ_A | Wind Turbine Generator Torque controller |
| wtgwgo_a | WTGWGOAU | WTGWGO_A | Supplementary control model for Weak Grids |
| wtgibffr a | WTGIBFFRA | WTGIBFFR A | Inertial-base fast frequency response control |

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| GE PSLF | Siemens PSS/E* | PowerWorld Simulator | <u>Description</u> |
|---------|---|-------------------------|--|
| wtgp_b | WTPTBU1 | WTGPT_B | Wind Turbine Generator Pitch controller |
| wtgt_b | WTDTBU1 | WTGT_B | Drive train model |
| repc_a | Type 4: REPCAU1 (v33), REPCA1 (v34) Type 3: REPCTAU1 (v33), REPCTAU1 (v34) | REPC_A | Power Plant Controller |
| repc b | PLNTBU1 | REPC B | Power Plant Level Controller for controlling several plants/devices In regard to Siemens PSS/E*: Names of other models for interface with other devices: REA3XBU1, REAX4BU1- for interface with Type 3 and 4 renewable machines SWSAXBU1- for interface with SVC (modeled as switched shunt in powerflow) SYNAXBU1- for interface with synchronous condenser FCTAXBU1- for interface with FACTS device |
| repc_c | REPCCU | REPC_C | Power plant controller |

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RECITALS

WHEREAS, Interconnection Customer is proposing to develop a Large Generating Facility or generating capacity addition to an existing Generating Facility consistent with the Interconnection Request submitted by Interconnection Customer dated ; and

<u>WHEREAS</u>, Interconnection Customer desires to interconnect the Large Generating Facility with the Transmission System; and

WHEREAS, Interconnection Customer has requested Transmission Provider to perform a Definitive Interconnection System ImpactCluster Study to assess the impact of interconnecting the Large Generating Facility to the Transmission System, and of any Affected Systems; and

WHEREAS, Interconnection Customer commits to provide certain Readiness Milestones through the Definitive Interconnection Study process Demonstrations as described in Section 7.78.6 of the Revised LGIP.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of and subject to the mutual covenants contained herein the Parties agreed as follows:

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- 1.0 When used in this Agreement, with initial capitalization, the terms specified shall have the meanings indicated in Transmission Provider's FERC-approved Revised-LGIP.
- 2.0 Interconnection Customer elects and Transmission Provider shall cause to be performed a Definitive Interconnection System ImpactCluster Study consistent with Sections 78.3 and 78.4 of this Revised LGIP in accordance with the Tariff.
- 3.0 The scope of the Definitive Interconnection System ImpactCluster Study shall be subject to the assumptions set forth in AttachmentAppendix A to this Agreement.
- The Definitive Interconnection System ImpactCluster Study shall be based upon the technical information provided by Interconnection Customer in the Interconnection Request, subject to any modifications in accordance with Section 4.4 of the Revised LGIP. Transmission Provider reserves the right to request additional technical information from Interconnection Customer as may reasonably become necessary consistent with Good Utility Practice during the course of the Definitive Interconnection System ImpactCluster Study. If Interconnection Customer modifies its designated Point of Interconnection, Interconnection Request, or the technical information provided therein is modified, the time to complete the Definitive Interconnection System Impact Study may be extended.
- 5.0 The Definitive Interconnection System Impact Study report (Phase 2 or Phase 3 Cluster Study Report) shall provide the following information, as appropriate:
- identification of any circuit breaker short circuit capability limits exceeded as a result of the interconnection;
- identification of any thermal overload or voltage limit violations resulting from the interconnection:
- identification of any instability or inadequately damped response to system disturbances resulting from the interconnection; and
- description and non-binding, good faith estimated cost of facilities required to interconnect the Large Generating Facility to the Transmission System and to address the identified short circuit, instability, and power flow issues.
- Interconnection Customer shall provide the any deposit as a Readiness Demonstration specified in SectionSections 3.1.1 and 8.6 of the Revised-LGIP, as applicable, for the performance of the Definitive Interconnection System Impact Study and the Interconnection Facilities Study. Cluster. Transmission Provider's good faith estimate for the time of completion of the Definitive Interconnection System Impact Study (Phase 2)-Cluster Study is [insert date].

Upon receipt of the Interconnection Facilities Cluster Study results (Phase 4 Results), or withdrawal of the Interconnection Request, Transmission Provider shall charge and Interconnection Customer shall pay its share of the actual costs of the Definitive Interconnection System ImpactCluster Study, and the Withdrawal Penalty, as

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applicable, allocated according to Sections 4.2.3 and <u>83.7</u>.1 of the <u>Revised LGIP</u> and the cost of the individual Interconnection Facilities Study.

Any difference between the study deposit and the actual cost of the study shall be paid by or refunded to Interconnection Customer, as appropriate, except as otherwise provided herein: and in the LGIP. As provided in Section 4214.3 of the Revised LGIP, Interconnection Customer has thirty (30) Calendar Days of receipt of an invoice from Transmission Provider to pay any undisputed costs. If invoices are not paid within thirty (30) Calendar Days of receipt of an invoice, Transmission Provider shall draw upon the security provided to settle all accounts, which shall include any offsets of amounts due and owing by Transmission Provider. After the final invoice is paid and all accounts are settled, Transmission Provider shall refund all remaining security.

7.0 Miscellaneous. The Definitive Interconnection System ImpactCluster Study Agreement shall include standard miscellaneous terms including, but not limited to, indemnities, representations, disclaimers, warranties, governing law, amendment, execution, waiver, enforceability and assignment, that reflect best practices in the electric industry, that are consistent with regional practices, Applicable Laws and Regulations and the organizational nature of each Party. All of these provisions, to the extent practicable, shall be consistent with the provisions of the Revised LGIP and the LGIA.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, the Parties have caused this Agreement to be duly executed by their duly authorized officers or agents on the day and year first above written.

[Insert name of Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner, if applicable]

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| [Insert name of Interconnection Customer] |
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| By. |
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Definitive Interconnection System ImpactCluster Study Agreement

ASSUMPTIONS USED IN CONDUCTING THE DEFINITIVE INTERCONNECTION SYSTEM IMPACT CLUSTER STUDY

The <u>Definitive Interconnection System ImpactCluster</u> Study <u>shallwill</u> be based upon the <u>technical</u> information <u>set forthprovided by Interconnection Customer</u> in the Interconnection Request(<u>s</u>) and results of applicable prior studies, subject to any modifications in accordance with Section 4.4 of <u>the Revisedthis</u> LGIP, and the following assumptions:

Designation of Point of Interconnection and configuration to be studied.

[Designation of alternative Point(s) of Interconnection and configuration.

{Above assumptions to be completed by Interconnection Customer and other assumptions to be provided by Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider}}

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APPENDIX 3 to Revised LGIP INTERCONNECTION FACILITIES STUDY AGREEMENT

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| | 4.0 | The Int | erconnectio | n Facilities S | study rep | ortReport (i) | shall provi | de a descrip | tion of, |

estimated cost of, schedule for required facilities to interconnect the Large

System ImpactCluster Study.

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Generating Facility to the Transmission System and (ii) shall address the short circuit, instability, and power flow issues identified in the Definitive Interconnection

- Interconnection Customer shall meet the requirements specified under Section 89.1 of the Revised LGIP prior to the performance of the Interconnection Facilities Study. The time for completion of the Interconnection Facilities Study is specified in Attachment Appendix A.
- 6.0 Interconnection Customer shall have provided the deposit as Readiness Demonstrations specified in Section 3.18.6 of the Revised LGIP for the performance of the Definitive Interconnection System ImpactCluster Study and the Interconnection Facilities Study.

Upon receipt of the Interconnection Facilities Study results (Phase 4 Results), Transmission Provider shall charge and Interconnection Customer shall pay the actual costs of the Definitive Interconnection System ImpactCluster Study which includes costs allocated according to Section 4.2.3 of the Revised LGIP, the cost of the individual Interconnection Facilities Study, and the withdraw penalty calculated pursuant to 3.7.1.1, if applicable.

Any difference between the study deposit and the actual cost of the study shall be paid by or refunded to Interconnection Customer, as appropriate, except as otherwise provided herein. As provided in Section 1214.3 of the Revised LGIP, Interconnection Customer has thirty (30) Calendar Days of receipt of an invoice from Transmission Provider to pay any undisputed costs. If invoices are not paid within thirty (30) Calendar Days of receipt of an invoice, Transmission Provider shall draw upon the security provided to settle all accounts, which shall include any offsets of amounts due and owing by Transmission Provider. After the final invoice is paid and all accounts are settled, Transmission Provider shall refund all remaining security.

7.0 Miscellaneous. The Interconnection Facilities Study Agreement shall include standard miscellaneous terms including, but not limited to, indemnities, representations, disclaimers, warranties, governing law, amendment, execution, waiver, enforce abilityenforceability and assignment, that reflect best practices in the electric industry, and that are consistent with regional practices, Applicable Laws and Regulations, and the organizational nature of each Party. All of these provisions, to the extent practicable, shall be consistent with the provisions of the Revised LGIP and the LGIA.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have caused this Agreement to be duly executed by their duly authorized officers or agents on the day and year first above written.

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Interconnection Facilities
Study Agreement

INTERCONNECTION CUSTOMER SCHEDULE ELECTION FOR CONDUCTING THE INTERCONNECTION FACILITIES STUDY

<u>Transmission Provider shall complete the study and issue a draft Interconnection Facilities</u>
<u>Study Report to Interconnection Customer within the following number of days after receipt of an executed copy of this Interconnection Facilities Study Agreement:</u>

- ninety (90) Calendar Days with no more than a +/- 20 percent cost estimate contained in the report, or
- one hundred eighty (180) Calendar Days with no more than a +/- 10 percent cost estimate contained in the report.

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Interconnection Facilities Study Agreement

DATA FORM TO BE PROVIDED BY INTERCONNECTION CUSTOMER WITH THE INTERCONNECTION FACILITIES STUDY AGREEMENT

Provide location plan and simplified one-line diagram of the plant and station facilities. For staged projects, please indicate future generation, transmission circuits, etc.

One set of metering is required for each generation connection to the new ring bus or existing Transmission Provider station. Number of generation connections:

| On the one line diagram indicate the generation capacity attached at each metering location. (Maximum load on CT/PT) |
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| On the one line diagram indicate the location of auxiliary power. (Minimum load on CT/PT) Amps |
| Will an alternate source of auxiliary power be available during CT/PT maintenance? Yes No |
| Will a transfer bus on the generation side of the metering require that each meter set be designed for the total plant generation? Yes No (Please indicate on one line diagram). |
| What type of control system or PLC will be located at Interconnection Customer's Large Generating Facility? |
| What protocol does the control system or PLC use? |
| Please provide a 7.5-minute quadrangle of the site. Sketch the plant, station, transmission line, and property line. |
| Physical dimensions of the proposed interconnection station: |
| Bus length from generation to interconnection station: |

Line length from interconnection station to Transmission Provider's transmission line-:

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| Tower number observed in the field. (Painted on tower leg)* | | | |
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| Number of third party easements required for tr | ansmission lines": | | |
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| * To be completed in coordination with T | Fransmission Provider. | | |
| Is the Large Generating Facility in Transmission | n Provider's service area? | | |
| YesNo Local provider: _ | | | |
| Please provide proposed schedule dates: | | | |
| Begin Construction | Date: | | |
| Generator step-up transformer receives back feed power | Date: | | |
| Generation Testing | Date: | | |
| Commercial Operation | Date: | | |

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APPENDIX 4 to Revised LGIP

Transitional Interconnection Facilities Study Agreement

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| and between a | organized | and exist | ing under | the laws |
| of the State of | —("Interconnection | | ustomer,") | and |
| | existing unde | | rs of the | State of |
| , ("Transmission Provider"). Ir | nterconnection C | ustomer | and Trans | mission |
| Provider each may be referred to as a "Party," or coll | ectively as the "F | Parties." | | |
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| WHEREAS, Interconnection Customer is proposing | | | | |
| generating capacity addition to an existing Generating | | ent with t | he Interco i | nection |
| Request submitted by Interconnection Customer date | ed; and | | | |
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| WHEREAS, Interconnection Customer desires to interconnection | erconnect the La | rge Gene | erating Fac | ility with |
| the Transmission System; and | | | | |
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20 , by and between , a organized and existing under the laws of the State of (Affected System Interconnection Customer has requested) and , a organized and existing under the laws of the State of (Transmission Provider to continue processing its Interconnection Facilities Study to specify and estimate the cost of the equipment, engineering, procurement and construction work needed to implement the conclusions of the System Impact Study in accordance with Good Utility Practice to physically and electrically connect the Large Generating Facility to the Transmission). Affected System; and

WHEREAS, Interconnection Customer has executed and Transmission Provider has accepted an Interconnection Facilities Study Agreement prior to June 3, 2023; and each may be referred to as a "Party," or collectively as the "Parties."

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WHEREAS, Affected System Interconnection Customer desires to interconnect the {generating facility} with {name of host transmission provider}'s transmission system;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of and subject to the mutual covenants contained herein, the Parties <u>agreedagree</u> as follows:

- 1.0 When used in this Agreement, with initial capitalization, the terms specified shall have the meanings indicated in Transmission Provider's FERC-approved Revisedthis LGIP.
- 2.0 Interconnection Customer elects and Transmission Provider shall cause coordinate with Affected System Interconnection Customer to be performed perform an Interconnection Facilities Affected System Study consistent with Section 810 of this Revised LGIP in accordance with the Tariff.
- 3.0 The scope of the Interconnection Facilities Affected System Study shall be subject to the assumptions set forth in AttachmentAppendix A to this Agreement which shall be the same assumptions as the previous Interconnection Facilities Study Agreement.
- 4.0 The Interconnection Facilities Study report (i) shall provide a description, estimated cost of (consistent with Attachment A), schedule for required facilities to interconnect the Large Generating Facility to the Transmission System and (ii) shall address the short circuit, instability, and power flow issues identified in the most recently published System Impact Study.
- 5.0 Interconnection Customer has met certain requirements described in Section 5.1.1.1 of the Revised LGIP. The time for completion of the Interconnection Facilities Study is specified in Attachment A.
- 6.0 Interconnection Customer shall have previously provided the deposit of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000.00) for the performance of the Interconnection Facilities Study.

Upon receipt of the Interconnection Facilities Study results, Transmission Provider shall charge and Interconnection Customer shall pay the actual costs of the Interconnection Facilities Study.

Any difference between the study deposit and the actual cost of the study shall be paid by or refunded to Interconnection Customer, as appropriate.

7.0 Miscellaneous. The Interconnection Facilities Study Agreement shall include standard miscellaneous terms including, but not limited to, indemnities, representations, disclaimers, warranties, governing law, amendment, execution, waiver, enforceability and assignment, that reflect best practices in the electric industry, and that are consistent with regional practices, Applicable Laws and Regulations, and the organizational nature of

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each Party. All of these provisions, to the extent practicable, shall be consistent with the provisions of the Revised LGIP and the LGIA.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have caused this Agreement to be duly executed by their duly authorized officers or agents on the day and year first above written.

| [Insert name of Transmission Provide | r or Transmission Owner, if applicable] |
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| By: | By: |
| Title: | Title: |
| Date: | Date: |
| [Insert name of Interconnection Custo | mer] |
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| Title: | <u> </u> |
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ASSUMPTIONS USED IN CONDUCTING THE TRANSITIONAL INTERCONNECTION FACILITIES STUDY

[Assumptions to be completed by Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider]

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APPENDIX 4.1 to Revised LGIP Transitional Cluster Study Agreement

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| | | , ("Transmission F | Provider"). Inte | rconnection Custome | r and Transmission |
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| 5.1.1.2 | of the Revise | d LGIP including a | deposit of five | ertain requirements o million dollars (\$5,00 Network Upgrades; ar | 0,000) on expected |
| WHER | REAS, Intercon | nection Customer ha | as a valid Que | ue Position as of June | 3 3, 2023; and |
| | THEREFORE, | | and subject to | the mutual covenar | nts-contained herein |
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Request.and {name of host transmission provider}. Transmission Provider reserves the right to request additional technical information from Affected System Interconnection Customer as may reasonably become necessary

consistent with Good Utility Practice during the course of the Transitional Cluster

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Study and Interconnection Customer shall provide such data as quickly as reasonable. Affected System Study.

- 4<u>5</u>.0 The <u>Transitional ClusterAffected System</u> Study <u>report</u> shall provide the following information:
 - -_ identification of any circuit breaker short circuit capability limits exceeded as a result of the interconnection;
 - -_ identification of any thermal overload or voltage limit violations resulting from the interconnection;
 - identification of any instability or inadequately damped response to system disturbances resulting from the interconnection—and;
 - shall provide a description, non-binding, good faith estimated cost of, schedule for and time required to construct facilities to interconnect the Large Generating Facility to the required on Transmission Provider's Transmission System and (ii) shall to accommodate the interconnection of the {generating facility} to the transmission system of the host transmission provider; and
 - <u>description of how such facilities will</u> address the <u>identified</u> short circuit,
 instability, and power flow issues-<u>identified in the most recently published</u>.
- 6.0 Affected System Impact Study.
- 5.0 Interconnection Customer has met certain requirements described in Section 5.1.1.2 of the Revised LGIP.
- 6.0 Interconnection Customer shall have previously provided provide a deposit of for the performance of Interconnection Studies.
 - Affected System Study. Upon receipt of the Transitional Cluster Study results of the Affected System Study by the Affected System Interconnection Customer, Transmission Provider shall charge, and Affected System Interconnection Customer shall pay, the actual costscost of the Transitional Cluster Affected System Study. Any difference between the study deposit and the actual cost of the study Affected System Study shall be paid by or refunded to Affected System Interconnection Customer, as appropriate, including interest calculated in accordance with section 35.19a(a)(2) of FERC's regulations.
 - 7.0 Miscellaneous. The Interconnection Facilities Study 7.0 This Agreement shall include standard miscellaneous terms including, but not limited to, indemnities, representations, disclaimers, warranties, governing law, amendment, execution,

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waiver, enforceability, and assignment, that which reflect best practices in the electric industry, and that are consistent with regional practices, Applicable Laws and Regulations, and the organizational nature of each Party. All of these provisions, to the extent practicable, shall be consistent with the provisions of the Revised LGIP and the LGIA.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have caused this Agreement to be duly executed by their duly authorized officers or agents on the day and year first above written.

| [Insert name of Transm | sion Provider or Transmission Owner, if applicable |
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| <u>IN WITNESS THE</u> | REOF, the Parties have caused this Agreement to be duly executed by rs or agents on the day and year first above written. |
| {Insert name of Transm | ssion Provider} |
| By: | By: |
| Title: | Title: |
| Date: | Date: |
| {{Insert name of Affecte | System Interconnection Customer]} |
| By: | |
| Title: Date: | |
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Transitional Cluster Two-Party Affected System Study Agreement

ASSUMPTIONS USED IN CONDUCTING THE TRANSITIONAL CLUSTER STUDY (A COMBINED SYSTEM IMPACT AND INTERCONNECTION FACILITIES STUDY)

FAFFECTED SYSTEM STUDY

<u>The Affected System Study will be based upon the following assumptions:</u>

{Assumptions to be completed by <u>Affected System Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider}</u>

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APPENDIX 5.1 to LGIP MULTIPARTY AFFECTED SYSTEM STUDY AGREEMENT

| THIS AGREEMENT is made and e | ntered into this | day of | , 20 , |
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| by and among | , a | orgar | nized and |
| existing under the laws of the State | of | (Affected | System |
| Interconnection Customer); | , а | | organized |
| and existing under the laws of the St | ate of | (Affected | System |
| Interconnection Customer); and | , а | orgar | nized and |
| existing under the laws of the State of | | (Transmission Provider). | Affected |
| System Interconnection Customers and T | ransmission Pro | ovider each may be referre | d to as a |
| "Party," or collectively as the "Parties." V | Vhen it is not im | portant to differentiate amo | ong them, |
| Affected System Interconnection Custom | ers each may | be referred to as "Affected | d System |
| Interconnection Customer" or collectively a | is the "Affected S | System Interconnection Cust | omers." |

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WHEREAS, Affected System Interconnection Customers are proposing to develop {description of generating facilities or generating capacity additions to an existing generating facility}, consistent with the interconnection requests submitted by Affected System Interconnection Customers to {name of host transmission provider}, dated for which {name of host transmission provider} found impacts on Transmission Provider's Transmission System; and

WHEREAS, Affected System Interconnection Customers desire to interconnect the {generating facilities} with {name of host transmission provider}'s transmission system;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of and subject to the mutual covenants contained herein, the Parties agree as follows:

- 1.0 When used in this Agreement, with initial capitalization, the terms specified shall have the meanings indicated in this LGIP.
- 2.0 Transmission Provider shall coordinate with Affected System Interconnection Customers to perform an Affected System Study consistent with Section 10 of this LGIP.
- 3.0 The scope of the Affected System Study shall be subject to the assumptions set forth in Appendix A to this Agreement.
- 4.0 The Affected System Study will be based upon the technical information provided by Affected System Interconnection Customers and {name of host transmission provider}. Transmission Provider reserves the right to request additional technical information from Affected System Interconnection Customers as may reasonably become necessary consistent with Good Utility Practice during the course of the Affected System Study.

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| 5.0 | The Affected S | vstem Study | shall provide the | following information | on: |
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- identification of any circuit breaker short circuit capability limits exceeded
 as a result of the interconnection;
- identification of any thermal overload or voltage limit violations resulting from the interconnection;
- identification of any instability or inadequately damped response to system disturbances resulting from the interconnection;
- non-binding, good faith estimated cost and time required to construct
 facilities required on Transmission Provider's Transmission System to
 accommodate the interconnection of the {generating facilities} to the
 transmission system of the host transmission provider; and
- description of how such facilities will address the identified short circuit, instability, and power flow issues.
- 6.0 Affected System Interconnection Customers shall each provide a deposit of
 for performance of the Affected System Study. Upon receipt of the
 results of the Affected System Study by the Affected System Interconnection
 Customers, Transmission Provider shall charge, and Affected System
 Interconnection Customers shall pay, the actual cost of the Affected System
 Study. Any difference between the deposit and the actual cost of the Affected
 System Study shall be paid by or refunded to Affected System Interconnection
 Customers, as appropriate, including interest calculated in accordance with
 section 35.19a(a)(2) of FERC's regulations.
- 7.0 This Agreement shall include standard miscellaneous terms including, but not limited to, indemnities, representations, disclaimers, warranties, governing law, amendment, execution, waiver, enforceability, and assignment, which reflect best practices in the electric industry, that are consistent with regional practices, Applicable Laws and Regulations, and the organizational nature of each Party.

 All of these provisions, to the extent practicable, shall be consistent with the provisions of the LGIP.

<u>IN WITNESS</u> THEREOF, the Parties have caused this Agreement to be duly executed by their duly authorized officers or agents on the day and year first above written.

| {Insert name of Transmission Provider} | |
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| By: | By: |
| Title: | Title: |
| Date: | Date: |

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{Insert name of Affected System Interconnection Customer}
By:
Title:
Date:

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By:
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Date:

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Multiparty Affected System Study Agreement

ASSUMPTIONS USED IN CONDUCTING THE MULTIPARTY AFFECTED SYSTEM STUDY

The Affected System Study will be based upon the following assumptions:

{Assumptions to be completed by Affected System Interconnection Customers and Transmission Provider}

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APPENDIX 6 TO LGIP TWO-PARTY AFFECTED SYSTEM FACILITIES CONSTRUCTION AGREEMENT

| THIS AGREEMENT is made and entered into this | day of | , 20 , | <u>by and between</u> |
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| , organized | l and existing un | der the laws | of the State of |
| (Affected System Interconn | nection Customer | r) and | , |
| an entity organized under the laws of the State of | of | (Transmis | ssion Provider). |
| Affected System Interconnection Customer and Tr | ansmission Prov | ider each ma | y be referred to |
| as a "Party" or collectively as the "Parties." | | | |

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WHEREAS, Affected System Interconnection Customer is proposing to develop a {description of generating facility or generating capacity addition to an existing generating facility} consistent with the interconnection request submitted by Affected System Interconnection Customer to {name of host transmission provider}, dated , for which {name of host transmission provider} found impacts on Transmission Provider's Transmission System; and

WHEREAS, Affected System Interconnection Customer desires to interconnect the {generating facility} to {name of host transmission provider}'s transmission system; and

WHEREAS, additions, modifications, and upgrade(s) must be made to certain existing facilities of Transmission Provider's Transmission System to accommodate such interconnection; and

WHEREAS, Affected System Interconnection Customer has requested, and Transmission Provider has agreed, to enter into this Agreement for the purpose of facilitating the construction of necessary Affected System Network Upgrade(s);

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of and subject to the mutual covenants contained herein, the Parties agree as follows:

ARTICLE 1 DEFINITIONS

When used in this Agreement, with initial capitalization, the terms specified and not otherwise defined in this Agreement shall have the meanings indicated in this LGIP.

ARTICLE 2 TERM OF AGREEMENT

2.1 Effective Date. This Agreement shall become effective upon execution by the Parties subject to acceptance by FERC (if applicable), or if filed unexecuted, upon the date specified by FERC.

2.2 Term.

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- 2.2.1 General. This Agreement shall become effective as provided in Article 2.1 and shall continue in full force and effect until the earlier of (1) the final repayment, where applicable, by Transmission Provider of the amount funded by Affected System Interconnection Customer for Transmission Provider's design, procurement, construction and installation of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) provided in Appendix A; (2) the Parties agree to mutually terminate this Agreement; (3) earlier termination is permitted or provided for under Appendix A of this Agreement; or (4) Affected System Interconnection Customer terminates this Agreement after providing Transmission Provider with written notice at least sixty (60) Calendar Days prior to the proposed termination date, provided that Affected System Interconnection Customer has no outstanding contractual obligations to Transmission Provider under this Agreement. termination of this Agreement shall be effective until the Parties have complied with all Applicable Laws and Regulations applicable to such termination. The term of this Agreement may be adjusted upon mutual agreement of the Parties if (1) the commercial operation date for the {generating facility} is adjusted in accordance with the rules and procedures established by {name of host transmission provider} or (2) the in-service date for the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) is adjusted in accordance with the rules and procedures established by Transmission Provider.
- 2.2.2 Termination Upon Default. Default shall mean the failure of a Breaching Party to cure its Breach in accordance with Article 5 of this Agreement where Breach and Breaching Party are defined in Article 5. Defaulting Party shall mean the Party that is in Default. In the event of a Default by a Party, the non-Defaulting Party shall have the termination rights described in Articles 5 and 6; provided, however, Transmission Provider may not terminate this Agreement if Affected System Interconnection Customer is the Defaulting Party and compensates Transmission Provider within thirty (30) Calendar Days for the amount of damages billed to Affected System Interconnection Customer by Transmission Provider for any such damages, including costs and expenses, incurred by Transmission Provider as a result of such Default.
- 2.2.3 Consequences of Termination. In the event of a termination by either Party, other than a termination by Affected System Interconnection Customer due to a Default by Transmission Provider, Affected System Interconnection Customer shall be responsible for the payment to Transmission Provider of all amounts then due and payable for construction and installation of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) (including, without limitation, any equipment ordered related to such construction), plus all out-of-pocket expenses incurred by Transmission Provider in connection with the construction and installation of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s), through the date of termination, and, in the event of the termination of the entire Agreement, any actual costs which Transmission Provider reasonably incurs in (1) winding up work and construction demobilization and (2) ensuring the safety of persons and property and the integrity and safe and reliable operation of Transmission Provider's Transmission System. Transmission Provider shall use Reasonable Efforts to minimize such costs.
- **2.2.4 Reservation of Rights.** Transmission Provider shall have the right to make a unilateral filing with FERC to modify this Agreement with respect to any rates, terms and conditions, charges, classifications of service, rule or regulation under section 205 or any other applicable provision of the Federal Power Act and FERC's rules and regulations thereunder, and Affected System Interconnection Customer shall have the right to make a unilateral filing with FERC to modify this Agreement pursuant to section 206 or any other applicable provision of the Federal Power Act and FERC's rules and regulations thereunder; provided that each Party shall have the

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right to protest any such filing by the other Party and to participate fully in any proceeding before FERC in which such modifications may be considered. Nothing in this Agreement shall limit the rights of the Parties or of FERC under sections 205 or 206 of the Federal Power Act and FERC's rules and regulations thereunder, except to the extent that the Parties otherwise mutually agree as provided herein.

- 2.3 Filing. Transmission Provider shall file this Agreement (and any amendment hereto) with the appropriate Governmental Authority, if required. Affected System Interconnection Customer may request that any information so provided be subject to the confidentiality provisions of Article 8. If Affected System Interconnection Customer has executed this Agreement, or any amendment thereto, Affected System Interconnection Customer shall reasonably cooperate with Transmission Provider with respect to such filing and to provide any information reasonably requested by Transmission Provider needed to comply with applicable regulatory requirements.
- 2.4 Survival. This Agreement shall continue in effect after termination, to the extent necessary, to provide for final billings and payments and for costs incurred hereunder, including billings and payments pursuant to this Agreement; to permit the determination and enforcement of liability and indemnification obligations arising from acts or events that occurred while this Agreement was in effect; and to permit each Party to have access to the lands of the other Party pursuant to this Agreement or other applicable agreements, to disconnect, remove, or salvage its own facilities and equipment.
- 2.5 Termination Obligations. Upon any termination pursuant to this Agreement, Affected System Interconnection Customer shall be responsible for the payment of all costs or other contractual obligations incurred prior to the termination date, including previously incurred capital costs, penalties for early termination, and costs of removal and site restoration.

ARTICLE 3 CONSTRUCTION OF AFFECTED SYSTEM NETWORK UPGRADE(S)

3.1 Construction.

3.1.1 Transmission Provider Obligations. Transmission Provider shall (or shall cause such action to) design, procure, construct, and install, and Affected System Interconnection Customer shall pay, consistent with Article 3.2, the costs of all Affected System Network Upgrade(s) identified in Appendix A. All Affected System Network Upgrade(s) designed, procured, constructed, and installed by Transmission Provider pursuant to this Agreement shall satisfy all requirements of applicable safety and/or engineering codes and comply with Good Utility Practice, and further, shall satisfy all Applicable Laws and Regulations. Transmission Provider shall not be required to undertake any action which is inconsistent with its standard safety practices, its material and equipment specifications, its design criteria and construction procedures, its labor agreements, or any Applicable Laws and Regulations.

3.1.2 Suspension of Work.

3.1.2.1 Right to Suspend. Affected System Interconnection Customer must provide to Transmission Provider written notice of its request for suspension. Only the milestones described in the Appendices of this Agreement are subject to suspension under this Article 3.1.2. Affected

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System Network Upgrade(s) will be constructed on the schedule described in the Appendices of this Agreement unless: (1) construction is prevented by the order of a Governmental Authority; (2) the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) are not needed by any other Interconnection Customer: or (3) Transmission Provider determines that a Force Majeure event prevents construction. In the event of (1), (2), or (3), any security paid to Transmission Provider under Article 4.1 of this Agreement shall be released by Transmission Provider upon the determination by Transmission Provider that the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) will no longer be constructed. If suspension occurs, Affected System Interconnection Customer shall be responsible for the costs which Transmission Provider incurs (i) in accordance with this Agreement prior to the suspension; (ii) in suspending such work, including any costs incurred to perform such work as may be necessary to ensure the safety of persons and property and the integrity of Transmission Provider's Transmission System and, if applicable, any costs incurred in connection with the cancellation of contracts and orders for material which Transmission Provider cannot reasonably avoid; and (iii) reasonably incurs in winding up work and construction demobilization; provided, however, that, prior to canceling any such contracts or orders, Transmission Provider shall obtain Affected System Interconnection Customer's authorization. Affected System Interconnection Customer shall be responsible for all costs incurred in connection with Affected System Interconnection Customer's failure to authorize cancellation of such contracts or orders.

Interest on amounts paid by Affected System Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider for the design, procurement, construction, and installation of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) shall not accrue during periods in which Affected System Interconnection Customer has suspended construction under this Article 3.1.2.

Transmission Provider shall invoice Affected System Interconnection Customer pursuant to Article 4 and will use Reasonable Efforts to minimize its costs. In the event Affected System Interconnection Customer suspends work by Affected System Transmission Provider required under this Agreement pursuant to this Article 3.1.2.1, and has not requested Affected System Transmission Provider to recommence the work required under this Agreement on or before the expiration of three (3) years following commencement of such suspension, this Agreement shall be deemed terminated. The three-year period shall begin on the date the suspension is requested, or the date of the written notice to Affected System Transmission Provider, whichever is earlier, if no effective date of suspension is specified.

3.1.2.2 Recommencing of Work. If Affected System Interconnection Customer requests that Transmission Provider recommence construction of Affected System Network Upgrade(s), Transmission Provider shall have no obligation to afford such work the priority it would have had but for the prior actions of Affected System Interconnection Customer to suspend the work. In such event, Affected System Interconnection Customer shall be responsible for any costs incurred in recommencing the work. All recommenced work shall be completed pursuant to an amended schedule for the interconnection agreed to by the Parties. Transmission Provider has the right to conduct a restudy of the Affected System Study if conditions have materially changed subsequent to the request to suspend. Affected System Interconnection Customer shall be responsible for the costs of any studies or restudies required.

3.1.2.3 Right to Suspend Due to Default. Transmission Provider reserves the right, upon written notice to Affected System Interconnection Customer, to suspend, at any time, work by

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Transmission Provider due to Default by Affected System Interconnection Customer. Affected System Interconnection Customer shall be responsible for any additional expenses incurred by Transmission Provider associated with the construction and installation of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) (as set forth in Article 2.2.3) upon the occurrence of either a Breach that Affected System Interconnection Customer is unable to cure-pursuant to Article 5 or a Default pursuant to Article 5. Any form of suspension by Transmission Provider shall not be barred by Articles 2.2.2, 2.2.3, or 5.2.2, nor shall it affect Transmission Provider's right to terminate the work or this Agreement pursuant to Article 6.

- 3.1.3 Construction Status. Transmission Provider shall keep Affected System Interconnection Customer advised periodically as to the progress of its design, procurement and construction efforts, as described in Appendix A. Affected System Interconnection Customer may, at any time and reasonably, request a progress report from Transmission Provider. If, at any time, Affected System Interconnection Customer determines that the completion of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) will not be required until after the specified in-service date, Affected System Interconnection Customer will provide written notice to Transmission Provider of such later date upon which the completion of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) would be required. Transmission Provider may delay the in-service date of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) accordingly.
- **3.1.4 Timely Completion.** Transmission Provider shall use Reasonable Efforts to design, procure, construct, install, and test the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) in accordance with the schedule set forth in Appendix A. which schedule may be revised from time to time by mutual agreement of the Parties. If any event occurs that will affect the time or ability to complete the Affected System Network Upgrade(s), Transmission Provider shall promptly notify Affected System Interconnection Customer. In such circumstances, Transmission Provider shall, within fifteen (15) Calendar Days of such notice, convene a meeting with Affected System Interconnection Customer to evaluate the alternatives available to Affected System Interconnection Customer. Transmission Provider shall also make available to Affected System Interconnection Customer all studies and work papers related to the event and corresponding delay, including all information that is in the possession of Transmission Provider that is reasonably needed by Affected System Interconnection Customer to evaluate alternatives, subject to confidentiality arrangements consistent with Article 8. Transmission Provider shall, at Affected System Interconnection Customer's request and expense, use Reasonable Efforts to accelerate its work under this Agreement to meet the schedule set forth in Appendix A, provided that (1) Affected System Interconnection Customer authorizes such actions, such authorization to be withheld, conditioned, or delayed by Affected System Interconnection Customer only if it can demonstrate that the acceleration would have a material adverse effect on it; and (2) the Affected System Interconnection Customer funds costs associated therewith in advance.

3.2 Interconnection Costs.

3.2.1 Costs. Affected System Interconnection Customer shall pay to Transmission Provider costs (including taxes and financing costs) associated with seeking and obtaining all necessary approvals and of designing, engineering, constructing, and testing the Affected System Network Upgrade(s), as identified in Appendix A, in accordance with the cost recovery method provided herein. Unless Transmission Provider elects to fund the Affected System Network Upgrade(s), they shall be initially funded by Affected System Interconnection Customer.

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3.2.1.1 Lands of Other Property Owners. If any part of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) is to be installed on property owned by persons other than Affected System Interconnection Customer or Transmission Provider, Transmission Provider shall, at Affected System Interconnection Customer's expense, use efforts similar in nature and extent to those that it typically undertakes on its own behalf or on behalf of its Affiliates, including use of its eminent domain authority to the extent permitted and consistent with Applicable Laws and Regulations and, to the extent consistent with such Applicable Laws and Regulations, to procure from such persons any rights of use, licenses, rights-of-way, and easements that are necessary to construct, operate, maintain, test, inspect, replace, or remove the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) upon such property.

3.2.2 Repayment.

- 3.2.2.1 Repayment. Consistent with Articles 11.4.1 and 11.4.2 of the Transmission Provider's pro forma LGIA, Affected System Interconnection Customer shall be entitled to a cash repayment by Transmission Provider of the amount paid to Transmission Provider, if any, for the Affected System Network Upgrade(s), including any tax gross-up or other tax-related payments associated with the Affected System Network Upgrade(s), and not refunded to Affected System Interconnection Customer pursuant to Article 3.3.1 or otherwise. The Parties may mutually agree to a repayment schedule, to be outlined in Appendix A, not to exceed twenty (20) years from the commercial operation date, for the complete repayment for all applicable costs associated with the Affected System Network Upgrade(s). Any repayment shall include interest calculated in accordance with the methodology set forth in FERC's regulations at 18 CFR 35.19 a(a)(2)(iii) from the date of any payment for Affected System Network Upgrade(s) through the date on which Affected System Interconnection Customer receives a repayment of such payment pursuant to this subparagraph. Interest shall not accrue during periods in which Affected System Interconnection Customer has suspended construction pursuant to Article 3.1.2. Affected System Interconnection Customer may assign such repayment rights to any person.
- 3.2.2.2 Impact of Failure to Achieve Commercial Operation. If the Affected System Interconnection Customer's generating facility fails to achieve commercial operation, but it or another generating facility is later constructed and makes use of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s), Transmission Provider shall at that time reimburse Affected System Interconnection Customer for the amounts advanced for the Affected System Network Upgrade(s). Before any such reimbursement can occur, Affected System Interconnection Customer (or the entity that ultimately constructs the generating facility, if different), is responsible for identifying the entity to which the reimbursement must be made.

3.3 Taxes.

3.3.1 Indemnification for Contributions in Aid of Construction. With regard only to payments made by Affected System Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider for the installation of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s), Transmission Provider shall not include a gross-up for income taxes in the amounts it charges Affected System Interconnection Customer for the installation of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) unless (1) Transmission Provider has determined, in good faith, that the payments or property transfers made by Affected System Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider should be reported as income subject to

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taxation, or (2) any Governmental Authority directs Transmission Provider to report payments or property as income subject to taxation. Affected System Interconnection Customer shall reimburse Transmission Provider for such costs on a fully grossed-up basis, in accordance with this Article, within thirty (30) Calendar Days of receiving written notification from Transmission Provider of the amount due, including detail about how the amount was calculated.

The indemnification obligation shall terminate at the earlier of (1) the expiration of the ten (10)year testing period and the applicable statute of limitation, as it may be extended by Transmission Provider upon request of the Internal Revenue Service, to keep these years open for audit or adjustment, or (2) the occurrence of a subsequent taxable event and the payment of any related indemnification obligations as contemplated by this Article. Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Article 3.3.1, and to the extent permitted by law, to the extent that the receipt of such payments by Transmission Provider is determined by any Governmental Authority to constitute income by Transmission Provider subject to taxation, Affected System Interconnection Customer shall protect, indemnify, and hold harmless Transmission Provider and its Affiliates, from all claims by any such Governmental Authority for any tax, interest, and/or penalties associated with such determination. Upon receiving written notification of such determination from the Governmental Authority, Transmission Provider shall provide Affected System Interconnection Customer with written notification within thirty (30) Calendar Days of such determination and notification. Transmission Provider, upon the timely written request by Affected System Interconnection Customer and at Affected System Interconnection Customer's expense, shall appeal, protest, seek abatement of, or otherwise oppose such determination. Transmission Provider reserves the right to make all decisions with regard to the prosecution of such appeal, protest, abatement or other contest, including the compromise or settlement of the claim; provided that Transmission Provider shall cooperate and consult in good faith with Affected System Interconnection Customer regarding the conduct of such contest. Affected System Interconnection Customer shall not be required to pay Transmission Provider for the tax, interest, and/or penalties prior to the seventh (7th) Calendar Day before the date on which Transmission Provider (1) is required to pay the tax, interest, and/or penalties or other amount in lieu thereof pursuant to a compromise or settlement of the appeal, protest, abatement, or other contest; (2) is required to pay the tax, interest, and/or penalties as the result of a final, non-appealable order by a Governmental Authority; or (3) is required to pay the tax, interest, and/or penalties as a prerequisite to an appeal, protest, abatement, or other contest. In the event such appeal, protest, abatement, or other contest results in a determination that Transmission Provider is not liable for any portion of any tax, interest, and/or penalties for which Affected System Interconnection Customer has already made payment to Transmission Provider, Transmission Provider shall promptly refund to Affected System Interconnection Customer any payment attributable to the amount determined to be non-taxable, plus any interest (calculated in accordance with 18 CFR 35.19a(a)(2)(iii)) or other payments Transmission Provider receives or which Transmission Provider may be entitled with respect to such payment. Affected System Interconnection Customer shall provide Transmission Provider with credit assurances sufficient to meet Affected System Interconnection Customer's estimated liability for reimbursement of Transmission Provider for taxes, interest, and/or penalties under this Article 3.3.1. Such estimated liability shall be stated in Appendix A.

To the extent that Transmission Provider is a limited liability company and not a corporation, and has elected to be taxed as a partnership, then the following shall apply: Transmission Provider represents, and the Parties acknowledge, that Transmission Provider is a limited liability company

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and is treated as a partnership for federal income tax purposes. Any payment made by Affected System Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider for Affected System Network Upgrade(s) is to be treated as an upfront payment. It is anticipated by the Parties that any amounts paid by Affected System Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider for Affected System Network Upgrade(s) will be reimbursed to Affected System Interconnection Customer in accordance with the terms of this Agreement, provided Affected System Interconnection Customer fulfills its obligations under this Agreement.

- 2.3.2 Private Letter Ruling. At Affected System Interconnection Customer's request and expense, Transmission Provider shall file with the Internal Revenue Service a request for a private letter ruling as to whether any property transferred or sums paid, or to be paid, by Affected System Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider under this Agreement are subject to federal income taxation. Affected System Interconnection Customer will prepare the initial draft of the request for a private letter ruling and will certify under penalties of perjury that all facts represented in such request are true and accurate to the best of Affected System Interconnection Customer's knowledge. Transmission Provider and Affected System Interconnection Customer shall cooperate in good faith with respect to the submission of such request.
- **3.3.3 Other Taxes.** Upon the timely request by Affected System Interconnection Customer. and at Affected System Interconnection Customer's sole expense, Transmission Provider shall appeal, protest, seek abatement of, or otherwise contest any tax (other than federal or state income tax) asserted or assessed against Transmission Provider for which Affected System Interconnection Customer may be required to reimburse Transmission Provider under the terms of this Agreement. Affected System Interconnection Customer shall pay to Transmission Provider on a periodic basis, as invoiced by Transmission Provider, Transmission Provider's documented reasonable costs of prosecuting such appeal, protest, abatement, or other contest. Affected System Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider shall cooperate in good faith with respect to any such contest. Unless the payment of such taxes is a prerequisite to an appeal or abatement or cannot be deferred, no amount shall be payable by Affected System Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider for such taxes until they are assessed by a final, nonappealable order by any court or agency of competent jurisdiction. In the event that a tax payment is withheld and ultimately due and payable after appeal, Affected System Interconnection Customer will be responsible for all taxes, interest and penalties, other than penalties attributable to any delay caused by Transmission Provider. Each Party shall cooperate with the other Party to maintain each Party's tax status. Nothing in this Agreement is intended to adversely affect any Party's tax-exempt status with respect to the issuance of bonds including, but not limited to, local furnishing bonds, as described in section 142(f) of the Internal Revenue Code.

ARTICLE 4 SECURITY, BILLING, AND PAYMENTS

4.1 Provision of Security. By the earlier of (1) thirty (30) Calendar Days prior to the due date for Affected System Interconnection Customer's first payment under the payment schedule specified in Appendix A, or (2) the first date specified in Appendix A for the ordering of equipment by Transmission Provider for installing the Affected System Network Upgrade(s), Affected System Interconnection Customer shall provide Transmission Provider, at Affected System Interconnection Customer's option, a guarantee, a surety bond, letter of credit or other form of security that is reasonably acceptable to Transmission Provider. Such security for payment shall

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be in an amount sufficient to cover the costs for constructing, procuring, and installing the applicable portion of Affected System Network Upgrade(s) and shall be reduced on a dollar-fordollar basis for payments made to Transmission Provider for these purposes.

The guarantee must be made by an entity that meets the creditworthiness requirements of Transmission Provider and contain terms and conditions that guarantee payment of any amount that may be due from Affected System Interconnection Customer, up to an agreed-to maximum amount. The letter of credit must be issued by a financial institution reasonably acceptable to Transmission Provider and must specify a reasonable expiration date.

- 4.2 Invoice. Each Party shall submit to the other Party, on a monthly basis, invoices of amounts due, if any, for the preceding month. Each invoice shall state the month to which the invoice applies and fully describe the services and equipment provided. The Parties may discharge mutual debts and payment obligations due and owing to each other on the same date through netting, in which case all amounts a Party owes to the other Party under this Agreement, including interest payments, shall be netted so that only the net amount remaining due shall be paid by the owing Party.
- 4.3 Payment. Invoices shall be rendered to the paying Party at the address specified by the Parties. The Party receiving the invoice shall pay the invoice within thirty (30) Calendar Days of receipt. All payments shall be made in immediately available funds payable to the other Party, or by wire transfer to a bank named and account designated by the invoicing Party. Payment of invoices by a Party will not constitute a waiver of any rights or claims that Party may have under this Agreement.
- 4.4 Final Invoice. Within six (6) months after completion of the construction of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s), Transmission Provider shall provide an invoice of the final cost of the construction of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) and shall set forth such costs in sufficient detail to enable Affected System Interconnection Customer to compare the actual costs with the estimates and to ascertain deviations, if any, from the cost estimates. Transmission Provider shall refund, with interest (calculated in accordance with 18 CFR 35.19a(a)(2)(iii)), to Affected System Interconnection Customer any amount by which the actual payment by Affected System Interconnection Customer for estimated costs exceeds the actual costs of construction within thirty (30) Calendar Days of the issuance of such final construction invoice.
- **4.5** Interest. Interest on any unpaid amounts shall be calculated in accordance with 18 CFR 35.19a(a)(2)(iii).
- 4.6 Payment During Dispute. In the event of a billing dispute among the Parties, Transmission Provider shall continue to construct the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) under this Agreement as long as Affected System Interconnection Customer: (1) continues to make all payments not in dispute; and (2) pays to Transmission Provider or into an independent escrow account the portion of the invoice in dispute, pending resolution of such dispute. If Affected System Interconnection Customer fails to meet these two requirements, then Transmission Provider may provide notice to Affected System Interconnection Customer of a Default pursuant to Article 5. Within thirty (30) Calendar Days after the resolution of the dispute, the Party that owes money to another Party shall pay the amount due with interest calculated in accordance with the methodology set forth in 18 CFR 35.19a(a)(2)(iii).

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ARTICLE 5 BREACH, CURE AND DEFAULT

- **5.1 Events of Breach.** A Breach of this Agreement shall include the:
- (a) Failure to pay any amount when due;
- (b) Failure to comply with any material term or condition of this Agreement, including but not limited to any material Breach of a representation, warranty, or covenant made in this Agreement;
- (c) Failure of a Party to provide such access rights, or a Party's attempt to revoke access or terminate such access rights, as provided under this Agreement; or
- (d) Failure of a Party to provide information or data to another Party as required under this Agreement, provided the Party entitled to the information or data under this Agreement requires such information or data to satisfy its obligations under this Agreement.
- **5.2 Definition.** Breaching Party shall mean the Party that is in Breach.
- 5.3 Notice of Breach, Cure, and Default. Upon the occurrence of an event of Breach, the Party not in Breach, when it becomes aware of the Breach, shall give written notice of the Breach to the Breaching Party and to any other person representing a Party to this Agreement identified in writing to the other Party in advance. Such notice shall set forth, in reasonable detail, the nature of the Breach, and where known and applicable, the steps necessary to cure such Breach.
- **5.3.1** Upon receiving written notice of the Breach hereunder, the Breaching Party shall have a period to cure such Breach (hereinafter referred to as the "Cure Period") which shall be sixty (60) Calendar Days.
- **5.3.2** In the event the Breaching Party fails to cure within the Cure Period, the Breaching Party will be in Default of this Agreement, and the non--Defaulting Party may terminate this Agreement in accordance with Article 6.2 of this Agreement or take whatever action at law or in equity as may appear necessary or desirable to enforce the performance or observance of any rights, remedies, obligations, agreement, or covenants under this Agreement.
- 5.4 Rights in the Event of Default. Notwithstanding the foregoing, upon the occurrence of a Default, the non-Defaulting Party shall be entitled to exercise all rights and remedies it may have in equity or at law.

ARTICLE 6 TERMINATION OF AGREEMENT

- **6.1 Expiration of Term.** Except as otherwise specified in this Article 6, the Parties' obligations under this Agreement shall terminate at the conclusion of the term of this Agreement.
- **6.2 Termination.** In addition to the termination provisions set forth in Article 2.2, a Party may terminate this Agreement upon the Default of the other Party in accordance with Article 5.2.2 of

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this Agreement. Subject to the limitations set forth in Article 6.3, in the event of a Default, the termination of this Agreement by the non-Defaulting Party shall require a filing at FERC of a notice of termination, which filing must be accepted for filing by FERC.

6.3 Disposition of Facilities Upon Termination of Agreement.

- **6.3.1 Transmission Provider Obligations.** Upon termination of this Agreement, unless otherwise agreed to by the Parties in writing, Transmission Provider:
- (a) shall, prior to the construction and installation of any portion of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) and to the extent possible, cancel any pending orders of, or return, such equipment or material for such Affected System Network Upgrade(s);
- (b) may keep in place any portion of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) already constructed and installed; and,
- (c) shall perform such work as may be necessary to ensure the safety of persons and property and to preserve the integrity of Transmission Provider's Transmission System (e.g., construction demobilization to return the system to its original state, wind-up work).
- 6.3.2 Affected System Interconnection Customer Obligations. Upon billing by Transmission Provider, Affected System Interconnection Customer shall reimburse Transmission Provider for any costs incurred by Transmission Provider in performance of the actions required or permitted by Article 6.3.1 and for the cost of any Affected System Network Upgrade(s) described in Appendix A. Transmission Provider shall use Reasonable Efforts to minimize costs and shall offset the amounts owed by any salvage value of facilities, if applicable. Affected System Interconnection Customer shall pay these costs pursuant to Article 4.3 of this Agreement.
- 6.3.3 Pre-construction or Installation. Upon termination of this Agreement and prior to the construction and installation of any portion of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s), Transmission Provider may, at its option, retain any portion of such Affected System Network Upgrade(s) not cancelled or returned in accordance with Article 6.3.1(a), in which case Transmission Provider shall be responsible for all costs associated with procuring such Affected System Network Upgrade(s). To the extent that Affected System Interconnection Customer has already paid Transmission Provider for any or all of such costs, Transmission Provider shall refund Affected System Interconnection Customer for those payments. If Transmission Provider elects to not retain any portion of such facilities, Transmission Provider shall convey and make available to Affected System Interconnection Customer such facilities as soon as practicable after Affected System Interconnection Customer's payment for such facilities.
- 6.4 Survival of Rights. Termination or expiration of this Agreement shall not relieve either Party of any of its liabilities and obligations arising hereunder prior to the date termination becomes effective, and each Party may take whatever judicial or administrative actions as appear necessary or desirable to enforce its rights hereunder. The applicable provisions of this Agreement will continue in effect after expiration, or early termination hereof to the extent necessary to provide for (1) final billings, billing adjustments, and other billing procedures set forth in this Agreement; (2) the determination and enforcement of liability and indemnification

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obligations arising from acts or events that occurred while this Agreement was in effect; and (3) the confidentiality provisions set forth in Article 8.

ARTICLE 7 SUBCONTRACTORS

- **7.1 Subcontractors.** Nothing in this Agreement shall prevent a Party from utilizing the services of subcontractors, as it deems appropriate, to perform its obligations under this Agreement; provided, however, that each Party shall require its subcontractors to comply with all applicable terms and conditions of this Agreement in providing such services, and each Party shall remain primarily liable to the other Party for the performance of such subcontractor.
- 7.1.1 Responsibility of Principal. The creation of any subcontract relationship shall not relieve the hiring Party of any of its obligations under this Agreement. In accordance with the provisions of this Agreement, each Party shall be fully responsible to the other Party for the acts or omissions of any subcontractor it hires as if no subcontract had been made. Any applicable obligation imposed by this Agreement upon a Party shall be equally binding upon, and shall be construed as having application to, any subcontractor of such Party.
- 7.1.2 No Third-Party Beneficiary. Except as may be specifically set forth to the contrary herein, no subcontractor or any other party is intended to be, nor will it be deemed to be, a third-party beneficiary of this Agreement.
- **7.1.3 No Limitation by Insurance.** The obligations under this Article 7 will not be limited in any way by any limitation of any insurance policies or coverages, including any subcontractor's insurance.

ARTICLE 8 CONFIDENTIALITY

8.1 Confidentiality. Confidential Information shall include, without limitation, all information relating to a Party's technology, research and development, business affairs, and pricing, and any information supplied to the other Party prior to the execution of this Agreement.

Information is Confidential Information only if it is clearly designated or marked in writing as confidential on the face of the document, or, if the information is conveyed orally or by inspection, if the Party providing the information orally informs the Party receiving the information that the information is confidential. The Parties shall maintain as confidential any information that is provided and identified by a Party as Critical Energy Infrastructure Information (CEII), as that term is defined in 18 CFR 388.113(c).

Such confidentiality will be maintained in accordance with this Article 8. If requested by the receiving Party, the disclosing Party shall provide in writing, the basis for asserting that the information referred to in this Article warrants confidential treatment, and the requesting Party may disclose such writing to the appropriate Governmental Authority. Each Party shall be responsible for the costs associated with affording confidential treatment to its information.

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- **8.1.1 Term.** During the term of this Agreement, and for a period of three (3) years after the expiration or termination of this Agreement, except as otherwise provided in this Article 8 or with regard to CEII, each Party shall hold in confidence and shall not disclose to any person Confidential Information. CEII shall be treated in accordance with FERC policies and regulations.
- 8.1.2 Scope. Confidential Information shall not include information that the receiving Party can demonstrate: (1) is generally available to the public other than as a result of a disclosure by the receiving Party; (2) was in the lawful possession of the receiving Party on a non-confidential basis before receiving it from the disclosing Party; (3) was supplied to the receiving Party without restriction by a non-Party, who, to the knowledge of the receiving Party after due inquiry, was under no obligation to the disclosing Party to keep such information confidential; (4) was independently developed by the receiving Party without reference to Confidential Information of the disclosing Party; (5) is, or becomes, publicly known, through no wrongful act or omission of the receiving Party or Breach of this Agreement; or (6) is required, in accordance with Article 8.1.6 of this Agreement, to be disclosed by any Governmental Authority or is otherwise required to be disclosed by law or subpoena, or is necessary in any legal proceeding establishing rights and obligations under this Agreement. Information designated as Confidential Information will no longer be deemed confidential if the Party that designated the information as confidential notifies the receiving Party that it no longer is confidential.
- 8.1.3 Release of Confidential Information. No Party shall release or disclose Confidential Information to any other person, except to its Affiliates (limited by the Standards of Conduct requirements), subcontractors, employees, agents, consultants, or to non-Parties that may be or are considering providing financing to or equity participation with Affected System Interconnection Customer, or to potential purchasers or assignees of Affected System Interconnection Customer, on a need-to-know basis in connection with this Agreement, unless such person has first been advised of the confidentiality provisions of this Article 8 and has agreed to comply with such provisions. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a Party providing Confidential Information to any person shall remain primarily responsible for any release of Confidential Information in contravention of this Article 8.
- **8.1.4 Rights.** Each Party shall retain all rights, title, and interest in the Confidential Information that it discloses to the receiving Party. The disclosure by a Party to the receiving Party of Confidential Information shall not be deemed a waiver by the disclosing Party or any other person or entity of the right to protect the Confidential Information from public disclosure.
- 8.1.5 Standard of Care. Each Party shall use at least the same standard of care to protect Confidential Information it receives as it uses to protect its own Confidential Information from unauthorized disclosure, publication, or dissemination. Each Party may use Confidential Information solely to fulfill its obligations to the other Party under this Agreement or its regulatory requirements.
- 8.1.6 Order of Disclosure. If a court or a Government Authority or entity with the right, power, and apparent authority to do so requests or requires either Party, by subpoena, oral deposition, interrogatories, requests for production of documents, administrative order, or otherwise, to disclose Confidential Information, that Party shall provide the disclosing Party with prompt notice of such request(s) or requirement(s) so that the disclosing Party may seek an appropriate

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protective order or waive compliance with the terms of this Agreement. Notwithstanding the absence of a protective order or waiver, the Party may disclose such Confidential Information which, in the opinion of its counsel, the Party is legally compelled to disclose. Each Party will use Reasonable Efforts to obtain reliable assurance that confidential treatment will be accorded any Confidential Information so furnished.

- **8.1.7 Termination of Agreement.** Upon termination of this Agreement for any reason, each Party shall, within ten (10) Business Days of receipt of a written request from the other Party, use Reasonable Efforts to destroy, erase, or delete (with such destruction, erasure, and deletion certified in writing to the requesting Party) or return to the requesting Party any and all written or electronic Confidential Information received from the requesting Party, except that each Party may keep one copy for archival purposes, provided that the obligation to treat it as Confidential Information in accordance with this Article 8 shall survive such termination.
- 8.1.8 Remedies. The Parties agree that monetary damages would be inadequate to compensate a Party for the other Party's Breach of its obligations under this Article 8. Each Party accordingly agrees that the disclosing Party shall be entitled to equitable relief, by way of injunction or otherwise, if the receiving Party Breaches or threatens to Breach its obligations under this Article 8, which equitable relief shall be granted without bond or proof of damages, and the breaching Party shall not plead in defense that there would be an adequate remedy at law. Such remedy shall not be deemed an exclusive remedy for the Breach of this Article 8, but it shall be in addition to all other remedies available at law or in equity. The Parties further acknowledge and agree that the covenants contained herein are necessary for the protection of legitimate business interests and are reasonable in scope. Neither Party, however, shall be liable for indirect, incidental, or consequential or punitive damages of any nature or kind resulting from or arising in connection with this Article 8.
- 8.1.9 Disclosure to FERC, its Staff, or a State Regulatory Body. Notwithstanding anything in this Article 8 to the contrary, and pursuant to 18 CFR 1b.20, if FERC or its staff, during the course of an investigation or otherwise, requests information from a Party that is otherwise required to be maintained in confidence pursuant to this Agreement, the Party shall provide the requested information to FERC or its staff, within the time provided for in the request for information. In providing the information to FERC or its staff, the Party must, consistent with 18 CFR 388.112, request that the information be treated as confidential and non-public by FERC and its staff and that the information be withheld from public disclosure. Parties are prohibited from notifying the other Party to this Agreement prior to the release of the Confidential Information to FERC or its staff. The Party shall notify the other Party to the Agreement when it is notified by FERC or its staff that a request to release Confidential Information has been received by FERC, at which time either of the Parties may respond before such information would be made public, pursuant to 18 CFR 388.112. Requests from a state regulatory body conducting a confidential investigation shall be treated in a similar manner if consistent with the applicable state rules and regulations.
- **8.1.10** Subject to the exception in Article 8.1.9, any information that a disclosing Party claims is competitively sensitive, commercial, or financial information under this Agreement shall not be disclosed by the receiving Party to any person not employed or retained by the receiving Party, except to the extent disclosure is (1) required by law; (2) reasonably deemed by the disclosing Party to be required to be disclosed in connection with a dispute between or among the Parties,

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or the defense of litigation or dispute; (3) otherwise permitted by consent of the disclosing Party, such consent not to be unreasonably withheld; or (4) necessary to fulfill its obligations under this Agreement or as the Transmission Provider or a balancing authority, including disclosing the Confidential Information to a regional or national reliability organization. The Party asserting confidentiality shall notify the receiving Party in writing of the information that Party claims is confidential. Prior to any disclosures of that Party's Confidential Information under this subparagraph, or if any non-Party or Governmental Authority makes any request or demand for any of the information described in this subparagraph, the Party that received the Confidential Information from the disclosing Party agrees to promptly notify the disclosing Party in writing and agrees to assert confidentiality and cooperate with the disclosing Party in seeking to protect the Confidential Information from public disclosure by confidentiality agreement, protective order, or other reasonable measures.

ARTICLE 9
INFORMATION ACCESS AND AUDIT RIGHTS

- 9.1 Information Access. Each Party shall make available to the other Party information necessary to verify the costs incurred by the other Party for which the requesting Party is responsible under this Agreement and carry out obligations and responsibilities under this Agreement, provided that the Parties shall not use such information for purposes other than those set forth in this Article 9.1 and to enforce their rights under this Agreement.
- **9.2** Audit Rights. Subject to the requirements of confidentiality under Article 8 of this Agreement, the accounts and records related to the design, engineering, procurement, and construction of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) shall be subject to audit during the period of this Agreement and for a period of twenty-four (24) months following Transmission Provider's issuance of a final invoice in accordance with Article 4.4. Affected System Interconnection Customer at its expense shall have the right, during normal business hours, and upon prior reasonable notice to Transmission Provider, to audit such accounts and records. Any audit authorized by this Article 9.2 shall be performed at the offices where such accounts and records are maintained and shall be limited to those portions of such accounts and records that relate to obligations under this Agreement.

ARTICLE 10 NOTICES

10.1 General. Any notice, demand, or request required or permitted to be given by a Party to the other Party, and any instrument required or permitted to be tendered or delivered by a Party in writing to another Party, may be so given, tendered, or delivered, as the case may be, by depositing the same with the United States Postal Service with postage prepaid, for transmission by certified or registered mail, addressed to the Parties, or personally delivered to the Parties, at the address set out below:

To Transmission Provider:

To Affected System Interconnection Customer:

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- **10.2** Billings and Payments. Billings and payments shall be sent to the addresses shown in Article 10.1 unless otherwise agreed to by the Parties.
- 10.3 Alternative Forms of Notice. Any notice or request required or permitted to be given by a Party to the other Party and not required by this Agreement to be given in writing may be so given by telephone, facsimile or email to the telephone numbers and email addresses set out below:

To Transmission Provider:

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To Affected System Interconnection Customer:

10.4 Execution and Filing. Affected System Interconnection Customer shall either: (i) execute two originals of this tendered Agreement and return them to Transmission Provider; or (ii) request in writing that Transmission Provider file with FERC this Agreement in unexecuted form. As soon as practicable, but not later than ten (10) Business Days after receiving either the two executed originals of this tendered Agreement (if it does not conform with a FERC-approved standard form of this Agreement) or the request to file this Agreement unexecuted, Transmission Provider shall file this Agreement with FERC, together with its explanation of any matters as to which Affected System Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider disagree and support for the costs that Transmission Provider proposes to charge to Affected System Interconnection Customer under this Agreement. An unexecuted version of this Agreement should contain terms and conditions deemed appropriate by Transmission Provider for the Affected System Interconnection Customer's generating facility. If the Parties agree to proceed with design, procurement, and construction of facilities and upgrades under the agreed-upon terms of the unexecuted version of this Agreement, they may proceed pending FERC action.

ARTICLE 11 MISCELLANEOUS

11.1 This Agreement shall include standard miscellaneous terms including, but not limited to, indemnities, representations, disclaimers, warranties, governing law, amendment, execution, waiver, enforceability and assignment, which reflect best practices in the electric industry, that are consistent with regional practices, Applicable Laws and Regulations and the organizational nature of each Party. All of these provisions, to the extent practicable, shall be consistent with the provisions of this LGIP.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have executed this Agreement electronically or in multiple originals, each of which shall constitute and be an original Agreement among the Parties.

Transmission Provider
{Transmission Provider}
By:
Name:
Title:

Affected System Interconnection Customer
{Affected System Interconnection Customer}
By:
Name:

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Appendix A to Appendix 6 Two-Party Affected System Facilities Construction Agreement

AFFECTED SYSTEM NETWORK UPGRADE(S), COST ESTIMATES AND RESPONSIBILITY, CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE AND MONTHLY PAYMENT SCHEDULE

This Appendix A is a part of the Affected System Facilities Construction Agreement between Affected System Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider.

1.1 Affected System Network Upgrade(s) to be installed by Transmission Provider.

{description}

1.2 First Equipment Order (including permitting).

{description}

1.2.1. Permitting and Land Rights – Transmission Provider Affected System Network Upgrade(s)

{description}

1.3 Construction Schedule. Where applicable, construction of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) is scheduled as follows and will be periodically updated as necessary:

Table 1: Transmission Provider Construction Activities

| MILESTONE NUMBER | DESCRIPTION | START DATE | END DATE |
|------------------|-------------|---------------|-------------|
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Note: Construction schedule assumes that Transmission Provider has obtained final authorizations and security from Affected System Interconnection Customer and all necessary permits from Governmental Authorities as necessary prerequisites to commence construction of any of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s).

1.4 Payment Schedule.

1.4.1 Timing of and Adjustments to Affected System Interconnection Customer's Payments and Security.

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{description}

1.4.2 Monthly Payment Schedule. Affected System Interconnection Customer's payment schedule is as follows.

{description}

Table 2: Affected System Interconnection Customer's Payment/Security Obligations for Affected System Network Upgrade(s).

| MILESTONE NUMBER | DESCRIPTION | DATE |
|---------------------|-------------|------|
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Note: Affected System Interconnection Customer's payment or provision of security as provided in this Agreement operates as a condition precedent to Transmission Provider's obligations to construct any Affected System Network Upgrade(s), and failure to meet this schedule will constitute a Breach pursuant to Article 5.1 of this Agreement.

1.5 Permits, Licenses, and Authorizations.

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NOTIFICATION OF COMPLETED CONSTRUCTION

This Appendix B is a part of the Affected Systems Facilities Construction Agreement between Affected System Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider. Where applicable, when Transmission Provider has completed construction of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s), Transmission Provider shall send notice to Affected System Interconnection Customer in substantially the form following:

{Date}

Affected System Interconnection Customer Address

Re: Completion of Affected System Network Upgrade(s)

Dear {Name or Title}:

This letter is sent pursuant to the Affected System Facilities Construction Agreement between {Transmission Provider} and {Affected System Interconnection Customer}, dated , 20 .

On {Date}, Transmission Provider completed to its satisfaction all work on the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) required to facilitate the safe and reliable interconnection and operation of Affected System Interconnection Customer's {description of generating facility}. Transmission Provider confirms that the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) are in place.

Thank you.

-{Signature}

{Transmission Provider Representative}

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Appendix C to Appendix 6 Two-Party Affected System Facilities Construction Agreement

EXHIBITS

This Appendix C is a part of the Affected System Facilities Construction Agreement among Affected System Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider.

Exhibit A1
Transmission Provider Site Map

Exhibit A2
Site Plan

Exhibit A3

Affected System Network Upgrade(s) Plan & Profile

Estimated Cost of Affected System Network Upgrade(s)

Facilities to Be
Constructed by
Transmission
Provider

Dollars

Total:

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RECITALS

<u>WHEREAS</u>, Affected System Interconnection Customers are proposing to develop {description of generating facilities or generating capacity additions to an existing generating facility}, consistent with the interconnection requests submitted by Affected System Interconnection Customers to {name of host transmission provider}, dated , for which {name of host transmission provider} found impacts on Transmission Provider's Transmission System; and

WHEREAS, Affected System Interconnection Customers desire to interconnect the {generating facilities} to {name of host transmission provider}'s transmission system; and

WHEREAS, additions, modifications, and upgrade(s) must be made to certain existing facilities of Transmission Provider's Transmission System to accommodate such interconnection; and

WHEREAS, Affected System Interconnection Customers have requested, and Transmission Provider has agreed, to enter into this Agreement for the purpose of facilitating the construction of necessary Affected System Network Upgrade(s);

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of and subject to the mutual covenants contained herein, the Parties agree as follows:

ARTICLE 1 DEFINITIONS

When used in this Agreement, with initial capitalization, the terms specified and not otherwise defined in this Agreement shall have the meanings indicated in this LGIP.

ARTICLE 2
TERM OF AGREEMENT

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2.1 Effective Date. This Agreement shall become effective upon execution by the Parties subject to acceptance by FERC (if applicable), or if filed unexecuted, upon the date specified by FERC.

2.2 Term.

- General. This Agreement shall become effective as provided in Article 2.1 and shall continue in full force and effect until the earlier of (1) the final repayment, where applicable, by Transmission Provider of the amount funded by Affected System Interconnection Customers for Transmission Provider's design, procurement, construction, and installation of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) provided in Appendix A; (2) the Parties agree to mutually terminate this Agreement; (3) earlier termination is permitted or provided for under Appendix A of this Agreement; or (4) Affected System Interconnection Customers terminate this Agreement after providing Transmission Provider with written notice at least sixty (60) Calendar Days prior to the proposed termination date, provided that Affected System Interconnection Customers have no outstanding contractual obligations to Transmission Provider under this Agreement. termination of this Agreement shall be effective until the Parties have complied with all Applicable Laws and Regulations applicable to such termination. The term of this Agreement may be adjusted upon mutual agreement of the Parties if the commercial operation date(s) for the {generating facilities} is adjusted in accordance with the rules and procedures established by {name of host transmission provider} or the in-service date for the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) is adjusted in accordance with the rules and procedures established by Transmission Provider.
- 2.2.2 Termination Upon Default. Default shall mean the failure of a Breaching Party to cure its Breach in accordance with Article 5 of this Agreement where Breach and Breaching Party are defined in Article 5. Defaulting Party shall mean the Party that is in Default. In the event of a Default by a Party, each non-Defaulting Party shall have the termination rights described in Articles 5 and 6; provided, however, Transmission Provider may not terminate this Agreement if an Affected System Interconnection Customer is the Defaulting Party and compensates Transmission Provider within thirty (30) Calendar Days for the amount of damages billed to Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) by Transmission Provider for any such damages. including costs and expenses incurred by Transmission Provider as a result of such Default. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Default by one or more Affected System Interconnection Customers shall not provide the other Affected System Interconnection Customer(s), either individually or in concert, with the right to terminate the entire Agreement. The non-Defaulting Party/Parties may, individually or in concert, initiate the removal of an Affected System Interconnection Customer that is a Defaulting Party from this Agreement. Transmission Provider shall not terminate this Agreement or the participation of any Affected System Interconnection Customer without provision being made for Transmission Provider to be fully reimbursed for all of its costs incurred under this Agreement.
- 2.2.3 Consequences of Termination. In the event of a termination by a Party, other than a termination by Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) due to a Default by Transmission Provider, each Affected System Interconnection Customer whose participation in this Agreement is terminated shall be responsible for the payment to Transmission Provider of all amounts then due and payable for construction and installation of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s)

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(including, without limitation, any equipment ordered related to such construction), plus all out-of-pocket expenses incurred by Transmission Provider in connection with the construction and installation of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s), through the date of termination, and, in the event of the termination of the entire Agreement, any actual costs which Transmission Provider reasonably incurs in (1) winding up work and construction demobilization and (2) ensuring the safety of persons and property and the integrity and safe and reliable operation of Transmission Provider's Transmission System. Transmission Provider shall use Reasonable Efforts to minimize such costs. The cost responsibility of other Affected System Interconnection Customer that is terminated from the Agreement.

- **2.2.4 Reservation of Rights.** Transmission Provider shall have the right to make a unilateral filing with FERC to modify this Agreement with respect to any rates, terms and conditions, charges, classifications of service, rule or regulation under section 205 or any other applicable provision of the Federal Power Act and FERC's rules and regulations thereunder, and Affected System Interconnection Customers shall have the right to make a unilateral filing with FERC to modify this Agreement pursuant to section 206 or any other applicable provision of the Federal Power Act and FERC's rules and regulations thereunder; provided that each Party shall have the right to protest any such filing by the other Party and to participate fully in any proceeding before FERC in which such modifications may be considered. Nothing in this Agreement shall limit the rights of the Parties or of FERC under sections 205 or 206 of the Federal Power Act and FERC's rules and regulations thereunder, except to the extent that the Parties otherwise mutually agree as provided herein.
- **2.3** Filing. Transmission Provider shall file this Agreement (and any amendment hereto) with the appropriate Governmental Authority, if required. Affected System Interconnection Customers may request that any information so provided be subject to the confidentiality provisions of Article 8. Each Affected System Interconnection Customer that has executed this Agreement, or any amendment thereto, shall reasonably cooperate with Transmission Provider with respect to such filing and to provide any information reasonably requested by Transmission Provider needed to comply with applicable regulatory requirements.
- **2.4 Survival.** This Agreement shall continue in effect after termination, to the extent necessary, to provide for final billings and payments and for costs incurred hereunder, including billings and payments pursuant to this Agreement; to permit the determination and enforcement of liability and indemnification obligations arising from acts or events that occurred while this Agreement was in effect; and to permit each Party to have access to the lands of the other Party pursuant to this Agreement or other applicable agreements, to disconnect, remove, or salvage its own facilities and equipment.
- **2.5 Termination Obligations.** Upon any termination pursuant to this Agreement or termination of the participation in this Agreement of an Affected System Interconnection Customer, each Affected System Interconnection Customer shall be responsible for the payment of its proportionate share of all costs or other contractual obligations incurred prior to the termination date, including previously incurred capital costs, penalties for early termination, and costs of removal and site restoration. The cost responsibility of the other Affected System Interconnection Customers shall be adjusted as necessary.

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ARTICLE 3
CONSTRUCTION OF AFFECTED SYSTEM NETWORK UPGRADE(S)

3.1 Construction.

3.1.1 Transmission Provider Obligations. Transmission Provider shall (or shall cause such action to) design, procure, construct, and install, and Affected System Interconnection Customers shall pay, consistent with Article 3.2, the costs of all Affected System Network Upgrade(s) identified in Appendix A. All Affected System Network Upgrade(s) designed, procured, constructed, and installed by Transmission Provider pursuant to this Agreement shall satisfy all requirements of applicable safety and/or engineering codes and comply with Good Utility Practice, and further, shall satisfy all Applicable Laws and Regulations. Transmission Provider shall not be required to undertake any action which is inconsistent with its standard safety practices, its material and equipment specifications, its design criteria and construction procedures, its labor agreements, or any Applicable Laws and Regulations.

3.1.2 Suspension of Work.

3.1.2.1 Right to Suspend. Affected System Interconnection Customers must jointly provide to Transmission Provider written notice of their request for suspension. Only the milestones described in the Appendices of this Agreement are subject to suspension under this Article 3.1.2. Affected System Network Upgrade(s) will be constructed on the schedule described in the Appendices of this Agreement unless: (1) construction is prevented by the order of a Governmental Authority; (2) the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) are not needed by any other Interconnection Customer; or (3) Transmission Provider determines that a Force Majeure event prevents construction. In the event of (1), (2), or (3), any security paid to Transmission Provider under Article 4.1 of this Agreement shall be released by Transmission Provider upon the determination by Transmission Provider that the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) will no longer be constructed. If suspension occurs, Affected System Interconnection Customers shall be responsible for the costs which Transmission Provider incurs (i) in accordance with this Agreement prior to the suspension; (ii) in suspending such work, including any costs incurred to perform such work as may be necessary to ensure the safety of persons and property and the integrity of Transmission Provider's Transmission System and, if applicable, any costs incurred in connection with the cancellation of contracts and orders for material which Transmission Provider cannot reasonably avoid; and (iii) reasonably incurs in winding up work and construction demobilization; provided, however, that, prior to canceling any such contracts or orders. Transmission Provider shall obtain Affected System Interconnection Customers' authorization. Affected System Interconnection Customers shall be responsible for all costs incurred in connection with Affected System Interconnection Customers' failure to authorize cancellation of such contracts or orders.

Interest on amounts paid by Affected System Interconnection Customers to Transmission Provider for the design, procurement, construction, and installation of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) shall not accrue during periods in which Affected System Interconnection Customers have suspended construction under this Article 3.1.2.

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Transmission Provider shall invoice Affected System Interconnection Customers pursuant to Article 4 and will use Reasonable Efforts to minimize its costs. In the event Affected System Interconnection Customers suspend work by Affected System Transmission Provider required under this Agreement pursuant to this Article 3.1.2.1, and have not requested Affected System Transmission Provider to recommence the work required under this Agreement on or before the expiration of three (3) years following commencement of such suspension, this Agreement shall be deemed terminated. The three-year period shall begin on the date the suspension is requested, or the date of the written notice to Affected System Transmission Provider, whichever is earlier, if no effective date of suspension is specified.

- 3.1.2.2 Recommencing of Work. If Affected System Interconnection Customers request that Transmission Provider recommence construction of Affected System Network Upgrade(s), Transmission Provider shall have no obligation to afford such work the priority it would have had but for the prior actions of Affected System Interconnection Customers to suspend the work. In such event, Affected System Interconnection Customers shall be responsible for any costs incurred in recommencing the work. All recommenced work shall be completed pursuant to an amended schedule for the interconnection agreed to by the Parties. Transmission Provider has the right to conduct a restudy of the Affected System Study if conditions have materially changed subsequent to the request to suspend. Affected System Interconnection Customers shall be responsible for the costs of any studies or restudies required.
- 3.1.2.3 Right to Suspend Due to Default. Transmission Provider reserves the right, upon written notice to Affected System Interconnection Customers, to suspend, at any time, work by Transmission Provider due to a Default by Affected System Interconnection Customer(s). Defaulting-Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) shall be responsible for any additional expenses incurred by Transmission Provider associated with the construction and installation of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) (as set forth in Article 2.2.3) upon the occurrence of a Default pursuant to Article 5. Any form of suspension by Transmission Provider shall not be barred by Articles 2.2.2, 2.2.3, or 5.2.2, nor shall it affect Transmission Provider's right to terminate the work or this Agreement pursuant to Article 6.
- Customers advised periodically as to the progress of its design, procurement, and construction efforts, as described in Appendix A. An Affected System Interconnection Customer may, at any time and reasonably, request a progress report from Transmission Provider. If, at any time, an Affected System Interconnection Customer determines that the completion of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) will not be required until after the specified in-service date, such Affected System Interconnection Customer will provide written notice to all other Parties of such later date for which the completion of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) would be required. Transmission Provider may delay the in-service date of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) accordingly, but only if agreed to by all other Affected System Interconnection Customers.
- 3.1.4 Timely Completion. Transmission Provider shall use Reasonable Efforts to design, procure, construct, install, and test the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) in accordance with the schedule set forth in Appendix A, which schedule may be revised from time to time by mutual agreement of the Parties. If any event occurs that will affect the time or ability to complete the Affected System Network Upgrade(s), Transmission Provider shall promptly notify all other Parties. In such circumstances, Transmission Provider shall, within fifteen (15) Calendar Days of

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such notice, convene a meeting with Affected System Interconnection Customers to evaluate the alternatives available to Affected System Interconnection Customers. Transmission Provider shall also make available to Affected System Interconnection Customers all studies and work papers related to the event and corresponding delay, including all information that is in the possession of Transmission Provider that is reasonably needed by Affected System Interconnection Customers to evaluate alternatives, subject to confidentiality arrangements consistent with Article 8. Transmission Provider shall, at any Affected System Interconnection Customer's request and expense, use Reasonable Efforts to accelerate its work under this Agreement to meet the schedule set forth in Appendix A, provided that (1) Affected System Interconnection Customers jointly authorize such actions, such authorizations to be withheld, conditioned, or delayed by a given Affected System Interconnection Customer only if it can demonstrate that the acceleration would have a material adverse effect on it; and (2) the requesting Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) funds the costs associated therewith in advance, or all Affected System Interconnection Customers agree in advance to fund such costs based on such other allocation method as they may adopt.

3.2 Interconnection Costs.

- 3.2.1 Costs. Affected System Interconnection Customers shall pay to Transmission Provider costs (including taxes and financing costs) associated with seeking and obtaining all necessary approvals and of designing, engineering, constructing, and testing the Affected System Network Upgrade(s), as identified in Appendix A, in accordance with the cost recovery method provided herein. Except as expressly otherwise agreed, Affected System Interconnection Customers shall be collectively responsible for these costs, based on their proportionate share of cost responsibility, as provided in Appendix A. Unless Transmission Provider elects to fund the Affected System Network Upgrade(s), they shall be initially funded by the applicable Affected System Interconnection Customer.
- 3.2.1.1 Lands of Other Property Owners. If any part of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) is to be installed on property owned by persons other than Affected System Interconnection Customers or Transmission Provider, Transmission Provider shall, at Affected System Interconnection Customers' expense, use efforts similar in nature and extent to those that it typically undertakes on its own behalf or on behalf of its Affiliates, including use of its eminent domain authority to the extent permitted and consistent with Applicable Laws and Regulations and, to the extent consistent with such Applicable Laws and Regulations, to procure from such persons any rights of use, licenses, rights-of-way, and easements that are necessary to construct, operate, maintain, test, inspect, replace, or remove the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) upon such property.

3.2.2 Repayment.

3.2.2.1 Repayment. Consistent with articles 11.4.1 and 11.4.2 of the Transmission Provider's pro forma LGIA, each Affected System Interconnection Customer shall be entitled to a cash repayment by Transmission Provider of the amount each Affected System Interconnection Customer paid to Transmission Provider, if any, for the Affected System Network Upgrade(s), including any tax gross-up or other tax-related payments associated with the Affected System Network Upgrade(s), and not refunded to Affected System Interconnection Customer pursuant to Article 3.3.1 or otherwise. The Parties may mutually agree to a repayment schedule, to be

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outlined in Appendix A, not to exceed twenty (20) years from the commercial operation date, for the complete repayment for all applicable costs associated with the Affected System Network Upgrade(s). Any repayment shall include interest calculated in accordance with the methodology set forth in FERC's regulations at 18 CFR 35.19 a(a)(2)(iii) from the date of any payment for Affected System Network Upgrade(s) through the date on which Affected System Interconnection Customers receive a repayment of such payment pursuant to this subparagraph. Interest shall not accrue during periods in which Affected System Interconnection Customers have suspended construction pursuant to Article 3.1.2.1. Affected System Interconnection Customers may assign such repayment rights to any person.

3.2.2.2 Impact of Failure to Achieve Commercial Operation. If an Affected System Interconnection Customer's generating facility fails to achieve commercial operation, but it or another generating facility is later constructed and makes use of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s), Transmission Provider shall at that time reimburse such Affected System Interconnection Customers for the portion of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) it funded. Before any such reimbursement can occur, Affected System Interconnection Customer (or the entity that ultimately constructs the generating facility, if different), is responsible for identifying the entity to which the reimbursement must be made.

3.3 Taxes.

3.3.1 Indemnification for Contributions in Aid of Construction. With regard only to payments made by Affected System Interconnection Customers to Transmission Provider for the installation of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s), Transmission Provider shall not include a gross-up for income taxes in the amounts it charges Affected System Interconnection Customers for the installation of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) unless (1) Transmission Provider has determined, in good faith, that the payments or property transfers made by Affected System Interconnection Customers to Transmission Provider should be reported as income subject to taxation, or (2) any Governmental Authority directs Transmission Provider to report payments or property as income subject to taxation. Affected System Interconnection Customers shall reimburse Transmission Provider for such costs on a fully grossed-up basis, in accordance with this Article, within thirty (30) Calendar Days of receiving written notification from Transmission Provider of the amount due, including detail about how the amount was calculated.

The indemnification obligation shall terminate at the earlier of (1) the expiration of the ten (10)-year testing period and the applicable statute of limitation, as it may be extended by Transmission Provider upon request of the Internal Revenue Service, to keep these years open for audit or adjustment, or (2) the occurrence of a subsequent taxable event and the payment of any related indemnification obligations as contemplated by this Article. Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Article 3.3.1, and to the extent permitted by law, to the extent that the receipt of such payments by Transmission Provider is determined by any Governmental Authority to constitute income by Transmission Provider subject to taxation, Affected System Interconnection Customers shall protect, indemnify, and hold harmless Transmission Provider and its Affiliates, from all claims by any such Governmental Authority for any tax, interest, and/or penalties associated with such determination. Upon receiving written notification of such determination from the Governmental Authority, Transmission Provider shall provide Affected System Interconnection Customers with written notification within thirty (30) Calendar Days of such

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determination and notification. Transmission Provider, upon the timely written request by any one or more Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) and at the expense of such Affected System Interconnection Customer(s), shall appeal, protest, seek abatement of, or otherwise oppose such determination. Transmission Provider reserves the right to make all decisions with regard to the prosecution of such appeal, protest, abatement or other contest, including the compromise or settlement of the claim; provided that Transmission Provider shall cooperate and consult in good faith with the requesting Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) regarding the conduct of such contest. Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) shall not be required to pay Transmission Provider for the tax, interest, and/or penalties prior to the seventh (7th) Calendar Day before the date on which Transmission Provider (1) is required to pay the tax. interest, and/or penalties or other amount in lieu thereof pursuant to a compromise or settlement of the appeal, protest, abatement, or other contest; (2) is required to pay the tax, interest, and/or penalties as the result of a final, non-appealable order by a Governmental Authority; or (3) is required to pay the tax, interest, and/or penalties as a prerequisite to an appeal, protest, abatement, or other contest. In the event such appeal, protest, abatement, or other contest results in a determination that Transmission Provider is not liable for any portion of any tax, interest, and/or penalties for which any Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) has already made payment to Transmission Provider, Transmission Provider shall promptly refund to such Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) any payment attributable to the amount determined to be non-taxable, plus any interest (calculated in accordance with 18 CFR 35.19a(a)(2)(iii)) or other payments Transmission Provider receives or to which Transmission Provider may be entitled with respect to such payment. Each Affected System Interconnection Customer shall provide Transmission Provider with credit assurances sufficient to meet each Affected System Interconnection Customer's estimated liability for reimbursement of Transmission Provider for taxes, interest, and/or penalties under this Article 3.3.1. Such estimated liability shall be stated in Appendix A.

To the extent that Transmission Provider is a limited liability company and not a corporation, and has elected to be taxed as a partnership, then the following shall apply: Transmission Provider represents, and the Parties acknowledge, that Transmission Provider is a limited liability company and is treated as a partnership for federal income tax purposes. Any payment made by Affected System Interconnection Customers to Transmission Provider for Affected System Network Upgrade(s) is to be treated as an upfront payment. It is anticipated by the Parties that any amounts paid by each Affected System Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider for Affected System Network Upgrade(s) will be reimbursed to such Affected System Interconnection Customer in accordance with the terms of this Agreement, provided such Affected System Interconnection Customer fulfills its obligations under this Agreement.

3.3.2 Private Letter Ruling. At the request and expense of any Affected System Interconnection Customer(s), Transmission Provider shall file with the Internal Revenue Service a request for a private letter ruling as to whether any property transferred or sums paid, or to be paid, by such Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) to Transmission Provider under this Agreement are subject to federal income taxation. Each Affected System Interconnection Customer desiring such a request will prepare the initial draft of the request for a private letter ruling and will certify under penalties of perjury that all facts represented in such request are true and accurate to the best of such Affected System Interconnection Customer's knowledge. Transmission Provider and such Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) shall cooperate in good faith with respect to the submission of such request.

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3.3.3 Other Taxes. Upon the timely request by any one or more Affected System Interconnection Customer(s), and at such Affected System Interconnection Customer(s)' sole expense, Transmission Provider shall appeal, protest, seek abatement of, or otherwise contest any tax (other than federal or state income tax) asserted or assessed against Transmission Provider for which such Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) may be required to reimburse Transmission Provider under the terms of this Agreement. Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) who requested the action shall pay to Transmission Provider on a periodic basis, as invoiced by Transmission Provider, Transmission Provider's documented reasonable costs of prosecuting such appeal, protest, abatement, or other contest. The requesting Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) and Transmission Provider shall cooperate in good faith with respect to any such contest. Unless the payment of such taxes is a prerequisite to an appeal or abatement or cannot be deferred, no amount shall be payable by Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) to Transmission Provider for such taxes until they are assessed by a final, non-appealable order by any court or agency of competent jurisdiction. In the event that a tax payment is withheld and ultimately due and payable after appeal. Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) will be responsible for all taxes, interest, and penalties, other than penalties attributable to any delay caused by Transmission Provider. Each Party shall cooperate with the other Party to maintain each Party's tax status. Nothing in this Agreement is intended to adversely affect any Party's tax-exempt status with respect to the issuance of bonds including, but not limited to, local furnishing bonds, as described in section 142(f) of the Internal Revenue Code.

ARTICLE 4 SECURITY, BILLING, AND PAYMENTS

4.1 Provision of Security. By the earlier of (1) thirty (30) Calendar Days prior to the due date for each Affected System Interconnection Customer's first payment under the payment schedule specified in Appendix A, or (2) the first date specified in Appendix A for the ordering of equipment by Transmission Provider for installing the Affected System Network Upgrade(s), each Affected System Interconnection Customer shall provide Transmission Provider, at each Affected System Interconnection Customer's option, a guarantee, a surety bond, letter TLof credit, or other form of security that is reasonably acceptable to Transmission Provider. Such security for payment shall be in an amount sufficient to cover the costs for constructing, procuring, and installing the applicable portion of Affected System Network Upgrade(s) and shall be reduced on a dollar-for-dollar basis for payments made to Transmission Provider for these purposes.

The guarantee must be made by an entity that meets the creditworthiness requirements of Transmission Provider and contain terms and conditions that guarantee payment of any amount that may be due from such Affected System Interconnection Customer, up to an agreed-to maximum amount. The letter of credit must be issued by a financial institution reasonably acceptable to Transmission Provider and must specify a reasonable expiration date.

4.2 Invoice. Each Party shall submit to the other Parties, on a monthly basis, invoices of amounts due, if any, for the preceding month. Each invoice shall state the month to which the invoice applies and fully describe the services and equipment provided. The Parties may discharge mutual debts and payment obligations due and owing to each other on the same date through netting, in which case all amounts a Party owes to another Party under this Agreement,

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including interest payments, shall be netted so that only the net amount remaining due shall be paid by the owing Party.

- 4.3 Payment. Invoices shall be rendered to the paying Party at the address specified by the Parties. The Party receiving the invoice shall pay the invoice within thirty (30) Calendar Days of receipt. All payments shall be made in immediately available funds payable to the other Party, or by wire transfer to a bank named and account designated by the invoicing Party. Payment of invoices by a Party will not constitute a waiver of any rights or claims that Party may have under this Agreement.
- 4.4 Final Invoice. Within six (6) months after completion of the construction of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) Transmission Provider shall provide an invoice of the final cost of the construction of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) and shall set forth such costs in sufficient detail to enable each Affected System Interconnection Customer to compare the actual costs with the estimates and to ascertain deviations, if any, from the cost estimates. Transmission Provider shall refund, with interest (calculated in accordance with 18 CFR 35.19a(a)(2)(iii)), to each Affected System Interconnection Customer any amount by which the actual payment by Affected System Interconnection Customer for estimated costs exceeds the actual costs of construction within thirty (30) Calendar Days of the issuance of such final construction invoice.
- **4.5** Interest. Interest on any unpaid amounts shall be calculated in accordance with 18 CFR 35.19a(a)(2)(iii).
- 4.6 Payment During Dispute. In the event of a billing dispute among the Parties, Transmission Provider shall continue to construct the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) under this Agreement as long as each Affected System Interconnection Customer: (1) continues to make all payments not in dispute; and (2) pays to Transmission Provider or into an independent escrow account the portion of the invoice in dispute, pending resolution of such dispute. If any Affected System Interconnection Customer fails to meet these two requirements, then Transmission Provider may provide notice to such Affected System Interconnection Customer of a Default pursuant to Article 5. Within thirty (30) Calendar Days after the resolution of the dispute, the Party that owes money to another Party shall pay the amount due with interest calculated in accordance with the methodology set forth in 18 CFR 35.19a(a)(2)(iii).

ARTICLE 5 BREACH, CURE, AND DEFAULT

- **5.1 Events of Breach.** A Breach of this Agreement shall include the:
- (a) Failure to pay any amount when due;
- (b) Failure to comply with any material term or condition of this Agreement, including but not limited to any material Breach of a representation, warranty, or covenant made in this Agreement;
- (c) Failure of a Party to provide such access rights, or a Party's attempt to revoke access or terminate such access rights, as provided under this Agreement; or

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- (d) Failure of a Party to provide information or data to another Party as required under this Agreement, provided the Party entitled to the information or data under this Agreement requires such information or data to satisfy its obligations under this Agreement.
- **5.2 Definition.** Breaching Party shall mean the Party that is in Breach.
- **5.3 Notice of Breach, Cure, and Default.** Upon the occurrence of an event of Breach, any Party aggrieved by the Breach, when it becomes aware of the Breach, shall give written notice of the Breach to the Breaching Party and to any other person representing a Party to this Agreement identified in writing to the other Party in advance. Such notice shall set forth, in reasonable detail, the nature of the Breach, and where known and applicable, the steps necessary to cure such Breach.
- 5.2.1 Upon receiving written notice of the Breach hereunder, the Breaching Party shall have a period to cure such Breach (hereinafter referred to as the "Cure Period") which shall be sixty (60) Calendar Days. If an Affected System Interconnection Customer is the Breaching Party and the Breach results from a failure to provide payments or security under Article 4.1 of this Agreement, the other Affected System Interconnection Customers, either individually or in concert, may cure the Breach by paying the amounts owed or by providing adequate security, without waiver of contribution rights against the breaching Affected System Interconnection Customer. Such cure for the Breach of an Affected System Interconnection Customer is subject to the reasonable consent of Transmission Provider. Transmission Provider may also cure such Breach by funding the proportionate share of the Affected System Network Upgrade costs related to the Breach of Affected System Interconnection Customer. Transmission Provider must notify all Parties that it will exercise this option within thirty (30) Calendar Days of notification that an Affected System Interconnection Customer has failed to provide payments or security under Article 4.1.
- 5.2.2 In the event the Breach is not cured within the Cure Period, the Breaching Party will be in Default of this Agreement, and the non-Defaulting Parties may (1) act in concert to amend the Agreement to remove an Affected System Interconnection Customer that is in Default from this Agreement for cause and to make other changes as necessary, or (2) either in concert or individually take whatever action at law or in equity as may appear necessary or desirable to enforce the performance or observance of any rights, remedies, obligations, agreement, or covenants under this Agreement.
- 5.3 Rights in the Event of Default. Notwithstanding the foregoing, upon the occurrence of Default, the non-Defaulting Parties shall be entitled to exercise all rights and remedies it may have in equity or at law.

ARTICLE 6
TERMINATION OF AGREEMENT

- **6.1 Expiration of Term.** Except as otherwise specified in this Article 6, the Parties' obligations under this Agreement shall terminate at the conclusion of the term of this Agreement.
- **6.2 Termination and Removal.** Subject to the limitations set forth in Article 6.3, in the event of a Default, termination of this Agreement, as to a given Affected System Interconnection

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Customer or in its entirety, shall require a filing at FERC of a notice of termination, which filing must be accepted for filing by FERC.

- 6.3 Disposition of Facilities Upon Termination of Agreement.
- <u>6.3.1 Transmission Provider Obligations.</u> Upon termination of this Agreement, unless otherwise agreed to by the Parties in writing, Transmission Provider:
- (a) shall, prior to the construction and installation of any portion of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) and to the extent possible, cancel any pending orders of, or return, such equipment or material for such Affected System Network Upgrade(s):
- (b) may keep in place any portion of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) already constructed and installed; and,
- shall perform such work as may be necessary to ensure the safety of persons and property and to preserve the integrity of Transmission Provider's Transmission System (e.g., construction demobilization to return the system to its original state, wind-up work).
- 6.3.2 Affected System Interconnection Customer Obligations. Upon billing by Transmission Provider, each Affected System Interconnection Customer shall reimburse Transmission Provider for its share of any costs incurred by Transmission Provider in performance of the actions required or permitted by Article 6.3.1 and for its share of the cost of any Affected System Network Upgrade(s) described in Appendix A. Transmission Provider shall use Reasonable Efforts to minimize costs and shall offset the amounts owed by any salvage value of facilities, if applicable. Each Affected System Interconnection Customer shall pay these costs pursuant to Article 4.3 of this Agreement.
- 6.3.3 Pre-construction or Installation. Upon termination of this Agreement and prior to the construction and installation of any portion of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s), Transmission Provider may, at its option, retain any portion of such Affected System Network Upgrade(s) not cancelled or returned in accordance with Article 6.3.1(a), in which case Transmission Provider shall be responsible for all costs associated with procuring such Affected System Network Upgrade(s). To the extent that an Affected System Interconnection Customer has already paid Transmission Provider for any or all of such costs, Transmission Provider shall refund Affected System Interconnection Customer for those payments. If Transmission Provider elects to not retain any portion of such facilities, and one or more of Affected System Interconnection Customers wish to purchase such facilities, Transmission Provider shall convey and make available to the applicable Affected System Interconnection Customer(s) such facilities as soon as practicable after Affected System Interconnection Customer(s)' payment for such facilities.
- 6.4 Survival of Rights. Termination or expiration of this Agreement shall not relieve any Party of any of its liabilities and obligations arising hereunder prior to the date termination becomes effective, and each Party may take whatever judicial or administrative actions as appear necessary or desirable to enforce its rights hereunder. The applicable provisions of this Agreement will continue in effect after expiration, or early termination hereof, to the extent necessary to provide for (1) final billings, billing adjustments, and other billing procedures set forth

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in this Agreement; (2) the determination and enforcement of liability and indemnification obligations arising from acts or events that occurred while this Agreement was in effect; and (3) the confidentiality provisions set forth in Article 8.

ARTICLE 7 SUBCONTRACTORS

- **7.1 Subcontractors.** Nothing in this Agreement shall prevent a Party from utilizing the services of subcontractors, as it deems appropriate, to perform its obligations under this Agreement; provided, however, that each Party shall require its subcontractors to comply with all applicable terms and conditions of this Agreement in providing such services, and each Party shall remain primarily liable to the other Parties for the performance of such subcontractor.
- 7.1.1 Responsibility of Principal. The creation of any subcontract relationship shall not relieve the hiring Party of any of its obligations under this Agreement. In accordance with the provisions of this Agreement, each Party shall be fully responsible to the other Parties for the acts or omissions of any subcontractor it hires as if no subcontract had been made. Any applicable obligation imposed by this Agreement upon a Party shall be equally binding upon, and shall be construed as having application to, any subcontractor of such Party.
- **7.1.2** No Third-Party Beneficiary. Except as may be specifically set forth to the contrary herein, no subcontractor or any other party is intended to be, nor will it be deemed to be, a third-party beneficiary of this Agreement.
- **7.1.3 No Limitation by Insurance.** The obligations under this Article 7 will not be limited in any way by any limitation of any insurance policies or coverages, including any subcontractor's insurance.

ARTICLE 8 CONFIDENTIALITY

8.1 Confidentiality. Confidential Information shall include, without limitation, all information relating to a Party's technology, research and development, business affairs, and pricing, and any information supplied to the other Parties prior to the execution of this Agreement.

Information is Confidential Information only if it is clearly designated or marked in writing as confidential on the face of the document, or, if the information is conveyed orally or by inspection, if the Party providing the information orally informs the Party receiving the information that the information is confidential. The Parties shall maintain as confidential any information that is provided and identified by a Party as Critical Energy Infrastructure Information (CEII), as that term is defined in 18 CFR 388.113(c).

Such confidentiality will be maintained in accordance with this Article 8. If requested by the receiving Party, the disclosing Party shall provide in writing, the basis for asserting that the information referred to in this Article warrants confidential treatment, and the requesting Party may disclose such writing to the appropriate Governmental Authority. Each Party shall be responsible for the costs associated with affording confidential treatment to its information.

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- **8.1.1 Term.** During the term of this Agreement, and for a period of three (3) years after the expiration or termination of this Agreement, except as otherwise provided in this Article 8 or with regard to CEII, each Party shall hold in confidence and shall not disclose to any person Confidential Information. CEII shall be treated in accordance with FERC policies and regulations.
- 8.1.2 Scope. Confidential Information shall not include information that the receiving Party can demonstrate: (1) is generally available to the public other than as a result of a disclosure by the receiving Party; (2) was in the lawful possession of the receiving Party on a non-confidential basis before receiving it from the disclosing Party; (3) was supplied to the receiving Party without restriction by a non-Party, who, to the knowledge of the receiving Party after due inquiry, was under no obligation to the disclosing Party to keep such information confidential; (4) was independently developed by the receiving Party without reference to Confidential Information of the disclosing Party; (5) is, or becomes, publicly known, through no wrongful act or omission of the receiving Party or Breach of this Agreement; or (6) is required, in accordance with Article 8.1.6 of this Agreement, to be disclosed by any Governmental Authority or is otherwise required to be disclosed by law or subpoena, or is necessary in any legal proceeding establishing rights and obligations under this Agreement. Information designated as Confidential Information will no longer be deemed confidential if the Party that designated the information as confidential notifies the receiving Party that it no longer is confidential.
- 8.1.3 Release of Confidential Information. No Party shall release or disclose Confidential Information to any other person, except to its Affiliates (limited by the Standards of Conduct requirements), subcontractors, employees, agents, consultants, or to non-Parties that may be or are considering providing financing to or equity participation with Affected System Interconnection Customer(s), or to potential purchasers or assignees of Affected System Interconnection Customer(s), on a need-to-know basis in connection with this Agreement, unless such person has first been advised of the confidentiality provisions of this Article 8 and has agreed to comply with such provisions. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a Party providing Confidential Information to any person shall remain primarily responsible for any release of Confidential Information in contravention of this Article 8.
- **8.1.4 Rights.** Each Party shall retain all rights, title, and interest in the Confidential Information that it discloses to the receiving Party. The disclosure by a Party to the receiving Party of Confidential Information shall not be deemed a waiver by the disclosing Party or any other person or entity of the right to protect the Confidential Information from public disclosure.
- 8.1.5 Standard of Care. Each Party shall use at least the same standard of care to protect Confidential Information it receives as it uses to protect its own Confidential Information from unauthorized disclosure, publication, or dissemination. Each Party may use Confidential Information solely to fulfill its obligations to the other Party under this Agreement or its regulatory requirements.
- 8.1.6 Order of Disclosure. If a court or a Government Authority or entity with the right, power, and apparent authority to do so requests or requires any Party, by subpoena, oral deposition, interrogatories, requests for production of documents, administrative order, or otherwise, to disclose Confidential Information, that Party shall provide the disclosing Party with prompt notice of such request(s) or requirement(s) so that the disclosing Party may seek an appropriate protective order or waive compliance with the terms of this Agreement. Notwithstanding the

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absence of a protective order or waiver, the Party may disclose such Confidential Information which, in the opinion of its counsel, the Party is legally compelled to disclose. Each Party will use Reasonable Efforts to obtain reliable assurance that confidential treatment will be accorded any Confidential Information so furnished.

- 8.1.7 Termination of Agreement. Upon termination of this Agreement for any reason, each Party shall, within ten (10) Business Days of receipt of a written request from the other Party, use Reasonable Efforts to destroy, erase, or delete (with such destruction, erasure, and deletion certified in writing to the requesting Party) or return to the requesting Party any and all written or electronic Confidential Information received from the requesting Party, except that each Party may keep one copy for archival purposes, provided that the obligation to treat it as Confidential Information in accordance with this Article 8 shall survive such termination.
- 8.1.8 Remedies. The Parties agree that monetary damages would be inadequate to compensate a Party for another Party's Breach of its obligations under this Article 8. Each Party accordingly agrees that the disclosing Party shall be entitled to equitable relief, by way of injunction or otherwise, if the receiving Party Breaches or threatens to Breach its obligations under this Article 8, which equitable relief shall be granted without bond or proof of damages, and the Breaching Party shall not plead in defense that there would be an adequate remedy at law. Such remedy shall not be deemed an exclusive remedy for the Breach of this Article 8, but it shall be in addition to all other remedies available at law or in equity. The Parties further acknowledge and agree that the covenants contained herein are necessary for the protection of legitimate business interests and are reasonable in scope. No Party, however, shall be liable for indirect, incidental, or consequential or punitive damages of any nature or kind resulting from or arising in connection with this Article 8.
- 8.1.9 Disclosure to FERC, its Staff, or a State Regulatory Body. Notwithstanding anything in this Article 8 to the contrary, and pursuant to 18 CFR 1b.20, if FERC or its staff, during the course of an investigation or otherwise, requests information from a Party that is otherwise required to be maintained in confidence pursuant to this Agreement, the Party shall provide the requested information to FERC or its staff, within the time provided for in the request for information. In providing the information to FERC or its staff, the Party must, consistent with 18 CFR 388.112, request that the information be treated as confidential and non-public by FERC and its staff and that the information be withheld from public disclosure. Parties are prohibited from notifying the other Parties to this Agreement prior to the release of the Confidential Information to FERC or its staff. The Party shall notify the other Parties to the Agreement when it is notified by FERC or its staff that a request to release Confidential Information has been received by FERC, at which time either of the Parties may respond before such information would be made public, pursuant to 18 CFR 388.112. Requests from a state regulatory body conducting a confidential investigation shall be treated in a similar manner if consistent with the applicable state rules and regulations.
- **8.1.10** Subject to the exception in Article 8.1.9, any information that a disclosing Party claims is competitively sensitive, commercial, or financial information under this Agreement shall not be disclosed by the receiving Party to any person not employed or retained by the receiving Party, except to the extent disclosure is (1) required by law; (2) reasonably deemed by the disclosing Party to be required to be disclosed in connection with a dispute between or among the Parties, or the defense of litigation or dispute; (3) otherwise permitted by consent of the disclosing Party,

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such consent not to be unreasonably withheld; or (4) necessary to fulfill its obligations under this Agreement or as Transmission Provider or a balancing authority, including disclosing the Confidential Information to a regional or national reliability organization. The Party asserting confidentiality shall notify the receiving Party in writing of the information that Party claims is confidential. Prior to any disclosures of that Party's Confidential Information under this subparagraph, or if any non-Party or Governmental Authority makes any request or demand for any of the information described in this subparagraph, the Party that received the Confidential Information from the disclosing Party agrees to promptly notify the disclosing Party in writing and agrees to assert confidentiality and cooperate with the disclosing Party in seeking to protect the Confidential Information from public disclosure by confidentiality agreement, protective order, or other reasonable measures.

ARTICLE 9 INFORMATION ACCESS AND AUDIT RIGHTS

- 9.1 Information Access. Each Party shall make available to the other Parties information necessary to verify the costs incurred by the other Parties for which the requesting Party is responsible under this Agreement and carry out obligations and responsibilities under this Agreement, provided that the Parties shall not use such information for purposes other than those set forth in this Article 9.1 and to enforce their rights under this Agreement.
- Agreement, the accounts and records related to the design, engineering, procurement, and construction of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) shall be subject to audit during the period of this Agreement and for a period of twenty-four (24) months following Transmission Provider's issuance of a final invoice in accordance with Article 4.4. Affected System Interconnection Customers may, jointly or individually, at the expense of the requesting Party(ies), during normal business hours, and upon prior reasonable notice to Transmission Provider, audit such accounts and records. Any audit authorized by this Article 9.2 shall be performed at the offices where such accounts and records are maintained and shall be limited to those portions of such accounts and records that relate to obligations under this Agreement.

ARTICLE 10 NOTICES

10.1 General. Any notice, demand, or request required or permitted to be given by a Party to the other Parties, and any instrument required or permitted to be tendered or delivered by a Party in writing to another Party, may be so given, tendered, or delivered, as the case may be, by depositing the same with the United States Postal Service with postage prepaid, for transmission by certified or registered mail, addressed to the Parties, or personally delivered to the Parties, at the address set out below:

To Transmission Provider:

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To Affected System Interconnection Customers:

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- **10.2** Billings and Payments. Billings and payments shall be sent to the addresses shown in Article 10.1 unless otherwise agreed to by the Parties.
- 10.3 Alternative Forms of Notice. Any notice or request required or permitted to be given by a Party to the other Parties and not required by this Agreement to be given in writing may be so given by telephone, facsimile, or email to the telephone numbers and email addresses set out below:

To Transmission Provider:

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To Affected System Interconnection Customers:

10.4 Execution and Filing. Affected System Interconnection Customers shall either: (i) execute two originals of this tendered Agreement and return them to Transmission Provider; or (ii) request in writing that Transmission Provider file with FERC this Agreement in unexecuted form. As soon as practicable, but not later than ten (10) Business Days after receiving either the two executed originals of this tendered Agreement (if it does not conform with a FERC-approved standard form of this Agreement) or the request to file this Agreement unexecuted, Transmission Provider shall file this Agreement with FERC, together with its explanation of any matters as to which Affected System Interconnection Customers and Transmission Provider disagree and support for the costs that Transmission Provider proposes to charge to Affected System Interconnection Customers under this Agreement. An unexecuted version of this Agreement should contain terms and conditions deemed appropriate by Transmission Provider for the Affected System Interconnection Customers' generating facilities. If the Parties agree to proceed with design, procurement, and construction of facilities and upgrades under the agreed-upon terms of the unexecuted version of this Agreement, they may proceed pending FERC action.

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ARTICLE 11 MISCELLANEOUS

11.1 This Agreement shall include standard miscellaneous terms including, but not limited to, indemnities, representations, disclaimers, warranties, governing law, amendment, execution, waiver, enforceability, and assignment, which reflect best practices in the electric industry, that are consistent with regional practices, Applicable Laws and Regulations, and the organizational nature of each Party. All of these provisions, to the extent practicable, shall be consistent with the provisions of this LGIP.

Bv:

Name:

<u>Title:</u>Revised

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have executed this Agreement electronically or in multiple originals, each of which shall constitute and be an original Agreement among the Parties.

Transmission Provider
{Transmission Provider}
By:
Name:
Title:

Affected System Interconnection Customer
{Affected System Interconnection Customer}
By:
Name:
Title:

Project No.

Affected System Interconnection Customer
{Affected System Interconnection Customer}
Customer

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Appendix A to Appendix 7 Multiparty Affected System Facilities Construction Agreement

AFFECTED SYSTEM NETWORK UPGRADE(S), COST ESTIMATES AND RESPONSIBILITY, CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE, AND MONTHLY PAYMENT SCHEDULE

This Appendix A is a part of the Multiparty Affected System Facilities Construction Agreement between Affected System Interconnection Customers and Transmission Provider.

1.1 Affected System Network Upgrade(s) to be installed by Transmission Provider.

{description}

1.2 First Equipment Order (including permitting).

{description}

1.2.1. Permitting and Land Rights – Transmission Provider Affected System Network Upgrade(s)

{description}

1.3 Construction Schedule. Where applicable, construction of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) is scheduled as follows and will be periodically updated as necessary:

Table 3: Transmission Provider Construction Activities

| MILESTONE NUMBER | DESCRIPTION | START DATE | END DATE |
|------------------|-------------|------------|-------------|
| _ | • | _ | _ |
| _ | _ | _ | _ |
| | _ | _ | - |
| | _ | _ | - |
| _ | _ | _ | _ |
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Note: Construction schedule assumes that Transmission Provider has obtained final authorizations and security from Affected System Interconnection Customers and all necessary

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permits from Governmental Authorities as necessary prerequisites to commence construction of any of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s).

1.4 Payment Schedule.

1.4.1 Timing of and Adjustments to Affected System Interconnection Customers' Payments and Security. {description}

1.4.2 Monthly Payment Schedule. Affected System Interconnection Customers' payment schedule is as follows.

{description}

<u>Table 4: Affected System Interconnection Customers' Payment/Security Obligations for Affected System Network Upgrade(s).</u>

| DESCRIPTION | DATE |
|-------------|-------------|
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| - | |
| _ | |
| _ | _ |
| _ | _ |
| _ | |
| _ | |
| | |
| | DESCRIPTION |

* Affected System Interconnection Customers' proportionate responsibility for each payment is as follows:

Affected System Interconnection Customer 1 . %
Affected System Interconnection Customer 2 . %
Affected System Interconnection Customer N . %

Note: Affected System Interconnection Customers' payment or provision of security as provided in this Agreement operates as a condition precedent to Transmission Provider's obligations to construct any Affected System Network Upgrade(s), and failure to meet this schedule will constitute a Breach pursuant to Article 5.1 of this Agreement.

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1.5 Permits, Licenses, and Authorizations.

{description}

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NOTIFICATION OF COMPLETED CONSTRUCTION

This Appendix B is a part of the Multiparty Affected System Facilities Construction Agreement among Affected System Interconnection Customers and Transmission Provider. Where applicable, when Transmission Provider has completed construction of the Affected System Network Upgrade(s), Transmission Provider shall send notice to Affected System Interconnection Customers in substantially the form following:

{Date}

{Affected System Interconnection Customers Addresses}

Re: Completion of Affected System Network Upgrade(s)

Dear {Name or Title}:

This letter is sent pursuant to the Multiparty Affected System Facilities Construction Agreement among {Transmission Provider} and {Affected System Interconnection Customers}, dated , 20 .

On {Date}, Transmission Provider completed to its satisfaction all work on the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) required to facilitate the safe and reliable interconnection and operation of Affected System Interconnection Customer's generating facilities. Transmission Provider confirms that the Affected System Network Upgrade(s) are in place.

Thank you.

{Signature}

{Transmission Provider Representative}

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Appendix C to Appendix 7 Multiparty Affected System Facilities Construction Agreement

EXHIBITS

This Appendix C is a part of the Multiparty Affected System Facilities Construction Agreement among Affected System Interconnection Customers and Transmission Provider.

Exhibit A1
Transmission Provider Site Map

Exhibit A2
Site Plan

Exhibit A3
Affected System Network Upgrade(s) Plan & Profile

Estimated Cost of Affected System Network Upgrade(s)

Facilities to Be
Constructed by
Transmission
Location
Provider

Total:

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| The type of interconnection service to be evaluated (check one): | ne undersigned Interconnection Customer submits this request to evaluate the ovisional interconnection of its Generating Facility with Transmission Provider's ransmission System pursuant to the Tariff. | | | | | | |
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\$45,000 study deposit amount as specified in the Revised-LGIP.

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- 5. For study purposes, the point of delivery to deliver within the Control Area or to adjoining Control Area if the Generating Facility is not designated a Network Resource pursuant to Section 30.2 of the Tariff.
- 6. This Provisional Interconnection Request shall be submitted to the representative e-mail box indicated below:

[To be completed by Transmission Provider]

PSCointerconnection@xcelenergy.com

7. Representative of Interconnection Customer to contact:

[To be completed by Interconnection Customer]

| 8. | This Interconnection Request is submitted by: | | | | |
|----|---|--|--|--|--|
| | Name of Interconnection Customer: | | | | |
| | By (signature): | | | | |
| | Name (type or print): | | | | |
| | Title: | | | | |
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LARGE GENERATING FACILITY DATA

UNIT RATINGS

| kVA | °F | Voltage |
|---|-----------------------------|---------------------------|
| Power Factor | | |
| Speed (RPM) | Connection (e.g. Wye) | |
| Short Circuit Ratio | Frequency, Hertz | |
| Stator Amperes at Rated kVA | | Field Volts |
| Max Turbine MW | °F | |
| Primary frequency respo | onse operating range for el | ectric storage resources. |
| Minimum State of Char Maximum State of Cha | | <u> </u> |
| COMBINED TURE | BINE-GENERATOR-EXCITE | ER INERTIA DATA |
| Inertia Constant, H = Moment-of-Inertia, WR ² = | kW sec/kVA lb. ft.² | |
| REACTA | NCE DATA (PER UNIT-RAT | ΓED KVA) |
| DIR | ECT AXIS QUADRATURE | AXIS |
| Synchronous – saturated | X _{dv} | X _{qv} |
| Synchronous – unsaturated | X_{di} | X _{qi} |
| Transient – saturated | X' _{dv} | X' _{qv} |
| Transient – unsaturated | X'di | X'qi |
| Subtransient – saturated | X" _{dv} | X" _{qv} |
| Subtransient – unsaturated | X" _{di} | X" _{qi} |
| Negative Sequence – saturated | X2 _v | |
| Negative Sequence – unsaturate | ed X2 _i | |
| Zero Sequence – saturated | X0 _v | |
| Zero Sequence – unsaturated | X0 _i | |
| Leakage Reactance | XI _m | |

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| Open Circuit | | T'do | T' _{qo} |
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| Three-Phase St | nort Circuit Transient | T' _{d3} | T' _q |
| Line to Line Sho | ort Circuit Transient | T' _{d1} | _ |
| Short Circuit Su | btransient | T" _d | T" _q |
| Open Circuit Su | btransient | T' _{d2} | _ |
| Line to Neutral | Short Circuit Transient | T" _{do} | T" _{qo} |
| | FIELD TIME ARMATURE TIM | CONSTANT I IE CONSTAN | |
| Three Phase Shall Line to Line Shall | ort Circuit T_{a2} | | |
| NOTE: If request | ed information is not app | licable, indica | te by marking "N/A." |
| | MW CAPABILITY A LARGE GENE | | |
| | ARMATURE WINDING | RESISTAN | CE DATA (PER UNIT) |
| Positive Negative Zero | R ₁ R ₂ R ₀ | | |
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| | | CURVES | |
| | | | pacity Temperature Correction curves. operating range for multiple curves. |
| | GENERATOR STEP-U | P TRANSFOR | RMER DATA RATINGS |
| Capacity | Self-cooled/ Maximum Nameplate / kV/ | 4 | |

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| Voltage Ratio(Generator Side/System side/Tertiary)kV | | | | | |
|--|---------------------------------------|--|--|--|--|
| Winding Connections (Low V/High V/Tertiary V (Delta or Wye)) | | | | | |
| Fixed Taps Available | | | | | |
| Present Tap Setting | | | | | |
| If more than one transformer stage is used to deliver the Transmission System, please provide the information transformer type. | | | | | |
| IMPEDANCE | | | | | |
| Positive Z ₁ (on self-cooled kVA rating) | _%X/R | | | | |
| Zero Z_0 (on self-cooled kVA rating) | _%X/R | | | | |
| EXCITATION SYSTEM | M DATA | | | | |
| Identify appropriate IEEE model block diagram of excitation system and power system stabilizer (PSS) for computer representation in power system stability simulations and the corresponding excitation system and PSS constants for use in the model. | | | | | |
| GOVERNOR SYSTEM | II DATA | | | | |
| Identify appropriate IEEE model block diagram of gove in power system stability simulations and the correspond in the model. | | | | | |
| WIND GENERATO | ORS | | | | |
| Number of generators to be interconnected pursu | uant to this Interconnection Request: | | | | |
| Elevation: for Wind) Single Phase | seThree Phase | | | | |
| Inverter manufacturer, model name, number, and version | on: | | | | |

List of adjustable setpoints for the protective equipment or software:

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Note: A completed General Electric Company Power Systems Load Flow (PSLF) data sheet or other compatible formats, such as IEEE and PTI power flow models, must be supplied with the Interconnection Request as specified in the business practice manual or other OASIS postings. If other data sheets are more appropriate to the proposed device, then they shall be provided and discussed at Scoping Meeting.

INDUCTION GENERATORS

| *) Field Volts: | |
|--|-----------------------|
| *) Field Amperes: | |
| *) Motoring Power (kW): | |
| *) Neutral Grounding Resistor (If Applicable: | |
| *) I ₂ ² t or K (Heating Time Constant): | |
| (*) Rotor Resistance: | |
| (*) Stator Resistance: | |
| *) Stator Reactance: | |
| *) Rotor Reactance: | |
| (*) Magnetizing Reactance: | _ |
| *) Short Circuit Reactance: | _ |
| *) Exciting Current: | |
| *) Temperature Rise: | |
| *) Frame Size: | |
| *) Design Letter: | |
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| *) Reactive Power Required In Vars (Full Lo | , |
| *) Total Rotating Inertia, H: | _Per Unit on KVA Base |
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Note: Please consult Transmission Provider prior to submitting the Provisional Interconnection Request to determine if the information designated by (*) is required.

MODELS FOR NON-SYNCHRONOUS GENERATORS For a non-synchronous Large Generating Facility, Interconnection Customer shall provide (1) a validated user-defined root mean squared (RMS) positive sequence dynamics model; (2) an appropriately parameterized generic library RMS positive sequence dynamics model, including model block diagram of the inverter control and plant control systems, as defined by the selection in Table 1 or a model otherwise approved by the Western Electricity Coordinating Council, that corresponds to Interconnection Customer's Large Generating Facility; and (3) if applicable, a validated electromagnetic transient model if Transmission Provider performs an electromagnetic transient study as part of the interconnection study process. A user-defined model is a set of programming code created by equipment manufacturers or developers that captures the latest features of controllers that are mainly software based and represents the entities' control strategies but does not necessarily correspond to any generic library model. Interconnection Customer must also demonstrate that the model is validated by providing evidence that the equipment behavior is consistent with the model behavior (e.g., an attestation from Interconnection Customer that the

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model accurately represents the entire Large Generating Facility; attestations from each equipment manufacturer that the user defined model accurately represents the component of the Large Generating Facility; or test data).

Table 1: Acceptable Generic Library RMS Positive Sequence Dynamics Models

| GE PSLF | Siemens PSS/E* | PowerWorld Simulator | <u>Description</u> |
|--------------|--------------------|-------------------------|--|
| pvd1 | | PVD1 | Distributed PV system model |
| <u>der_a</u> | DERAU1 | DER_A | Distributed energy resource model |
| regc a | REGCAU1, REGCA1 | REGC A | Generator/converter model |
| regc b | REGCBU1 | REGC B | Generator/converter model |
| wt1g | WT1G1 | WT1G and WT1G1 | Wind turbine model for Type-1 wind turbines (conventional directly connected induction generator) |
| wt2g | WT2G1 | WT2G and WT2G1 | Generator model for generic Type-2 wind turbines |
| wt2e | WT2E1 | WT2E and WT2E1 | Rotor resistance control model for wound-rotor induction wind-turbine generator wt2g |
| reec a | REECAU1, REECA1 | REEC A | Renewable energy electrical control model |
| reec c | REECCU1 | REEC C | Electrical control model for battery energy storage system |
| reec d | REECDU1 | REEC D | Renewable energy electrical control model |
| wt1t | <u>WT12T1</u> | WT1T and WT12T1 | Wind turbine model for Type-1 wind turbines (conventional directly connected induction generator) |
| wt1p b | wt1p b | WT12A1U B | Generic wind turbine pitch controller for WTGs of Types 1 and 2 |
| wt2t | <u>WT12T1</u> | WT2T | Wind turbine model for Type-2 wind turbines (directly connected induction generator wind turbines with an external rotor resistance) |
| wtgt a | WTDTAU1, WTDTA1 | WTGT A | Wind turbine drive train model |
| wtga a | WTARAU1, WTARA1 | WTGA A | Simple aerodynamic model |

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| GE PSLF | Siemens | <u>PowerWorld</u> | Description |
|----------------|---|-------------------|--|
| | PSS/E* | <u>Simulator</u> | |
| wtgp_a | WTPTAU1, WTPTA1 | WTGPT_A | Wind Turbine Generator Pitch controller |
| wtgq a | WTTQAU1, WTTQA1 | WTGTRQ A | Wind Turbine Generator Torque controller |
| wtgwgo a | WTGWGOAU | WTGWGO A | Supplementary control model for Weak Grids |
| wtgibffr a | WTGIBFFRA | WTGIBFFR A | Inertial-base fast frequency response control |
| wtgp b | WTPTBU1 | WTGPT B | Wind Turbine Generator Pitch controller |
| wtgt_b | WTDTBU1 | WTGT_B | Drive train model |
| repc a | Type 4: REPCAU1 (v33), REPCA1 (v34) Type 3: REPCTAU1 (v33), REPCTAU1 (v34) | REPC A | Power Plant Controller |
| repc b | PLNTBU1 | REPC B | Power Plant Level Controller for controlling several plants/devices In regard to Siemens PSS/E*: Names of other models for interface with other devices: REA3XBU1, REAX4BU1- for interface with Type 3 and 4 renewable machines SWSAXBU1- for interface with SVC (modeled as switched shunt in powerflow) SYNAXBU1- for interface with synchronous condenser FCTAXBU1- for interface with FACTS device |
| repc c | REPCCU | REPC C | Power plant controller |

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| THIS AGREEMI | ENT is made and entered into thisday of, 20 by and . aorganized and existing under |
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| the laws of the | state of, aorganized and existing under, ("Interconnection Customer,") and aexisting under the laws of the State of |
| , ("Transmission | Provider "). Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider each may be 'Party," or collectively as the "Parties." |
| | RECITALS |
| generating capa | erconnection Customer is proposing to develop a Large Generating Facility or acity addition to an existing Generating Facility consistent with the Provisional Request submitted by Interconnection Customer dated; and |
| WHEREAS, Inte | rconnection Customer is proposing to establish a provisional interconnection with n System; and |
| | terconnection Customer has submitted to Transmission Provider an Request or pledges to submit such a request in the next available Interconnection v; and |
| NOW, THEREFORM THE Parties agree | ORE , in consideration of and subject to the mutual covenants contained herein e as follows: |
| 1.0 | When used in this Agreement, with initial capitalization, the terms specified shall have the meanings indicated in Transmission Provider's FERC-approved Revised LGIP. |
| 2.0 | Interconnection Customer elects and Transmission Provider shall cause a Provisional Interconnection Study in order to provide the service described in Article 5.9.2 of the LGIA. |
| 3.0 | The Provisional Interconnection Study will determine if stability, short circuit, thermal, and/or voltage issues would arise if Interconnection Customer interconnects with Provisional Interconnection Service. Transmission Provider shall determine any Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades, Distribution Upgrades, or System Protection Facilities necessary to meet the requirements of NERCofElectric Reliability Organization, or any applicable Regional Entity for the interconnection of the new, modified and/or expanded Generating Facility. |
| 4.0 | The Provisional Interconnection Study shall determine the initial maximum permissible output of the Generating Facility. |

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- The scope of the Provisional Interconnection Study shall be subject to the assumptions set forth in AttachmentAppendix A to this Agreement.
- 6.0 Interconnection Customer shall provide a deposit of \$45,000 for the performance of the Provisional Interconnection Study. Transmission Provider's good faith estimate for the time of completion of the Provisional Interconnection Service Study is [insert date].

Upon receipt of the Provisional Interconnection Study, Transmission Provider shall charge and Interconnection Customer shall pay the actual costs of the Provisional Interconnection Study.

Any difference between the initial payment and the actual cost of the study shall be paid by or refunded to Interconnection Customer, as appropriate.

7.0 Miscellaneous. The Provisional Interconnection Study Agreement shall include standard miscellaneous terms including, but not limited to, indemnities, representations, disclaimers, warranties, governing law, amendment, execution, waiver, enforceability and assignment, that reflect best practices in the electric industry, and that are consistent with regional practices, Applicable Laws and Regulations, and the organizational nature of each Party. All of these provisions, to the extent practicable, shall be consistent with the provisions of the Revised LGIP and the LGIA.

<u>IN WITNESS WHEREOF</u>, the Parties have caused this Agreement to be duly executed by their duly authorized officers or agents on the day and year first above written.

| Insert name of Transmission Provide | r or Transmission Owner, if applicable] |
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| <u>By:</u> | |
| IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties had duly authorized officers or agents on the | ave caused this Agreement to be duly executed by their day and year first above written. |
| [Insert name of Transmission Provide | r or Transmission Owner, if applicable] |
| Ву: | By: |
| Title: | Title: |
| Date: | Date: |

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| Insert name of interconnection Customer | |
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| By: | |
| Title: | |
| Date: | |

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Appendix 5.2A
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Provisional Interconnection
Study Agreement

ASSUMPTIONS USED IN CONDUCTING THE PROVISIONAL INTERCONNECTION STUDY

[To be completed by Transmission Provider consistent with Article 5.9.2 of the LGIA.]

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| , (Transmission F | NT is made and entered into thisday of, 20 by and, a organized and existing under State of, ("Interconnection Customer,") and existing under the laws of the State of Provider "). Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider each may be Party," or collectively as the "Parties." |
| | RECITALS |
| | connection Customer is requesting to utilize Surplus Interconnection Service ection 3.3 of the Revised LGIP; and |
| WHEREAS, Interest Transmission Sys | connection Customer is proposing to utilize an existing interconnection with the tem; and |
| NOW, THEREFO the Parties agree | RE , in consideration of and subject to the mutual covenants contained herein as follows: |
| 1.0 | When used in this Agreement, with initial capitalization, the terms specified shall have the meanings indicated in Transmission Provider's FERC-approved Revised-LGIP. |
| 2.0 | Interconnection Customer elects and Transmission Provider shall cause an Surplus Interconnection Study consistent with Section 3.3 of this Revised LGIP to be performed in accordance with the Tariff. |
| 3.0 | The scope of the Surplus Interconnection Study shall be subject to the assumptions set forth in AttachmentAppendix A to this Agreement. |
| 4.0 | Studies for Surplus Interconnection Service shall consist of reactive power, short circuit/fault duty, stability analyses, and any other appropriate studies. Steady-state (thermal/voltage) analyses may be performed as necessary to ensure that all required reliability conditions are studied. If the Surplus Interconnection Service was not studied under off-peak conditions, off-peak steady state analyses shall be performed to the required level necessary to demonstrate reliable operation of the Surplus Interconnection Service. If the original System Impact Study is not available for the Surplus Interconnection |

Service, both off-peak and peak analysis may need to be performed for the existing Generating Facility associated with the request for Surplus Interconnection Service. The reactive power, short circuit/fault duty, stability, and steady-state analyses for Surplus Interconnection Service will identify any additional Interconnection Facilities and/or Network Upgrades. Surplus

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Interconnection Service is only available up to the amount that can be accommodated without requiring new Network Upgrades.

5.0 Interconnection Customer shall provide a deposit of \$10,000 for the performance of the Surplus Interconnection Study. Transmission Provider's good faith estimate for the time of completion of the Surplus Interconnection Study is [insert date].

Upon receipt of the Surplus Interconnection Study, Transmission Provider shall charge and Interconnection Customer shall pay the actual costs of the Surplus Interconnection Study.

Any difference between the initial payment and the actual cost of the study shall be paid by or refunded to Interconnection Customer, as appropriate.

7.0 Miscellaneous. The Surplus Interconnection Study shall include standard miscellaneous terms including, but not limited to, indemnities, representations, disclaimers, warranties, governing law, amendment, execution, waiver, enforceability and assignment, that reflect best practices in the electric industry, and that are consistent with regional practices, Applicable Laws and Regulations, and the organizational nature of each Party. All of these provisions, to the extent practicable, shall be consistent with the provisions of the Revised-LGIP and the LGIA.

<u>IN WITNESS WHEREOF</u>, the Parties have caused this Agreement to be duly executed by their duly authorized officers or agents on the day and year first above written.

| <u>linsert name of Transmission</u> | <u>on Provider or Transmission O</u> | wner, it applicable] |
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| By: | | |
| | Parties have caused this Agree ents on the day and year first abo | ment to be duly executed by their |
| [Insert name of Transmission | on Provider or Transmission O | wner, if applicable] |
| Ву: | By: | |
| Title: | Title: | |
| Data: | Doto | |

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| [Insert name of Interconnection Customer] |
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| By: |
| Title: |
| Date: |
| |
| [Insert name of Interconnection Customer] |
| By: |
| Title: |
| Date: |

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Appendix 5.3A to Appendix 10
Surplus Interconnection Study Agreement

ASSUMPTIONS USED IN CONDUCTING THE SURPLUS INTERCONNECTION STUDY

[To be completed by Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider consistent with Section 3.3.1 of the Revised LGIP.]

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| 1. | The undersigned Interconnection Customer submits this request to evaluate the interconnection of its Generating Facility with Transmission Provider's Transmission System pursuant to Section 6 of this Revised LGIP. Informational Interconnection Study Requests shall not be posted on Transmission Provider's OASIS. Final Informational Interconnection Study reports shall be posted on OASIS. Report posting may be delayed for up to 12 months and may be redacted upon written request from the customer. |
|----|--|
| 2. | The type of interconnection service to be evaluated (check one): Energy Resource Interconnection ServiceNetwork Resource Interconnection Service |
| 3. | Interconnection Customer provides the following information: |
| | a. Address or location or the proposed new Large Generating Facility site (to the extent known) or, in the case of an existing Generating Facility, the name and specific location of the existing Generating Facility; b. Maximum summer at degrees C and winter at degrees C megawatt electrical output of the proposed new Large Generating Facility or the amount of megawatt increase in the generating capacity of an existing Generating Facility; c. General description of the equipment configuration; d. Commercial Operation Date to be studied (Month, Day, and Year); e. Name, address, telephone number, and e-mail address of Interconnection Customer's contact person; f. Approximate location of the proposed Point of Interconnection; g. Interconnection Customer Data (set forth in Attachment A) h. Primary frequency response operating range for electric storage resources. i. Requested capacity (in MW) of Interconnection Service (if lower than the Generating Facility Capacity); and j. A Scope of Work including any additional information that may be reasonably required. |
| 4. | \$20,000 study deposit amount as specified in the Revised LGIP. |
| 5. | For study purposes, the point of delivery to deliver within the Control Area or to adjoining |

- For study purposes, the point of delivery to deliver within the Control Area or to adjoining Control Area if the Generating Facility is not designated a Network Resource pursuant to Section 30.2 of the Tariff.
- 6. Proposed study scope (provide a separate attachment that includes the information requested and, if possible, why the information is being requested).

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| 7. | This Informational Interconnection Study Request shall be submitted to the representative indicated below: |
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| | [To be completed by Transmission Provider] |
| 8. | Representative of Interconnection Customer to contact: |
| | [To be completed by Interconnection Customer] |
| 9. | This Interconnection Request is submitted by: |
| | Name of Interconnection Customer: |
| | By (signature): |
| | Name (type or print): |
| | Title: |
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LARGE GENERATING FACILITY DATA

UNIT RATINGS

| | ONIT INATINGO | |
|--|----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| kVA ° | <u>F</u> | Voltage |
| Power Factor | | <u> </u> |
| Speed (RPM) | Connection (e.g. Wye) | |
| Short Circuit Ratio | | |
| Stator Amperes at Rated kVA - | | Field Volts |
| Max Turbine MW | F | |
| Primary frequency respon | se operating range for | electric storage resources. |
| Minimum State of Charg | | |
| Maximum State of Charg | <u></u> | |
| COMBINED TURBI | NE-GENERATOR-EXCI | TER INERTIA DATA |
| nertia Constant. H = | kW-sec/kVA | |
| nertia Constant, H = Moment of Inertia, WR² = | lb. ft. ² | |
| REACTAN | CE DATA (PER UNIT-R | ATED KVA) |
| DIRE | CT AXIS QUADRATURI | E AXIS |
| Synchronous – saturated | X _{dv} | X _{qv} |
| Synchronous – unsaturated | X di | X qi |
| Transient - saturated | X ⁴ <u>dv</u> | X' _{qv} |
| Transient – unsaturated | X' _{di} | X' _{qi} |
| Subtransient - saturated | X" _{dv} | X" _{qv} |
| Subtransient – unsaturated | X" di | X" qi |
| Negative Sequence – saturated | X2 _v | |
| Negative Sequence – unsaturated | X2; | |
| Zero Sequence – saturated | X0 , | |
| Zero Sequence – unsaturated | X0 <u></u> | |
| Leakage Reactance | XI _m | |

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| Open Circuit | T' _{do} | T'₉₀ |
|---|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| Three Phase Short Circuit Transient | T'_{d3} | <u> </u> |
| Line to Line Short Circuit Transient | T'd1 | |
| Short Circuit Subtransient | T"d | T" _q |
| Open Circuit Subtransient | T'_{d2} | |
| Line to Neutral Short Circuit Transient | T" _{do} | T"_{qo} |
| | | |
| | | |

FIELD TIME CONSTANT DATA (SEC) ARMATURE TIME CONSTANT DATA (SEC)

| Three Phase Short Circuit | Ŧ _{a3} |
|-------------------------------|------------------------|
| Line to Line Short Circuit | T _{a2} |
| Line to Neutral Short Circuit | Ŧ _{a1} |

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NOTE: If requested information is not applicable, indicate by marking "N/A."

MW CAPABILITY AND PLANT CONFIGURATION LARGE GENERATING FACILITY DATA

ARMATURE WINDING RESISTANCE DATA (PER UNIT)

| Positive | K 1 |
|-----------------------------|--|
| Negative | R ₂ |
| Zero | R ₀ |
| | · |
| Rotor Short Time Ther | mal Capacity I ₂ ² t = |
| | kVA, Armature Voltage and PF = amps |
| Field Current at Rated | kVA and Armature Voltage, 0 PF = amps |
| Three Phase Armature | Winding Capacitance = microfarad |
| Field Winding Resistar | nce = ohms °C |
| Armature Winding Res | istance (Per Phase) = ohms °C |
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CURVES

Provide Saturation, Vee, Reactive Capability, Capacity Temperature Correction curves. Designate normal and emergency Hydrogen Pressure operating range for multiple curves.

GENERATOR STEP-UP TRANSFORMER DATA RATINGS

| Capacity | Self-cooled/ |
|----------|--------------------------|
| , , | Maximum Nameplate |
| | / k\/A |

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| Voltage Ratio(Generator Side/System side/Tertiary) / kV |
|--|
| Winding Connections (Low V/High V/Tertiary V (Delta or Wye))/ |
| Fixed Taps Available |
| Present Tap Setting |
| If more than one transformer stage is used to deliver the output from the proposed generator to the Transmission System, please provide the information above for each transformer or transformer type. |
| IMPEDANCE |
| Positive Z ₁ (on self-cooled kVA rating)%X/R |
| Zero Z ₀ (on self-cooled kVA rating)%X/R |
| EXCITATION SYSTEM DATA |
| Identify appropriate IEEE model block diagram of excitation system and power system stabilizer (PSS) for computer representation in power system stability simulations and the corresponding excitation system and PSS constants for use in the model. |
| GOVERNOR SYSTEM DATA |
| Identify appropriate IEEE model block diagram of governor system for computer representation in power system stability simulations and the corresponding governor system constants for use in the model. |
| WIND GENERATORS |
| Number of generators to be interconnected pursuant to this Interconnection Request: |
| Elevation: Single PhaseThree Phase |
| Inverter manufacturer, model name, number, and version: |
| List of adjustable setpoints for the protective equipment or software: |

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Note: A completed General Electric Company Power Systems Load Flow (PSLF) data sheet or other compatible formats, such as IEEE and PTI power flow models, must be supplied with the Interconnection Request as specified in the business practice manual or other OASIS postings. If other data sheets are more appropriate to the proposed device, then they shall be provided and discussed at Scoping Meeting.

INDUCTION GENERATORS

| (*) Field Volts: |
|---|
| (*) Field Amperes: |
| (*) Motoring Power (kW): |
| (*) Neutral Grounding Resistor (If Applicable: |
| (*) I ₂ ² t or K (Heating Time Constant): |
| (*) Rotor Resistance: |
| (*) Stator Resistance: |
| (*) Stator Reactance: |
| (*) Rotor Reactance: |
| (*) Magnetizing Reactance: |
| (*) Short Circuit Reactance: |
| (*) Exciting Current: |
| (*) Temperature Rise: |
| (*) Frame Size: |
| (*) Design Letter: |
| (*) Reactive Power Required In Vars (No Load): |
| (*) Total Rotating Inertia, H: Per Unit on KVA Base |
| () Fotal Rotating mortia, Fr For Only of RVA Dast |

Note: Please consult Transmission Provider prior to submitting the Informational Interconnection Study Request to determine if the information designated by (*) is required.

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APPENDIX 5.5 to Revised LGIP INFORMATIONAL INTERCONNECTION STUDY AGREEMENT

| THIS AGREEN | IENT is made and entered in | to this | _day of | | , 20 | by and |
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| between | , a_ | | | organized and | | |
| the laws of the | · State of | | | rconnection C | | |
| /"¬ | aa_ | taraannaa | | under the laws | | |
| | ransmission Provider""). Intered to as a "Party," or colle | | | | ISSION P | rovider |
| caon may be re | refrect to as a Tarty, or cone | solivery at | s tric i artics. | _ | | |
| | R | ECITALS | i. | | | |
| | terconnection Customer is evacity addition to an existing G | | | Large Genera | ating Fac | cility or |
| WHEREAS, In Transmission S | terconnection Customer is System; and | proposing | ⊢ to evaluate | an interconne | ection w | ith the |
| * | erconnection Customer has s Study Interconnection Requ | | -to-Transmiss | ion Provider a | n Inform | ational |
| NOW, THEREI | FORE, in consideration of an ee as follows: | id subject | to the mutua | l covenants co | entained | -herein |
| 1.0 | When used in this Agree shall have the meanings in Revised LGIP. | | | | | |
| 2.0 | Interconnection Custome Informational Interconnec LGIP to be performed in a | tion Stud | y consistent v | vith Section 6 | | |
| 3.0 | The scope of the Informa assumptions set forth in A | | | • | subject | to the |
| 4.0 | The Informational Intercinformational purposes. | onnection | n Study sha | ll be perforn | red sole | ely for |
| 5.0 | The Informational Intercor on the assumptions speci- the Informational Intercor Agreement. The Infor Transmission Provider's I and the estimated cost the service or Interconnection | fied by Internation mational nterconnection | terconnection Study Reque Interconnecection Facilitie It may be requested. | Customer in A st and Attach tion Study s and the Netv | Attachme ment A may i vork Upg | ent A to to this identify grades, |

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6.0 Interconnection Customer shall provide a deposit of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000.00) for the performance of the Informational Interconnection Study.

Transmission Provider's good faith estimate for the time of completion of the Informational Interconnection Study is [insert date].

Upon receipt of the Informational Interconnection Study, Transmission Provider shall charge, and Interconnection Customer shall pay the actual costs of the Informational Interconnection Study.

Any difference between the initial deposit and the actual cost of the study shall be paid by or refunded to Interconnection Customer, as appropriate.

7.0 Miscellaneous. The Informational Interconnection Study Agreement shall include standard miscellaneous terms including, but not limited to, indemnities, representations, disclaimers, warranties, governing law, amendment, execution, waiver, enforceability and assignment, that reflect best practices in the electric industry, and that are consistent with regional practices, Applicable Laws and Regulations, and the organizational nature of each Party. All of these provisions, to the extent practicable, shall be consistent with the provisions of the Revised LGIP and the LGIA.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have caused this Agreement to be duly executed by their duly authorized officers or agents on the day and year first above written.

[Insert name of Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner, if applicable]

| By: | By: | |
|-------------------------|-------------------|--|
| Title: | Title: | |
| Date: | Date: | |
| | | |
| Insert name of Intercon | nection Customer] | |
| Ву: | | |
| Title: | | |
| Date: | | |

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[To be completed by Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider.]

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APPENDIX 5.6 to the Revised LGIP GENERATION REPLACEMENT STUDY AGREEMENT

| THIS AGREEMENT is made and entered | ed into thisday | | , |
|--|-----------------|--------------------------------------|---------------|
| between | _, a | organized and exi | sting under |
| the laws of the State of | | , ("Interconnection Custo | mer,") and |
| a | | _existing under the laws of t | he State of |
| , ("Transmission Provider""). each may be referred to as a "Party," or | | Customer and Transmissice "Parties." | n Provider |
| | RECITALS | | |

WHEREAS, Interconnection Customer is evaluating replacing an Existing Generating Facility with a Replacement Generating Facility and

WHEREAS, Interconnection Customer is proposing to evaluate Generation Replacement in accordance with Section 3.910 of the Revised LGIP; and

WHEREAS, Interconnection Customer has submitted to Transmission Provider all information required under Section 3.910 of the Revised LGIP, including applicable sections of Appendix 1 for the Replacement Generating Facility; and

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of and subject to the mutual covenants contained herein the Parties agree as follows:

- 1.0 When used in this Agreement, with initial capitalization, the terms specified shall have the meanings indicated in Transmission Provider's FERC-approved Revised LGIP.
- 2.0 Interconnection Customer elects and Transmission Provider shall cause a Replacement Impact Study, a Reliability Assessment Study, and a Generation Replacement Interconnection Facilities Study (if necessary) to be performed consistent with Section 3.910 of this Revised LGIP and in accordance with the Tariff.
- 3.0 Interconnection Customer shall provide a deposit of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.00) for the performance of the Replacement Impact Study, Reliability Assessment Study, and any Generation Replacement Interconnection Facilities Study (if required). Transmission Provider's good faith estimate for the time of completion of the Replacement Impact Study and Reliability Assessment Study is [insert date].

Upon receipt of the final study results, Transmission Provider shall charge, and Interconnection Customer shall pay the actual costs of this Generation Replacement Study.

Any difference between the initial deposit and the actual cost of the study shall be paid by or refunded to Interconnection Customer, as appropriate.

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4.0 Miscellaneous. This Generation Interconnection Replacement Study Agreement shall include standard miscellaneous terms including, but not limited to, indemnities, representations, disclaimers, warranties, governing law, amendment, execution, waiver, enforceability and assignment, that reflect best practices in the electric industry, and that are consistent with regional practices, Applicable Laws and Regulations, and the organizational nature of each Party. All of these provisions, to the extent practicable, shall be consistent with the provisions of the Revised-LGIP and the LGIA.

<u>IN WITNESS WHEREOF</u>, the Parties have caused this Agreement to be duly executed by their duly authorized officers or agents on the day and year first above written.

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STANDARD LARGE GENERATOR INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT

| THIS STANDARD LARGE GENERATOR INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT ("Agreement" or |
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| "LGIA") is made and entered into this day of 20, by and between |
| , organized and existing under the |
| laws of the State/Commonwealth of, ("Interconnection Customer" |
| with a Large Generating Facility), and, a |
| , organized and existing under the laws of the |
| State/Commonwealth of, ("Transmission Provider and/or |
| Transmission Owner") to provideMW of {Energy Resource Interconnection |
| Service/Network Resource Interconnection Service Interconnection Customer and |
| Transmission Provider each may be referred to as a "Party" or collectively as the "Parties." |
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| Recitals |
| WHEREAS, Transmission Provider operates the Transmission System; and |
| WHEREAS, Interconnection Customer intends to own, lease and/or control and operate the |
| Generating Facility identified as a Large Generating Facility in Appendix C to this Agreement; |
| and, |
| and, |
| WHEREAS, Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider have agreed to enter into this |
| Agreement for the purpose of interconnecting the Large Generating Facility with the Transmission |
| System; |
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| NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of and subject to the mutual covenants contained herein, |
| it is agreed: |
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| When used in this Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement, terms with initial |
| capitalization that are not defined in Article 1 shall have the meanings specified in the Article in |
| which they are used or the Open Access Transmission Tariff (Tariff). |
| Article 1. Definitions |
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| Adverse System Impact shall mean the negative effects due to technical or operational limits on |
| conductors or equipment being exceeded that may compromise the safety and reliability of the |
| electric system. |
| Affected System shall mean an electric system other than the Transmission Provider's |
| Transmission System that may be affected by the proposed interconnection. |
| Transmission System that may be an edied by the proposed interconnection. |

Affiliate shall mean, with respect to a corporation, partnership or other entity, each such other corporation, partnership or other entity that directly or indirectly, through one or more

Affected System Operator shall mean the entity that operates an Affected System.

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intermediaries, controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with, such corporation, partnership or other entity.

Ancillary Services shall mean those services that are necessary to support the transmission of capacity and energy from resources to loads while maintaining reliable operation of the Transmission Provider's Transmission System in accordance with Good Utility Practice.

Applicable Laws and Regulations shall mean all duly promulgated applicable federal, state and local laws, regulations, rules, ordinances, codes, decrees, judgments, directives, or judicial or administrative orders, permits and other duly authorized actions of any Governmental Authority.

Applicable Reliability Council shall mean the reliability council applicable to the Transmission System to which the Generating Facility is directly interconnected.

Applicable Reliability Standards shall mean the current requirements and guidelines of NERC, the Applicable Electric Reliability Council, Organization and the Control Balancing Authority Area of the Transmission System to which the Generating Facility is directly interconnected.

Balancing Authority shall mean an entity that integrates resource plans ahead of time, maintains demand and resource balance within a Balancing Authority Area, and supports interconnection frequency in real time.

Balancing Authority Area shall mean the collection of generation, transmission, and loads within the metered boundaries of the Balancing Authority. The Balancing Authority maintains load-resource balance within this area.

Base Case shall mean the base case power flow, short circuit, and stability data bases used for the Interconnection Studies by the Transmission Provider or Interconnection Customer.

Breach shall mean the failure of a Party to perform or observe any material term or condition of the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement.

Breaching Party shall mean a Party that is in Breach of the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement.

Business Day shall mean Monday through Friday, excluding Federal Holidays.

Calendar Day shall mean any day including Saturday, Sunday or a Federal Holiday. If a requirement due date lands on a Saturday, Sunday or Federal Holiday, the requirement is due the next Business Day.

Cluster shall mean a group of Interconnection Requests (one or more) that are studied together for the purpose of conducting the Interconnection Studies Cluster Study.

<u>Cluster Restudy</u> shall mean a restudy of a Cluster Study conducted pursuant to Section 8.5 of the LGIP.

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<u>Cluster Study</u> shall mean the evaluation of one or more Interconnection Requests within a Cluster as described in Section 8 of the LGIP.

Clustering shall mean the process whereby a group of Interconnection Requests (one or more) that are studied together for the purpose of conducting the Interconnection Studies as described in Section 8 of the LGIP.

Commercial Operation shall mean the status of a Generating Facility, or Replacement Generating Facility, that has commenced generating electricity for sale, excluding electricity generated during Trial Operation.

Commercial Operation Date of a unit shall mean the date on which the Generating Facility, or Replacement Generating Facility, commences Commercial Operation as agreed to by the Parties pursuant to Appendix E to the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement.

Confidential Information shall mean any confidential, proprietary or trade secret information of a plan, specification, pattern, procedure, design, device, list, concept, policy or compilation relating to the present or planned business of a Party, which is designated as confidential by the Party supplying the information, whether conveyed orally, electronically, in writing, through inspection, or otherwise.

Control Area shall mean an electrical system or systems bounded by interconnection metering and telemetry, capable of controlling generation to maintain its interchange schedule with other Control Areas and contributing to frequency regulation of the interconnection. A Control Area must be certified by an Applicable NERC Regional Reliability Entity. Control Area shall have the same meaning as Balancing Authority Area as defined by NERC.

Contingent Facilities shall mean those unbuilt Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades upon which the Interconnection Request's costs, timing, and study findings are dependent, and if delayed or not built, could cause a need for restudies of the Interconnection Request or a reassessment of the Interconnection Facilities and/or Network Upgrades and/or costs and timing.

Default shall mean the failure of a Breaching Party to cure its Breach in accordance with Article 17 of the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement.

Definitive Interconnection Study Process ("Definitive Interconnection Study") shall mean the complete definitive study process inclusive of the DISIS Request Window, Customer Engagement Window, Definitive Interconnection System Impact Study, and the Interconnection Facilities Study. Both the Resource Solicitation Cluster and the DISIS Cluster are processed under the Definitive Interconnection Study.

Definitive Interconnection System Impact Study ("DISIS") shall mean an engineering study that evaluates the impact of a Cluster of Interconnection Requests on the safety and reliability of the Transmission System and, if applicable, an Affected System.

Definitive Interconnection System Impact Study Agreement ("DISIS Agreement") shall mean the form of agreement contained in Appendix 2 of the Revised LGIP for conducting the Definitive Interconnection System Impact Study.

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Definitive Interconnection System Impact Study Cluster ("DISIS Cluster") shall mean an engineering study that evaluates the impact of a Cluster of Interconnection Requests on the safety and reliability of Transmission System and, if applicable, an Affected System.

DISIS Request Window shall have the meaning set forth in Section 4.2.1 of the Revised LGIP.

Dispute Resolution shall mean the procedure for resolution of a dispute between the Parties in which they will first attempt to resolve the dispute on an informal basis.

Distribution System shall mean—the Transmission Provider's facilities and equipment used to transmit electricity to ultimate usage points such as homes and industries directly from nearby generators or from interchanges with higher voltage transmission networks which transport bulk power over longer distances. The voltage levels at which distribution systems operate differ among areas.

Distribution Upgrades shall mean the additions, modifications, and upgrades to the Transmission Provider's Distribution System at or beyond the Point of Interconnection to facilitate interconnection of the Generating Facility and render the transmission service necessary to affect Interconnection Customer's wholesale sale of electricity in interstate commerce. Distribution Upgrades do not include Interconnection Facilities.

Effective Date shall mean the date on which the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement becomes effective upon execution by the Parties subject to acceptance by FERC, or if filed unexecuted, upon the date specified by FERC.

Electric Reliability Organization shall mean the North American Electric Reliability Corporation or its successor organization.

Emergency Condition shall mean a condition or situation: (1) that in the judgment of the Party making the claim is imminently likely to endanger life or property; or (2) that, in the case of a Transmission Provider, is imminently likely (as determined in a non-discriminatory manner) to cause a material adverse effect on the security of, or damage to Transmission Provider's Transmission System, Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities or the electric systems of others to which the Transmission Provider's Transmission System is directly connected; or (3) that, in the case of Interconnection Customer, is imminently likely (as determined in a non-discriminatory manner) to cause a material adverse effect on the security of, or damage to, the Generating Facility or Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities. System restoration and black start shall be considered Emergency Conditions; provided, that Interconnection Customer is not obligated by the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement to possess black start capability.

Energy Resource Interconnection Service shall mean an Interconnection Service that allows the Interconnection Customer to connect its Generating Facility to the Transmission Provider's Transmission System to be eligible to deliver the Generating Facility's electric output using the existing firm or non-firm capacity of the Transmission Provider's Transmission System on an as available basis. Energy Resource Interconnection Service in and of itself does not convey transmission service.

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Engineering & Procurement (E&P) Agreement shall mean an agreement that authorizes the Transmission Provider to begin engineering and procurement of long lead-time items necessary for the establishment of the interconnection in order to advance the implementation of the Interconnection Request.

Environmental Law shall mean Applicable Laws or Regulations relating to pollution or protection of the environment or natural resources.

Existing Generating Facility shall mean a Generating Facility that is either in service or under construction with an unsuspended interconnection agreement.

Federal Power Act shall mean the Federal Power Act, as amended, 16 U.S.C. §§ 791a et seq.

FERC shall mean the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) or its successor.

Force Majeure shall mean any act of God, labor disturbance, act of the public enemy, war, insurrection, riot, fire, storm or flood, explosion, breakage or accident to machinery or equipment, any order, regulation or restriction imposed by governmental, military or lawfully established civilian authorities, or any other cause beyond a Party's control. A Force Majeure event does not include acts of negligence or intentional wrongdoing by the Party claiming Force Majeure.

Generating Facility shall mean Interconnection Customer's <u>devicedevices</u> for the production and/or storage for later injection of electricity identified in the Interconnection Request, but shall not include <u>the</u> Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities. A Generating Facility consists of one or more generating unit(s) and/or storage device(s) which usually can operate independently and be brought online or taken offline individually.

Generating Facility Capacity shall mean the net capacity of the Generating Facility <u>andor</u> the aggregate net capacity of the Generating Facility where it includes <u>multiple energymore than one</u> device for the production <u>devices</u>and/or storage for later injection of electricity.

Generating Facility Modification shall mean modification to an Existing Generating Facility, including comparable replacement of only a portion of its equipment at the Existing Generating Facility.

Generation Replacement shall mean replacement of one or more generating units and/or storage devices at an Existing Generating Facility with one or more new generating units or storage devices at the same electrical Point of Interconnection as those being decommissioned and electrically disconnected.

Generator Replacement Interconnection Facilities Study shall mean a study to determine a list of facilities to grant an Interconnection Customer's request to interconnect a Replacement Generating Facility, the cost of those facilities, and the time required to interconnect those facilities. The scope of the study is defined in Section 3.10.4 3.9.4 of the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Procedures.

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Good Utility Practice shall mean any of the practices, methods and acts engaged in or approved by a significant portion of the electric industry during the relevant time period, or any of the practices, methods and acts which, in the exercise of reasonable judgment in light of the facts known at the time the decision was made, could have been expected to accomplish the desired result at a reasonable cost consistent with good business practices, reliability, safety and expedition. Good Utility Practice is not intended to be limited to the optimum practice, method, or act to the exclusion of all others, but rather to be acceptable practices, methods, or acts generally accepted in the region.

Governmental Authority shall mean any federal, state, local or other governmental regulatory or administrative agency, court, commission, department, board, or other governmental subdivision, legislature, rulemaking board, tribunal, or other governmental authority having jurisdiction over the Parties, their respective facilities, or the respective services they provide, and exercising or entitled to exercise any administrative, executive, police, or taxing authority or power; provided, however, that such term does not include Interconnection Customer, Transmission Provider, or any Affiliate thereof.

Hazardous Substances shall mean any chemicals, materials or substances defined as or included in the definition of "hazardous substances," "hazardous wastes," "hazardous materials," "hazardous constituents," "restricted hazardous materials," "extremely hazardous substances," "toxic substances," "radioactive substances," "contaminants," "pollutants," "toxic pollutants" or words of similar meaning and regulatory effect under any applicable Environmental Law, or any other chemical, material or substance, exposure to which is prohibited, limited or regulated by any applicable Environmental Law.

Informational Interconnection Study shall mean an analysis based on assumptions specified by Interconnection Customer in the Informational Interconnection Study Agreement.

Informational Interconnection Study Agreement shall mean the form of agreement contained in Appendix 7 of the Revised LGIP for conducting the Informational Interconnection Study.

Initial Synchronization Date shall mean the date upon which the Generating Facility is initially synchronized and upon which Trial Operation begins.

In-Service Date shall mean the date upon which the Interconnection Customer reasonably expects it will be ready to begin use of the Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities to obtain back feed power.

Interconnection Customer shall mean any entity, including the Transmission Provider, Transmission Owner or any of the Affiliates or subsidiaries of either, that proposes to interconnect its Generating Facility with the Transmission Provider's Transmission System.

Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities shall mean all facilities and equipment, as identified in Appendix A of the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement, that are located between the Generating Facility and the Point of Change of Ownership, including any modification, addition, or upgrades to such facilities and equipment necessary to physically and electrically interconnect the Generating Facility to the Transmission Provider's Transmission

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System. Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities are sole use facilities (e.g. for generator interconnection).

Interconnection Facilities shall mean the Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and the Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities. Collectively, Interconnection Facilities include all facilities and equipment between the Generating Facility and the Point of Interconnection, including any modification, additions or upgrades that are necessary to physically and electrically interconnect the Generating Facility to the Transmission Provider's Transmission System. Interconnection Facilities are sole use facilities (e.g. for generator interconnection) and shall not include Distribution Upgrades, Stand Alone Network Upgrades or Network Upgrades. Interconnection Facilities may be shared by more than one Generating Facility in a Cluster.

Interconnection Facilities Study shall mean a study conducted by the Transmission Provider or a third party consultant for the Interconnection Customer to determine a list of facilities (including Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades as identified in the Definitive Interconnection System Impact Cluster Study), the cost of those facilities, and the time required to interconnect the Generating Facility or Replacement Generating Facility with the Transmission Provider's Transmission System. The scope of the study is defined in Section 89 of the Revised LGIP.

Interconnection Facilities Study Agreement shall mean the form of agreement contained in Appendix 3 of the Revised-LGIP for conducting the Interconnection Facilities Study.

Interconnection Request shall mean an Interconnection Customer's request, in the form of Appendix 1 to the Revised LGIP, in accordance with the Tariff, to (1) interconnect a new Generating Facility, (2) increase the capacity of, or (3) make a Material Modification to the operating characteristics of, (a) an Existing Generating Facility that is interconnected with the Transmission Provider's Transmission System or (b) a Generating Facility with an LGIA that is not yet interconnected.

Interconnection Service shall mean the service provided by the Transmission Provider associated with interconnecting the Interconnection Customer's Generating Facility to the Transmission Provider's Transmission System and enabling it to receive electric energy and capacity from the Generating Facility at the Point of Interconnection, pursuant to the terms of the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement and, if applicable, the Transmission Provider's Tariff.

Interconnection Study shall mean any of the following various interconnection studies: the Replacement Impact Study, the Reliability Assessment Study, Generator Replacement Interconnection Facilities Study, the Informational Interconnection Study, the Definitive Interconnection System Impact Study, and the Interconnection Facilities Study described in the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Procedures or Revised-LGIP.

Interconnection Study Agreement shall mean an agreement relating to the performance of any of the following agreements: the Informational Interconnection Study Agreement, the Definitive Interconnection System Impact Study Agreement, or the Interconnection Facilities Study Agreementvarious interconnection studies described in the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Procedures or Revised LGIP.

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IRS shall mean the Internal Revenue Service.

Joint Operating Committee shall be a group made up of representatives from Interconnection Customers and the Transmission Provider to coordinate operating and technical considerations of Interconnection Service.

Large Generating Facility shall mean a Generating Facility having a Generating Facility Capacity of more than 20 MW or any size Generating Facility requesting NRIS.

IRS shall mean the Internal Revenue Service.

Joint Operating Committee shall be a group made up of representatives from Interconnection Customers and Transmission Provider to coordinate operating and technical considerations of Interconnection Service.

<u>Large Generating Facility</u> shall mean a Generating Facility having a Generating Facility Capacity of more than 20 MW or any size Generating Facility requesting NRIS.

LGIA Milestone Deposit shall mean the deposit Interconnection Customer submits when returning the executed LGIA, or within 10 Business Days of requesting that the LGIA be filed unexecuted at the Commission, in accordance with Section 12.3 of the LGIP.

LGIA Readiness Demonstration shall mean milestones provided in Appendix B of this LGIA.

LGIP shall mean the Large Generator Interconnection Process as described in this Attachment N.

Loss shall mean any and all losses relating to injury to or death of any person or damage to property, demand, suits, recoveries, costs and expenses, court costs, attorney fees, and all other obligations by or to third parties, arising out of or resulting from the other Party's performance, or non-performance of its obligations under the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement on behalf of the indemnifying Party, except in cases of gross negligence or intentional wrongdoing by the indemnifying Party.

Material Modification shall mean: (1) modification to an Interconnection Request in the queue that has a material adverse impact on the cost or timing of any other Interconnection Request with <u>aan equal</u> later queue priority date; or (2) planned modification to an Existing Generating Facility that is undergoing evaluation for a Generating Facility Modification or Generation Replacement, and has a material adverse impact on the Transmission System, as compared to the impacts of the Existing Generating Facility prior to the modification or replacement, with respect to: i) steady-state thermal or voltage limits, ii) dynamic system stability and response, or iii) short-circuit capability limit.

Metering Equipment shall mean all metering equipment installed or to be installed at the Generating Facility pursuant to the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement at the metering points, including but not limited to instrument transformers, MWh-meters, data

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acquisition equipment, transducers, remote terminal unit, communications equipment, phone lines, and fiber optics.

NERC shall mean the North American Electric Reliability Council or its successor organization.

Network Resource shall mean any designated generating resource owned, purchased, or leased by a Network Customer under the Network Integration Transmission Service Tariff. Network Resources do not include any resource, or any portion thereof, that is committed for sale to third parties or otherwise cannot be called upon to meet the Network Customer's Network Load on a non-interruptible basis.

Network Resource Interconnection Service shall mean an Interconnection Service that allows the Interconnection Customer to integrate its Large Generating Facility with the Transmission Provider's Transmission System (1) in a manner comparable to that in which the Transmission Provider integrates its generating facilities to serve native load customers; or (2) in an RTO or ISO with market based congestion management, in the same manner as Network Resources. Network Resource Interconnection Service in and of itself does not convey transmission service.

Network Upgrades shall mean the additions, modifications, and upgrades to the Transmission Provider's Transmission System required at or beyond the point at which the Interconnection Facilities connect to the Transmission Provider's Transmission System to accommodate the interconnection of the Large Generating Facility to the Transmission Provider's Transmission System.

Notice of Dispute shall mean a written notice of a dispute or claim that arises out of or in connection with the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement or its performance.

OASIS shall mean the Transmission Provider's Open Access Same-Time Information System

Party or Parties shall mean Transmission Provider, Transmission Owner, Interconnection Customer or any combination of the above.

Phase ("Phase 1, Phase 2, Phase 3, or Phase 4") shall mean a distinct part of the Definitive Study Process as described in Section 7.

Point of Change of Ownership shall mean the point, as set forth in Appendix A to the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement, where the Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities connect to the Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities.

Point of Interconnection shall mean the point, as set forth in Appendix A to the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement, where the Interconnection Facilities connect to the Transmission Provider's Transmission System.

Proportional Impact Method shall mean a technical analysis conducted by Transmission Provider to determine the degree to which each Generating Facility in the Cluster Study contributes to the need for a specific System Network Upgrade.

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Provisional Interconnection Service shall mean interconnection service provided by Transmission Provider associated with interconnecting the Interconnection Customer's Generating Facility to Transmission Provider's Transmission System and enabling that Transmission System to receive electric energy and capacity from the Generating Facility at the Point of Interconnection, pursuant to the terms of the Provisional Large Generator Interconnection Agreement and, if applicable, the Tariff.

Provisional Large Generator Interconnection Agreement (PLGIA) shall mean the interconnection agreement for Provisional Interconnection Service established between Transmission Provider and/or the Transmission Owner and the Interconnection Customer. The pro forma agreement is provided in Appendix 8 and takes the form of the <u>Standard</u> Large Generator Interconnection Agreement, modified for provisional purposes.

Queue shall mean a queue for valid Interconnection Requests for the Definitive Interconnection Study Process.

Queue Position shall mean the order of a valid Interconnection Request, relative to all other pending valid Interconnection Requests, in the Definitive Interconnection Study Process. The Queue Position is established based upon the date and time Interconnection Customer satisfies allestablished pursuant to Section 4 of the requirements of Section 7.2 of the Revised-LGIP to enter the Definitive Interconnection Study Process. Priority is given to projects that have demonstrated readiness by providing a .

Readiness Milestone described in Section 7.7 (including subsections).

Readiness Milestone Demonstration(s) shall have the meaning set forth in Section 7.78.6 of the Revised LGIP.

Reasonable Efforts shall mean, with respect to an action required to be attempted or taken by a Party under the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement, efforts that are timely and consistent with Good Utility Practice and are otherwise substantially equivalent to those a Party would use to protect its own interests.

Reliability Assessment Study shall mean an engineering study that evaluates the impact of a proposed Generation Replacement on the reliability of the Transmission System during the time period between the date that the Existing Generating Facility ceases commercial operations and the expected Commercial Operation Date of the Replacement Generating Facility.

Replacement Generating Facility shall mean a Generating Facility that replaces an Existing Generating Facility, or a portion thereof, at the same electrical Point of Interconnection pursuant to Section 3.9 of the Large Generator Interconnection Procedures.

Replacement Impact Study shall mean an engineering study that evaluates the impact of a proposed Generation Replacement on the reliability of the Transmission System.

Revised LGIP shall mean the Large Generator Interconnection Process ad described in this Attachment N.

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Resource Plan shall mean any process authorized or required by Applicable Laws and Regulations for, *inter alia*, the selection of Generating Facilities interconnected to the Transmission System of Transmission Provider

Resource Planning Entity shall mean any entity subject to or conducting a Resource Solicitation Process.

Resource Solicitation Cluster shall mean a Cluster Study associated with a Resource Planning Process.

Resource Solicitation Process shall mean any process authorized or required by Applicable Laws and Regulations for the acquisition of Network Resources by an entity interconnected to the Transmission System of Transmission Provider.

Scoping Meeting shall mean the meeting between representatives of the Interconnection Customer(s) and Transmission Provider conducted for the purpose of discussing the proposed Interconnection Request, and any alternative interconnection options, to exchange exchanging information including any transmission data and earlier study evaluations that would be reasonably expected to affect such interconnection options, to analyze refining information and models provided by Interconnection Customer(s), discussing Cluster Study materials posted to OASIS pursuant to Section 3.4.6 of the LGIP, and analyzing such information, and to determine the potential feasible Points of Interconnection.

Site Control shall mean the exclusive land right to develop, construct, operate, and maintain the Generating Facility over the term of expected operation of the Generating Facility. Site Control shall include the right to develop, construct, operate, and maintain Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities. Site Control may be demonstrated by documentation establishing: (1) ownership of, a leasehold interest in, or a right to develop a site of sufficient size to construct and operate the Generating Facility and associated Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities; (2) an option to purchase or acquire a leasehold interest in a site of sufficient size to construct and operate the Generating Facility and associated Interconnection Facilities for such purpose; or (3) any other documentation that clearly demonstrates the right of the Interconnection Customer to exclusively occupy a site of sufficient size to construct and operate the Generating Facility. Acceptable demonstration of Site Control of land owned by the Colorado State Land Board is described in Section 7.7.6 of this Revised LGIP. For purposes of lands managed by a federal entity (such as the Bureau of Land Management Transmission Provider will maintain acreage requirements for each Generating Facility type on its OASIS or United States Forest Service), a Right of Way Grant, Special Use Permit or equivalent government-issued documentation shall be sufficient for demonstrating Site Control as to such land. Site Control for any co-located project is demonstrated by a contract or other agreement demonstrating shared land use for all co-located projects that meet the aforementioned provisions of this Site Control definition.

public website.

Small Generating Facility shall mean a Generating Facility that has a Generating Facility Capacity of no more than 20 MW not requesting NRIS.

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Stand Alone Network Upgrades shall mean Network Upgrades that are not a part of an Affected System that an Interconnection Customer may construct without affecting day-to-day operations of the Transmission System during their construction. Both the Transmission Provider and the and the following conditions are met: (1) a Substation Network Upgrade must only be required for a single Interconnection Customer in the Cluster and no other Interconnection Customer in that Cluster is required to interconnect to the same Substation Network Upgrades, and (2) a System Network Upgrade must only be required for a single Interconnection Customer in the Cluster, as indicated under Transmission Provider's Proportional Impact Method. Both Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer must agree as to what constitutes Stand Alone Network Upgrades and identify them in Appendix A to the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement. If the Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer disagree about whether a particular Network Upgrade is a Stand Alone Network Upgrade, the Transmission Provider must provide the Interconnection Customer a written technical explanation outlining why the Transmission Provider does not consider the Network Upgrade to be a Stand Alone Network Upgrade within 15 daysBusiness Days of its determination.

Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement (LGIA) shall mean the form of interconnection agreement applicable to an Interconnection Request pertaining to a Large Generating Facility that is included in the Transmission Provider's Tariff.

Standard Large Generator Interconnection Procedures (LGIP) shall mean the interconnection procedures applicable to an Interconnection Request pertaining to a Large Generating Facility that are included in the Transmission Provider's Tariff.

<u>Substation Network Upgrades</u> shall mean Network Upgrades that are required at the substation located at the Point of Interconnection.

Surplus Interconnection Service shall mean any unneeded portion of Interconnection Service established in a <u>Standard</u> Large Generator Interconnection Agreement, such that if Surplus Interconnection Service is utilized the total amount of Interconnection Service at the Point of Interconnection would remain the same.

System Network Upgrades shall mean Network Upgrades that are required beyond the substation located at the Point of Interconnection.

System Protection Facilities shall mean the equipment, including necessary protection signal communications equipment, required to protect (1) the Transmission Provider's Transmission System from faults or other electrical disturbances occurring at the Generating Facility and (2) the Generating Facility from faults or other electrical system disturbances occurring on the Transmission Provider's Transmission System or on other delivery systems or other generating systems to which the Transmission Provider's Transmission System is directly connected.

Tariff shall mean the Transmission Provider's Tariff through which open access transmission service and Interconnection Service are offered, as filed with FERC, and as amended or supplemented from time to time, or any successor tariff.

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Transmission Owner shall mean an entity that owns, leases or otherwise possesses an interest in the portion of the Transmission System at the Point of Interconnection and may be a Party to the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement to the extent necessary.

Transmission Provider shall mean the public utility (or its designated agent) that owns, controls, or operates transmission or distribution facilities used for the transmission of electricity in interstate commerce and provides transmission service under the Tariff. The term Transmission Provider should be read to include the Transmission Owner when the Transmission Owner is separate from the Transmission Provider.

Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities shall mean all facilities and equipment owned, controlled or operated by the Transmission Provider from the Point of Change of Ownership to the Point of Interconnection as identified in Appendix A to the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement, including any modifications, additions or upgrades to such facilities and equipment. Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities are sole use facilities (e.g. for generator interconnection) and shall not include Distribution Upgrades, Stand Alone Network Upgrades or Network Upgrades. Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities may be shared by more than one Generating Facility in a given Cluster Study.

Transmission System shall mean the facilities owned, controlled or operated by the Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner that are used to provide transmission service under the Tariff.

Trial Operation shall mean the period during which Interconnection Customer is engaged in onsite test operations and commissioning of the Generating Facility prior to Commercial Operation.

Variable Energy Resource shall mean a device for the production of electricity that is characterized by an energy source that: (1) is renewable; (2) cannot be stored by the facility owner or operator; and (3) has variability that is beyond the control of the facility owner or operator.

Withdrawal Penalty shall have mean the meaning penalty assessed by Transmission Provider to an Interconnection Customer that chooses to withdraw or is deemed withdrawn from Transmission Provider's interconnection queue or whose Generating Facility does not otherwise reach Commercial Operation. The calculation of the Withdrawal Penalty is set forth in Section 3.7.1 of the Revised-LGIP.

Article 2. Effective Date, Term, and Termination

2.1 Effective Date.

This LGIA shall become effective upon execution by the Parties subject to acceptance by FERC (if applicable), or if filed unexecuted, upon the date specified by FERC. Transmission Provider shall promptly file this LGIA with FERC upon execution in accordance with Article 3.1, if required.

2.2 Term of Agreement.

Subject to the provisions of Article 2.3, this LGIA shall remain in effect for a period of ten (10) years from the Effective Date or such other longer period as Interconnection

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Customer may request (Term to be specified in individual agreements) and shall be automatically renewed for each successive one-year period thereafter.

2.3 Termination Procedures.

2.3.1 Written Notice.

This LGIA may be terminated by Interconnection Customer after giving Transmission Provider ninety (90) Calendar Days advance written notice, or by Transmission Provider notifying FERC after the Generating Facility permanently ceases Commercial Operation. This LGIA shall be terminated by Transmission Provider if the Generating Facility or a portion of the Generating Facility fails to achieve Commercial Operation by the Commercial Operation Date established in accordance with Section 4.4.5 of the Revised LGIP, including any extension provided thereunder, or, having previously achieved Commercial Operation, has ceased Commercial Operation for three (3) consecutive years, beginning with the last date of Commercial Operation for the Generating Facility, after giving Interconnection Customer ninety (90) Calendar Days advance written notice. Notwithstanding the forgoing, this LGIA shall not be terminated if the Interconnection customer has been approved for replacing or modifying its Generating Facility per Section 3.910 of the Revised LGIP until the LGIA associated with the replacement facility is in effect. When only a portion of the Generating Facility fails to achieve Commercial Operation by the Commercial Operation Date established in accordance with Section 4.4.5 of the Revised LGIP, including any extension provided thereunder, Transmission Provider shall terminate only that portion of the LGIA. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the limited circumstance that the Interconnection Request is served by a Contingent Facility with an in-service date that is later than the Commercial Operation Date permitted under Section 4.4.5 of the Revised LGIP, Transmission Provider shall terminate this LGIA only for failure to achieve Commercial Operation by ninety (90) Calendar Days after that later in-service date of the Contingent Facility. The Generating Facility will not be deemed to have ceased Commercial Operation for purposes of this Article 2.3.1 if Interconnection Customer can document that it has taken other significant steps to maintain or restore operational readiness of the Generating Facility for the purpose of returning the Generating Facility to Commercial Operation as soon as possible.

2.3.2 Default.

Either Party may terminate this LGIA in accordance with Article 17.

2.3.3 Notwithstanding Articles 2.3.1 and 2.3.2, no termination shall become effective until the Parties have complied with all Applicable Laws and Regulations applicable to such termination, including the filing with FERC of a notice of termination of this LGIA, which notice has been accepted for filing by FERC.

2.4 Termination Costs.

If a Party elects to terminate this Agreement pursuant to Article 2.3 above, each Party shall pay all costs incurred (including any cancellation costs relating to orders or contracts

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for Interconnection Facilities and equipment) or charges assessed by the other Party, as of the date of the other Party's receipt of such notice of termination, that are the responsibility of the Terminating Party under this LGIA. In the event of termination by a Party, the Parties shall use commercially Reasonable Efforts to mitigate the costs, damages and charges arising as a consequence of termination. Upon termination of this LGIA, unless otherwise ordered or approved by FERC:

2.4.1 With respect to any portion of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities that have not yet been constructed or installed. Transmission Provider shall to the extent possible and with Interconnection Customer's authorization cancel any pending orders of, or return, any materials or equipment for, or contracts for construction of, such facilities; provided that in the event Interconnection Customer elects not to authorize such cancellation, Interconnection Customer shall assume all payment obligations with respect to such materials, equipment, and contracts, and Transmission Provider shall deliver such material and equipment, and, if necessary, assign such contracts, to Interconnection Customer as soon as practicable, at Interconnection Customer's expense. To the extent that Interconnection Customer has already paid Transmission Provider for any or all such costs of materials or equipment not taken by Interconnection Customer, Transmission Provider shall promptly refund such amounts to Interconnection Customer, less any costs, including penalties incurred by Transmission Provider to cancel any pending orders of or return such materials, equipment, or contracts.

If an Interconnection Customer terminates this LGIA, it shall be responsible for all costs incurred in association with that Interconnection Customer's interconnection, including any cancellation costs relating to orders or contracts for Interconnection Facilities and equipment, and other expenses including any Network Upgrades for which Transmission Provider has incurred expenses and has not been reimbursed by Interconnection Customer.

- 2.4.2 Transmission Provider may, at its option, retain any portion of such materials, equipment, or facilities that Interconnection Customer chooses not to accept delivery of, in which case Transmission Provider shall be responsible for all costs associated with procuring such materials, equipment, or facilities.
- 2.4.3 With respect to any portion of the Interconnection Facilities, and any other facilities already installed or constructed pursuant to the terms of this LGIA, Interconnection Customer shall be responsible for all costs associated with the removal, relocation or other disposition or retirement of such materials, equipment, or facilities.
- 2.4.4 Transmission Provider shall refund the security provided under Section 402.3 of the Revised LGIP, including any accumulated interest, if applicable. Notwithstanding the foregoing, prior to remitting such security, plus accumulated interest, Transmission Provider shall offset against such security, and accumulated interest, any unpaid costs or penalties arising out of this Agreement or the Revised LGIP. Monies due to the Interconnection Customer

shall be remitted within 90 days of the later of the date of termination or completion of any restudy triggered by the LGIA termination.

2.5 Disconnection.

Upon termination of this LGIA, the Parties will take all appropriate steps to disconnect the Large Generating Facility from the Transmission System. All costs required to effectuate such disconnection shall be borne by the terminating Party, unless such termination resulted from the non-terminating Party's Default of this LGIA or such non-terminating Party otherwise is responsible for these costs under this LGIA.

2.6 Survival.

This LGIA shall continue in effect after termination to the extent necessary to provide for final billings and payments and for costs incurred hereunder, including billings and payments pursuant to this LGIA; to permit the determination and enforcement of liability and indemnification obligations arising from acts or events that occurred while this LGIA was in effect; and to permit each Party to have access to the lands of the other Party pursuant to this LGIA or other applicable agreements, to disconnect, remove or salvage its own facilities and equipment

Article 3. Regulatory Filings

3.1 Filing.

Transmission Provider shall file this LGIA (and any amendment hereto) with the appropriate Governmental Authority, if required. Interconnection Customer may request that any information so provided be subject to the confidentiality provisions of Article 22. If Interconnection Customer has executed this LGIA, or any amendment thereto, Interconnection Customer shall reasonably cooperate with Transmission Provider with respect to such filing and to provide any information reasonably requested by Transmission Provider needed to comply with applicable regulatory requirements.

Article 4. Scope of Service

4.1 Interconnection Product Options.

Interconnection Customer has selected the following (checked) type of Interconnection Service:

4.1.1 Energy Resource Interconnection Service. [Selected/Not Selected]

4.1.1.1 The Product.

Energy Resource Interconnection Service allows Interconnection Customer to connect the Large Generating Facility to the Transmission System and be eligible to deliver the Large Generating Facility's output using the existing firm or non-firm capacity of the Transmission System on an "as available" basis. To the extent Interconnection Customer wants to receive Energy Resource Interconnection Service, Transmission Provider shall construct facilities identified in Appendix A.

4.1.1.2 Transmission Delivery Service Implications.

Under Energy Resource Interconnection Service, Interconnection Customer will be eligible to inject power from the Large Generating Facility into and deliver power across the interconnecting Transmission Provider's Transmission System on an "as available" basis up to the amount of MWs identified in the applicable studies to the extent the upgrades initially required to qualify for Energy Resource Interconnection Service have been constructed. Where eligible to do so (e.g., PJM, ISO-NE, NYISO), Interconnection Customer may place a bid to sell into the market up to the maximum identified Large Generating Facility output, subject to any conditions specified in the interconnection service approval, and the Large Generating Facility will be dispatched to the extent Interconnection Customer's bid clears. In all other instances, no transmission delivery service from the Large Generating Facility is assured, but Interconnection Customer may obtain Point-to-Point Transmission Service, Network Integration Transmission Service, or be used for secondary network transmission service, pursuant to Transmission Provider's Tariff, up to the maximum output identified in the stability and steady state studies. In those instances, in order for Interconnection Customer to obtain the right to deliver or inject energy beyond the Large Generating Facility Point of Interconnection or to improve its ability to do so, transmission delivery service must be obtained pursuant to the provisions of Transmission Provider's Tariff. The Interconnection Customer's ability to inject its Large Generating Facility output beyond the Point of Interconnection, therefore, will depend on the existing capacity of Transmission Provider's Transmission System at such time as a transmission service request is made that would accommodate such delivery. The provision of firm Point-to-Point Transmission Service or Network Integration Transmission Service may require the construction of additional Network Upgrades.

4.1.2 Network Resource Interconnection Service. [Selected/Not Selected]

4.1.2.1 The Product.

Transmission Provider must conduct the necessary studies and construct the Network Upgrades needed to integrate the Large Generating Facility (1) in a manner comparable to that in which Transmission Provider integrates its generating facilities to serve native load customers; or (2) in an ISO or RTO with market based congestion management, in the same manner as all Network Resources. To the extent Interconnection Customer wants to receive Network Resource Interconnection Service, Transmission Provider shall construct the facilities identified in Appendix A to this LGIA.

4.1.2.2 Transmission Delivery Service Implications.

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Network Resource Interconnection Service allows Interconnection Customer's Large Generating Facility to be designated by any Network Customer under the Tariff on Transmission Provider's Transmission System as a Network Resource, up to the Large Generating Facility's full output, on the same basis as existing Network Resources interconnected to Transmission Provider's Transmission System, and to be studied as a Network Resource on the assumption that such a designation will occur. Although Network Resource Interconnection Service does not convey a reservation of transmission service, any Network Customer under the Tariff can utilize its network service under the Tariff to obtain delivery of energy from the interconnected Interconnection Customer's Large Generating Facility in the same manner as it accesses Network Resources. A Large Generating Facility receiving Network Resource Interconnection Service may also be used to provide Ancillary Services after technical studies and/or periodic analyses are performed with respect to the Large Generating Facility's ability to provide any applicable Ancillary Services, provided that such studies and analyses have been or would be required in connection with the provision of such Ancillary Services by any existing Network Resource. However, if an Interconnection Customer's Large Generating Facility has not been designated as a Network Resource by any load, it cannot be required to provide Ancillary Services except to the extent such requirements extend to all generating facilities that are similarly situated. The provision of Network Integration Transmission Service or firm Point-to-Point Transmission Service may require additional studies and the construction of additional upgrades. Because such studies and upgrades would be associated with a request for delivery service under the Tariff, cost responsibility for the studies and upgrades would be in accordance with FERC's policy for pricing transmission delivery services.

Network Resource Interconnection Service does not necessarily provide Interconnection Customer with the capability to physically deliver the output of its Large Generating Facility to any particular load on Transmission Provider's Transmission System without incurring congestion costs. In the event of transmission constraints on Transmission Provider's Transmission System, Interconnection Customer's Large Generating Facility shall be subject to the applicable congestion management procedures in Transmission Provider's Transmission System in the same manner as Network Resources.

There is no requirement either at the time of study or interconnection, or at any point in the future, that Interconnection Customer's Large Generating Facility be designated as a Network Resource by a Network Service Customer under the Tariff or that

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Interconnection Customer identify a specific buyer (or sink). To the extent a Network Customer does designate the Large Generating Facility as a Network Resource, it must do so pursuant to Transmission Provider's Tariff.

Once an Interconnection Customer satisfies the requirements for obtaining Network Resource Interconnection Service, any future transmission service request for delivery from the Large Generating Facility within Transmission Provider's Transmission System of any amount of capacity and/or energy, up to the amount initially studied, will not require that any additional studies be performed or that any further upgrades associated with such Large Generating Facility be undertaken, regardless of whether or not such Large Generating Facility is ever designated by a Network Customer as a Network Resource and regardless of changes in ownership of the Large Generating Facility. However, the reduction or elimination of congestion or redispatch costs may require additional studies and the construction of additional upgrades.

To the extent Interconnection Customer enters into an arrangement for long term transmission service for deliveries from the Large Generating Facility outside Transmission Provider's Transmission System, such request may require additional studies and upgrades in order for Transmission Provider to grant such request.

4.2 Provision of Service.

Transmission Provider shall provide Interconnection Service for the Large Generating Facility at the Point of Interconnection.

4.3 Performance Standards.

Each Party shall perform all of its obligations under this LGIA in accordance with Applicable Laws and Regulations, Applicable Reliability Standards, and Good Utility Practice, and to the extent a Party is required or prevented or limited in taking any action by such regulations and standards, such Party shall not be deemed to be in Breach of this LGIA for its compliance therewith. If such Party is a Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner, then that Party shall amend the LGIA and submit the amendment to FERC for approval.

4.4 No Transmission Delivery Service.

The execution of this LGIA does not constitute a request for, nor the provision of, any transmission delivery service under Transmission Provider's Tariff and does not convey any right to deliver electricity to any specific customer or Point of Delivery.

4.5 Interconnection Customer Provided Services.

The services provided by Interconnection Customer under this LGIA are set forth in Article 9.6 and Article 13.5.1. Interconnection Customer shall be paid for such services in accordance with Article 11.6.

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Article 5. Interconnection Facilities Engineering, Procurement, and Construction

5.1 Options.

Unless otherwise mutually agreed to between the Parties, Interconnection Customer shall select the In-Service Date, Initial Synchronization Date, and Commercial Operation Date; and either the Standard Option or Alternate Option set forth below for completion of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades as set forth in Appendix A, Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades, and such dates and selected option shall be set forth in Appendix B, Milestones. At the same time, Interconnection Customer shall indicate whether it elects to exercise the Option to Build set forth in Article 5.1.3 below. If the dates designated by Interconnection Customer are not acceptable to Transmission Provider, Transmission Provider shall so notify Interconnection Customer within thirty (30) Calendar Days. Upon receipt of the notification that Interconnection Customer's designated dates are not acceptable to Transmission Provider, the Interconnection Customer shall notify Transmission Provider within thirty (30) Calendar Days whether it elects to exercise the Option to Build if it has not already elected to exercise the Option to Build.

5.1.1 Standard Option. [Selected/Not Selected]

Transmission Provider shall design, procure, and construct Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades, using Reasonable Efforts to complete Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades by the dates set forth in Appendix B, LGIA Milestones. Transmission Provider shall not be required to undertake any action which is inconsistent with its standard safety practices, its material and equipment specifications, its design criteria and construction procedures, its labor agreements, and Applicable Laws and Regulations. In the event Transmission Provider reasonably expects that it will not be able to complete Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades by the specified dates, Transmission Provider shall promptly provide written notice to Interconnection Customer and shall undertake Reasonable Efforts to meet the earliest dates thereafter.

5.1.2 Alternate Option.

If the dates designated by Interconnection Customer are acceptable to Transmission Provider, Transmission Provider shall so notify Interconnection Customer within thirty (30) Calendar Days, and shall assume responsibility for the design, procurement and construction of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities by the designated dates.

If Transmission Provider subsequently fails to complete Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities by the In-Service Date, to the extent necessary to provide back feed power; or fails to complete Network Upgrades by the Initial Synchronization Date to the extent necessary to allow for Trial Operation at full power output, unless other arrangements are made by the Parties for such Trial Operation; or fails to complete the Network Upgrades by the Commercial Operation Date, as such dates are reflected in Appendix B, LGIA Milestones; Transmission Provider shall pay Interconnection Customer

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liquidated damages in accordance with Article 5.3, Liquidated Damages, provided, however, the dates designated by Interconnection Customer shall be extended day for day for each day that the applicable RTO or ISO refuses to grant clearances to install equipment.

5.1.3 Option to Build. [Selected/Not Selected]

Individual or Multiple Interconnection Customer(s) shall have the option to assume responsibility for the design, procurement and construction of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades on the dates specified in Article 5.1.2. Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer, if the requirements of this Article 5.1.3 are met. When multiple Interconnection Customers exercise this option, multiple Interconnection Customers may agree to exercise this option provided (1) all Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network upgrades constructed under this option are only required for Interconnection <u>Customers in a single Cluster and (2) all impacted Interconnection Customers</u> execute and provide to Transmission Provider an agreement regarding responsibilities and payment for the construction of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades planned to be built under this option. Transmission Provider and the individual Interconnection Customer or each of the multiple Interconnection Customers must agree as to what constitutes Stand Alone Network Upgrades and identify such Stand Alone Network Upgrades in Appendix A. Except for Stand Alone Network Upgrades, Interconnection Customer shall have no right to construct Network Upgrades under this option.

5.1.4 Negotiated Option.

If the dates designated by Interconnection Customer are not acceptable to Transmission Provider, the Parties shall in good faith attempt to negotiate terms and conditions (including revision of the specified dates and liquidated damages, the provision of incentives, or the procurement and construction of all facilities other than Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades if the Interconnection Customer elects to exercise the Option to Build under Article 5.1.3) If the Parties are unable to reach agreement on such terms and conditions, then, pursuant to Article 5.1.1 (Standard Option), Transmission Provider shall assume responsibility for the design, procurement and construction of all facilities other than Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades if the Interconnection Customer elects to exercise the Option to Build.

5.2 General Conditions Applicable to Option to Build.

If Interconnection Customer assumes responsibility for the design, procurement and construction of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades,

(1) Interconnection Customer shall engineer, procure equipment, and construct Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades (or portions thereof) using Good Utility

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Practice and using standards and specifications provided in advance by Transmission Provider;

- (2) Interconnection Customer's engineering, procurement and construction of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades shall comply with all requirements of law to which Transmission Provider would be subject in the engineering, procurement or construction of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades;
- (3) Transmission Provider shall review and approve the engineering design, equipment acceptance tests, and the construction of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades;
- (4) Prior to commencement of construction, Interconnection Customer shall provide to Transmission Provider a schedule for construction of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades, and shall promptly respond to requests for information from Transmission Provider;
- (5) At any time during construction, Transmission Provider shall have the right to gain unrestricted access to Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades and to conduct inspections of the same;
- (6) At any time during construction, should any phase of the engineering, equipment procurement, or construction of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades not meet the standards and specifications provided by Transmission Provider, Interconnection Customer shall be obligated to remedy deficiencies in that portion of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades;
- (7) Interconnection Customer shall indemnify Transmission Provider for claims arising from Interconnection Customer's construction of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades under the terms and procedures applicable to Article 18.1 Indemnity;
- (8) Interconnection Customer shall transfer control of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades to Transmission Provider;
- (9) Unless Parties otherwise agree, Interconnection Customer shall transfer ownership of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand-Alone Network Upgrades to Transmission Provider:

- (10) Transmission Provider shall approve and accept for operation and maintenance Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades to the extent engineered, procured, and constructed in accordance with this Article 5.2; and
- (11) Interconnection Customer shall deliver to Transmission Provider "asbuilt" drawings, information, and any other documents that are reasonably required by Transmission Provider to assure that the Interconnection Facilities and Stand-Alone Network Upgrades are built to the standards and specifications required by Transmission Provider.
- (12) If Interconnection Customer exercises the Option to Build pursuant to Article 5.1.3, Interconnection Customer shall pay Transmission Provider the agreed upon amount of [\$ PLACEHOLDER] for Transmission Provider to execute the responsibilities enumerated to Transmission Provider under Article 5.2. Transmission Provider shall invoice Interconnection Customer for this total amount to be divided on a monthly basis pursuant to Article 12.

5.3 Liquidated Damages.

The actual damages to Interconnection Customer, in the event Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities or Network Upgrades are not completed by the dates designated by Interconnection Customer and accepted by Transmission Provider pursuant to subparagraphs 5.1.2 or 5.1.4, above, may include Interconnection Customer's fixed operation and maintenance costs and lost opportunity costs. Such actual damages are uncertain and impossible to determine at this time. Because of such uncertainty, any liquidated damages paid by Transmission Provider to Interconnection Customer in the event that Transmission Provider does not complete any portion of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities or Network Upgrades by the applicable dates, shall be an amount equal to ½ of 1 percent per day of the actual cost of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades, in the aggregate, for which Transmission Provider has assumed responsibility to design, procure and construct.

However, in no event shall the total liquidated damages exceed 20 percent of the actual cost of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades for which Transmission Provider has assumed responsibility to design, procure, and construct. The foregoing payments will be made by Transmission Provider to Interconnection Customer as just compensation for the damages caused to Interconnection Customer, which actual damages are uncertain and impossible to determine at this time, and as reasonable liquidated damages, but not as a penalty or a method to secure performance of this LGIA. Liquidated damages, when the Parties agree to them, are the exclusive remedy for the Transmission Provider's failure to meet its schedule.

No liquidated damages shall be paid to Interconnection Customer if: (1) Interconnection Customer is not ready to commence use of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities or Network Upgrades to take the delivery of power for the Large Generating Facility's Trial Operation or to export power from the Large Generating Facility on the

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specified dates, unless Interconnection Customer would have been able to commence use of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities or Network Upgrades to take the delivery of power for Large Generating Facility's Trial Operation or to export power from the Large Generating Facility, but for Transmission Provider's delay; (2) Transmission Provider's failure to meet the specified dates is the result of the action or inaction of Interconnection Customer or any other Interconnection Customer who has entered into an LGIA with Transmission Provider or any cause beyond Transmission Provider's reasonable control or reasonable ability to cure; (3) the Interconnection Customer has assumed responsibility for the design, procurement and construction of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades; or (4) the Parties have otherwise agreed.

5.4 Power System Stabilizers.

The Interconnection Customer shall procure, install, maintain and operate Power System Stabilizers in accordance with the guidelines and procedures established by the Applicable Electric Reliability Council Organization. Transmission Provider reserves the right to reasonably establish minimum acceptable settings for any installed Power System Stabilizers, subject to the design and operating limitations of the Large Generating Facility. If the Large Generating Facility's Power System Stabilizers are removed from service or not capable of automatic operation, Interconnection Customer shall immediately notify Transmission Provider's system operator, or its designated representative. The requirements of this paragraph shall not apply to wind generators.

5.5 Equipment Procurement.

If responsibility for construction of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities or Network Upgrades is to be borne by Transmission Provider, then Transmission Provider shall commence design of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities or Network Upgrades and procure necessary equipment as soon as practicable after all of the following conditions are satisfied, unless the Parties otherwise agree in writing:

- Transmission Provider has completed the Interconnection Facilities Study pursuant to the Interconnection Facilities Study Agreement;
- Transmission Provider has received written authorization to proceed with design and procurement from Interconnection Customer by the date specified in Appendix B, LGIA Milestones; and
- 5.5.3 Interconnection Customer has provided security to Transmission Provider in accordance with Article 11.5 by the dates specified in Appendix B, LGIA Milestones.

5.6 Construction Commencement.

Transmission Provider shall commence construction of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades for which it is responsible as soon as practicable after the following additional conditions are satisfied:

5.6.1 Approval of the appropriate Governmental Authority has been obtained for any facilities requiring regulatory approval;

- 5.6.2 Necessary real property rights and rights-of-way have been obtained, to the extent required for the construction of a discrete aspect of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades;
- 5.6.3 Transmission Provider has received written authorization to proceed with construction from Interconnection Customer by the date specified in Appendix B, LGIA Milestones; and
- 5.6.4 Interconnection Customer has provided security to Transmission Provider in accordance with Article 11.5 by the dates specified in Appendix B, LGIA Milestones.

5.7 Work Progress.

The Parties will keep each other advised periodically as to the progress of their respective design, procurement and construction efforts. Either Party may, at any time, request a progress report from the other Party. If, at any time, Interconnection Customer determines that the completion of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities will not be required until after the specified In-Service Date, Interconnection Customer will provide written notice to Transmission Provider of such later date upon which the completion of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities will be required.

5.8 Information Exchange.

As soon as reasonably practicable after the Effective Date, the Parties shall exchange information regarding the design and compatibility of the Parties' Interconnection Facilities and compatibility of the Interconnection Facilities with Transmission Provider's Transmission System, and shall work diligently and in good faith to make any necessary design changes.

5.9 Other Interconnection Options

5.9.1 Limited Operation.

If any of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities or Network Upgrades are not reasonably expected to be completed prior to the Commercial Operation Date of the Large Generating Facility, Transmission Provider shall, upon the request and at the expense of Interconnection Customer, perform operating studies on a timely basis to determine the extent to which the Large Generating Facility and Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities may operate prior to the completion of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities or Network Upgrades consistent with Applicable Laws and Regulations, Applicable Reliability Standards, Good Utility Practice, and this LGIA. Transmission Provider shall permit Interconnection Customer to operate the Large Generating Facility and Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities in accordance with the results of such studies.

5.9.2 Provisional Interconnection Service.

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Upon the request of Interconnection Customer, and prior to completion of requisite Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades, Distribution Upgrades, or System Protection Facilities Transmission Provider may execute a Provisional Large Generator Interconnection Agreement or Interconnection Customer may request the filing of an unexecuted Provisional Large Generator Interconnection Agreement with the Interconnection Customer for limited Interconnection Service at the discretion of Transmission Provider based upon an evaluation that will consider the results of available studies. Transmission Provider shall determine, through available studies or additional studies as necessary, whether stability, short circuit, thermal, and/or voltage issues would arise if Interconnection Customer interconnects without modifications to the Generating Facility or Transmission System. Transmission Provider shall determine whether any Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades, Distribution Upgrades, or System Protection Facilities that are necessary to meet the requirements of NERCthe Electric Reliability Organization, or any applicable Regional Entity for the interconnection of a new, modified and/or expanded Generating Facility are in place prior to the commencement of Interconnection Service from the Generating Facility. Where available studies indicate that such, Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades, Distribution Upgrades, and/or System Protection Facilities that are required for the interconnection of a new, modified and/or expanded Generating Facility are not currently in place, Transmission Provider will perform a study, at the Interconnection Customer's expense, to confirm the facilities that are required for Provisional Interconnection Service. The maximum permissible output of the Generating Facility in the Provisional Large Generator Interconnection Agreement shall be reviewed quarterly and updated if there are changes to system conditions compared to the system conditions previously used to determine of the maximum permissible output. Any necessary study is conducted at the Interconnection Customer's expense. Interconnection Customer assumes all risk and liabilities with respect to changes between the Provisional Large Generator Interconnection Agreement and the Large Generator Interconnection Agreement, including changes in output limits and Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades, Distribution Upgrades, and/or System Protection Facilities cost responsibilities.

5.10 Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities ("ICIF").

Interconnection Customer shall, at its expense, design, procure, construct, own and install the ICIF, as set forth in Appendix A, Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades and Distribution Upgrades.

5.10.1 Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facility Specifications.

Interconnection Customer shall submit initial specifications for the ICIF, including System Protection Facilities, to Transmission Provider at least one-hundred eighty (180) Calendar Days prior to the Initial Synchronization Date; and final specifications for review and comment at least ninety (90) Calendar Days prior to the Initial Synchronization Date. Transmission Provider shall review such specifications to ensure that the ICIF are compatible with the technical specifications, operational control, and safety requirements of

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Transmission Provider and comment on such specifications within thirty (30) Calendar Days of Interconnection Customer's submission. All specifications provided hereunder shall be deemed confidential.

5.10.2 Transmission Provider's Review.

Transmission Provider's review of Interconnection Customer's final specifications shall not be construed as confirming, endorsing, or providing a warranty as to the design, fitness, safety, durability or reliability of the Large Generating Facility, or the ICIF. Interconnection Customer shall make such changes to the ICIF as may reasonably be required by Transmission Provider, in accordance with Good Utility Practice, to ensure that the ICIF are compatible with the technical specifications, operational control, and safety requirements of Transmission Provider.

5.10.3 ICIF Construction.

The ICIF shall be designed and constructed in accordance with Good Utility Practice. Within one-hundred twenty (120) Calendar Days after the Commercial Operation Date, unless the Parties agree on another mutually acceptable deadline, Interconnection Customer shall deliver to Transmission Provider "as-built" drawings, information and documents for the ICIF, such as: a one-line diagram, a site plan showing the Large Generating Facility and the ICIF, plan and elevation drawings showing the layout of the ICIF, a relay functional diagram, relaying AC and DC schematic wiring diagrams and relay settings for all facilities associated with Interconnection Customer's step-up transformers, the facilities connecting the Large Generating Facility to the stepup transformers and the ICIF, and the impedances (determined by factory tests) for the associated step-up transformers and the Large Generating Facility. The Interconnection Customer shall provide Transmission Provider specifications for the excitation system, automatic voltage regulator, Large Generating Facility control and protection settings, transformer tap settings, and communications, if applicable,

5.11 Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities Construction.

Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities shall be designed and constructed in accordance with Good Utility Practice. Upon request, within one-hundred twenty (120) Calendar Days after the Commercial Operation Date, unless the Parties agree on another mutually acceptable deadline, Transmission Provider shall deliver to Interconnection Customer the following "as-built" drawings, information and documents for Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities [include appropriate drawings and relay diagrams]. Transmission Provider will obtain control of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades upon completion of such facilities.

5.12 Access Rights.

Upon reasonable notice and supervision by a Party, and subject to any required or necessary regulatory approvals, a Party ("Granting Party") shall furnish at no cost to the other Party ("Access Party") any rights of use, licenses, rights of way and easements with respect to lands owned or controlled by the Granting Party, its agents (if allowed under the applicable agency agreement), or any Affiliate, that are necessary to enable the

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Access Party to obtain ingress and egress to construct, operate, maintain, repair, test (or witness testing), inspect, replace or remove facilities and equipment to: (i) interconnect the Large Generating Facility with the Transmission System; (ii) operate and maintain the Large Generating Facility, the Interconnection Facilities and the Transmission System; and (iii) disconnect or remove the Access Party's facilities and equipment upon termination of this LGIA. In exercising such licenses, rights of way and easements, the Access Party shall not unreasonably disrupt or interfere with normal operation of the Granting Party's business and shall adhere to the safety rules and procedures established in advance, as may be changed from time to time, by the Granting Party and provided to the Access Party.

5.13 Lands of Other Property Owners.

If any part of Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities and/or Network Upgrades is to be installed on property owned by persons other than Interconnection Customer or Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner, Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner shall at Interconnection Customer's expense use efforts, similar in nature and extent to those that it typically undertakes on its own behalf or on behalf of its Affiliates, including use of its eminent domain authority, and to the extent consistent with state law, to procure from such persons any rights of use, licenses, rights of way and easements that are necessary to construct, operate, maintain, test, inspect, replace or remove Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities and/or Network Upgrades upon such property.

5.14 Permits.

Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner and Interconnection Customer shall cooperate with each other in good faith in obtaining all permits, licenses, and authorizations that are necessary to accomplish the interconnection in compliance with Applicable Laws and Regulations. With respect to this paragraph, Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner shall provide permitting assistance to Interconnection Customer comparable to that provided to Transmission Provider's own, or an Affiliate's generation.

5.15 Early Construction of Base Case Facilities.

Interconnection Customer may request Transmission Provider to construct, and Transmission Provider shall construct, using Reasonable Efforts to accommodate Interconnection Customer's In-Service Date, all or any portion of any Network Upgrades required for Interconnection Customer to be interconnected to the Transmission System which are included in the Base Case of the Interconnection Facilities Study for Interconnection Customer, and which also are required to be constructed for another Interconnection Customer, but where such construction is not scheduled to be completed in time to achieve Interconnection Customer's In-Service Date.

5.16 Suspension.

Interconnection Customer reserves the right, upon written notice to Transmission Provider, to suspend at any time all work by Transmission Provider associated with the construction and installation of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and/or Network Upgrades required under this LGIA with the condition that Transmission System shall be left in a safe and reliable condition in accordance with Good Utility Practice and Transmission Provider's safety and reliability criteria. In such event, Interconnection

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Customer shall be responsible for all reasonable and necessary costs which Transmission Provider (i) has incurred pursuant to this LGIA prior to the suspension and (ii) incurs in suspending such work, including any costs incurred to perform such work as may be necessary to ensure the safety of persons and property and the integrity of the Transmission System during such suspension and, if applicable, any costs incurred in connection with the cancellation or suspension of material, equipment and labor contracts which Transmission Provider cannot reasonably avoid; provided, however, that prior to canceling or suspending any such material, equipment or labor contract, Transmission Provider shall obtain Interconnection Customer's authorization to do so.

Transmission Provider shall invoice Interconnection Customer for such costs pursuant to Article 12 and shall use due diligence to minimize its costs. In the event Interconnection Customer suspends work by Transmission Provider required under this LGIA pursuant to this Article 5.16, and has not requested Transmission Provider to recommence the work required under this LGIA on or before the expiration of three (3) years following commencement of such suspension, this LGIA shall be deemed terminated. The three-year period shall begin on the date the suspension is requested, or the date of the written notice to Transmission Provider, if no effective date is specified.

5.16.1 Effect of Missed Interconnection Customer LGIA Milestones.

If Interconnection Customer fails to provide notice of suspension pursuant to Article 5.16, and Interconnection Customer fails to fulfill or complete any Interconnection Customer LGIA Milestone provided in Appendix B ("LGIA Milestone"), this constitutes a Breach under this LGIA. Depending upon the consequences of the Breach and effectiveness of the cure pursuant to Article 17, Transmission Provider's LGIA Milestones may be revised, following consultation with Interconnection Customer, consistent with Reasonable Efforts, and in consideration of all relevant circumstances. Parties shall employ Reasonable Efforts to maintain their remaining respective LGIA Milestones.

5.16.2 Effect of Suspension; Parties Obligations.

In the event that Interconnection Customer suspends work pursuant to this Article 5.16, the applicable construction duration, timelines and schedules set forth in Appendix B shall be suspended during the period of suspension. Should Interconnection Customer thereafter request that work be recommenced, Appendix A and Appendix B may be revised to account for construction sequencing and modified milestones. If the Commercial Operation Date is extended beyond three (3) cumulative years described in Section 4.4.5 of the Revised LGIP and Article 2.3.1 of this LGIA, such an extension may be considered a Material Modification and result in the termination of the LGIA under Article 2.3.1. Interconnection Customer is required to maintain Site Control while this LGIA is in effect, including during suspension.

5.17 Taxes

5.17.1 Interconnection Customer Payments Not Taxable.

The Parties intend that all payments or property transfers made by Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider for the installation of Transmission Provider's

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Interconnection Facilities and the Network Upgrades shall be non-taxable, either as contributions to capital, or as an advance, in accordance with the Internal Revenue Code and any applicable state income tax laws and shall not be taxable as contributions in aid of construction or otherwise under the Internal Revenue Code and any applicable state income tax laws.

5.17.2 Representations and Covenants.

In accordance with IRS Notice 2001-82 and IRS Notice 88-129, Interconnection Customer represents and covenants that (i) ownership of the electricity generated at the Large Generating Facility will pass to another party prior to the transmission of the electricity on the Transmission System, (ii) for income tax purposes, the amount of any payments and the cost of any property transferred to Transmission Provider for Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities will be capitalized by Interconnection Customer as an intangible asset and recovered using the straight-line method over a useful life of twenty (20) years, and (iii) any portion of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities that is a "dual-use intertie," within the meaning of IRS Notice 88-129, is reasonably expected to carry only a de minimis amount of electricity in the direction of the Large Generating Facility. For this purpose, "de minimis amount" means no more than percent of the total power flows in both directions, calculated in accordance with the "5 percent test" set forth in IRS Notice 88-129. This is not intended to be an exclusive list of the relevant conditions that must be met to conform to IRS requirements for nontaxable treatment.

At Transmission Provider's request, Interconnection Customer shall provide Transmission Provider with a report from an independent engineer confirming its representation in clause (iii), above. Transmission Provider represents and covenants that the cost of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities paid for by Interconnection Customer will have no net effect on the base upon which rates are determined.

5.17.3 Indemnification for the Cost Consequences of Current Tax Liability Imposed Upon the Transmission Provider.

Notwithstanding Article 5.17.1, Interconnection Customer shall protect, indemnify and hold harmless Transmission Provider from the cost consequences of any current tax liability imposed against Transmission Provider as the result of payments or property transfers made by Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider under this LGIA for Interconnection Facilities, as well as any interest and penalties, other than interest and penalties attributable to any delay caused by Transmission Provider.

Transmission Provider shall not include a gross-up for the cost consequences of any current tax liability in the amounts it charges Interconnection Customer under this LGIA unless (i) Transmission Provider has determined, in good faith, that the payments or property transfers made by Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider should be reported as income subject to taxation or (ii) any Governmental Authority directs Transmission Provider to report payments or property as income subject to taxation; provided, however, that Transmission

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Provider may require Interconnection Customer to provide security for Interconnection Facilities, in a form reasonably acceptable to Transmission Provider (such as a parental guarantee or a letter of credit), in an amount equal to the cost consequences of any current tax liability under this Article 5.17. Interconnection Customer shall reimburse Transmission Provider for such costs on a fully grossed-up basis, in accordance with Article 5.17.4, within thirty (30) Calendar Days of receiving written notification from Transmission Provider of the amount due, including detail about how the amount was calculated.

The indemnification obligation shall terminate at the earlier of (1) the expiration of the ten-year testing period and the applicable statute of limitation, as it may be extended by Transmission Provider upon request of the IRS, to keep these years open for audit or adjustment, or (2) the occurrence of a subsequent taxable event and the payment of any related indemnification obligations as contemplated by this Article 5.17.

5.17.4 Tax Gross-Up Amount.

Interconnection Customer's liability for the cost consequences of any current tax liability under this Article 5.17 shall be calculated on a fully grossed-up basis. Except as may otherwise be agreed to by the parties, this means that Interconnection Customer will pay Transmission Provider, in addition to the amount paid for the Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades, an amount equal to (1) the current taxes imposed on Transmission Provider ("Current Taxes") on the excess of (a) the gross income realized by Transmission Provider as a result of payments or property transfers made by Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider under this LGIA (without regard to any payments under this Article 5.17) (the "Gross Income Amount") over (b) the present value of future tax deductions for depreciation that will be available as a result of such payments or property transfers (the "Present Value Depreciation Amount"), plus (2) an additional amount sufficient to permit Transmission Provider to receive and retain, after the payment of all Current Taxes, an amount equal to the net amount described in clause (1).

For this purpose, (i) Current Taxes shall be computed based on Transmission Provider's composite federal and state tax rates at the time the payments or property transfers are received and Transmission Provider will be treated as being subject to tax at the highest marginal rates in effect at that time (the "Current Tax Rate"), and (ii) the Present Value Depreciation Amount shall be computed by discounting Transmission Provider's anticipated tax depreciation deductions as a result of such payments or property transfers by Transmission Provider's current weighted average cost of capital. Thus, the formula for calculating Interconnection Customer's liability to Transmission Owner pursuant to this Article 5.17.4 can be expressed as follows: (Current Tax Rate x (Gross Income Amount – Present Value of Tax Depreciation))/(1-Current Tax Rate). Interconnection Customer's estimated tax liability in the event taxes are imposed shall be stated in Appendix A, Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades and Distribution Upgrades.

5.17.5 Private Letter Ruling or Change or Clarification of Law.

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At Interconnection Customer's request and expense, Transmission Provider shall file with the IRS a request for a private letter ruling as to whether any property transferred or sums paid, or to be paid, by Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider under this LGIA are subject to federal income taxation. Interconnection Customer will prepare the initial draft of the request for a private letter ruling, and will certify under penalties of perjury that all facts represented in such request are true and accurate to the best of Interconnection Customer's knowledge. Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer shall cooperate in good faith with respect to the submission of such request. Transmission Provider shall keep Interconnection Customer fully informed of the status of such request for a private letter ruling and shall execute either a privacy act waiver or a limited power of attorney, in a form acceptable to the IRS that authorizes Interconnection Customer to participate in all discussions with the IRS regarding such request for a private letter ruling. Transmission Provider shall allow Interconnection Customer to attend all meetings with IRS officials about the request and shall permit Interconnection Customer to prepare the initial drafts of any follow-up letters in connection with the request.

5.17.6 Subsequent Taxable Events.

If, within ten (10) years from the date on which the relevant Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities are placed in service, (i) Interconnection Customer Breaches the covenants contained in Article 5.17.2, (ii) a "disqualification event" occurs within the meaning of IRS Notice 88-129, or (iii) this LGIA terminates and Transmission Provider retains ownership of the Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades, Interconnection Customer shall pay a tax gross-up for the cost consequences of any current tax liability imposed on Transmission Provider, calculated using the methodology described in Article 5.17.4 and in accordance with IRS Notice 90-60.

5.17.7 Contests.

In the event any Governmental Authority determines that Transmission Provider's receipt of payments or property constitutes income that is subject to taxation. Transmission Provider shall notify Interconnection Customer, in writing, within thirty (30) Calendar Days of receiving notification of such determination by a Governmental Authority. Upon the timely written request by Interconnection Customer and at Interconnection Customer's sole expense, Transmission Provider may appeal, protest, seek abatement of, or otherwise oppose such determination. Upon Interconnection Customer's written request and sole expense, Transmission Provider may file a claim for refund with respect to any taxes paid under this Article 5.17, whether or not it has received such a determination. Transmission Provider reserves the right to make all decisions with regard to the prosecution of such appeal, protest, abatement or other contest, including the selection of counsel and compromise or settlement of the claim, but Transmission Provider shall keep Interconnection Customer informed, shall consider in good faith suggestions from Interconnection Customer about the conduct of the contest, and shall reasonably permit Interconnection Customer or an Interconnection Customer representative to attend contest proceedings.

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Interconnection Customer shall pay to Transmission Provider on a periodic basis, as invoiced by Transmission Provider, Transmission Provider's documented reasonable costs of prosecuting such appeal, protest, abatement or other contest. At any time during the contest, Transmission Provider may agree to a settlement either with Interconnection Customer's consent or after obtaining written advice from nationally-recognized tax counsel, selected by Transmission Provider, but reasonably acceptable to Interconnection Customer, that the proposed settlement represents a reasonable settlement given the hazards of litigation. Interconnection Customer's obligation shall be based on the amount of the settlement agreed to by Interconnection Customer, or if a higher amount, so much of the settlement that is supported by the written advice from nationally-recognized tax counsel selected under the terms of the preceding sentence. The settlement amount shall be calculated on a fully grossed-up basis to cover any related cost consequences of the current tax liability. Any settlement without Interconnection Customer's consent or such written advice will relieve Interconnection Customer from any obligation to indemnify Transmission Provider for the tax at issue in the contest.

5.17.8 Refund.

In the event that (a) a private letter ruling is issued to Transmission Provider which holds that any amount paid or the value of any property transferred by Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider under the terms of this LGIA is not subject to federal income taxation, (b) any legislative change or administrative announcement, notice, ruling or other determination makes it reasonably clear to Transmission Provider in good faith that any amount paid or the value of any property transferred by Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider under the terms of this LGIA is not taxable to Transmission Provider, (c) any abatement, appeal, protest, or other contest results in a determination that any payments or transfers made by Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider are not subject to federal income tax, or (d) if Transmission Provider receives a refund from any taxing authority for any overpayment of tax attributable to any payment or property transfer made by Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider pursuant to this LGIA, Transmission Provider shall promptly refund to Interconnection Customer the following:

- (i) any payment made by Interconnection Customer under this Article 5.17 for taxes that is attributable to the amount determined to be non-taxable, together with interest thereon,
- (ii) interest on any amount paid by Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider for such taxes which Transmission Provider did not submit to the taxing authority, calculated in accordance with the methodology set forth in FERC's regulations at 18 CFR § 35.19a(a)(2)(iii) from the date payment was made by Interconnection Customer to the date Transmission Provider refunds such payment to Interconnection Customer, and
- (iii) with respect to any such taxes paid by Transmission Provider, any refund or credit Transmission Provider receives or to which it may be

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entitled from any Governmental Authority, interest (or that portion thereof attributable to the payment described in clause (i), above) owed to Transmission Provider for such overpayment of taxes (including any reduction in interest otherwise payable by Transmission Provider to any Governmental Authority resulting from an offset or credit); provided, however, that Transmission Provider will remit such amount promptly to Interconnection Customer only after and to the extent that Transmission Provider has received a tax refund, credit or offset from any Governmental Authority for any applicable overpayment of income tax related to Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities.

The intent of this provision is to leave the Parties, to the extent practicable, in the event that no taxes are due with respect to any payment for Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades hereunder, in the same position they would have been in had no such tax payments been made.

5.17.9 Taxes Other Than Income Taxes.

Upon the timely request by Interconnection Customer, and at Interconnection Customer's sole expense, Transmission Provider may appeal, protest, seek abatement of, or otherwise contest any tax (other than federal or state income tax) asserted or assessed against Transmission Provider for which Interconnection Customer may be required to reimburse Transmission Provider under the terms of this LGIA. Interconnection Customer shall pay to Transmission Provider on a periodic basis, as invoiced by Transmission Provider, Transmission Provider's documented reasonable costs of prosecuting such appeal, protest, abatement, or other contest. Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider shall cooperate in good faith with respect to any such contest. Unless the payment of such taxes is a prerequisite to an appeal or abatement or cannot be deferred, no amount shall be payable by Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider for such taxes until they are assessed by a final, non-appealable order by any court or agency of competent jurisdiction. In the event that a tax payment is withheld and ultimately due and payable after appeal, Interconnection Customer will be responsible for all taxes, interest and penalties, other than penalties attributable to any delay caused by Transmission Provider.

5.17.10 Transmission Owners Who Are Not Transmission Providers.

If Transmission Provider is not the same entity as the Transmission Owner, then (i) all references in this Article 5.17 to Transmission Provider shall be deemed also to refer to and to include the Transmission Owner, as appropriate, and (ii) this LGIA shall not become effective until such Transmission Owner shall have agreed in writing to assume all of the duties and obligations of Transmission Provider under this Article 5.17 of this LGIA.

5.18 Tax Status.

Each Party shall cooperate with the other to maintain the other Party's tax status. Nothing in this LGIA is intended to adversely affect any Transmission Provider's tax exempt status with respect to the issuance of bonds including, but not limited to, Local Furnishing Bonds.

5.19 Modification.

5.19.1 General.

Either Party may undertake modifications to its facilities. If a Party plans to undertake a modification that reasonably may be expected to affect the other Party's facilities, that Party shall provide to the other Party sufficient information regarding such modification so that the other Party may evaluate the potential impact of such modification prior to commencement of the work. Such information shall be deemed to be confidential hereunder and shall include information concerning the timing of such modifications and whether such modifications are expected to interrupt the flow of electricity from the Large Generating Facility. The Party desiring to perform such work shall provide the relevant drawings, plans, and specifications to the other Party at least ninety (90) Calendar Days in advance of the commencement of the work or such shorter period upon which the Parties may agree, which agreement shall not unreasonably be withheld, conditioned or delayed.

In the case of a proposed Generating Facility Modification to an Existing Generating Facility that is not a Material Modification and does not require Interconnection Customer to submit an Interconnection Request, Transmission Provider shall provide, within thirty (30) Calendar Days (or such other time as the Parties may agree), an estimate of any additional modifications to the Transmission System, Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities or Network Upgrades necessitated by such Interconnection Customer modification and a good faith estimate of the costs thereof.

5.19.2 Standards.

Any additions, modifications, or replacements made to a Party's facilities shall be designed, constructed, and operated in accordance with this LGIA and Good Utility Practice.

5.19.3 Modification Costs.

Interconnection Customer shall not be directly assigned for the costs of any additions, modifications, or replacements that Transmission Provider makes to Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities or the Transmission System to facilitate the interconnection of a third party to Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities or the Transmission System, or to provide transmission service to a third party under Transmission Provider's Tariff. Interconnection Customer shall be responsible for the costs of any additions, modifications, or replacements to Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities that may be necessary to maintain or upgrade such Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities consistent with Applicable Laws and Regulations, Applicable Reliability Standards or Good Utility Practice.

Article 6. Testing and Inspection

6.1 Pre-Commercial Operation Date Testing and Modifications.

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Prior to the Commercial Operation Date, Transmission Provider shall test Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades and Interconnection Customer shall test the Large Generating Facility and Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities to ensure their safe and reliable operation. Similar testing may be required after initial operation. Each Party shall make any modifications to its facilities that are found to be necessary as a result of such testing. Interconnection Customer shall bear the cost of all such testing and modifications. Interconnection Customer shall generate test energy at the Large Generating Facility only if it has arranged for the delivery of such test energy.

6.2 Post-Commercial Operation Date Testing and Modifications.

Each Party shall at its own expense perform routine inspection and testing of its facilities and equipment in accordance with Good Utility Practice as may be necessary to ensure the continued interconnection of the Large Generating Facility with the Transmission System in a safe and reliable manner. Each Party shall have the right, upon advance written notice, to require reasonable additional testing of the other Party's facilities, at the requesting Party's expense, as may be in accordance with Good Utility Practice.

6.3 Right to Observe Testing.

Each Party shall notify the other Party in advance of its performance of tests of its Interconnection Facilities. The other Party has the right, at its own expense, to observe such testing.

6.4 Right to Inspect.

Each Party shall have the right, but shall have no obligation to: (i) observe the other Party's tests and/or inspection of any of its System Protection Facilities and other protective equipment, including Power System Stabilizers; (ii) review the settings of the other Party's System Protection Facilities and other protective equipment; and (iii) review the other Party's maintenance records relative to the Interconnection Facilities, the System Protection Facilities and other protective equipment. A Party may exercise these rights from time to time as it deems necessary upon reasonable notice to the other Party. The exercise or non-exercise by a Party of any such rights shall not be construed as an endorsement or confirmation of any element or condition of the Interconnection Facilities or the System Protection Facilities or other protective equipment or the operation thereof, or as a warranty as to the fitness, safety, desirability, or reliability of same. Any information that a Party obtains through the exercise of any of its rights under this Article 6.4 shall be deemed to be Confidential Information and treated pursuant to Article 22 of this LGIA.

Article 7. Metering

7.1 General.

Each Party shall comply with the <u>ApplicableElectric</u> Reliability <u>CouncilOrganization</u> requirements. Unless otherwise agreed by the Parties, Transmission Provider shall install Metering Equipment at the Point of Interconnection prior to any operation of the Large Generating Facility and shall own, operate, test and maintain such Metering Equipment. Power flows to and from the Large Generating Facility shall be measured at or, at Transmission Provider's option, compensated to, the Point of Interconnection. Transmission Provider shall provide metering quantities, in analog and/or digital form, to

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Interconnection Customer upon request. Interconnection Customer shall bear all reasonable documented costs associated with the purchase, installation, operation, testing and maintenance of the Metering Equipment.

7.2 Check Meters.

Interconnection Customer, at its option and expense, may install and operate, on its premises and on its side of the Point of Interconnection, one or more check meters to check Transmission Provider's meters. Such check meters shall be for check purposes only and shall not be used for the measurement of power flows for purposes of this LGIA, except as provided in Article 7.4 below. The check meters shall be subject at all reasonable times to inspection and examination by Transmission Provider or its designee. The installation, operation and maintenance thereof shall be performed entirely by Interconnection Customer in accordance with Good Utility Practice.

7.3 Standards.

Transmission Provider shall install, calibrate, and test revenue quality Metering Equipment in accordance with applicable ANSI standards.

7.4 Testing of Metering Equipment.

Transmission Provider shall inspect and test all Transmission Provider-owned Metering Equipment upon installation and at least once every two (2) years thereafter. If requested to do so by Interconnection Customer, Transmission Provider shall, at Interconnection Customer's expense, inspect or test Metering Equipment more frequently than every two (2) years. Transmission Provider shall give reasonable notice of the time when any inspection or test shall take place, and Interconnection Customer may have representatives present at the test or inspection. If at any time Metering Equipment is found to be inaccurate or defective, it shall be adjusted, repaired or replaced at Interconnection Customer's expense, in order to provide accurate metering, unless the inaccuracy or defect is due to Transmission Provider's failure to maintain, then Transmission Provider shall pay. If Metering Equipment fails to register, or if the measurement made by Metering Equipment during a test varies by more than two percent from the measurement made by the standard meter used in the test, Transmission Provider shall adjust the measurements by correcting all measurements for the period during which Metering Equipment was in error by using Interconnection Customer's check meters, if installed. If no such check meters are installed or if the period cannot be reasonably ascertained, the adjustment shall be for the period immediately preceding the test of the Metering Equipment equal to one-half the time from the date of the last previous test of the Metering Equipment.

7.5 Metering Data.

At Interconnection Customer's expense, the metered data shall be telemetered to one or more locations designated by Transmission Provider and one or more locations designated by Interconnection Customer. Such telemetered data shall be used, under normal operating conditions, as the official measurement of the amount of energy delivered from the Large Generating Facility to the Point of Interconnection.

Article 8. Communications

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8.1 Interconnection Customer Obligations.

Interconnection Customer shall maintain satisfactory operating communications with Transmission Provider's Transmission System dispatcher or representative designated by Transmission Provider. Interconnection Customer shall provide standard voice line, dedicated voice line and facsimile communications at its Large Generating Facility control room or central dispatch facility through use of either the public telephone system, or a voice communications system that does not rely on the public telephone system. Interconnection Customer shall also provide the dedicated data circuit(s) necessary to provide Interconnection Customer data to Transmission Provider as set forth in Appendix D, Security Arrangements Details. The data circuit(s) shall extend from the Large Generating Facility to the location(s) specified by Transmission Provider. Any required maintenance of such communications equipment shall be performed by Interconnection Customer. Operational communications shall be activated and maintained under, but not be limited to, the following events: system paralleling or separation, scheduled and unscheduled shutdowns, equipment clearances, and hourly and daily load data

8.2 Remote Terminal Unit.

Prior to the Initial Synchronization Date of the Large Generating Facility, a Remote Terminal Unit, or equivalent data collection and transfer equipment acceptable to the Parties, shall be installed by Interconnection Customer, or by Transmission Provider at Interconnection Customer's expense, to gather accumulated and instantaneous data to be telemetered to the location(s) designated by Transmission Provider through use of a dedicated point-to-point data circuit(s) as indicated in Article 8.1. The communication protocol for the data circuit(s) shall be specified by Transmission Provider. Instantaneous bi-directional analog real power and reactive power flow information must be telemetered directly to the location(s) specified by Transmission Provider.

Each Party will promptly advise the other Party if it detects or otherwise learns of any metering, telemetry or communications equipment errors or malfunctions that require the attention and/or correction by the other Party. The Party owning such equipment shall correct such error or malfunction as soon as reasonably feasible.

8.3 No Annexation.

Any and all equipment placed on the premises of a Party shall be and remain the property of the Party providing such equipment regardless of the mode and manner of annexation or attachment to real property, unless otherwise mutually agreed by the Parties.

8.4 Provision of Data from a Variable Energy Resource.

The Interconnection Customer whose Generating Facility iscontains at least one a Variable Energy Resource shall provide meteorological and forced outage data to the Transmission Provider to the extent necessary for the Transmission Provider's development and deployment of power production forecasts for that class of Variable Energy Resources.

The Interconnection Customer with a Variable Energy Resource having wind as the energy source, at a minimum, will be required to provide the Transmission Provider with site-specific meteorological data including: manufacturer, model, and year of all wind turbines and meteorological instrumentation, latitude, longitude and hub height at every

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wind turbine and meteorological tower, real-time data including turbine generation (kW), wind speed (mph), turbine availability, wind direction (in degrees relative to true north), temperature (Celsius and F), pressure (mb), air density and turbine manufacturer power curve. The information provided shall be refreshed in approximately four-ten (4-10) second intervals with regard to its generation of Renewable Energy at the Facility.

The Interconnection Customer with a Variable Energy Resource having solar as the energy source, at a minimum, will be required to provide the Transmission Provider with site-specific meteorological data including: manufacturer, model and year of all panels, inverters and meteorological instrumentation, latitude and longitude of the center of the solar panels for every inverter and every meteorological tower, real-time data including inverter generation (kW), inverter availability, direct normal solar insolation (solar intensity), temperature, barometric pressure, wind speed (mph), wind direction (degrees relative to true north) and solar panel manufacturer power curve. The information provided shall be refreshed as frequently as allowed by the SCADA System, not to exceed sixty (60) second intervals.

The Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer whose Generating Facility iscontains a Variable Energy Resource shall mutually agree to any additional meteorological data that are required for the development and deployment of a power production forecast. The Interconnection Customer whose Generating Facility iscontains a Variable Energy Resource also shall submit data to the Transmission Provider regarding all forced outages to the extent necessary for the Transmission Provider's development and deployment of power production forecasts for that class of Variable Energy Resources. The exact specifications of the meteorological and forced outage data to be provided by the Interconnection Customer to the Transmission Provider including the frequency and timing of data submittals shall be made taking into account the size and configuration of the Variable Energy Resource, its characteristics, location, and its importance in maintaining generation resource adequacy and transmission system reliability in its area. All requirements for meteorological and forced outage data must be commensurate with the power production forecasting employed by the Transmission Provider. Such requirements for meteorological and forced outage data are set forth in Appendix C, Interconnection Details, of this LGIA, as they may change from time to time.

Article 9. Operations

- **9.1 General**. Each Party shall comply with the Applicable_Electric Reliability CouncilOrganization requirements. Each Party shall provide to the other Party all information that may reasonably be required by the other Party to comply with Applicable Laws and Regulations and Applicable Reliability Standards.
- 9.2 ControlBalancing Authority Area Notification. At least three months before Initial Synchronization Date, Interconnection Customer shall notify Transmission Provider in writing of the ControlBalancing Authority Area in which the Large Generating Facility will be located. If Interconnection Customer elects to locate the Large Generating Facility in a ControlBalancing Authority Area other than the ControlBalancing Authority Area in which the Large Generating Facility is physically located, and if permitted to do so by the relevant transmission tariffs, all necessary arrangements, including but not limited to those set forth

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in Article 7 and Article 8 of this LGIA, and remote ControlBalancing Authority Area generator interchange agreements, if applicable, and the appropriate measures under such agreements, shall be executed and implemented prior to the placement of the Large Generating Facility in the other ControlBalancing Authority Area.

- 9.3 Transmission Provider Obligations. Transmission Provider shall cause the Transmission System and Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities to be operated, maintained and controlled in a safe and reliable manner and in accordance with this LGIA. Transmission Provider may provide operating instructions to Interconnection Customer consistent with this LGIA and Transmission Provider's operating protocols and procedures as they may change from time to time. Transmission Provider will consider changes to its operating protocols and procedures proposed by Interconnection Customer.
- 9.4 Interconnection Customer Obligations. Interconnection Customer shall at its own expense operate, maintain and control the Large Generating Facility and Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities in a safe and reliable manner and in accordance with this LGIA. Interconnection Customer shall operate the Large Generating Facility and Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities in accordance with all applicable requirements of the ControlBalancing Authority Area of which it is part, as such requirements are set forth in Appendix C, Interconnection Details, of this LGIA. Appendix C, Interconnection Details, will be modified to reflect changes to the requirements as they may change from time to time. Either Party may request that the other Party provide copies of the requirements set forth in Appendix C, Interconnection Details, of this LGIA.
- **9.5 Start-Up and Synchronization**. Consistent with the Parties' mutually acceptable procedures, Interconnection Customer is responsible for the proper synchronization of the Large Generating Facility to Transmission Provider's Transmission System.
- 9.6 Reactive Power and Primary Frequency Response.
 - 9.6.1 Power Factor Design Criteria.
 - 9.6.1.1 Synchronous Generation. Interconnection Customer shall design the Large Generating Facility to maintain a composite power delivery at continuous rated power output at the Point of Interconnection at a power factor within the range of 0.95 leading to 0.95 lagging, unless the Transmission Provider has established different requirements that apply to all synchronous generators in the Control Balancing Authority Area on a comparable basis.
 - 9.6.1.2 Non-Synchronous Generation. Interconnection Customer shall design the Large Generating Facility to maintain a composite power delivery at continuous rated power output at the high-side of the generator substation at a power factor within the range of 0.95 leading to 0.95 lagging, unless the Transmission Provider has established a different power factor range that applies to all non-synchronous generators in the ControlBalancing Authority Area on

a comparable basis. This power factor range standard shall be dynamic and can be met using, for example, power electronics designed to supply this level of reactive capability (taking into account any limitations due to voltage level, real power output, etc.) or fixed and switched capacitors, or a combination of the two. This requirement shall only apply to newly interconnecting non-synchronous generators that have not yet executed a Facilities Study Agreement as of the effective date of the Final Rule establishing this requirement (Order No. 827). This requirement also applies to existing non-synchronous generators making upgrades that require a new Generator Interconnection Agreement where the System Impact Study shows the need for reactive power as a result of an upgrade.

- [1] The effective date of Order 827 is October 14, 2016.
- 9.6.2 Voltage Schedules. Once Interconnection Customer has synchronized the Large Generating Facility with the Transmission System, Transmission Provider shall require Interconnection Customer to operate the Large Generating Facility to produce or absorb reactive power within the design limitations of the Large Generating Facility set forth in Article 9.6.1 (Power Factor Design Criteria). Transmission Provider's voltage schedules shall treat all sources of reactive power in the Control Balancing Authority Area in an equitable and not unduly discriminatory manner. Transmission Provider shall exercise Reasonable Efforts to provide Interconnection Customer with such schedules at least one (1) day in advance, and may make changes to such schedules as necessary to maintain the reliability of the Transmission System. Interconnection Customer shall operate the Large Generating Facility to maintain the specified output voltage or power factor at the Point of Interconnection within the design limitations of the Large Generating Facility set forth in Article 9.6.1 (Power Factor Design Criteria). If Interconnection Customer is unable to maintain the specified voltage or power factor, it shall promptly notify the System Operator.

9.6.2.1 Voltage Regulators.

Whenever the Large Generating Facility is operated in parallel with the Transmission System and voltage regulators are capable of operation, Interconnection Customer shall operate the Large Generating Facility with its voltage regulators in automatic operation. If the Large Generating Facility's voltage regulators are not capable of such automatic operation, Interconnection Customer shall immediately notify Transmission Provider's system operator, or its designated representative, and ensure that such Large Generating Facility's reactive power production or absorption (measured in MVARs) are within the design capability of the Large Generating Facility's generating unit(s) and steady state stability limits. Interconnection Customer shall not cause its Large Generating Facility to disconnect automatically or instantaneously

from the Transmission System or trip any generating unit comprising the Large Generating Facility for an under or over frequency condition unless the abnormal frequency condition persists for a time period beyond the limits set forth in ANSI/IEEE Standard C37.106, or such other standard as applied to other generators in the Control Balancing Authority Area on a comparable

9.6.3 Payment for Reactive Power.

basis.

Transmission Provider is required to pay Interconnection Customer for reactive power that Interconnection Customer provides or absorbs from the Large Generating Facility when Transmission Provider requests Interconnection Customer to operate its Large Generating Facility outside the range specified in Article 9.6.1, provided that if Transmission Provider pays its own or affiliated generators for reactive power service within the specified range, it must also pay Interconnection Customer. Payments shall be pursuant to Article 11.6 or such other agreement to which the Parties have otherwise agreed.

9.6.4 Primary Frequency Response.

Interconnection Customer shall ensure the primary frequency response capability of its Large Generating Facility by installing, maintaining, and operating a functioning governor or equivalent controls. The term "functioning governor or equivalent controls" as used herein shall mean the required hardware and/or software that provides frequency responsive real power control with the ability to sense changes in system frequency and autonomously adjust the Large Generating Facility's real power output in accordance with the droop and deadband parameters and in the direction needed to correct frequency deviations. Interconnection Customer is required to install a governor or equivalent controls with the capability of operating: (1) with a maximum 5 percent droop and ±0.036 Hz deadband; or (2) in accordance with the relevant droop, deadband, and timely and sustained response settings from an approved NERCElectric Reliability Organization Reliability Standard providing for equivalent or more stringent parameters. The droop characteristic shall be: (1) based on the nameplate capacity of the Large Generating Facility, and shall be linear in the range of frequencies between 59 to 61 Hz that are outside of the deadband parameter; or (2) based on an approved NERCElectric Reliability Organization Reliability Standard providing for an equivalent or more stringent parameter. The deadband parameter shall be: the range of frequencies above and below nominal (60 Hz) in which the governor or equivalent controls is not expected to adjust the Large Generating Facility's real power output in response to frequency deviations. The deadband shall be implemented: (1) without a step to the droop curve, that is, once the frequency deviation exceeds the deadband parameter, the expected change in the Large Generating Facility's real power output in response to frequency deviations shall start from zero and

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then increase (for under-frequency deviations) or decrease (for over-frequency deviations) linearly in proportion to the magnitude of the frequency deviation; or (2) in accordance with an approved NERCElectric Reliability Organization Reliability Standard providing for an equivalent or more stringent parameter. Interconnection Customer shall notify Transmission Provider that the primary frequency response capability of the Large Generating Facility has been tested and confirmed during commissioning. Once Interconnection Customer has synchronized the Large Generating Facility with the Transmission System, Interconnection Customer shall operate the Large Generating Facility consistent with the provisions specified in Articles 9.6.4.1 and 9.6.4.2 of this Agreement. The primary frequency response requirements contained herein shall apply to both synchronous and non-synchronous Large Generating Facilities.

9.6.4.1 Governor or Equivalent Controls.

Whenever the Large Generating Facility is operated in parallel with the Transmission System, Interconnection Customer shall operate the Large Generating Facility with its governor or equivalent controls in service and responsive to frequency. Interconnection Customer shall: (1) in coordination with Transmission Provider and/or the relevant balancing authority, set the deadband parameter to: (1) a maximum of ±0.036 Hz and set the droop parameter to a maximum of 5 percent or (2) implement the relevant droop and deadband settings from an approved Electric Reliability Organization Reliability Standard that provides for equivalent or more stringent parameters. Interconnection Customer shall be required to provide the status and settings of the governor or equivalent controls to Transmission Provider and/or the relevant balancing authority upon request. If Interconnection Customer needs to operate the Large Generating Facility with its governor or equivalent controls not in service, Interconnection Customer shall immediately notify Transmission Provider and the relevant balancing authority, and provide both with the following information: (1) the operating status of the governor or equivalent controls (i.e., whether it is currently out of service or when it will be taken out of service); (2) the reasons for removing the governor or equivalent controls from service; and (3) a reasonable estimate of when the governor or equivalent controls will be returned to service. Interconnection Customer shall make Reasonable Efforts to return its governor or equivalent controls into service as soon as practicable. Interconnection Customer shall make Reasonable Efforts to keep outages of the Large Generating Facility's governor or equivalent controls to a minimum whenever the Large Generating Facility is operated in parallel with the Transmission System.

9.6.4.2 Timely and Sustained Response.

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Interconnection Customer shall ensure that the Large Generating Facility's real power response to sustained frequency deviations outside of the deadband setting is automatically provided and shall begin immediately after frequency deviates outside of the deadband, and to the extent the Large Generating Facility has operating capability in the direction needed to correct the frequency deviation. Interconnection Customer shall not block or otherwise inhibit the ability of the governor or equivalent controls to respond and shall ensure that the response is not inhibited, except under certain operational constraints including, but not limited to, ambient temperature limitations, physical energy limitations, outages of mechanical equipment, or regulatory requirements. The Large Generating Facility shall sustain the real power response at least until system frequency returns to a value within the deadband setting of the governor or equivalent controls. A Commissionapproved Reliability Standard with equivalent or more stringent requirements shall supersede the above requirements.

9.6.4.3 Exemptions.

Large Generating Facilities that are regulated by the United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission shall be exempt from Articles 9.6.4, 9.6.4.1, and 9.6.4.2 of this Agreement. Large Generating Facilities that are behind the meter generation that is sized-to-load (i.e., the thermal load and the generation are near-balanced in real-time operation and the generation is primarily controlled to maintain the unique thermal, chemical, or mechanical output necessary for the operating requirements of its host facility) shall be required to install primary frequency response capability in accordance with the droop and deadband capability requirements specified in Article 9.6.4, but shall be otherwise exempt from the operating requirements in Articles 9.6.4, 9.6.4.1, 9.6.4.2, and 9.6.4.4 of this Agreement.

9.6.4.4 Electric Storage Resources.

NERC Reliability Standard that provides for equivalent or more stringent parameters. Interconnection Customer shall be required to provide the status and settings of the governor or equivalent controls to Transmission Provider and/or the relevant balancing authority upon request. If Interconnection Customer needs to operate the Large Generating Facility with its governor or equivalent controls not in service, Interconnection Customer shall immediately notify Transmission Provider and the relevant balancing authority, and provide both with the following information: (1) the operating status of the governor or equivalent controls (i.e., whether it is currently out of service or when it will be taken out of service); (2) the reasons for removing the governor or equivalent controls from service; and (3) a reasonable estimate of when the governor or equivalent controls will be returned to service. Interconnection

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Customer shall make Reasonable Efforts to return its governor or equivalent controls into service as soon as practicable. Interconnection Customer shall make Reasonable Efforts to keep outages of the Large Generating Facility's governor or equivalent controls to a minimum whenever the Large Generating Facility is operated in parallel with the Transmission System.

9.6.4.2 Timely and Sustained Response.

Interconnection Customer shall ensure that the Large Generating Facility's real power response to sustained frequency deviations outside of the deadband setting is automatically provided and shall begin immediately after frequency deviates outside of the deadband, and to the extent the Large Generating Facility has operating capability in the direction needed to correct the frequency deviation. Interconnection Customer shall not block or otherwise inhibit the ability of the governor or equivalent controls to respond and shall ensure that the response is not inhibited, except under certain operational constraints including, but not limited to, ambient temperature limitations, physical energy limitations, outages of mechanical equipment, or regulatory requirements. The Large Generating Facility shall sustain the real power response at least until system frequency returns to a value within the deadband setting of the governor or equivalent controls. A Commissionapproved Reliability Standard with equivalent or more stringent requirements shall supersede the above requirements.

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9.6.4.4 Electric Storage Resources.

Interconnection Customer interconnecting a Generating Facility that contains an electric storage resource shall establish an operating range in Appendix C of its LGIA that specifies a minimum state of charge and a maximum state of charge between which the electric storage resource will be required to provide primary frequency response consistent with the conditions set forth in

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Articles 9.6.4, 9.6.4.1, 9.6.4.2, and 9.6.4.3 of this Agreement. Appendix C shall specify whether the operating range is static or dynamic, and shall consider (1) the expected magnitude of frequency deviations in the interconnection; (2) the expected duration that system frequency will remain outside of the deadband parameter in the interconnection; (3) the expected incidence of frequency deviations outside of the deadband parameter in the interconnection; (4) the physical capabilities of the electric storage resource; (5) operational limitations of the electric storage resource due to manufacturer specifications; and (6) any other relevant factors agreed to by Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer, and in consultation with the relevant transmission owner or balancing authority as appropriate. If the operating range is dynamic, then Appendix C must establish how frequently the operating range will be reevaluated and the factors that may be considered during its reevaluation.

Interconnection Customer's electric storage resource is required to provide timely and sustained primary frequency response consistent with Article 9.6.4.2 of this Agreement when it is online and dispatched to inject electricity to the Transmission System and/or receive electricity from the Transmission System. This excludes circumstances when the electric storage resource is not dispatched to inject electricity to the Transmission System and/or dispatched to receive electricity from the Transmission System. If Interconnection Customer's electric storage resource is charging at the time of a frequency deviation outside of its deadband parameter, it is to increase (for over-frequency deviations) or decrease (for under-frequency deviations) the rate at which it is charging in accordance with its droop parameter. Interconnection Customer's electric storage resource is not required to change from charging to discharging, or vice versa, unless the response necessitated by the droop and deadband settings requires it to do so and it is technically capable of making such a transition.

9.7 Outages and Interruptions.

9.7.1 Outages.

9.7.1.1 Outage Authority and Coordination.

Each Party may in accordance with Good Utility Practice in coordination with the other Party remove from service any of its respective Interconnection Facilities or Network Upgrades that may impact the other Party's facilities as necessary to perform maintenance or testing or to install or replace equipment. Absent an Emergency Condition, the Party scheduling a removal of such facility(ies) from service will use Reasonable Efforts to schedule

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such removal on a date and time mutually acceptable to the Parties. In all circumstances, any Party planning to remove such facility(ies) from service shall use Reasonable Efforts to minimize the effect on the other Party of such removal.

9.7.1.2 Outage Schedules.

Transmission Provider shall post scheduled outages of its transmission facilities on the OASIS. Interconnection Customer shall submit its planned maintenance schedules for the Large Generating Facility to Transmission Provider for a minimum of a rolling twenty-four month period. Interconnection Customer shall update its planned maintenance schedules as necessary. Transmission Provider may request Interconnection Customer to reschedule its maintenance as necessary to maintain the reliability of the Transmission System; provided, however, adequacy of generation supply shall not be a criterion in determining Transmission System reliability. Transmission Provider shall compensate Interconnection Customer for any additional direct costs that Interconnection Customer incurs as a result of having to reschedule maintenance, including any additional overtime, breaking of maintenance contracts or other costs above and beyond the cost Interconnection Customer would have incurred Transmission Provider's request to maintenance. Interconnection Customer will not be eligible to receive compensation, if during the twelve (12) months prior to the date of the scheduled maintenance, Interconnection Customer had modified its schedule of maintenance activities.

9.7.1.3 Outage Restoration.

If an outage on a Party's Interconnection Facilities or Network Upgrades adversely affects the other Party's operations or facilities, the Party that owns or controls the facility that is out of service shall use Reasonable Efforts to promptly restore such facility(ies) to a normal operating condition consistent with the nature of the outage. The Party that owns or controls the facility that is out of service shall provide the other Party, to the extent such information is known, information on the nature of the Emergency Condition, an estimated time of restoration, and any corrective actions required. Initial verbal notice shall be followed up as soon as practicable with written notice explaining the nature of the outage.

9.7.2 Interruption of Service.

If required by Good Utility Practice to do so, Transmission Provider may require Interconnection Customer to interrupt or reduce deliveries of electricity if such delivery of electricity could adversely affect Transmission Provider's ability to perform such activities as are necessary to safely and reliably operate and maintain the Transmission System. The following provisions shall apply to any interruption or reduction permitted under this Article 9.7.2:

- **9.7.2.1** The interruption or reduction shall continue only for so long as reasonably necessary under Good Utility Practice;
- **9.7.2.2** Any such interruption or reduction shall be made on an equitable, non-discriminatory basis with respect to all generating facilities directly connected to the Transmission System;
- 9.7.2.3 When the interruption or reduction must be made under circumstances which do not allow for advance notice, Transmission Provider shall notify Interconnection Customer by telephone as soon as practicable of the reasons for the curtailment, interruption, or reduction, and, if known, its expected duration. Telephone notification shall be followed by written notification as soon as practicable;
- 9.7.2.4 Except during the existence of an Emergency Condition, when the interruption or reduction can be scheduled without advance notice, Transmission Provider shall notify Interconnection Customer in advance regarding the timing of such scheduling and further notify Interconnection Customer of the expected duration. Transmission Provider shall coordinate with Interconnection Customer using Good Utility Practice to schedule the interruption or reduction during periods of least impact to Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider; and
- 9.7.2.5 The Parties shall cooperate and coordinate with each other to the extent necessary in order to restore the Large Generating Facility, Interconnection Facilities, and the Transmission System to their normal operating state, consistent with system conditions and Good Utility Practice.

9.7.3 <u>Under-FrequencyRide Through Capability</u> and <u>Over Frequency Conditions. Performance</u>

The Transmission System is designed to automatically activate a load-shed program as required by the Applicable Electric Reliability CouncilOrganization in the event of an under-frequency system disturbance. Interconnection Customer shall implement under-frequency and over-frequency relay set points for the Large Generating Facility as required by the Applicable Electric Reliability CouncilOrganization to ensure frequency "ride through" capability of the Transmission System. Large Generating Facility response to frequency deviations of pre-determined magnitudes, both under-frequency and over-frequency deviations, shall be studied and coordinated with Transmission Provider in accordance with Good Utility Practice. frequivalent electronic controls, as required by the Electric Reliability Organization to ensure voltage "ride through" capability of the Transmission System. The term "ride through" as used herein shall mean the ability of a

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Generating Facility to stay connected to and synchronized with the Transmission System during system disturbances within a range of underfrequency and over-frequency conditions, in accordance with Good Utility Practice, over-frequency, under-voltage and over-voltage conditions, in accordance with Good Utility Practice and consistent with any standards and guidelines that are applied to other Generating Facilities in the Balancing Authority Area on a comparable basis. For abnormal frequency conditions and voltage conditions within the "no trip zone" defined by Reliability Standard PRC-024-3 or successor mandatory ride through reliability standards, the nonsynchronous Large Generating Facility must ensure that, within any physical limitations of the Large Generating Facility, its control and protection settings are configured or set to (1) continue active power production during disturbance and post disturbance periods at pre-disturbance levels, unless reactive power priority mode is enabled or unless providing primary frequency response or fast frequency response; (2) minimize reductions in active power and remain within dynamic voltage and current limits, if reactive power priority mode is enabled, unless providing primary frequency response or fast frequency response; (3) not artificially limit dynamic reactive power capability during disturbances; and (4) return to pre-disturbance active power levels without artificial ramp rate limits if active power is reduced, unless providing primary frequency response or fast frequency response.

9.7.4 System Protection and Other Control Requirements.

- 9.7.4.1 System Protection Facilities. Interconnection Customer shall, at its expense, install, operate and maintain System Protection Facilities as a part of the Large Generating Facility or Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities. Transmission Provider shall install at Interconnection Customer's expense any System Protection Facilities that may be required on Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities or the Transmission System as a result of the interconnection of the Large Generating Facility and Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities.
- **9.7.4.2** Each Party's protection facilities shall be designed and coordinated with other systems in accordance with Good Utility Practice.
- **9.7.4.3** Each Party shall be responsible for protection of its facilities consistent with Good Utility Practice.
- 9.7.4.4 Each Party's protective relay design shall incorporate the necessary test switches to perform the tests required in Article 6. The required test switches will be placed such that they allow operation of lockout relays while preventing breaker failure schemes from operating and causing unnecessary breaker operations and/or the tripping of Interconnection Customer's units.

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- **9.7.4.5** Each Party will test, operate and maintain System Protection Facilities in accordance with Good Utility Practice.
- 9.7.4.6 Prior to the In-Service Date, and again prior to the Commercial Operation Date, each Party or its agent shall perform a complete calibration test and functional trip test of the System Protection Facilities. At intervals suggested by Good Utility Practice and following any apparent malfunction of the System Protection Facilities, each Party shall perform both calibration and functional trip tests of its System Protection Facilities. These tests do not require the tripping of any in-service generation unit. These tests do, however, require that all protective relays and lockout contacts be activated

9.7.5 Requirements for Protection.

In compliance with Good Utility Practice, Interconnection Customer shall provide, install, own, and maintain relays, circuit breakers and all other devices necessary to remove any fault contribution of the Large Generating Facility to any short circuit occurring on the Transmission System not otherwise isolated by Transmission Provider's equipment, such that the removal of the fault contribution shall be coordinated with the protective requirements of the Transmission System. Such protective equipment shall include, without limitation, a disconnecting device or switch with load-interrupting capability located between the Large Generating Facility and the Transmission System at a site selected upon mutual agreement (not to be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed) of the Parties. Interconnection Customer shall be responsible for protection of the Large Generating Facility and Interconnection Customer's other equipment from such conditions as negative sequence currents, over- or under-frequency, sudden load rejection, over- or undervoltage, and generator loss-of-field. Interconnection Customer shall be solely responsible to disconnect the Large Generating Facility and Interconnection Customer's other equipment if conditions on the Transmission System could adversely affect the Large Generating Facility.

9.7.6 Power Quality.

Neither Party's facilities shall cause excessive voltage flicker nor introduce excessive distortion to the sinusoidal voltage or current waves as defined by ANSI Standard C84.1-1989, in accordance with IEEE Standard 519, or any applicable superseding electric industry standard. In the event of a conflict between ANSI Standard C84.1-1989, or any applicable superseding electric industry standard, ANSI Standard C84.1-1989, or the applicable superseding electric industry standard, shall control.

9.8 Switching and Tagging Rules.

Each Party shall provide the other Party a copy of its switching and tagging rules that are applicable to the other Party's activities. Such switching and tagging rules shall be developed on a non-discriminatory basis. The Parties shall comply with applicable

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switching and tagging rules, as amended from time to time, in obtaining clearances for work or for switching operations on equipment.

9.9 Use of Interconnection Facilities by Third Parties.

9.9.1 Purpose of Interconnection Facilities.

Except as may be required by Applicable Laws and Regulations, or as otherwise agreed to among the Parties, the Interconnection Facilities shall be constructed for the sole purpose of interconnecting the Large Generating Facility to the Transmission System and shall be used for no other purpose.

9.9.2 Third Party Users.

If required by Applicable Laws and Regulations or if the Parties mutually agree, such agreement not to be unreasonably withheld, to allow one or more third parties to use Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities, or any part thereof, Interconnection Customer will be entitled to compensation for the capital expenses it incurred in connection with the Interconnection Facilities based upon the pro rata use of the Interconnection Facilities by Transmission Provider, all third party users, and Interconnection Customer, in accordance with Applicable Laws and Regulations or upon some other mutually-agreed upon methodology. In addition, cost responsibility for ongoing costs, including operation and maintenance costs associated with the Interconnection Facilities, will be allocated between Interconnection Customer and any third party users based upon the pro rata use of the Interconnection Facilities by Transmission Provider, all third party users, and Interconnection Customer, in accordance with Applicable Laws and Regulations or upon some other mutually agreed upon methodology. If the issue of such compensation or allocation cannot be resolved through such negotiations, it shall be submitted to FERC for resolution.

9.10 Disturbance Analysis Data Exchange.

The Parties will cooperate with one another in the analysis of disturbances to either the Large Generating Facility or Transmission Provider's Transmission System by gathering and providing access to any information relating to any disturbance, including information from oscillography, protective relay targets, breaker operations and sequence of events records, and any disturbance information required by Good Utility Practice

Article 10. Maintenance.

10.1 Transmission Provider Obligations.

Transmission Provider shall maintain the Transmission System and Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities in a safe and reliable manner and in accordance with this LGIA.

10.2 Interconnection Customer Obligations.

Interconnection Customer shall maintain the Large Generating Facility and Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities in a safe and reliable manner and in accordance with this LGIA.

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10.3 Coordination.

The Parties shall confer regularly to coordinate the planning, scheduling and performance of preventive and corrective maintenance on the Large Generating Facility and the Interconnection Facilities.

10.4 Secondary Systems.

Each Party shall cooperate with the other in the inspection, maintenance, and testing of control or power circuits that operate below 600 volts, AC or DC, including, but not limited to, any hardware, control or protective devices, cables, conductors, electric raceways, secondary equipment panels, transducers, batteries, chargers, and voltage and current transformers that directly affect the operation of a Party's facilities and equipment which may reasonably be expected to impact the other Party. Each Party shall provide advance notice to the other Party before undertaking any work on such circuits, especially on electrical circuits involving circuit breaker trip and close contacts, current transformers, or potential transformers.

10.5 Operating and Maintenance Expenses.

Subject to the provisions herein addressing the use of facilities by others, and except for operations and maintenance expenses associated with modifications made for providing interconnection or transmission service to a third party and such third party pays for such expenses, Interconnection Customer shall be responsible for all reasonable expenses including overheads, associated with: (1) owning, operating, maintaining, repairing, and replacing Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities; and (2) operation, maintenance, repair and replacement of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities.

Article 11. Performance Obligation.

11.1 Interconnection Customer Interconnection Facilities.

Interconnection Customer shall design, procure, construct, install, own and/or control Interconnection Customer Interconnection Facilities described in Appendix A, Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades and Distribution Upgrades, at its sole expense.

11.2 Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities.

Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner shall design, procure, construct, install, own and/or control the Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities described in Appendix A, Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades and Distribution Upgrades, at the sole expense of the Interconnection Customer.

11.3 Network Upgrades and Distribution Upgrades.

Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner shall design, procure, construct, install, and own the Network Upgrades and Distribution Upgrades described in Appendix A, Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades and Distribution Upgrades. The Interconnection Customer shall be responsible for all costs related to Distribution Upgrades. Unless Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner elects to fund the capital for the Network Upgrades, they shall be solely funded by Interconnection Customer.

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11.4 Transmission Credits.

11.4.1 Repayment of Amounts Advanced for Network Upgrades.

Interconnection Customer shall be entitled to a cash repayment, equal to the total amount paid to Transmission Provider and Affected System Operator, if any, for the Network Upgrades, including any tax gross-up or other tax-related payments associated with Network Upgrades, and not refunded to Interconnection Customer pursuant to Article 5.17.8 or otherwise, to be paid to Interconnection Customer on a dollar-for-dollar basis for the non-usage sensitive portion of transmission charges, as payments are made under Transmission Provider's Tariff and Affected System's Tariff for transmission services with respect to the Large Generating Facility. Any repayment shall include interest calculated in accordance with the methodology set forth in FERC's regulations at 18 CFR § 35.19a(a)(2)(iii) from the date of any cash payment for Network Upgrades through the date on which the Interconnection Customer receives a repayment of such payment pursuant to this subparagraph. Interconnection Customer may assign such repayment rights to any person.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, Interconnection Customer, Transmission Provider, and Affected System Operator may adopt any alternative payment schedule that is mutually agreeable so long as Transmission Provider and Affected System Operator take one of the following actions no later than five years from the Commercial Operation Date: (1) return to Interconnection Customer any amounts advanced for Network Upgrades not previously repaid, or (2) declare in writing that Transmission Provider or Affected System Operator will continue to provide payments to Interconnection Customer on a dollar-for-dollar basis for the non-usage sensitive portion of transmission charges, or develop an alternative schedule that is mutually agreeable and provides for the return of all amounts advanced for Network Upgrades not previously repaid; however, full reimbursement shall not extend beyond twenty (20) years from the Commercial Operation Date.

If the Large Generating Facility fails to achieve Commercial Operation, but it or another Generating Facility is later constructed and makes use of the Network Upgrades, Transmission Provider and Affected System Operator shall at that time reimburse Interconnection Customer for the amounts advanced for the Network Upgrades. Before any such reimbursement can occur, the Interconnection Customer, or the entity that ultimately constructs the Generating Facility, if different, is responsible for identifying the entity to which reimbursement must be made.

11.4.2 Special Provisions for Affected Systems.

Unless Transmission Provider provides, under the LGIA, for the repayment of amounts advanced to Affected System Operator for Network Upgrades, Interconnection Customer and Affected System Operator shall enter into an agreement that provides for such repayment. The agreement shall specify the

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terms governing payments to be made by Interconnection Customer to the Affected System Operator as well as the repayment by the Affected System Operator.

11.4.3 Notwithstanding any other provision of this LGIA, nothing herein shall be construed as relinquishing or foreclosing any rights, including but not limited to firm transmission rights, capacity rights, transmission congestion rights, or transmission credits, that Interconnection Customer, shall be entitled to, now or in the future under any other agreement or tariff as a result of, or otherwise associated with, the transmission capacity, if any, created by the Network Upgrades, including the right to obtain cash reimbursements or transmission credits for transmission service that is not associated with the Large Generating Facility.

11.5 Provision of Security.

At least thirty (30) Calendar Days prior to the commencement of the procurement, installation, or construction of a discrete portion of a Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades, or Distribution Upgrades, Interconnection Customer shall provide Transmission Provider, at Interconnection Customer's option, a quarantee, a surety bond, letter of credit or other form of security that is reasonably acceptable to Transmission Provider and is consistent with the Uniform Commercial Code of the jurisdiction identified in Article 14.2.1. Such security for payment, as specified in Appendix B of this LGIA, shall be in an amount sufficient to cover the costs for constructing, procuring and installing the applicable portion of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades, or Distribution Upgrades and shall be reduced on a dollar-for-dollar basis for payments made to Transmission Provider for these purposes. Transmission Provider must use the LGIA Deposit required in Section 12.3 of the LGIP before requiring Interconnection Customer to submit security in addition to that LGIA Deposit. Transmission Provider must specify, in Appendix B of this LGIA, the dates for which Interconnection Customer must provide additional security for construction of each discrete portion of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades, or Distribution Upgrades and Interconnection Customer must provide such additional security.

In addition:

- The guarantee must be made by an entity that meets the creditworthiness requirements of Transmission Provider, and contain terms and conditions that guarantee payment of any amount that may be due from Interconnection Customer, up to an agreed-to maximum amount.
- 11.5.2 The letter of credit must be issued by a financial institution reasonably acceptable to Transmission Provider and must specify a reasonable expiration date.
- 11.5.3 The surety bond must be issued by an insurer reasonably acceptable to Transmission Provider and must specify a reasonable expiration date.

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11.6 Interconnection Customer Compensation.

If Transmission Provider requests or directs Interconnection Customer to provide a service pursuant to Articles 9.6.3 (Payment for Reactive Power), or 13.5.1 of this LGIA, Transmission Provider shall compensate Interconnection Customer in accordance with Interconnection Customer's applicable rate schedule then in effect unless the provision of such service(s) is subject to an RTO or ISO FERC-approved rate schedule. Interconnection Customer shall serve Transmission Provider or RTO or ISO with any filing of a proposed rate schedule at the time of such filing with FERC. To the extent that no rate schedule is in effect at the time the Interconnection Customer is required to provide or absorb any Reactive Power under this LGIA, Transmission Provider agrees to compensate Interconnection Customer in such amount as would have been due Interconnection Customer had the rate schedule been in effect at the time service commenced; provided, however, that such rate schedule must be filed at FERC or other appropriate Governmental Authority within sixty (60) Calendar Days of the commencement of service

11.6.1 Interconnection Customer Compensation for Actions During Emergency Condition.

Transmission Provider or RTO or ISO shall compensate Interconnection Customer for its provision of real and reactive power and other Emergency Condition services that Interconnection Customer provides to support the Transmission System during an Emergency Condition in accordance with Article 11.6.

Article 12. Invoice.

12.1 General.

Each Party shall submit to the other Party, on a monthly basis, invoices of amounts due for the preceding month. Each invoice shall state the month to which the invoice applies and fully describe the services and equipment provided. The Parties may discharge mutual debts and payment obligations due and owing to each other on the same date through netting, in which case all amounts a Party owes to the other Party under this LGIA, including interest payments or credits, shall be netted so that only the net amount remaining due shall be paid by the owing Party.

12.2 Final Invoice.

Within six months after completion of the construction of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and the Network Upgrades, Transmission Provider shall provide an invoice of the final cost of the construction of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and the Network Upgrades and shall set forth such costs in sufficient detail to enable Interconnection Customer to compare the actual costs with the estimates and to ascertain deviations, if any, from the cost estimates. Transmission Provider shall refund to Interconnection Customer any amount by which the actual payment by Interconnection Customer for estimated costs exceeds the actual costs of construction within thirty (30) Calendar Days of the issuance of such final construction invoice.

12.3 Payment.

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Invoices shall be rendered to the paying Party at the address specified in Appendix F. The Party receiving the invoice shall pay the invoice within thirty (30) Calendar Days of receipt. All payments shall be made in immediately available funds payable to the other Party, or by wire transfer to a bank named and account designated by the invoicing Party. Payment of invoices by either Party will not constitute a waiver of any rights or claims either Party may have under this LGIA. If Interconnection Customer has not paid the final invoice following a withdrawal within thirty (30) Calendar Days, Transmission Provider shall draw upon the security provided under this LGIA to settle all accounts, which shall include any offsets of amounts due and owing by Transmission Provider. After the final invoice is paid and all accounts are settled, Transmission Provider shall refund all remaining security.

12.4 Disputes.

In the event of a billing dispute between Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer, Transmission Provider shall continue to provide Interconnection Service under this LGIA as long as Interconnection Customer: (i) continues to make all payments not in dispute; and (ii) pays to Transmission Provider or into an independent escrow account the portion of the invoice in dispute, pending resolution of such dispute. If Interconnection Customer fails to meet these two requirements for continuation of service, then Transmission Provider may provide notice to Interconnection Customer of a Default pursuant to Article 17. Within thirty (30) Calendar Days after the resolution of the dispute, the Party that owes money to the other Party shall pay the amount due with interest calculated in accord with the methodology set forth in FERC's regulations at 18 CFR § 35.19a(a)(2)(iii)

Article 13. Emergencies

13.1 Definition.

Emergency Condition" shall mean a condition or situation: (i) that in the judgment of the Party making the claim is imminently likely to endanger life or property; (ii) that, in the case of Transmission Provider, is imminently likely (as determined in a non-discriminatory manner) to cause a material adverse effect on the security of, or damage to the Transmission System, Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities or the Transmission Systems of others to which the Transmission System is directly connected; or (iii) that, in the case of Interconnection Customer, is imminently likely (as determined in a non-discriminatory manner) to cause a material adverse effect on the security of, or damage to, the Large Generating Facility or Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities. System restoration and black start shall be considered Emergency Conditions; provided, that Interconnection Customer is not obligated by this LGIA to possess black start capability.

13.2 Obligations.

Each Party shall comply with the Emergency Condition procedures of the applicable ISO/RTO, NERC, the Applicable Electric Reliability Council Organization, Applicable Laws and Regulations, and any emergency procedures agreed to by the Joint Operating Committee.

13.3 Notice.

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Transmission Provider shall notify Interconnection Customer promptly when it becomes aware of an Emergency Condition that affects Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities or the Transmission System that may reasonably be expected to affect Interconnection Customer's operation of the Large Generating Facility or Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities. Interconnection Customer shall notify Transmission Provider promptly when it becomes aware of an Emergency Condition that affects the Large Generating Facility or Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities that may reasonably be expected to affect the Transmission System or Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities. To the extent information is known, the notification shall describe the Emergency Condition, the extent of the damage or deficiency, the expected effect on the operation of Interconnection Customer's or Transmission Provider's facilities and operations, its anticipated duration and the corrective action taken and/or to be taken. The initial notice shall be followed as soon as practicable with written notice.

13.4 Immediate Action.

Unless, in Interconnection Customer's reasonable judgment, immediate action is required, Interconnection Customer shall obtain the consent of Transmission Provider, such consent to not be unreasonably withheld, prior to performing any manual switching operations at the Large Generating Facility or Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities in response to an Emergency Condition either declared by Transmission Provider or otherwise regarding the Transmission System.

13.5 Transmission Provider Authority.

13.5.1 **General.**

Transmission Provider may take whatever actions or inactions with regard to the Transmission System or Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities it deems necessary during an Emergency Condition in order to (i) preserve public health and safety, (ii) preserve the reliability of the Transmission System or Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities, (iii) limit or prevent damage, and (iv) expedite restoration of service.

Transmission Provider shall use Reasonable Efforts to minimize the effect of such actions or inactions on the Large Generating Facility or Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities. Transmission Provider may, on the basis of technical considerations, require the Large Generating Facility to mitigate an Emergency Condition by taking actions necessary and limited in scope to remedy the Emergency Condition, including, but not limited to, directing Interconnection Customer to shut-down, start-up, increase or decrease the real or reactive power output of the Large Generating Facility; implementing a reduction or disconnection pursuant to Article 13.5.2; directing Interconnection Customer to assist with blackstart (if available) or restoration efforts; or altering the outage schedules of the Large Generating Facility and Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities. Interconnection Customer shall comply with all of Transmission Provider's operating instructions concerning Large Generating Facility real power and reactive power output within the manufacturer's design limitations of the Large

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Generating Facility's equipment that is in service and physically available for operation at the time, in compliance with Applicable Laws and Regulations.

13.5.2 Reduction and Disconnection.

Transmission Provider may reduce Interconnection Service or disconnect the Large Generating Facility or Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities, when such, reduction or disconnection is necessary under Good Utility Practice due to Emergency Conditions. These rights are separate and distinct from any right of curtailment of Transmission Provider pursuant to Transmission Provider's Tariff. When Transmission Provider can schedule the reduction or disconnection in advance, Transmission Provider shall notify Interconnection Customer of the reasons, timing and expected duration of the reduction or disconnection. Transmission Provider shall coordinate with Interconnection Customer using Good Utility Practice to schedule the reduction or disconnection during periods of least impact to Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider. Any reduction or disconnection shall continue only for so long as reasonably necessary under Good Utility Practice. The Parties shall cooperate with each other to restore the Large Generating Facility, the Interconnection Facilities, and the Transmission System to their normal operating state as soon as practicable consistent with Good Utility Practice.

13.6 Interconnection Customer Authority.

Consistent with Good Utility Practice and the LGIA and the Revised LGIP, Interconnection Customer may take actions or inactions with regard to the Large Generating Facility or Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities during an Emergency Condition in order to (i) preserve public health and safety, (ii) preserve the reliability of the Large Generating Facility or Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities, (iii) limit or prevent damage, and (iv) expedite restoration of service. Interconnection Customer shall use Reasonable Efforts to minimize the effect of such actions or inactions on the Transmission System and Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities. Transmission Provider shall use Reasonable Efforts to assist Interconnection Customer in such actions.

13.7 Limited Liability.

Except as otherwise provided in Article 11.6.1 of this LGIA, neither Party shall be liable to the other for any action it takes in responding to an Emergency Condition so long as such action is made in good faith and is consistent with Good Utility Practice.

Article 14. Regulatory Requirements and Governing Law

14.1 Regulatory Requirements.

Each Party's obligations under this LGIA shall be subject to its receipt of any required approval or certificate from one or more Governmental Authorities in the form and substance satisfactory to the applying Party, or the Party making any required filings with, or providing notice to, such Governmental Authorities, and the expiration of any time period associated therewith. Each Party shall in good faith seek and use its Reasonable Efforts to obtain such other approvals. Nothing in this LGIA shall require Interconnection Customer to take any action that could result in its inability to obtain, or its loss of, status

or exemption under the Federal Power Act, the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935, as amended, or the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1978.

14.2 Governing Law.

- 14.2.1 The validity, interpretation and performance of this LGIA and each of its provisions shall be governed by the laws of the state where the Point of Interconnection is located, without regard to its conflicts of law principles.
- **14.2.2** This LGIA is subject to all Applicable Laws and Regulations.
- **14.2.3** Each Party expressly reserves the right to seek changes in, appeal, or otherwise contest any laws, orders, rules, or regulations of a Governmental Authority.

Article 15. Notices

15.1 General.

Unless otherwise provided in this LGIA, any notice, demand or request required or permitted to be given by either Party to the other and any instrument required or permitted to be tendered or delivered by either Party in writing to the other shall be effective when delivered and may be so given, tendered or delivered, by recognized national courier, or by depositing the same with the United States Postal Service with postage prepaid, for delivery by certified or registered mail, addressed to the Party, or personally delivered to the Party, at the address set out in Appendix F, Addresses for Delivery of Notices and Billings.

Either Party may change the notice information in this LGIA by giving five (5) Business Days written notice prior to the effective date of the change.

15.2 Billings and Payments.

Billings and payments shall be sent to the addresses set out in Appendix F.

15.3 Alternative Forms of Notice.

Any notice or request required or permitted to be given by a Party to the other and not required by this Agreement to be given in writing may be so given by telephone, facsimile or email to the telephone numbers and email addresses set out in Appendix F.

15.4 Operations and Maintenance Notice.

Each Party shall notify the other Party in writing of the identity of the person(s) that it designates as the point(s) of contact with respect to the implementation of Articles 9 and 10.

Article 16. Force Majeure

16.1 Force Majeure.

16.1.1 Economic hardship is not considered a Force Majeure event.

16.1.2 Neither Party shall be considered to be in Default with respect to any obligation hereunder, (including obligations under Article 4), other than the obligation to pay money when due, if prevented from fulfilling such obligation by Force Majeure. A Party unable to fulfill any obligation hereunder (other than an obligation to pay money when due) by reason of Force Majeure shall give notice and the full particulars of such Force Majeure to the other Party in writing or by telephone as soon as reasonably possible after the occurrence of the cause relied upon. Telephone notices given pursuant to this article shall be confirmed in writing as soon as reasonably possible and shall specifically state full particulars of the Force Majeure, the time and date when the Force Majeure occurred and when the Force Majeure is reasonably expected to cease. The Party affected shall exercise due diligence to remove such disability with reasonable dispatch, but shall not be required to accede or agree to any provision not satisfactory to it in order to settle and terminate a strike or other labor disturbance.

Article 17. Default

17.1 Default.

17.1.1 General.

No Default shall exist where such failure to discharge an obligation (other than the payment of money) is the result of Force Majeure as defined in this LGIA or the result of an act of omission of the other Party. Upon a Breach, the non-breaching Party shall give written notice of such Breach to the breaching Party. Except as provided in Article 17.1.2, the breaching Party shall have thirty (30) Calendar Days from receipt of the Default notice within which to cure such Breach; provided however, if such Breach is not capable of cure within thirty (30) Calendar Days, the breaching Party shall commence such cure within thirty (30) Calendar Days after notice and continuously and diligently complete such cure within ninety (90) Calendar Days from receipt of the Default notice; and, if cured within such time, the Breach specified in such notice shall cease to exist.

17.1.2 Right to Terminate.

If a Breach is not cured as provided in this article, or if a Breach is not capable of being cured within the period provided for herein, the non-breaching Party shall have the right to declare a Default and terminate this LGIA by written notice at any time until cure occurs, and be relieved of any further obligation hereunder and, whether or not that Party terminates this LGIA, to recover from the breaching Party all amounts due hereunder, plus all other damages and remedies to which it is entitled at law or in equity. The provisions of this article will survive termination of this LGIA.

17.2 Violation of Operating Assumptions for Generating Facilities. If Transmission Provider requires Interconnection Customer to memorialize the operating assumptions for

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the charging behavior of a Generating Facility that includes at least one electric storage resource in Appendix H of this LGIA, Transmission Provider may consider Interconnection Customer to be in Breach of the LGIA if Interconnection Customer fails to operate the Generating Facility in accordance with those operating assumptions for charging behavior. However, if Interconnection Customer operates contrary to the operating assumptions for charging behavior specified in Appendix H of this LGIA at the direction of Transmission Provider, Transmission Provider shall not consider Interconnection Customer in Breach of this LGIA.

Article 18. Indemnity, Consequential Damages and Insurance

18.1 Indemnity.

The Parties shall at all times indemnify, defend, and hold the other Party harmless from, any and all damages, losses, claims, including claims and actions relating to injury to or death of any person or damage to property, demand, suits, recoveries, costs and expenses, court costs, attorney fees, and all other obligations by or to third parties, arising out of or resulting from the other Party's action or inactions of its obligations under this LGIA on behalf of the Indemnifying Party, except in cases of gross negligence or intentional wrongdoing by the Indemnified Party.

18.1.1 Indemnified Person.

If an Indemnified Person is entitled to indemnification under this Article 18 as a result of a claim by a third party, and the Indemnifying Party fails, after notice and reasonable opportunity to proceed under Article 18.1, to assume the defense of such claim, such Indemnified Person may at the expense of the Indemnifying Party contest, settle or consent to the entry of any judgment with respect to, or pay in full, such claim.

18.1.2 Indemnifying Party.

If an Indemnifying Party is obligated to indemnify and hold any Indemnified Person harmless under this Article 18, the amount owing to the Indemnified Person shall be the amount of such Indemnified Person's actual Loss, net of any insurance or other recovery.

18.1.3 Indemnity Procedures.

Promptly after receipt by an Indemnified Person of any claim or notice of the commencement of any action or administrative or legal proceeding or investigation as to which the indemnity provided for in Article 18.1 may apply, the Indemnified Person shall notify the Indemnifying Party of such fact. Any failure of or delay in such notification shall not affect a Party's indemnification obligation unless such failure or delay is materially prejudicial to the Indemnifying Party.

The Indemnifying Party shall have the right to assume the defense thereof with counsel designated by such Indemnifying Party and reasonably satisfactory to the Indemnified Person. If the defendants in any such action include one or more Indemnified Persons and the Indemnifying Party and if the Indemnified

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Person reasonably concludes that there may be legal defenses available to it and/or other Indemnified Persons which are different from or additional to those available to the Indemnifying Party, the Indemnified Person shall have the right to select separate counsel to assert such legal defenses and to otherwise participate in the defense of such action on its own behalf. In such instances, the Indemnifying Party shall only be required to pay the fees and expenses of one additional attorney to represent an Indemnified Person or Indemnified Persons having such differing or additional legal defenses.

The Indemnified Person shall be entitled, at its expense, to participate in any such action, suit or proceeding, the defense of which has been assumed by the Indemnifying Party. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Indemnifying Party (i) shall not be entitled to assume and control the defense of any such action, suit or proceedings if and to the extent that, in the opinion of the Indemnified Person and its counsel, such action, suit or proceeding involves the potential imposition of criminal liability on the Indemnified Person, or there exists a conflict or adversity of interest between the Indemnified Person and the Indemnifying Party, in such event the Indemnifying Party shall pay the reasonable expenses of the Indemnified Person, and (ii) shall not settle or consent to the entry of any judgment in any action, suit or proceeding without the consent of the Indemnified Person, which shall not be reasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed.

18.2 Consequential Damages.

Other than the Liquidated Damages heretofore described, in no event shall either Party be liable under any provision of this LGIA for any losses, damages, costs or expenses for any special, indirect, incidental, consequential, or punitive damages, including but not limited to loss of profit or revenue, loss of the use of equipment, cost of capital, cost of temporary equipment or services, whether based in whole or in part in contract, in tort, including negligence, strict liability, or any other theory of liability; provided, however, that damages for which a Party may be liable to the other Party under another agreement will not be considered to be special, indirect, incidental, or consequential damages hereunder.

18.3 Insurance.

Each party shall, at its own expense, maintain in force throughout the period of this LGIA, and until released by the other Party, the following minimum insurance coverages, with insurers authorized to do business in the state where the Point of Interconnection is located:

- 18.3.1 Employers' Liability and Workers' Compensation Insurance providing statutory benefits in accordance with the laws and regulations of the state in which the Point of Interconnection is located.
- 18.3.2 Commercial General Liability Insurance including premises and operations, personal injury, broad form property damage, broad form blanket contractual liability coverage (including coverage for the contractual indemnification) products and completed operations coverage, coverage for explosion, collapse and underground hazards, independent contractors coverage, coverage for

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pollution to the extent normally available and punitive damages to the extent normally available and a cross liability endorsement, with minimum limits of One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000) per occurrence/One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000) aggregate combined single limit for personal injury, bodily injury, including death and property damage.

- 18.3.3 Comprehensive Automobile Liability Insurance for coverage of owned and non-owned and hired vehicles, trailers or semi-trailers designed for travel on public roads, with a minimum, combined single limit of One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000) per occurrence for bodily injury, including death, and property damage.
- 18.3.4 Excess Public Liability Insurance over and above the Employers' Liability Commercial General Liability and Comprehensive Automobile Liability Insurance coverage, with a minimum combined single limit of Twenty Million Dollars (\$20,000,000) per occurrence/Twenty Million Dollars (\$20,000,000) aggregate.
- 18.3.5 The Commercial General Liability Insurance, Comprehensive Automobile Insurance and Excess Public Liability Insurance policies shall name the other Party, its parent, associated and Affiliate companies and their respective directors, officers, agents, servants and employees ("Other Party Group") as additional insured. All policies shall contain provisions whereby the insurers waive all rights of subrogation in accordance with the provisions of this LGIA against the Other Party Group and provide thirty (30) Calendar Days advance written notice to the Other Party Group prior to anniversary date of cancellation or any material change in coverage or condition.
- 18.3.6 The Commercial General Liability Insurance, Comprehensive Automobile Liability Insurance and Excess Public Liability Insurance policies shall contain provisions that specify that the policies are primary and shall apply to such extent without consideration for other policies separately carried and shall state that each insured is provided coverage as though a separate policy had been issued to each, except the insurer's liability shall not be increased beyond the amount for which the insurer would have been liable had only one insured been covered. Each Party shall be responsible for its respective deductibles or retentions.
- 18.3.7 The Commercial General Liability Insurance, Comprehensive Automobile Liability Insurance and Excess Public Liability Insurance policies, if written on a Claims First Made Basis, shall be maintained in full force and effect for two (2) years after termination of this LGIA, which coverage may be in the form of tail coverage or extended reporting period coverage if agreed by the Parties.
- 18.3.8 The requirements contained herein as to the types and limits of all insurance to be maintained by the Parties are not intended to and shall not in any manner, limit or qualify the liabilities and obligations assumed by the Parties under this LGIA.

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- Within ten (10) <u>CalendarBusiness</u> Days following execution of this LGIA, and as soon as practicable after the end of each fiscal year or at the renewal of the insurance policy and in any event within ninety (90) Calendar Days thereafter, each Party shall provide certification of all insurance required in this LGIA, executed by each insurer or by an authorized representative of each insurer.
- In addition to the foregoing, each Party may self-insure to meet the minimum insurance requirements of Articles 18.3.2 through 18.3.8 to the extent it maintains a self-insurance program; provided that, such Party's self-insurance program meets the minimum insurance requirements of Articles 18.3.2 through 18.3.8. In the event that a Party is permitted to self-insure pursuant to this article, it shall certify to the other Party with a letter of self-insurance that it meets the requirements to self-insure and that its self-insurance program meets the minimum insurance requirements in a manner consistent with that specified in Article 18.3.9.
- 18.3.11 The Parties agree to report to each other in writing as soon as practical all accidents or occurrences resulting in injuries to any person, including death, and any property damage arising out of this LGIA.

Article 19. Assignment

19.1 Assignment.

This LGIA may be assigned by either Party only with the written consent of the other; provided that either Party may assign this LGIA without the consent of the other Party to any Affiliate of the assigning Party with an equal or greater credit rating and with the legal authority and operational ability to satisfy the obligations of the assigning Party under this LGIA; and provided further that Interconnection Customer shall have the right to assign this LGIA, without the consent of Transmission Provider, for collateral security purposes to aid in providing financing for the Large Generating Facility, provided that Interconnection Customer will promptly notify Transmission Provider of any such assignment. Any financing arrangement entered into by Interconnection Customer pursuant to this article will provide that prior to or upon the exercise of the secured party's, trustee's or mortgagee's assignment rights pursuant to said arrangement, the secured creditor, the trustee or mortgagee will notify Transmission Provider of the date and particulars of any such exercise of assignment right(s), including providing the Transmission Provider with proof that it meets the requirements of Articles 11.5 and 18.3. Any attempted assignment that violates this article is void and ineffective. Any assignment under this LGIA shall not relieve a Party of its obligations, nor shall a Party's obligations be enlarged, in whole or in part, by reason thereof. Where required, consent to assignment will not be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed.

Article 20. Severability

20.1 Severability. If any provision in this LGIA is finally determined to be invalid, void or unenforceable by any court or other Governmental Authority having jurisdiction, such determination shall not invalidate, void or make unenforceable any other provision,

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agreement or covenant of this LGIA; provided that if Interconnection Customer (or any third party, but only if such third party is not acting at the direction of Transmission Provider) seeks and obtains such a final determination with respect to any provision of the Alternate Option (Article 5.1.2), or the Negotiated Option (Article 5.1.4), then none of these provisions shall thereafter have any force or effect and the Parties' rights and obligations shall be governed solely by the Standard Option (Article 5.1.1)

Article 21. Comparability

21.1 Comparability.

The Parties will comply with all applicable comparability and code of conduct laws, rules and regulations, as amended from time to time.

Article 22. Confidentiality

22.1 Confidentiality.

Confidential Information shall include, without limitation, all information relating to a Party's technology, research and development, business affairs, and pricing, and any information supplied by either of the Parties to the other prior to the execution of this LGIA.

Information is Confidential Information only if it is clearly designated or marked in writing as confidential on the face of the document, or, if the information is conveyed orally or by inspection, if the Party providing the information orally informs the Party receiving the information that the information is confidential.

If requested by either Party, the other Party shall provide in writing, the basis for asserting that the information referred to in this Article 22 warrants confidential treatment, and the requesting Party may disclose such writing to the appropriate Governmental Authority. Each Party shall be responsible for the costs associated with affording confidential treatment to its information.

22.1.1 Term.

During the term of this LGIA, and for a period of three (3) years after the expiration or termination of this LGIA, except as otherwise provided in this Article 22, each Party shall hold in confidence and shall not disclose to any person Confidential Information.

22.1.2 Scope.

Confidential Information shall not include information that the receiving Party can demonstrate: (1) is generally available to the public other than as a result of a disclosure by the receiving Party; (2) was in the lawful possession of the receiving Party on a non-confidential basis before receiving it from the disclosing Party; (3) was supplied to the receiving Party without restriction by a third party, who, to the knowledge of the receiving Party after due inquiry, was under no obligation to the disclosing Party to keep such information confidential; (4) was independently developed by the receiving Party without reference to Confidential Information of the disclosing Party; (5) is, or becomes, publicly known, through no wrongful act or omission of the receiving

Party or Breach of this LGIA; or (6) is required, in accordance with Article 22.1.7 of the LGIA, Order of Disclosure, to be disclosed by any Governmental Authority or is otherwise required to be disclosed by law or subpoena, or is necessary in any legal proceeding establishing rights and obligations under this LGIA. Information designated as Confidential Information will no longer be deemed confidential if the Party that designated the information as confidential notifies the other Party that it no longer is confidential.

22.1.3 Release of Confidential Information.

Neither Party shall release or disclose Confidential Information to any other person, except to its Affiliates (limited by the Standards of Conduct requirements), subcontractors, employees, consultants, or to parties who may be or considering providing financing to or equity participation with Interconnection Customer, or to potential purchasers or assignees of Interconnection Customer, on a need-to-know basis in connection with this LGIA, unless such person has first been advised of the confidentiality provisions of this Article 22 and has agreed to comply with such provisions. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a Party providing Confidential Information to any person shall remain primarily responsible for any release of Confidential Information in contravention of this Article 22.

22.1.4 Rights.

Each Party retains all rights, title, and interest in the Confidential Information that each Party discloses to the other Party. The disclosure by each Party to the other Party of Confidential Information shall not be deemed a waiver by either Party or any other person or entity of the right to protect the Confidential Information from public disclosure.

22.1.5 No Warranties.

By providing Confidential Information, neither Party makes any warranties or representations as to its accuracy or completeness. In addition, by supplying Confidential Information, neither Party obligates itself to provide any particular information or Confidential Information to the other Party nor to enter into any further agreements or proceed with any other relationship or joint venture.

22.1.6 Standard of Care.

Each Party shall use at least the same standard of care to protect Confidential Information it receives as it uses to protect its own Confidential Information from unauthorized disclosure, publication or dissemination. Each Party may use Confidential Information solely to fulfill its obligations to the other Party under this LGIA or its regulatory requirements.

22.1.7 Order of Disclosure.

If a court or a Government Authority or entity with the right, power, and apparent authority to do so requests or requires either Party, by subpoena, oral deposition, interrogatories, requests for production of documents, administrative order, or otherwise, to disclose Confidential Information, that Party shall provide the other Party with prompt notice of such request(s) or

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requirement(s) so that the other Party may seek an appropriate protective order or waive compliance with the terms of this LGIA. Notwithstanding the absence of a protective order or waiver, the Party may disclose such Confidential Information which, in the opinion of its counsel, the Party is legally compelled to disclose. Each Party will use Reasonable Efforts to obtain reliable assurance that confidential treatment will be accorded any Confidential Information so furnished.

22.1.8 Termination of Agreement.

Upon termination of this LGIA for any reason, each Party shall, within ten (10) Calendar Days of receipt of a written request from the other Party, use Reasonable Efforts to destroy, erase, or delete (with such destruction, erasure, and deletion certified in writing to the other Party) or return to the other Party, without retaining copies thereof, any and all written or electronic Confidential Information received from the other Party.

22.1.9 Remedies.

The Parties agree that monetary damages would be inadequate to compensate a Party for the other Party's Breach of its obligations under this Article 22. Each Party accordingly agrees that the other Party shall be entitled to equitable relief, by way of injunction or otherwise, if the first Party Breaches or threatens to Breach its obligations under this Article 22, which equitable relief shall be granted without bond or proof of damages, and the receiving Party shall not plead in defense that there would be an adequate remedy at law. Such remedy shall not be deemed an exclusive remedy for the Breach of this Article 22, but shall be in addition to all other remedies available at law or in equity. The Parties further acknowledge and agree that the covenants contained herein are necessary for the protection of legitimate business interests and are reasonable in scope. No Party, however, shall be liable for indirect, incidental, or consequential or punitive damages of any nature or kind resulting from or arising in connection with this Article 22.

22.1.10 Disclosure to FERC, its Staff, or a State.

Notwithstanding anything in this Article 22 to the contrary, and pursuant to 18 CFR section 1b.20, if FERC or its staff, during the course of an investigation or otherwise, requests information from one of the Parties that is otherwise required to be maintained in confidence pursuant to this LGIA, the Party shall provide the requested information to FERC or its staff, within the time provided for in the request for information. In providing the information to FERC or its staff, the Party must, consistent with 18 CFR section 388.112, request that the information be treated as confidential and non-public by FERC and its staff and that the information be withheld from public disclosure. Parties are prohibited from notifying the other Party to this LGIA prior to the release of the Confidential Information to FERC or its staff. The Party shall notify the other Party to the LGIA when it is notified by FERC or its staff that a request to release Confidential Information has been received by FERC, at which time either of the Parties may respond before such information would be made public, pursuant to 18 CFR section 388.112. Requests from a state regulatory body

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conducting a confidential investigation shall be treated in a similar manner if consistent with the applicable state rules and regulations.

22.1.11 Subject to the exception in Article 22.1.10, any information that a Party claims is competitively sensitive, commercial or financial information under this LGIA ("Confidential Information") shall not be disclosed by the other Party to any person not employed or retained by the other Party, except to the extent disclosure is (i) required by law; (ii) reasonably deemed by the disclosing Party to be required to be disclosed in connection with a dispute between or among the Parties, or the defense of litigation or dispute; (iii) otherwise permitted by consent of the other Party, such consent not to be unreasonably withheld; or (iv) necessary to fulfill its obligations under this LGIA or as a transmission service provider or a ControlBalancing Authority Area operator including disclosing the Confidential Information to an RTO or ISO or to a regional or national reliability organization. The Party asserting confidentiality shall notify the other Party in writing of the information it claims is confidential. Prior to any disclosures of the other Party's Confidential Information under this subparagraph, or if any third party or Governmental Authority makes any request or demand for any of the information described in this subparagraph. the disclosing Party agrees to promptly notify the other Party in writing and agrees to assert confidentiality and cooperate with the other Party in seeking to protect the Confidential Information from public disclosure by confidentiality agreement, protective order or other reasonable measures.

Article 23. Environmental Releases

23.1 Each Party shall notify the other Party, first orally and then in writing, of the release of any Hazardous Substances, any asbestos or lead abatement activities, or any type of remediation activities related to the Large Generating Facility or the Interconnection Facilities, each of which may reasonably be expected to affect the other Party. The notifying Party shall: (i) provide the notice as soon as practicable, provided such Party makes a good faith effort to provide the notice no later than twenty-four hours after such Party becomes aware of the occurrence; and (ii) promptly furnish to the other Party copies of any publicly available reports filed with any Governmental Authorities addressing such events.

Article 24. Information Requirements

24.1 Information Acquisition.

Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer shall submit specific information regarding the electrical characteristics of their respective facilities to each other as described below and in accordance with Applicable Reliability Standards.

24.2 Information Submission by Transmission Provider.

The initial information submission by Transmission Provider shall occur no later than one hundred eighty (180) Calendar Days prior to Trial Operation and shall include Transmission System information necessary to allow Interconnection Customer to select equipment and meet any system protection and stability requirements, unless otherwise

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agreed to by the Parties. On a monthly basis Transmission Provider shall provide Interconnection Customer a status report on the construction and installation of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades, including, but not limited to, the following information: (1) progress to date; (2) a description of the activities since the last report (3) a description of the action items for the next period; and (4) the delivery status of equipment ordered.

24.3 Updated Information Submission by Interconnection Customer.

The updated information submission by Interconnection Customer, including manufacturer information, shall occur no later than one-hundred eighty (180) Calendar Days prior to the Trial Operation. Interconnection Customer shall submit a completed copy of the Large Generating Facility data requirements contained in Appendix 1 to the Revised LGIP. It shall also include any additional information provided to Transmission Provider for the Definitive Interconnection System ImpactCluster Study and Interconnection Facilities Study. Information in this submission shall be the most current Large Generating Facility design or expected performance data. Information submitted for stability models shall be compatible with Transmission Provider standard models. If there is no compatible model, Interconnection Customer will work with a consultant mutually agreed to by the Parties to develop and supply a standard model and associated information.

If Interconnection Customer's data is materially different from what was originally provided to Transmission Provider pursuant to the Interconnection Study Agreement between Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer, then Transmission Provider will conduct appropriate studies to determine the impact on Transmission Provider Transmission System based on the actual data submitted pursuant to this Article 24.3. The Interconnection Customer shall not begin Trial Operation until such studies are completed.

24.4 Information Supplementation.

Prior to the Operation Date, the Parties shall supplement their information submissions described above in this Article 24 with any and all "as-built" Large Generating Facility information or "as-tested" performance information that differs from the initial submissions or, alternatively, written confirmation that no such differences exist. The Interconnection Customer shall conduct tests on the Large Generating Facility as required by Good Utility Practice such as an open circuit "step voltage" test on the Large Generating Facility to verify proper operation of the Large Generating Facility's automatic voltage regulator.

Unless otherwise agreed, the test conditions shall include: (1) Large Generating Facility at synchronous speed; (2) automatic voltage regulator on and in voltage control mode; and (3) a five percent change in Large Generating Facility terminal voltage initiated by a change in the voltage regulators reference voltage. Interconnection Customer shall provide validated test recordings showing the responses of Large Generating Facility terminal and field voltages. In the event that direct recordings of these voltages is impractical, recordings of other voltages or currents that mirror the response of the Large Generating Facility's terminal or field voltage are acceptable if information necessary to translate these alternate quantities to actual Large Generating Facility terminal or field voltages is provided. Large Generating Facility testing shall be conducted and results provided to Transmission Provider for each individual generating unit in a station.

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Subsequent to the Operation Date, Interconnection Customer shall provide Transmission Provider any information changes due to equipment replacement, repair, or adjustment. Transmission Provider shall provide Interconnection Customer any information changes due to equipment replacement, repair or adjustment in the directly connected substation or any adjacent Transmission Provider-owned substation that may affect Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities equipment ratings, protection or operating requirements. The Parties shall provide such information no later than thirty (30) Calendar Days after the date of the equipment replacement, repair or adjustment.

Article 25. Information Access and Audit Rights

25.1 Information Access.

Each Party (the "disclosing Party") shall make available to the other Party information that is in the possession of the disclosing Party and is necessary in order for the other Party to: (i) verify the costs incurred by the disclosing Party for which the other Party is responsible under this LGIA; and (ii) carry out its obligations and responsibilities under this LGIA. The Parties shall not use such information for purposes other than those set forth in this Article 25.1 and to enforce their rights under this LGIA.

25.2 Reporting of Non-Force Majeure Events.

Each Party (the "notifying Party") shall notify the other Party when the notifying Party becomes aware of its inability to comply with the provisions of this LGIA for a reason other than a Force Majeure event. The Parties agree to cooperate with each other and provide necessary information regarding such inability to comply, including the date, duration, reason for the inability to comply, and corrective actions taken or planned to be taken with respect to such inability to comply. Notwithstanding the foregoing, notification, cooperation or information provided under this article shall not entitle the Party receiving such notification to allege a cause for anticipatory breach of this LGIA.

25.3 Audit Rights.

Subject to the requirements of confidentiality under Article 22 of this LGIA, each Party shall have the right, during normal business hours, and upon prior reasonable notice to the other Party, to audit at its own expense the other Party's accounts and records pertaining to either Party's performance or either Party's satisfaction of obligations under this LGIA. Such audit rights shall include audits of the other Party's costs, calculation of invoiced amounts, Transmission Provider's efforts to allocate responsibility for the provision of reactive support to the Transmission System, Transmission Provider's efforts to allocate responsibility for interruption or reduction of generation on the Transmission System, and each Party's actions in an Emergency Condition. Any audit authorized by this article shall be performed at the offices where such accounts and records are maintained and shall be limited to those portions of such accounts and records that relate to each Party's performance and satisfaction of obligations under this LGIA. Each Party shall keep such accounts and records for a period equivalent to the audit rights periods described in Article 25.4.

25.4 Audit Rights Periods.

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25.4.1 Audit Rights Period for Construction-Related Accounts and Records.

Accounts and records related to the design, engineering, procurement, and construction of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades shall be subject to audit for a period of twenty-four months following Transmission Provider's issuance of a final invoice in accordance with Article 12.2.

25.4.2 Audit Rights Period for All Other Accounts and Records.

Accounts and records related to either Party's performance or satisfaction of all obligations under this LGIA other than those described in Article 25.4.1 shall be subject to audit as follows: (i) for an audit relating to cost obligations, the applicable audit rights period shall be twenty-four months after the auditing Party's receipt of an invoice giving rise to such cost obligations; and (ii) for an audit relating to all other obligations, the applicable audit rights period shall be twenty-four months after the event for which the audit is sought.

25.5 Audit Results.

If an audit by a Party determines that an overpayment or an underpayment has occurred, a notice of such overpayment or underpayment shall be given to the other Party together with those records from the audit which support such determination.

Article 26. Subcontractors

26.1 General.

Nothing in this LGIA shall prevent a Party from utilizing the services of any subcontractor as it deems appropriate to perform its obligations under this LGIA; provided, however, that each Party shall require its subcontractors to comply with all applicable terms and conditions of this LGIA in providing such services and each Party shall remain primarily liable to the other Party for the performance of such subcontractor.

26.2 Responsibility of Principal.

The creation of any subcontract relationship shall not relieve the hiring Party of any of its obligations under this LGIA. The hiring Party shall be fully responsible to the other Party for the acts or omissions of any subcontractor the hiring Party hires as if no subcontract had been made; provided, however, that in no event shall Transmission Provider be liable for the actions or inactions of Interconnection Customer or its subcontractors with respect to obligations of Interconnection Customer under Article 5 of this LGIA. Any applicable obligation imposed by this LGIA upon the hiring Party shall be equally binding upon, and shall be construed as having application to, any subcontractor of such Party.

26.3 No Limitation by Insurance.

The obligations under this Article 26 will not be limited in any way by any limitation of subcontractor's insurance.

Article 27. Disputes

27.1 Submission.

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In the event either Party has a dispute, or asserts a claim, that arises out of or in connection with this LGIA or its performance, such Party (the "disputing Party") shall provide the other Party with written notice of the dispute or claim ("Notice of Dispute"). Such dispute or claim shall be referred to a designated senior representative of each Party for resolution on an informal basis as promptly as practicable after receipt of the Notice of Dispute by the other Party. In the event the designated representatives are unable to resolve the claim or dispute through unassisted or assisted negotiations within thirty (30) Calendar Days of the other Party's receipt of the Notice of Dispute, such claim or dispute may, upon mutual agreement of the Parties, be submitted to arbitration and resolved in accordance with the arbitration procedures set forth below. In the event the Parties do not agree to submit such claim or dispute to arbitration, each Party may exercise whatever rights and remedies it may have in equity or at law consistent with the terms of this LGIA.

27.2 External Arbitration Procedures.

Any arbitration initiated under this LGIA shall be conducted before a single neutral arbitrator appointed by the Parties. If the Parties fail to agree upon a single arbitrator within ten (10) Calendar Days of the submission of the dispute to arbitration, each Party shall choose one arbitrator who shall sit on a three-member arbitration panel. The two arbitrators so chosen shall within twenty (20) Calendar Days select a third arbitrator to chair the arbitration panel. In either case, the arbitrators shall be knowledgeable in electric utility matters, including electric transmission and bulk power issues, and shall not have any current or past substantial business or financial relationships with any party to the arbitration (except prior arbitration). The arbitrator(s) shall provide each of the Parties an opportunity to be heard and, except as otherwise provided herein, shall conduct the arbitration Association ("Arbitration Rules") and any applicable FERC regulations or RTO rules; provided, however, in the event of a conflict between the Arbitration Rules and the terms of this Article 27, the terms of this Article 27 shall prevail.

27.3 Arbitration Decisions.

Unless otherwise agreed by the Parties, the arbitrator(s) shall render a decision within ninety (90) Calendar Days of appointment and shall notify the Parties in writing of such decision and the reasons therefor. The arbitrator(s) shall be authorized only to interpret and apply the provisions of this LGIA and shall have no power to modify or change any provision of this Agreement in any manner. The decision of the arbitrator(s) shall be final and binding upon the Parties, and judgment on the award may be entered in any court having jurisdiction. The decision of the arbitrator(s) may be appealed solely on the grounds that the conduct of the arbitrator(s), or the decision itself, violated the standards set forth in the Federal Arbitration Act or the Administrative Dispute Resolution Act. The final decision of the arbitrator must also be filed with FERC if it affects jurisdictional rates, terms and conditions of service, Interconnection Facilities, or Network Upgrades.

27.4 Costs.

Each Party shall be responsible for its own costs incurred during the arbitration process and for the following costs, if applicable: (1) the cost of the arbitrator chosen by the Party to sit on the three member panel and one half of the cost of the third arbitrator chosen; or (2) one-half the cost of the single arbitrator jointly chosen by the Parties.

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Article 28. Representations, Warranties, and Covenants

28.1 General.

Each Party makes the following representations, warranties and covenants:

28.1.1 Good Standing.

Such Party is duly organized, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the state in which it is organized, formed, or incorporated, as applicable; that it is qualified to do business in the state or states in which the Large Generating Facility, Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades owned by such Party, as applicable, are located; and that it has the corporate power and authority to own its properties, to carry on its business as now being conducted and to enter into this LGIA and carry out the transactions contemplated hereby and perform and carry out all covenants and obligations on its part to be performed under and pursuant to this LGIA.

28.1.2 Authority.

Such Party has the right, power and authority to enter into this LGIA, to become a Party hereto and to perform its obligations hereunder. This LGIA is a legal, valid and binding obligation of such Party, enforceable against such Party in accordance with its terms, except as the enforceability thereof may be limited by applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization or other similar laws affecting creditors' rights generally and by general equitable principles (regardless of whether enforceability is sought in a proceeding in equity or at law).

28.1.3 No Conflict.

The execution, delivery and performance of this LGIA does not violate or conflict with the organizational or formation documents, or bylaws or operating agreement, of such Party, or any judgment, license, permit, order, material agreement or instrument applicable to or binding upon such Party or any of its assets.

28.1.4 Consent and Approval.

Such Party has sought or obtained, or, in accordance with this LGIA will seek or obtain, each consent, approval, authorization, order, or acceptance by any Governmental Authority in connection with the execution, delivery and performance of this LGIA, and it will provide to any Governmental Authority notice of any actions under this LGIA that are required by Applicable Laws and Regulations

Article 29. Joint Operating Committee

29.1 Joint Operating Committee.

Except in the case of ISOs and RTOs, Transmission Provider shall constitute a Joint Operating Committee to coordinate operating and technical considerations of Interconnection Service. At least six (6) months prior to the expected Initial Synchronization Date, Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider shall each

appoint one representative and one alternate to the Joint Operating Committee. Each Interconnection Customer shall notify Transmission Provider of its appointment in writing. Such appointments may be changed at any time by similar notice. The Joint Operating Committee shall meet as necessary, but not less than once each calendar year, to carry out the duties set forth herein. The Joint Operating Committee shall hold a meeting at the request of either Party, at a time and place agreed upon by the representatives. The Joint Operating Committee shall perform all of its duties consistent with the provisions of this LGIA. Each Party shall cooperate in providing to the Joint Operating Committee all information required in the performance of the Joint Operating Committee, shall be evidenced in writing. The duties of the Joint Operating Committee shall include the following:

- **29.1.1** Establish data requirements and operating record requirements.
- **29.1.2** Review the requirements, standards, and procedures for data acquisition equipment, protective equipment, and any other equipment or software.
- 29.1.3 Annually review the one (1) year forecast of maintenance and planned outage schedules of Transmission Provider's and Interconnection Customer's facilities at the Point of Interconnection.
- 29.1.4 Coordinate the scheduling of maintenance and planned outages on the Interconnection Facilities, the Large Generating Facility and other facilities that impact the normal operation of the interconnection of the Large Generating Facility to the Transmission System.
- **29.1.5** Ensure that information is being provided by each Party regarding equipment availability.
- **29.1.6** Perform such other duties as may be conferred upon it by mutual agreement of the Parties.

Article 30. Miscellaneous

30.1 Binding Effect.

This LGIA and the rights and obligations hereof, shall be binding upon and shall inure to the benefit of the successors and assigns of the Parties hereto.

30.2 Conflicts.

In the event of a conflict between the body of this LGIA and any attachment, appendices or exhibits hereto, the terms and provisions of the body of this LGIA shall prevail and be deemed the final intent of the Parties.

30.3 Rules of Interpretation.

This LGIA, unless a clear contrary intention appears, shall be construed and interpreted as follows: (1) the singular number includes the plural number and vice versa; (2) reference to any person includes such person's successors and assigns but, in the

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case of a Party, only if such successors and assigns are permitted by this LGIA, and reference to a person in a particular capacity excludes such person in any other capacity or individually; (3) reference to any agreement (including this LGIA), document, instrument or tariff means such agreement, document, instrument, or tariff as amended or modified and in effect from time to time in accordance with the terms thereof and, if applicable, the terms hereof; (4) reference to any Applicable Laws and Regulations means such Applicable Laws and Regulations as amended, modified, codified, or reenacted, in whole or in part, and in effect from time to time, including, if applicable, rules and regulations promulgated thereunder; (5) unless expressly stated otherwise, reference to any Article. Section or Appendix means such Article of this LGIA or such Appendix to this LGIA, or such Section to the Revised LGIP or such Appendix to the Revised LGIP, as the case may be; (6) "hereunder", "hereof", "herein", "hereto" and words of similar import shall be deemed references to this LGIA as a whole and not to any particular Article or other provision hereof or thereof; (7) "including" (and with correlative meaning "include") means including without limiting the generality of any description preceding such term; and (8) relative to the determination of any period of time, "from" means "from and including", "to" means "to but excluding" and "through" means "through and including".

30.4 Entire Agreement.

This LGIA, including all Appendices and Schedules attached hereto, constitutes the entire agreement between the Parties with reference to the subject matter hereof, and supersedes all prior and contemporaneous understandings or agreements, oral or written, between the Parties with respect to the subject matter of this LGIA. There are no other agreements, representations, warranties, or covenants which constitute any part of the consideration for, or any condition to, either Party's compliance with its obligations under this LGIA.

30.5 No Third Party Beneficiaries.

This LGIA is not intended to and does not create rights, remedies, or benefits of any character whatsoever in favor of any persons, corporations, associations, or entities other than the Parties, and the obligations herein assumed are solely for the use and benefit of the Parties, their successors in interest and, where permitted, their assigns.

30.6 Waiver.

The failure of a Party to this LGIA to insist, on any occasion, upon strict performance of any provision of this LGIA will not be considered a waiver of any obligation, right, or duty of, or imposed upon, such Party.

Any waiver at any time by either Party of its rights with respect to this LGIA shall not be deemed a continuing waiver or a waiver with respect to any other failure to comply with any other obligation, right, duty of this LGIA. Termination or Default of this LGIA for any reason by Interconnection Customer shall not constitute a waiver of Interconnection Customer's legal rights to obtain an interconnection from Transmission Provider. Any waiver of this LGIA shall, if requested, be provided in writing.

30.7 Headings.

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The descriptive headings of the various Articles of this LGIA have been inserted for convenience of reference only and are of no significance in the interpretation or construction of this LGIA.

30.8 Multiple Counterparts.

This LGIA may be executed in two or more counterparts, each of which is deemed an original but all constitute one and the same instrument.

30.9 Amendment.

The Parties may by mutual agreement amend this LGIA by a written instrument duly executed by the Parties.

30.10 Modification by the Parties.

The Parties may by mutual agreement amend the Appendices to this LGIA by a written instrument duly executed by the Parties. Such amendment shall become effective and a part of this LGIA upon satisfaction of all Applicable Laws and Regulations.

30.11 Reservation of Rights.

Transmission Provider shall have the right to make a unilateral filing with FERC to modify this LGIA with respect to any rates, terms and conditions, charges, classifications of service, rule or regulation under section 205 or any other applicable provision of the Federal Power Act and FERC's rules and regulations thereunder, and Interconnection Customer shall have the right to make a unilateral filing with FERC to modify this LGIA pursuant to section 206 or any other applicable provision of the Federal Power Act and FERC's rules and regulations thereunder; provided that each Party shall have the right to protest any such filing by the other Party and to participate fully in any proceeding before FERC in which such modifications may be considered. Nothing in this LGIA shall limit the rights of the Parties or of FERC under sections 205 or 206 of the Federal Power Act and FERC's rules and regulations thereunder, except to the extent that the Parties otherwise mutually agree as provided herein.

30.12 No Partnership.

This LGIA shall not be interpreted or construed to create an association, joint venture, agency relationship, or partnership between the Parties or to impose any partnership obligation or partnership liability upon either Party. Neither Party shall have any right, power or authority to enter into any agreement or undertaking for, or act on behalf of, or to act as or be an agent or representative of, or to otherwise bind, the other Party.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have executed this LGIA electronically or in duplicate originals, each of which shall constitute and be an original effective Agreement between the Parties.

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| Title: | | |

[Insert name of Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner, if applicable]

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| [Insert name of Intercon | nnection Customer] | |
| Ву: | | |
| Title: | | |
| Date: | | |

Appendix A to LGIA

Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades and Distribution Upgrades

- A. Description of Generating Facility, Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades and Distribution Upgrades
 - 1. Description of Generating Facility: [Insert description of Generating Facility]
 - 2. Interconnection Facilities:
 - a. Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities [insert Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities]:
 - b. Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities [insert Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities]:
 - 3. Network Upgrades
 - a. Standalone Network Upgrades [insert Standalone Network Upgrades]:
 - b. Station Network Upgrades [insert Station Network Upgrades]:
 - c. Other Network Upgrades [insert Other Network Upgrades]:
 - d. Distribution Upgrades [insert Distribution Upgrades]:
- B. Interconnection Customer's Payment for Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades
- C. Contingent Facilities

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LGIA Milestones

Site Control

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Interconnection Customer with qualifying regulatory limitations must demonstrate 100% Site Control by {Transmission Provider to insert date 180 days from the effective date of this LGIA} or the LGIA may be terminated per Article 17 (Default) of this LGIA and the Interconnection Customer may be subject to Withdrawal Penalties per Section 3.7.1.1 of the Transmission Provider's LGIP (Calculation of the Withdrawal Penalty).

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Security Arrangements Details

Infrastructure security of Transmission System equipment and operations and control hardware and software is essential to ensure day-to-day Transmission System reliability and operational security. FERC will expect all Transmission Providers, market participants, and Interconnection Customers interconnected to the Transmission System to comply with the recommendations offered by the President's Critical Infrastructure Protection Board and, eventually, best practice recommendations from the electric reliability authority. All public utilities will be expected to meet basic standards for system infrastructure and operational security, including physical, operational, and cyber-security practices.

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Commercial Operation Date

This Appendix E is a part of the LGIA between Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer.

| [Date] | |
|--------------------------------|--|
| [Transmission Provi | ider Address] |
| Re: | Large Generating Facility |
| Dear: | |
| confirms that [Interconnection | Customer] has completed Trial Operation of Unit No This letter n Customer] commenced Commercial Operation of Unit No at y, effective as of [Date plus one day]. |
| Thank you. | |
| [Signature] | |
| Interconnection Cu | stomer Representativel |

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Addresses for Delivery of Notices and Billings

| Notices:. | | |
|---|--|--|
| Transmission Provider: | | |
| [To be supplied.] | | |
| Interconnection Customer: | | |
| [To be supplied.] | | |
| Billings and Payments: | | |
| Transmission Provider: | | |
| [To be supplied.] | | |
| Interconnection Customer: | | |
| [To be supplied.] | | |
| Alternative Forms of Delivery of Notices (telephone, facsimile or email): | | |
| Transmission Provider: | | |
| [To be supplied.] | | |
| Interconnection Customer: [To be supplied.] | | |
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APPENDIX G to LGIA

INTERCONNECTION REQUIREMENTS FOR A WIND GENERATING PLANT

<u>This</u> Appendix G sets forth requirements and provisions specific to a wind generating plant<u>or a Generating Facility that contains a wind generating plant</u>. All other requirements of this LGIA continue to apply to wind generating plant interconnections.

A. <u>Technical Standards Applicable to a Wind Generating Plant</u>

i. Low Voltage Ride-Through (LVRT) Capability

A wind generating plant shall be able to remain online during voltage disturbances up to the time periods and associated voltage levels set forth in the standard below. The LVRT standard provides for a transition period standard and a post-transition period standard.

Transition Period LVRT Standard

The transition period standard applies to wind generating plants subject to FERC Order 661 that have either: (i) interconnection agreements signed and filed with the Commission, filed with the Commission in unexecuted form, or filed with the Commission as non-conforming agreements between January 1, 2006 and December 31, 2006, with a scheduled in-service date no later than December 31, 2007, or (ii) wind generating turbines subject to a wind turbine procurement contract executed prior to December 31, 2005, for delivery through 2007.

- 1. Wind generating plants are required to remain in-service during three-phase faults with normal clearing (which is a time period of approximately 4 9 cycles) and single line to ground faults with delayed clearing, and subsequent post-fault voltage recovery to prefault voltage unless clearing the fault effectively disconnects the generator from the system. The clearing time requirement for a three-phase fault will be specific to the wind generating plant substation location, as determined by and documented by Transmission Provider. The maximum clearing time the wind generating plant shall be required to withstand for a three-phase fault shall be 9 cycles at a voltage as low as 0.15 p.u., as measured at the high side of the wind generating plant step-up transformer (i.e. the transformer that steps the voltage up to the transmission interconnection voltage or "GSU"), after which, if the fault remains following the location-specific normal clearing time for three-phase faults, the wind generating plant may disconnect from the transmission system.
- 2. This requirement does not apply to faults that would occur between the wind generator terminals and the high side of the GSU or to faults that would result in a voltage lower than 0.15 per unit on the high side of the GSU serving the facility.
- 3. Wind generating plants may be tripped after the fault period if this action is intended as part of a special protection system.
- 4. Wind generating plants may meet the LVRT requirements of this standard by the performance of the generators or by installing additional equipment (<u>e.g.</u>, Static Var Compensator, etc.) within the wind generating plant or by a combination of generator performance and additional equipment.

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5. Existing individual generator units that are, or have been, interconnected to the network at the same location at the effective date of the Appendix G LVRT Standard are exempt from meeting the Appendix G LVRT Standard for the remaining life of the existing generation equipment. Existing individual generator units that are replaced are required to meet the Appendix G LVRT Standard.

Post-transition Period LVRT Standard

All wind generating plants subject to FERC Order No. 661 and not covered by the transition period described above must meet the following requirements:

- 1. Wind generating plants are required to remain in-service during three-phase faults with normal clearing (which is a time period of approximately 4 9 cycles) and single line to ground faults with delayed clearing, and subsequent post-fault voltage recovery to prefault voltage unless clearing the fault effectively disconnects the generator from the system. The clearing time requirement for a three-phase fault will be specific to the wind generating plant substation location, as determined by and documented by Transmission Provider. The maximum clearing time the wind generating plant shall be required to withstand for a three-phase fault shall be nine (9) cycles after which, if the fault remains following the location-specific normal clearing time for three-phase faults, the wind generating plant may disconnect from the transmission system. A wind generating plant shall remain interconnected during such a fault on the transmission system for a voltage level as low as zero (0) volts, as measured at the high voltage side of the wind GSU.
- 2. This requirement does not apply to faults that would occur between the wind generator terminals and the high side of the GSU.
- 3. Wind generating plants may be tripped after the fault period if this action is intended as part of a special protection system.
- 4. Wind generating plants may meet the LVRT requirements of this standard by the performance of the generators or by installing additional equipment (e.g., Static Var Compensator) within the wind generating plant or by a combination of generator performance and additional equipment.
- 5. Existing individual generator units that are, or have been, interconnected to the network at the same location at the effective date of the Appendix G LVRT Standard are exempt from meeting the Appendix G LVRT Standard for the remaining life of the existing generation equipment. Existing individual generator units that are replaced are required to meet the Appendix G LVRT Standard.

ii. Power Factor Design Criteria (Reactive Power)

The following reactive power requirements apply only to a newly interconnecting wind generating plant that has executed a Facilities Study Agreement as of the effective date of the Final Rule establishing the reactive power requirements for non-synchronous generators in Article 9.6.1 of this LGIA (Order No. 827).² A wind generating plant to which

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this provision applies shall maintain a power factor within the range of 0.95 leading to 0.95 lagging, measured at the Point of Interconnection as defined in this LGIA, if Transmission Provider's System Impact Study shows that such a requirement is necessary to ensure safety or reliability. The power factor range standard can be met by using, for example, power electronics designed to supply this level of reactive capability (taking into account any limitations due to voltage level, real power output, etc.) or fixed and switched capacitors if agreed to by Transmission Provider, or a combination of the two. The Interconnection Customer shall not disable power factor equipment while the wind plant is in operation. Wind plants shall also be able to provide sufficient dynamic voltage support in lieu of the power system stabilizer and automatic voltage regulation at the generator excitation system if the System Impact Study shows this to be required for system safety or reliability.

[2] If identified in the System Impact Study as necessary to ensure safety or reliability, existing Generating Facilities being upgraded that require a new interconnection request are subject to this reactive power requirement.

iii. Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) Capability

The wind plant shall provide SCADA capability to transmit data and receive instructions from Transmission Provider to protect system reliability. Transmission Provider and the wind plant Interconnection Customer shall determine what SCADA information is essential for the proposed wind plant, taking into account the size of the plant and its characteristics, location, and importance in maintaining generation resource adequacy and transmission system reliability in its area.

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Cluster Study shows that such a requirement is necessary to ensure safety or reliability. The power factor range standard can be met by using, for example, power electronics designed to supply this level of reactive capability (taking into account any limitations due to voltage level, real power output, etc.) or fixed and switched capacitors if agreed to by Transmission Provider, or a combination of the two. Interconnection Customer shall not disable power factor equipment while the wind plant is in operation. Wind plants shall also be able to provide sufficient dynamic voltage support in lieu of the power system stabilizer and automatic voltage regulation at the generator excitation system if the Cluster Study shows this to be required for system safety or reliability.

[2] If identified in the System Impact Study as necessary to ensure safety or reliability, existing Generating Facilities being upgraded that require a new interconnection request are subject to this reactive power requirement.

iii. Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) Capability

The wind plant shall provide SCADA capability to transmit data and receive instructions from Transmission Provider to protect system reliability. Transmission Provider and the wind plant Interconnection Customer shall determine what SCADA information is essential for the proposed wind plant, taking into account the size of the plant and its characteristics, location, and importance in maintaining generation resource adequacy and transmission system reliability in its area.

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Operating Assumptions for Generating Facility

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Operating Assumptions:

{insert operating assumptions that reflect the charging behavior of the Generating Facility that includes at least one electric storage resource}

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TESTING PROCEDURES

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APPENDIX 6.1 to Revised LGIP

INTERCONNECTION PROCEDURES FOR A WIND GENERATING PLANT

Appendix 6.1 sets forth procedures specific to a wind generating plant. All other requirements of this Revised LGIP continue to apply to wind generating plant interconnections.

A. Special Procedures Applicable to Wind Generators

The wind plant Interconnection Customer, in completing the Interconnection Request required by section 3.4 of this Revised LGIP, may provide to Transmission Provider a set of preliminary electrical design specifications depicting the wind plant as a single equivalent generator. Upon satisfying these and other applicable Interconnection Request conditions, the wind plant may enter the Queue and receive the base case data as provided for in this Revised LGIP.

No later than six months after submitting an Interconnection Request completed in this manner, the wind plant Interconnection Customer must submit completed detailed electrical design specifications and other data (including collector system layout data) needed to allow Transmission Provider to complete the System Impact Study.

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APPENDIX 13

Appendix 7

Generator Replacement Coordinator

1. OVERVIEW

1.1 Purposes and Objectives

This Appendix 713 sets forth a framework whereby objective and verifiable assurance is provided to Interconnection Customers and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission ("Commission") that Transmission Provider's Generation Replacement process under Attachment N – Revised Large Generator Interconnection Procedures of the Tariff ("LGIP") is administered in a nondiscriminatory manner consistent with reliability and Good Utility Practice. To achieve these objectives, the Transmission Provider will contract with a third party that meets the independence requirements described in this Appendix. This party, referred to herein as the Generator Replacement Coordinator ("GRC"), will implement the provisions of this Appendix by performing the functions set forth herein.

1.2 Applicability

The Transmission Provider, the GRC, and any Interconnection Customer that submits a Generation Replacement request shall be subject to the terms, conditions, and obligations of this Appendix.

1.3 <u>Effective Date and Term</u>

This Appendix 713 shall remain in effect for an Initial Term of three (3) years and shall continue in effect thereafter until terminated by an order of the Commission. After the Initial Term, Transmission Provider shall have the right to request termination of this Appendix 713 pursuant to Federal Power Act Section 205.

If, during the period of effectiveness of this Appendix 713, the agreement between the Transmission Provider and the GRC is terminated, Transmission Provider shall select a replacement GRC and provide notice to the Commission that such replacement GRC meets the qualifications of Section 2 of this Appendix.

1.4 **Definitions**

The capitalized terms used herein shall have the meaning ascribed to them in Section 1 of the LGIP. Capitalized terms not included in Section 1 of the LGIP shall be defined as follows:

Generation Replacement Coordinator ("GRC"): the party that meets the independence criteria of Section 2 and contracts with the Transmission Provider to implement the provisions of this Appendix 713.

Replacement Interconnection Studies: Collectively refers to Replacement Impact Studies, Reliability Assessment Studies, Generator Replacement Facility Studies.

2. GENERATION REPLACEMENT COORDINATOR

2.1 Retention of the Generation Replacement Coordinator

The Transmission Provider shall contract with an independent qualified party to be known as the Generation Replacement Coordinator (GRC). The GRC shall have experience and expertise appropriate to process and conduct Replacement Interconnection Studies. The Transmission Provider and the GRC shall negotiate the terms and conditions upon which the GRC will contract with the Transmission Provider. Nothing in this Appendix <u>813</u> shall be interpreted or construed as creating a partnership, joint venture, or fiduciary or agency relationship between the Transmission Provider and the GRC.

2.2 Independence of the GRC

- 2.2.1. To maintain independence, the GRC will satisfy and maintain compliance with the following criteria: (i) the GRC will not be an Interconnection Customer; (ii) the GRC, its employees and its board of directors will be prohibited from having a direct financial interest in any Interconnection Customer, the Transmission Provider, or their Affiliates; (iii) the GRC will not own any transmission, generation or distribution facilities in the region consisting of the Transmission Provider's Balancing Area and first tier Balancing Areas or any of the Transmission Provider's Affiliates; and (iv) the GRC's decision making process will be independent of control by an Interconnection Customer, the Transmission Provider, or their Affiliates. The GRC shall exercise independent decision-making in performing all activities associated with its responsibilities under this Appendix 713. The GRC shall maintain its offices separate from the offices of the Transmission Provider and its Affiliates. No employees of the GRC shall share office space with any employee of an Interconnection Customer, the Transmission Provider, or their Affiliates.
- **2.2.2.** To further ensure the independence of the GRC and meet the objectives established in this Appendix, the GRC will have the authority to collect and analyze data relevant to its responsibilities and submit reports directly to the Commission. In response to the GRC's reports to the Commission that fall within the scope of this Appendix 713, the Transmission Provider may submit comments on the report to the Commission.

2.3 Standards of Conduct and Conflicts of Interest

2.3.1. All employees of the GRC performing functions under this Appendix $\frac{713}{1}$ shall be treated, for purposes of the Commission's Standards of Conduct

set forth in 18 C.F.R. § 358 as the equivalent of transmission function employees of the Transmission Provider.

2.3.2. The GRC shall adopt a policy on conflicts of interest establishing appropriate standards for the professional and financial independence of the GRC from Transmission Provider and its Affiliates, consistent with Commission policies and regulations. In addition, the GRC shall adopt ethics policies and standards for its employees and subcontractors working on the Transmission Provider's Generator Replacement process. The GRC, including each employee performing functions under this Appendix 713, shall comply at all times with the conflicts of interest and ethics policies. The GRC shall certify such compliance to the Commission and the Transmission Provider prior to issuing its first Replacement Interconnection Study and upon request by the Commission.

3. GENERATION REPLACEMENT FUNCTIONS

3.1 The GRC's Administration of the Generation Replacement Process

The GRC shall administer the Generation Replacement process included as LGIP Section 3.9.

3.2 <u>The GRC's Specific Generation Replacement Responsibilities</u>

The GRC will process and evaluate all Generation Replacement requests on a nondiscriminatory basis consistent with LGIP Section 3.9. In processing and evaluating Generation Replacement requests, the GRC's responsibilities include the following:

- (1) Collecting from the Interconnection Customer and the Transmission Provider all information necessary for the processing and evaluation of a Generation Replacement request.
- (2) Determining that all preconditions necessary for a valid Generation Replacement request have been met;
- (3) Determining whether some or all of the service subject to a Generation Replacement request must be processed as a new request for Interconnection Service.
- (4) Maintaining a queue for Generation Replacement requests;
- (5) Performing the necessary Replacement Interconnection Studies;
- (6) Providing to the Transmission Provider for the Transmission Provider to post on its OASIS in a timely fashion (and without modification by the Transmission Provider) for each Generation Replacement, information

regarding the expected Commercial Operation Date of the Replacement Generating Facility, and the type of requested Interconnection Service;

- (7) Providing all notices related to the processing and evaluation of a Generation Replacement request to the Interconnection Customer;
- (8) Independently reviewing and validating data, information, and analyses provided by Transmission Provider to GRC in connection with Generator Replacement process;
- (9) Responding to inquiries from an Interconnection Customer in connection with its Generator Replacement request; and
- (10) Providing a copy of each final study report, along with the underlying study, to the Transmission Provider.

3.3 The Transmission Provider's Duties and Responsibilities

Other than the functions pursuant to LGIP Section 3.9 performed by the GRC, as described in Section 3.2 above, Transmission Provider will continue to administer, and perform all Transmission Provider functions pursuant to, its Tariff. In addition, Transmission Provider shall perform the following functions referenced in LGIP Section 3.9:

- (1) Providing the data, information, and analyses (as well as updates, changes, or additions to such data, information, and analyses) required by the GRC to perform Replacement Interconnection Studies and to process Generator Replacement requests, ("Required Information");
- (2) Posting to OASIS (as provided by the GRC and without modification by the Transmission Provider) for each Generation Replacement, information regarding the expected Commercial Operation Date of the Replacement Generating Facility and the type of requested Interconnection Service; and
- (3) Whenever the GRC determines that some or all of a Generation Replacement request must be processed as a new request for Interconnection Service, Transmission Provider shall process the new request for Interconnection Service pursuant to the LGIP provisions applicable to a new request for Interconnection Service.

4. COORDINATION BETWEEN TRANSMISSION PROVIDER AND THE GRC

4.1 General

- **4.1.1.** Transmission Provider and the GRC will coordinate as necessary for the GRC to perform its functions.
- **4.1.2.** Whenever Transmission Provider provides Required Information to the GRC, the Transmission Provider shall supply such Required Information

using Good Utility Practice and its knowledge of the Transmission System to provide the Required Information in a manner consistent with its obligation to respond to Generation Replacement requests on a nondiscriminatory basis. Upon receiving Required Information, the GRC shall use its independent judgment to review the information and determine whether the information satisfies applicable Tariff requirements and is otherwise consistent with the requirement to respond to Generation Replacement requests on a nondiscriminatory basis.

4.1.3. The GRC shall use its independent judgment to determine whether additional, updated, or modified Required Information is required by the GRC to perform Replacement Interconnection Studies and to process Generator Replacement requests.

4.2 <u>Dispute Resolution</u>

- **4.2.1.** If (i) the GRC believes that the Required Information provided by the Transmission Provider is insufficient, and (ii) the Transmission Provider disagrees, then GRC and Transmission Provider shall meet and confer in an effort to resolve the matter. Both parties shall have an obligation to use reasonable efforts to resolve the dispute expeditiously.
- **4.2.2.** If the dispute cannot be resolved informally and relates to a matter that affects multiple current or future Interconnection Customers, then the GRC shall take all reasonable steps, on an expeditious basis, to refer the dispute to the Commission's Dispute Resolution Service or its successor entity.
- **4.2.3.** If the dispute cannot be resolved informally and relates to a specific Generator Replacement request, then the GRC shall seek to resolve the matter expeditiously by meeting with the affected Interconnection Customer and the Transmission Provider. Following this meeting, if the matter cannot be resolved informally, then any of the Interconnection Customer, Transmission Provider, or the GRC may refer the dispute to the Commission's Dispute Resolution Service.
- **4.2.4.** Nothing in this Section 4.2 shall restrict the right of an Interconnection Customer to (i) request that the Commission's Dispute Resolution Service attempt to resolve a dispute, or (ii) submit a complaint pursuant to FPA Section 206.

5. ERO COMPLIANCE

The GRC will perform its functions under this Appendix 713 in accordance with the NERC TPLElectric Reliability OrganizationTPL-001 Reliability Standard (or subsequent standards), the Transmission Provider's Long-Range Planning Criteria, and the Transmission Provider's Generator Interconnection Guidelines. These documents specify the criteria used by the Transmission Provider to assess the reliability of all proposed interconnection requests to ensure compliance with required NERCElectric Reliability

<u>Organization</u> Reliability Standards and the Transmission Provider's OATT. The Transmission will provide these documents to the GRC and update them as necessary.

6. DATA COLLECTION AND DISCLOSURE

6.1 Access to Transmission Provider's Data and Information

- **6.1.1.** To the extent the GRC requests access to Required Information from the Transmission Provider that was originally provided to the Transmission Provider by a third-party, then that Required Information shall be treated as Confidential Information, unless the information already is available from a public source or is otherwise subject to disclosure pursuant to any tariff or agreement administered by the Transmission Provider.
- **6.2.2.** To the extent Transmission Provider considers Required Information requested by the GRC to be Confidential Information, Transmission Provider shall provide the Required Information to the GRC but may designate the data or other information to be Confidential Information pursuant to Section 12.1 of this Appendix 713.
- **6.1.3.** To the extent Transmission Provider considers Required Information requested by the GRC to be subject to a legal privilege, the Transmission Provider may notify the GRC of the applicable legal privilege and may withhold the data or other information from the GRC.
- **6.1.4.** In the event that a dispute arises over access to data or information, either the Transmission Provider or GRC may refer the matter to the Commission's Dispute Resolution Service.

6.2 Access to Data and Information of Interconnection Customers

6.2.1. Data Requests

If the GRC determines that additional data or other information is required to accomplish the objectives of this Appendix 713, the GRC may request such information from the Interconnection Customer. Any such request shall be accompanied by an explanation of the need for such data or other information, and, to the extent the data qualifies as Confidential Information, an acknowledgment of the obligation of the GRC to maintain the confidentiality of the data. All information provided to the GRC by Interconnection Customers that has been labeled as confidential by an Interconnection Customer, shall be treated as Confidential Information, unless already available from a public source or otherwise subject to

disclosure under any tariff or agreement administered by the Transmission Provider.

6.2.2. Enforcement of Data Requests

Any Interconnection Customer receiving an information request from the GRC shall furnish all information, in the requested form or format that is reasonably necessary to achieve the purposes or objectives of this Appendix 713, whenever the requested information is not readily available from some other source that is more convenient, less burdensome and less expensive, and not subject to a legal privilege. No party that is the subject of a data request shall be required to produce any summaries, analyses, or reports of the data that do not exist at the time of the data request. In the event that a dispute arises over access to data or information, either the Interconnection Customer or the GRC may refer the dispute to the Commission's Dispute Resolution Service.

6.3 **Confidentiality**

The GRC shall use all reasonable procedures necessary to protect and to preserve the confidentiality of Confidential Information obtained pursuant to this Appendix 713. Except as may be required by subpoena or other compulsory process, the GRC shall not disclose Confidential Information to any person or entity without prior written consent of the party supplying the Confidential Information. To the extent the GRC requires access to Confidential Information obtained by Transmission Provider from third parties, the GRC shall not disclose the Confidential Information to any person or entity without prior written consent of the party supplying the Confidential Information to the Transmission Provider, except as may be required by subpoena or other compulsory process. Upon receipt of a subpoena or other compulsory process for the disclosure of Confidential Information, the GRC shall promptly notify the party that provided the data and shall provide all reasonable assistance requested by the party to prevent disclosure, and shall not release the data until the party provides written consent or until the party's legal avenues are exhausted. The confidentiality of data and information provided to the Commission shall be maintained with a protective order or other procedures of the agency for protecting Confidential Information.

6.4 Access to Data by the Commission

The GRC shall provide data, information, or reports relating to Transmission Provider's Generator Replacement process to the Commission upon request, with a copy provided to the Transmission Provider. Notwithstanding anything in this Section 6 to the contrary, if the Commission or its staff, during the course of an investigation or otherwise, request information from the GRC that the GRC is otherwise required to maintain in confidence pursuant to this Appendix, the GRC shall provide the requested information to the Commission or its staff, within the time provided for in the request for information. In providing the information to the Commission or its staff, the GRC may, consistent with 18 C.F.R. § 388.112.

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request that the information be treated as confidential and non-public by the Commission and its staff and that the information be withheld from public disclosure. The GRC shall notify the party from whom the information was obtained when the GRC is notified by Commission or its staff that a request for public disclosure of, or decision to publicly disclose, confidential information has been received, at which time either the GRC or the party may respond before such information is made public, pursuant to 18 C.F.R. § 388.112.

6.5 Collection and Retention of Information

The GRC shall regularly collect and maintain the information necessary for implementing this Appendix. The GRC shall ensure that data and information necessary to carry out its duties is retained in usable form and shall be turned over to any successor GRC consistent with Section 6.3 above. The GRC shall adopt policies and procedures for the retention of information provided by Interconnection Customers. At the end of the applicable retention period, the GRC shall provide the data and information to the Transmission Provider. The Transmission Provider shall retain that information consistent with the applicable Commission and NERCElectric Reliability Organization document retention requirements.

7. BUDGETING AND FUNDING

The GRC and the Transmission Provider shall reach agreement on budgeting and funding the GRC's functions under this Appendix $\frac{713}{2}$ to ensure, among other things, that the GRC has sufficient funding to discharge its responsibilities and obligations as GRC and that the terms of payment of the GRC by the Transmission Provider do not result in inappropriate incentives to favor the Transmission Provider or any Interconnection Customer over the interests of another. If a dispute arises over the budgeting or funding of the GRC, either party may refer the matter to the Commission's Dispute Resolution Service.

8. RIGHTS AND REMEDIES

- With the exception of the limitation of liability provisions agreed to by the GRC and the Transmission Provider, nothing herein shall prevent the Transmission Provider or any other person or entity from asserting any rights it may have under the Federal Power Act or any other applicable law, statute, or regulation, including the filing of a petition with or otherwise initiating a proceeding before the Commission regarding any matter that is the subject of this Appendix 713.
- **8.2** An Interconnection Customer may submit a complaint under Section 206 of the Federal Power Act if it believes that the GRC or Transmission Provider is performing its functions in a manner inconsistent with this Appendix or is otherwise acting in manner inconsistent with any rule, regulation or policy adopted by the Commission.

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PROVISIONAL LARGE GENERATOR INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT (PLGIA)

between

Public Service Company of Colorado, a Colorado Corporation and wholly-owned subsidiary of Xcel Energy Inc.

and

[Interconnection Customer]

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| laws of the State/Commonwealth of | , ("Interconnection Customer" | | | | |
| with a Large Generating Facility), and _ | , a | | | | |
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| Transmission Owner") to provideMW of Pro | visional Interconnection Service. | | | | |
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Recitals

WHEREAS, Transmission Provider operates the Transmission System; and

WHEREAS, Interconnection Customer intends to own, lease and/or control and operate the Generating Facility identified as a Large Generating Facility in Appendix C to this Agreement; and,

WHEREAS, Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider have agreed to enter into this Agreement for the purpose of interconnecting the Large Generating Facility with the Transmission System;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of and subject to the mutual covenants contained herein, it is agreed:

When used in this Provisional Large Generator Interconnection Agreement, terms with initial capitalization that are not defined in Article 1 shall have the meanings specified in the Article in which they are used or the Open Access Transmission Tariff (Tariff).

Article 1. Definitions

Adverse System Impact shall mean the negative effects due to technical or operational limits on conductors or equipment being exceeded that may compromise the safety and reliability of the electric system.

Affected System shall mean an electric system other than the Transmission Provider's Transmission System that may be affected by the proposed interconnection.

Affected System Operator shall mean the entity that operates an Affected System.

Affiliate shall mean, with respect to a corporation, partnership or other entity, each such other corporation, partnership or other entity that directly or indirectly, through one or more

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intermediaries, controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with, such corporation, partnership or other entity.

Ancillary Services shall mean those services that are necessary to support the transmission of capacity and energy from resources to loads while maintaining reliable operation of the Transmission Provider's Transmission System in accordance with Good Utility Practice.

Applicable Laws and Regulations shall mean all duly promulgated applicable federal, state and local laws, regulations, rules, ordinances, codes, decrees, judgments, directives, or judicial or administrative orders, permits and other duly authorized actions of any Governmental Authority.

Applicable Reliability Council shall mean the reliability council applicable to the Transmission System to which the Generating Facility is directly interconnected.

Applicable Reliability Standards shall mean the requirements and guidelines of NERC, the Applicable Electric Reliability Council Organization, and the Control Balancing Authority Area of the Transmission System to which the Generating Facility is directly interconnected.

Balancing Authority shall mean an entity that integrates resource plans ahead of time, maintains demand and resource balance within a Balancing Authority Area, and supports interconnection frequency in real time.

Balancing Authority Area shall mean the collection of generation, transmission, and loads within the metered boundaries of the Balancing Authority. The Balancing Authority maintains load-resource balance within this area.

Base Case shall mean the base case power flow, short circuit, and stability data bases used for the Interconnection Studies by the Transmission Provider or Interconnection Customer.

Breach shall mean the failure of a Party to perform or observe any material term or condition of the PLGIA.

Breaching Party shall mean a Party that is in Breach of the PLGIA.

Business Day shall mean Monday through Friday, excluding Federal Holidays.

Calendar Day shall mean any day including Saturday, Sunday or a Federal Holiday. If a requirement due date lands on a Saturday, Sunday or Federal Holiday, the requirement is due the next Business Day.

Cluster shall mean a group of Interconnection Requests (one or more) that are studied together for the purpose of conducting the Interconnection Studies Cluster Study.

<u>Cluster Restudy</u> shall mean a restudy of a Cluster Study conducted pursuant to Section 7.5 of the LGIP.

<u>Cluster Study</u> shall mean the evaluation of one or more Interconnection Requests within a Cluster as described in Section 7 of the LGIP.

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Clustering shall mean a group of Interconnection Requests (one or more) that are studied together for as described in Section 7 of the purpose of conducting LGIP.

<u>Cluster Request Window shall have</u> the Interconnection Studies meaning set forth in Section 3.4.1 of the LGIP.

Commercial Operation shall mean the status of a Generating Facility, or Replacement Generating Facility, that has commenced generating electricity for sale, excluding electricity generated during Trial Operation.

Commercial Operation Date of a unit shall mean the date on which the Generating Facility, commences Commercial Operation as agreed to by the Parties pursuant to Appendix E to the PLGIA.

Confidential Information shall mean any confidential, proprietary or trade secret information of a plan, specification, pattern, procedure, design, device, list, concept, policy or compilation relating to the present or planned business of a Party, which is designated as confidential by the Party supplying the information, whether conveyed orally, electronically, in writing, through inspection, or otherwise.

Control Area shall mean an electrical system or systems bounded by interconnection metering and telemetry, capable of controlling generation to maintain its interchange schedule with other Control Areas and contributing to frequency regulation of the interconnection. A Control Area must be certified by an Applicable NERC Regional Reliability Entity. Control Area shall have the same meaning as Balancing Authority Area as defined by NERC.

Default shall mean the failure of a Breaching Party to cure its Breach in accordance with Article 17 of the PLGIA.

Definitive Interconnection Study Process ("Definitive Interconnection Study") shall mean the complete definitive study process inclusive of the DISIS Request Window, Customer Engagement Window, Definitive Interconnection System Impact Study, and the Interconnection Facilities Study. Both the Resource Solicitation Cluster and the DISIS Cluster are processed under the Definitive Interconnection Study.

Definitive Interconnection System Impact Study ("DISIS") shall mean an engineering study that evaluates the impact of a Cluster of Interconnection Requests on the safety and reliability of the Transmission System and, if applicable, an Affected System.

Definitive Interconnection System Impact Study Agreement ("DISIS Agreement") shall mean the form of agreement contained in Appendix 2 of the Revised LGIP for conducting the Definitive Interconnection System Impact Study.

Definitive Interconnection System Impact Study Cluster ("DISIS Cluster") shall mean an engineering study that evaluates the impact of a Cluster of Interconnection Requests on the safety and reliability of Transmission System and, if applicable, an Affected System.

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DISIS Request Window shall have the meaning set forth in Section 4.2.1 of the Revised LGIP.

Dispute Resolution shall mean the procedure for resolution of a dispute between the Parties in which they will first attempt to resolve the dispute on an informal basis.

Distribution System shall mean the Transmission Provider's facilities and equipment used to transmit electricity to ultimate usage points such as homes and industries directly from nearby generators or from interchanges with higher voltage transmission networks which transport bulk power over longer distances. The voltage levels at which distribution systems operate differ among areas.

Distribution Upgrades shall mean the additions, modifications, and upgrades to the Transmission Provider's Distribution System at or beyond the Point of Interconnection to facilitate interconnection of the Generating Facility and render the transmission service necessary to affect Interconnection Customer's wholesale sale of electricity in interstate commerce. Distribution Upgrades do not include Interconnection Facilities.

Effective Date shall mean the date on which the PLGIA becomes effective upon execution by the Parties subject to acceptance by FERC, or if filed unexecuted, upon the date specified by FERC.

<u>Electric Reliability Organization</u> shall mean the North American Electric Reliability Corporation or its successor organization.

Emergency Condition shall mean a condition or situation: (1) that in the judgment of the Party making the claim is imminently likely to endanger life or property; or (2) that, in the case of a Transmission Provider, is imminently likely (as determined in a non-discriminatory manner) to cause a material adverse effect on the security of, or damage to Transmission Provider's Transmission System, Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities or the electric systems of others to which the Transmission Provider's Transmission System is directly connected; or (3) that, in the case of Interconnection Customer, is imminently likely (as determined in a non-discriminatory manner) to cause a material adverse effect on the security of, or damage to, the Generating Facility or Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities. System restoration and black start shall be considered Emergency Conditions; provided, that Interconnection Customer is not obligated by the PLGIA to possess black start capability.

Energy Resource Interconnection Service shall mean an Interconnection Service that allows the Interconnection Customer to connect its Generating Facility to the Transmission Provider's Transmission System to be eligible to deliver the Generating Facility's electric output using the existing firm or non-firm capacity of the Transmission Provider's Transmission System on an as available basis. Energy Resource Interconnection Service in and of itself does not convey transmission service.

Engineering & Procurement (E&P) Agreement shall mean an agreement that authorizes the Transmission Provider to begin engineering and procurement of long lead-time items necessary for the establishment of the interconnection in order to advance the implementation of the Interconnection Request.

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Environmental Law shall mean Applicable Laws or Regulations relating to pollution or protection of the environment or natural resources.

Existing Generating Facility shall mean a Generating Facility that is either in service or under construction with an unsuspended interconnection agreement.

Federal Power Act shall mean the Federal Power Act, as amended, 16 U.S.C. §§ 791a et seq.

FERC shall mean the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) or its successor.

Force Majeure shall mean any act of God, labor disturbance, act of the public enemy, war, insurrection, riot, fire, storm or flood, explosion, breakage or accident to machinery or equipment, any order, regulation or restriction imposed by governmental, military or lawfully established civilian authorities, or any other cause beyond a Party's control. A Force Majeure event does not include acts of negligence or intentional wrongdoing by the Party claiming Force Majeure.

Generating Facility shall mean Interconnection Customer's device for the production and/or storage for later injection of electricity identified in the Interconnection Request, but shall not include the Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities.

Generating Facility Capacity shall mean the net capacity of the Generating Facility andor the aggregate net capacity of the Generating Facility where it includes multiple energy more than one device for the production devices and/or storage for later injection of electricity.

Good Utility Practice shall mean any of the practices, methods and acts engaged in or approved by a significant portion of the electric industry during the relevant time period, or any of the practices, methods and acts which, in the exercise of reasonable judgment in light of the facts known at the time the decision was made, could have been expected to accomplish the desired result at a reasonable cost consistent with good business practices, reliability, safety and expedition. Good Utility Practice is not intended to be limited to the optimum practice, method, or act to the exclusion of all others, but rather to be acceptable practices, methods, or acts generally accepted in the region.

Governmental Authority shall mean any federal, state, local or other governmental regulatory or administrative agency, court, commission, department, board, or other governmental subdivision, legislature, rulemaking board, tribunal, or other governmental authority having jurisdiction over the Parties, their respective facilities, or the respective services they provide, and exercising or entitled to exercise any administrative, executive, police, or taxing authority or power; provided, however, that such term does not include Interconnection Customer, Transmission Provider, or any Affiliate thereof.

Hazardous Substances shall mean any chemicals, materials or substances defined as or included in the definition of "hazardous substances," "hazardous wastes," "hazardous materials," "hazardous constituents," "restricted hazardous materials," "extremely hazardous substances," "toxic substances," "radioactive substances," "contaminants," "pollutants," "toxic pollutants" or words of similar meaning and regulatory effect under any applicable Environmental Law, or any other chemical, material or substance, exposure to which is prohibited, limited or regulated by any applicable Environmental Law.

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Informational Interconnection Study shall mean an analysis based on assumptions specified by Interconnection Customer in the Informational Interconnection Study Agreement.

Informational Interconnection Study Agreement shall mean the form of agreement contained in Appendix 7 of the Revised LGIP for conducting the Informational Interconnection Study.

Initial Synchronization Date shall mean the date upon which the Generating Facility is initially synchronized and upon which Trial Operation begins.

In-Service Date shall mean the date upon which the Interconnection Customer reasonably expects it will be ready to begin use of the Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities to obtain back feed power.

Interconnection Customer shall mean any entity, including the Transmission Provider, Transmission Owner or any of the Affiliates or subsidiaries of either, that proposes to interconnect its Generating Facility with the Transmission Provider's Transmission System.

Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities shall mean all facilities and equipment, as identified in Appendix A of the PLGIA, that are located between the Generating Facility and the Point of Change of Ownership, including any modification, addition, or upgrades to such facilities and equipment necessary to physically and electrically interconnect the Generating Facility to the Transmission Provider's Transmission System. Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities are sole use facilities (e.g. for generator interconnection).

Interconnection Facilities shall mean the Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and the Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities. Collectively, Interconnection Facilities include all facilities and equipment between the Generating Facility and the Point of Interconnection, including any modification, additions or upgrades that are necessary to physically and electrically interconnect the Generating Facility to the Transmission Provider's Transmission System. Interconnection Facilities are sole use facilities (e.g. for generator interconnection) and shall not include Distribution Upgrades, Stand Alone Network Upgrades or Network Upgrades. Interconnection Facilities may be shared by more than one Generating Facility in a Cluster.

Interconnection Facilities Study shall mean a study conducted by the Transmission Provider or a third party consultant for the Interconnection Customer to determine a list of facilities (including Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades as identified in the Definitive Interconnection System Impact Cluster Study), the cost of those facilities, and the time required to interconnect the Generating Facility or Replacement Generating Facility with the Transmission Provider's Transmission System. The scope of the study is defined in Section 8 of the Revised LGIP.

Interconnection Facilities Study Agreement shall mean the form of agreement contained in Appendix 3 of the Revised-LGIP for conducting the Interconnection Facilities Study.

Interconnection Request shall mean an Interconnection Customer's request, in the form of Appendix 1 to the Revised-LGIP, in accordance with the Tariff, to interconnect a new Generating Facility, or to increase the capacity of, or make a Material Modification to the operating

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characteristics of, an Existing Generating Facility that is interconnected with the Transmission Provider's Transmission System or a Generating Facility with an LGIA that is not yet interconnected.

Interconnection Service shall mean the service provided by the Transmission Provider associated with interconnecting the Interconnection Customer's Generating Facility to the Transmission Provider's Transmission System and enabling it to receive electric energy and capacity from the Generating Facility at the Point of Interconnection, pursuant to the terms of the PLGIA and, if applicable, the Transmission Provider's Tariff.

Interconnection Study shall mean any of the following various interconnection studies: the Informational Interconnection Study, the Definitive Interconnection System Impact Study, and the Interconnection Facilities Study described in the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Procedures or Revised this the LGIP

Interconnection Study Agreement shall mean <u>an agreement relating to the performance of any of the various interconnection studies identified in the LGIP.</u>

IRS shall mean the Internal Revenue Service.

Joint Operating Committee shall be a group made up of representatives from Interconnection Customers and the Transmission Provider to coordinate operating and technical considerations of Interconnection Service.

<u>Large Generating Facility</u> shall mean a Generating Facility having a Generating Facility Capacity of more than 20 MW or any size Generating Facility requesting NRIS.

following agreements: the Informational Interconnection Study Agreement, LGIP shall mean the Definitive Interconnection System Impact Study Agreement, or the Interconnection Facilities Study Agreement described in the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Procedures or Revised LGIP Process as described in this Attachment N.

IRS shall mean the Internal Revenue Service.

Joint Operating Committee shall be a group made up of representatives from Interconnection Customers and the Transmission Provider to coordinate operating and technical considerations of Interconnection Service.

Large Generating Facility shall mean a Generating Facility having a Generating Facility Capacity of more than 20 MW or any size Generating Facility requesting NRIS.

Loss shall mean any and all losses relating to injury to or death of any person or damage to property, demand, suits, recoveries, costs and expenses, court costs, attorney fees, and all other obligations by or to third parties, arising out of or resulting from the other Party's performance, or non-performance of its obligations under the PLGIA on behalf of the indemnifying Party, except in cases of gross negligence or intentional wrongdoing by the indemnifying Party.

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Material Modification shall mean those modification: that have a material impact on the cost or timing of any Interconnection Request with a later or equal Queue Position.

Metering Equipment shall mean all metering equipment installed or to be installed at the Generating Facility pursuant to the PLGIA at the metering points, including but not limited to instrument transformers, MWh-meters, data acquisition equipment, transducers, remote terminal unit, communications equipment, phone lines, and fiber optics.

NERC shall mean the North American Electric Reliability Council or its successor organization.

Network Resource shall mean any designated generating resource owned, purchased, or leased by a Network Customer under the Network Integration Transmission Service Tariff. Network Resources do not include any resource, or any portion thereof, that is committed for sale to third parties or otherwise cannot be called upon to meet the Network Customer's Network Load on a non-interruptible basis.

Network Resource Interconnection Service shall mean an Interconnection Service that allows the Interconnection Customer to integrate its Large Generating Facility with the Transmission Provider's Transmission System (1) in a manner comparable to that in which the Transmission Provider integrates its generating facilities to serve native load customers; or (2) in an RTO or ISO with market based congestion management, in the same manner as Network Resources. Network Resource Interconnection Service in and of itself does not convey transmission service.

Network Upgrades shall mean the additions, modifications, and upgrades to the Transmission Provider's Transmission System required at or beyond the point at which the Interconnection Facilities connect to the Transmission Provider's Transmission System to accommodate the interconnection of the Large Generating Facility to the Transmission Provider's Transmission System.

Notice of Dispute shall mean a written notice of a dispute or claim that arises out of or in connection with the PLGIA or its performance by the Parties.

OASIS shall mean the Transmission Provider's Open Access Same-Time Information System

Party or Parties shall mean Transmission Provider, Transmission Owner, Interconnection Customer or any combination of the above.

Phase ("Phase 1, Phase 2, Phase 3, or Phase 4") shall mean a distinct part of the Definitive Study Process as described in Section 7.

PLGIA Milestone shall mean milestones provided in Appendix B of this PLGIA

Point of Change of Ownership shall mean the point, as set forth in Appendix A to the PLGIA, where the Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities connect to the Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities.

Point of Interconnection shall mean the point, as set forth in Appendix A to the PLGIA, where the Interconnection Facilities connect to the Transmission Provider's Transmission System.

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Provisional Interconnection Service shall mean interconnection service provided by Transmission Provider associated with interconnecting the Interconnection Customer's Generating Facility to Transmission Provider's Transmission System and enabling that Transmission System to receive electric energy and capacity from the Generating Facility at the Point of Interconnection, pursuant to the terms of the PLGIA and, if applicable, the Tariff.

Provisional Large Generator Interconnection Agreement (PLGIA) shall mean the interconnection agreement for Provisional Interconnection Service established between Transmission Provider and/or the Transmission Owner and the Interconnection Customer. This agreement shall take the form of the Large Generator Interconnection Agreement, modified for provisional purposes. PLGIAs are not eligible for suspension.

Queue shall mean a queue for valid Interconnection Requests for the Definitive Interconnection Study Process.

Queue Position shall mean the order of a valid Interconnection Request, relative to all other pending valid Interconnection Requests, in the Definitive Interconnection Study Process. The Queue Position is established based upon the date and time Interconnection Customer satisfies allestablished pursuant to Section 4.1 of the requirements of Section 7.2 of the Revised-LGIP to enter the Definitive Interconnection Study Process. Priority is given to projects that have demonstrated readiness by providing a Readiness Milestone described in Section 7.7 (including subsections).

Readiness Milestone(s) shall have the meaning set forth in Section 7.78.6 of the Revised LGIP.

Reasonable Efforts shall mean, with respect to an action required to be attempted or taken by a Party under the PLGIA, efforts that are timely and consistent with Good Utility Practice and are otherwise substantially equivalent to those a Party would use to protect its own interests.

Resource Plan shall mean any process authorized or required by Applicable Laws and Regulations for, *inter alia*, the selection of Generating Facilities interconnected to the Transmission System of Transmission Provider

<u>Resource Planning Entity</u> shall mean any entity subject to or conducting a Resource Solicitation Process.

Resource Solicitation Cluster shall mean a Cluster Study associated with a Resource Planning Process.

Resource Solicitation Process shall mean any process authorized or required by Applicable Laws and Regulations for the acquisition of Network Resources by an entity interconnected to the Transmission System of Transmission Provider.

Revised LGIP shall mean the Large Generator Interconnection Process ad described in this Attachment N.

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Resource Plan shall mean any process authorized or required by Applicable Laws and Regulations for, *inter alia*, the selection of Generating Facilities interconnected to the Transmission System of Transmission Provider

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Resource Solicitation Cluster shall mean a Cluster Study associated with a Resource Planning Process.

Resource Solicitation Process shall mean any process authorized or required by Applicable Laws and Regulations for the acquisition of Network Resources by an entity interconnected to the Transmission System of Transmission Provider.

Scoping Meeting shall mean the meeting between representatives of the Interconnection Customer(s) and Transmission Provider conducted for the purpose of discussing the proposed Interconnection Request, and any alternative interconnection options, to exchange information including any transmission data and earlier study evaluations that would be reasonably expected to expected affect such interconnection options, to analyze refining information and models provided by Interconnection Customer(s), discussing the Cluster Study materials posted to OASIS pursuant to Section 3.5 of the LGIP, and analyzing such information, and to determine the potential feasible Points of Interconnection.

Site Control shall mean the exclusive land right to develop, construct, operate, and maintain the Generating Facility over the term of expected operation of the Generating Facility. Site Control shall include the right to develop, construct, operate, and maintain Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities. Site Control may be demonstrated by documentation establishing: (1) ownership of, a leasehold interest in, or a right to develop a site of sufficient size to construct and operate the Generating Facility and associated Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities; (2) an option to purchase or acquire a leasehold interest in a site of sufficient size to construct and operate the Generating Facility and associated Interconnection Facilities; or (3) any other documentation that clearly demonstrates the right of the Interconnection Customer to exclusively occupy a site of sufficient size to construct and operate the Generating Facility. Acceptable demonstration of Site Control of land subject to regulatory limitations is described in Section 3.4.2(c) of this LGIP. Site Control for any co-located project is demonstrated by a contract or other agreement demonstrating shared land use for all co-located projects that meet the aforementioned provisions of this Site Control definition.

Acceptable demonstration of Site Control of land owned by the Colorado State Land Board at different phases of the interconnection process is described in Section 7.7.6 of this Revised LGIP. For purposes of lands managed by a federal entity (such as the Bureau of Land Management or United States Forest Service), a Right of Way Grant, Special Use Permit or equivalent government issued documentation shall be sufficient for demonstrating Site Control as to such land. Site Control for any co-located project is demonstrated by a contract or other agreement demonstrating shared land use for all co-located projects that meet the aforementioned provisions of this Site Control definition.

Small Generating Facility shall mean a Generating Facility that has a Generating Facility Capacity of no more than 20 MW not requesting NRIS.

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Stand Alone Network Upgrades shall mean Network Upgrades that are not a part of an Affected System that an Interconnection Customer may construct without affecting day-to-day operations of the Transmission System during their construction. Both the Transmission Provider and the Interconnection Customer must agree as to what constitutes Stand Alone Network Upgrades and identify them in Appendix A to the PLGIA. If the Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer disagree about whether a particular Network Upgrade is a Stand Alone Network Upgrade, the Transmission Provider must provide the Interconnection Customer a written technical explanation outlining why the Transmission Provider does not consider the Network Upgrade to be a Stand Alone Network Upgrade within 15 days of its determination.

Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement (LGIA) shall mean the form of interconnection agreement applicable to an Interconnection Request pertaining to a Large Generating Facility that is included in the Transmission Provider's Tariff.

Standard Large Generator Interconnection Procedures (LGIP) shall mean the interconnection procedures applicable to an Interconnection Request pertaining to a Large Generating Facility that are included in the Transmission Provider's Tariff.

Surplus Interconnection Service shall mean any unneeded portion of Interconnection Service established in a Large Generator Interconnection Agreement, such that if Surplus Interconnection Service is utilized the total amount of Interconnection Service at the Point of Interconnection would remain the same.

System Protection Facilities shall mean the equipment, including necessary protection signal communications equipment, required to protect (1) the Transmission Provider's Transmission System from faults or other electrical disturbances occurring at the Generating Facility and (2) the Generating Facility from faults or other electrical system disturbances occurring on the Transmission Provider's Transmission System or on other delivery systems or other generating systems to which the Transmission Provider's Transmission System is directly connected.

Tariff shall mean the Transmission Provider's Tariff through which open access transmission service and Interconnection Service are offered, as filed with FERC, and as amended or supplemented from time to time, or any successor tariff.

Transmission Owner shall mean an entity that owns, leases or otherwise possesses an interest in the portion of the Transmission System at the Point of Interconnection and may be a Party to the Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement to the extent necessary.

Transmission Provider shall mean the public utility (or its designated agent) that owns, controls, or operates transmission or distribution facilities used for the transmission of electricity in interstate commerce and provides transmission service under the Tariff. The term Transmission Provider should be read to include the Transmission Owner when the Transmission Owner is separate from the Transmission Provider.

Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities shall mean all facilities and equipment owned, controlled or operated by the Transmission Provider from the Point of Change of Ownership to the Point of Interconnection as identified in Appendix A to the PLGIA, including any

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modifications, additions or upgrades to such facilities and equipment. Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities are sole use facilities (e.g. for generator interconnection) and shall not include Distribution Upgrades, Stand Alone Network Upgrades or Network Upgrades. Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities may be shared by more than one Generating Facility in a given Cluster Study.

Transmission System shall mean the facilities owned, controlled or operated by the Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner that are used to provide transmission service under the Tariff.

Trial Operation shall mean the period during which Interconnection Customer is engaged in onsite test operations and commissioning of the Generating Facility prior to Commercial Operation.

Variable Energy Resource shall mean a device for the production of electricity that is characterized by an energy source that: (1) is renewable; (2) cannot be stored by the facility owner or operator; and (3) has variability that is beyond the control of the facility owner or operator.

Withdrawal Penalty shall have the meaning set forth in Section 3.7.1 of the Revised LGIP.

Article 2. Effective Date, Term, and Termination

2.1 Effective Date.

This PLGIA shall become effective upon execution by the Parties subject to acceptance by FERC (if applicable), or if filed unexecuted, upon the date specified by FERC. Transmission Provider shall promptly file this PLGIA with FERC upon execution in accordance with Article 3.1, if required.

2.2 Term of Agreement.

Subject to the provisions of Article 2.2, this PLGIA shall remain in effect until the later of execution of a LGIA or the date of acceptance of a LGIA by FERC, or (2) the withdrawal of the underlying Interconnection Request if the request is withdrawn prior to execution of a LGIA.

2.3 Termination Procedures.

2.3.1 Written Notice.

This PLGIA may be terminated by Interconnection Customer after giving Transmission Provider ninety (90) Calendar Days advance written notice, or by Transmission Provider notifying FERC after the Generating Facility permanently ceases Commercial Operation of if the underlying Generation Interconnection Request withdraws from the Queue. This PLGIA shall be terminated by Transmission Provider if the Generating Facility or a portion of the Generating Facility fails to achieve Commercial Operation by the Commercial Operation Date established in accordance with Section 4.4.5 of the Revised LGIP, including any extension provided thereunder, or, having previously achieved Commercial Operation, has ceased Commercial Operation for three (3) consecutive years, beginning with the last date of

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Commercial Operation for the Generating Facility, after giving Interconnection Customer ninety (90) Calendar Days advance written notice. When only a portion of the Generating Facility fails to achieve Commercial Operation by the Commercial Operation Date established in accordance with Section 4.4.5 of the Revised-LGIP, including any extension provided thereunder, Transmission Provider shall terminate only that portion of the PLGIA. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the limited circumstance that the Interconnection Request is served by a Contingent Facility with an in-service date that is later than the Commercial Operation Date permitted under Section 4.4.5 of the Revised LGIP, Transmission Provider shall terminate this PLGIA only for failure to achieve Commercial Operation by ninety (90) Calendar Days after that later inservice date of the Contingent Facility. The Generating Facility will not be deemed to have ceased Commercial Operation for purposes of this Article 2.3.1 if Interconnection Customer can document that it has taken other significant steps to maintain or restore operational readiness of the Generating Facility for the purpose of returning the Generating Facility to Commercial Operation as soon as possible.

2.3.2 Default.

Either Party may terminate this PLGIA in accordance with Article 17.

2.3.3 Notwithstanding Articles 2.3.1 and 2.3.2, no termination shall become effective until the Parties have complied with all Applicable Laws and Regulations applicable to such termination, including the filing with FERC of a notice of termination of this PLGIA, which notice has been accepted for filing by FERC.

2.4 Termination Costs.

If a Party elects to terminate this Agreement pursuant to Article 2.3 above, each Party shall pay all costs incurred (including any cancellation costs relating to orders or contracts for Interconnection Facilities and equipment) or charges assessed by the other Party, as of the date of the other Party's receipt of such notice of termination, that are the responsibility of the Terminating Party under this PLGIA. In the event of termination by a Party, the Parties shall use commercially Reasonable Efforts to mitigate the costs, damages and charges arising as a consequence of termination. Upon termination of this PLGIA, unless otherwise ordered or approved by FERC:

2.4.1 With respect to any portion of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities that have not yet been constructed or installed, Transmission Provider shall to the extent possible and with Interconnection Customer's authorization cancel any pending orders of, or return, any materials or equipment for, or contracts for construction of, such facilities; provided that in the event Interconnection Customer elects not to authorize such cancellation, Interconnection Customer shall assume all payment obligations with respect to such materials, equipment, and contracts, and Transmission Provider shall deliver such material and equipment, and, if necessary, assign such contracts, to Interconnection Customer as soon as practicable, at Interconnection Customer's expense. To the extent that Interconnection Customer has already paid Transmission Provider for any or all such costs of materials or equipment

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not taken by Interconnection Customer, Transmission Provider shall promptly refund such amounts to Interconnection Customer, less any costs, including penalties incurred by Transmission Provider to cancel any pending orders of or return such materials, equipment, or contracts.

If an Interconnection Customer terminates this PLGIA, it shall be responsible for all costs incurred in association with that Interconnection Customer's interconnection, including any cancellation costs relating to orders or contracts for Interconnection Facilities and equipment, and other expenses including any Network Upgrades for which Transmission Provider has incurred expenses and has not been reimbursed by Interconnection Customer.

- 2.4.2 Transmission Provider may, at its option, retain any portion of such materials, equipment, or facilities that Interconnection Customer chooses not to accept delivery of, in which case Transmission Provider shall be responsible for all costs associated with procuring such materials, equipment, or facilities.
- 2.4.3 With respect to any portion of the Interconnection Facilities, and any other facilities already installed or constructed pursuant to the terms of this PLGIA, Interconnection Customer shall be responsible for all costs associated with the removal, relocation or other disposition or retirement of such materials, equipment, or facilities.
- Transmission Provider shall refund the security provided under Section <u>4012</u>.3 of the <u>Revised</u> LGIP and the Appendices of this PLGIA, including any accumulated interest, if applicable. Notwithstanding the foregoing, prior to remitting such security, plus accumulated interest, Transmission Provider shall offset against such security, and accumulated interest, any unpaid costs or penalties arising out of this Agreement or the <u>Revised-LGIP</u>. Monies due the Interconnection Customer shall be remitted within 90 days of termination.
- Notwithstanding anything in this Article 2.4, within thirty (30) Calendar Days of termination of this Agreement, Interconnection Customer shall be entitled to refund of the [\$____] security deposit which was provided by Interconnection Customer prior to execution of this PLGIA, but only to the extent that all costs due to the Transmission Provider, including the Withdrawal Penalty, and costs due to other Interconnection Customers harmed by termination of the PLGIA, have been reimbursed from such security.

2.5 Disconnection.

Upon termination of this PLGIA, the Parties will take all appropriate steps to disconnect the Large Generating Facility from the Transmission System. All costs required to effectuate such disconnection shall be borne by the terminating Party, unless such termination resulted from the non-terminating Party's Default of this PLGIA or such non-terminating Party otherwise is responsible for these costs under this PLGIA.

2.6 Survival.

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This PLGIA shall continue in effect after termination to the extent necessary to provide for final billings and payments and for costs incurred hereunder, including billings and payments pursuant to this PLGIA; to permit the determination and enforcement of liability and indemnification obligations arising from acts or events that occurred while this PLGIA was in effect; and to permit each Party to have access to the lands of the other Party pursuant to this PLGIA or other applicable agreements, to disconnect, remove or salvage its own facilities and equipment

Article 3. Regulatory Filings

3.1 Filing.

Transmission Provider shall file this PLGIA (and any amendment hereto) with the appropriate Governmental Authority, if required. Interconnection Customer may request that any information so provided be subject to the confidentiality provisions of Article 22. If Interconnection Customer has executed this PLGIA, or any amendment thereto, Interconnection Customer shall reasonably cooperate with Transmission Provider with respect to such filing and to provide any information reasonably requested by Transmission Provider needed to comply with applicable regulatory requirements.

Article 4. Scope of Service

4.1 Interconnection Product Options.

Interconnection Customer has selected Provisional Interconnection Service:

4.1.1 Energy Resource Interconnection Service. [Not Selected under this PLGIA, but ERIS will be selected in the LGIA or Not Selected]

4.1.1.1 The Product.

Energy Resource Interconnection Service allows Interconnection Customer to connect the Large Generating Facility to the Transmission System and be eligible to deliver the Large Generating Facility's output using the existing firm or non-firm capacity of the Transmission System on an "as available" basis. To the extent Interconnection Customer wants to receive Energy Resource Interconnection Service, Transmission Provider shall construct facilities identified in Appendix A.

4.1.1.2 Transmission Delivery Service Implications.

Under Energy Resource Interconnection Service, Interconnection Customer will be eligible to inject power from the Large Generating Facility into and deliver power across the interconnecting Transmission Provider's Transmission System on an "as available" basis up to the amount of MWs identified in the applicable stability and steady state studies to the extent the upgrades initially required to qualify for Energy Resource Interconnection Service have been constructed. Where eligible to do so (e.g., PJM, ISO-NE, NYISO), Interconnection Customer may place a bid to sell into the market up to the maximum identified Large Generating Facility output, subject

to any conditions specified in the interconnection service approval, and the Large Generating Facility will be dispatched to the extent Interconnection Customer's bid clears. In all other instances, no transmission delivery service from the Large Generating Facility is assured, but Interconnection Customer may obtain Point-to-Point Transmission Service, Network Integration Transmission Service, or be used for secondary network transmission service, pursuant to Transmission Provider's Tariff, up to the maximum output identified in the stability and steady state studies. In those instances, in order for Interconnection Customer to obtain the right to deliver or inject energy beyond the Large Generating Facility Point of Interconnection or to improve its ability to do so, transmission delivery service must be obtained pursuant to the provisions of Transmission Provider's Tariff. The Interconnection Customer's ability to inject its Large Generating Facility output beyond the Point of Interconnection, therefore, will depend on the existing capacity of Transmission Provider's Transmission System at such time as a

transmission service request is made that would accommodate such delivery. The provision of firm Point-to-Point Transmission Service or Network Integration Transmission Service may require

4.1.2 Network Resource Interconnection Service. [Not Selected under this PLGIA, but NRIS will be selected in the LGIA or Not Selected]

the construction of additional Network Upgrades.

4.1.2.1 The Product.

Transmission Provider must conduct the necessary studies and construct the Network Upgrades needed to integrate the Large Generating Facility (1) in a manner comparable to that in which Transmission Provider integrates its generating facilities to serve native load customers; or (2) in an ISO or RTO with market based congestion management, in the same manner as all Network Resources. To the extent Interconnection Customer wants to receive Network Resource Interconnection Service, Transmission Provider shall construct the facilities identified in Appendix A to this PLGIA.

4.1.2.2 Transmission Delivery Service Implications.

Network Resource Interconnection Service allows Interconnection Customer's Large Generating Facility to be designated by any Network Customer under the Tariff on Transmission Provider's Transmission System as a Network Resource, up to the Large Generating Facility's full output, on the same basis as existing Network Resources interconnected to Transmission Provider's Transmission System, and to be studied as a Network Resource on the assumption that such a designation will occur. Although Network Resource Interconnection Service does not convey a reservation of transmission service, any Network Customer under

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the Tariff can utilize its network service under the Tariff to obtain delivery of energy from the interconnected Interconnection Customer's Large Generating Facility in the same manner as it accesses Network Resources. A Large Generating Facility receiving Network Resource Interconnection Service may also be used to provide Ancillary Services after technical studies and/or periodic analyses are performed with respect to the Large Generating Facility's ability to provide any applicable Ancillary Services, provided that such studies and analyses have been or would be required in connection with the provision of such Ancillary Services by any existing Network Resource. However, if an Interconnection Customer's Large Generating Facility has not been designated as a Network Resource by any load, it cannot be required to provide Ancillary Services except to the extent such requirements extend to all generating facilities that are similarly situated. The provision of Network Integration Transmission Service or firm Point-to-Point Transmission Service may require additional studies and the construction of additional upgrades. Because such studies and upgrades would be associated with a request for delivery service under the Tariff, cost responsibility for the studies and upgrades would be in accordance with FERC's policy for pricing transmission delivery services.

Network Resource Interconnection Service does not necessarily provide Interconnection Customer with the capability to physically deliver the output of its Large Generating Facility to any particular load on Transmission Provider's Transmission System without incurring congestion costs. In the event of transmission constraints on Transmission Provider's Transmission System, Interconnection Customer's Large Generating Facility shall be subject to the applicable congestion management procedures in Transmission Provider's Transmission System in the same manner as Network Resources.

There is no requirement either at the time of study or interconnection, or at any point in the future, that Interconnection Customer's Large Generating Facility be designated as a Network Resource by a Network Service Customer under the Tariff or that Interconnection Customer identify a specific buyer (or sink). To the extent a Network Customer does designate the Large Generating Facility as a Network Resource, it must do so pursuant to Transmission Provider's Tariff.

Once an Interconnection Customer satisfies the requirements for obtaining Network Resource Interconnection Service, any future transmission service request for delivery from the Large Generating Facility within Transmission Provider's Transmission System of any amount of capacity and/or energy, up to the amount initially studied,

will not require that any additional studies be performed or that any further upgrades associated with such Large Generating Facility be undertaken, regardless of whether or not such Large Generating Facility is ever designated by a Network Customer as a Network Resource and regardless of changes in ownership of the Large Generating Facility. However, the reduction or elimination of congestion or redispatch costs may require additional studies and the construction of additional upgrades.

To the extent Interconnection Customer enters into an arrangement for long term transmission service for deliveries from the Large Generating Facility outside Transmission Provider's Transmission System, such request may require additional studies and upgrades in order for Transmission Provider to grant such request.

4.2 Provision of Service.

Transmission Provider shall provide Interconnection Service for the Large Generating Facility at the Point of Interconnection.

4.3 Performance Standards.

Each Party shall perform all of its obligations under this PLGIA in accordance with Applicable Laws and Regulations, Applicable Reliability Standards, and Good Utility Practice, and to the extent a Party is required or prevented or limited in taking any action by such regulations and standards, such Party shall not be deemed to be in Breach of this PLGIA for its compliance therewith. If such Party is a Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner, then that Party shall amend the PLGIA and submit the amendment to FERC for approval.

4.4 No Transmission Delivery Service.

The execution of this PLGIA does not constitute a request for, nor the provision of, any transmission delivery service under Transmission Provider's Tariff, and does not convey any right to deliver electricity to any specific customer or Point of Delivery.

4.5 Interconnection Customer Provided Services.

The services provided by Interconnection Customer under this PLGIA are set forth in Article 9.6 and Article 13.5.1. Interconnection Customer shall be paid for such services in accordance with Article 11.6.

Article 5. Interconnection Facilities Engineering, Procurement, and Construction

5.1 Options.

Unless otherwise mutually agreed to between the Parties, Interconnection Customer shall select the In-Service Date, Initial Synchronization Date, and Commercial Operation Date; and either the Standard Option or Alternate Option set forth below for completion of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades as set forth in Appendix A, Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades, and such dates and selected option shall be set forth in Appendix B, Milestones. At the same time, Interconnection Customer shall indicate whether it elects to exercise the Option to Build

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set forth in Article 5.1.3 below. If the dates designated by Interconnection Customer are not acceptable to Transmission Provider, Transmission Provider shall so notify Interconnection Customer within thirty (30) Calendar Days. Upon receipt of the notification that Interconnection Customer's designated dates are not acceptable to Transmission Provider, the Interconnection Customer shall notify Transmission Provider within thirty (30) Calendar Days whether it elects to exercise the Option to Build if it has not already elected to exercise the Option to Build.

5.1.1 Standard Option.

Transmission Provider shall design, procure, and construct Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades, using Reasonable Efforts to complete Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades by the dates set forth in Appendix B, PLGIA Milestones. Transmission Provider shall not be required to undertake any action which is inconsistent with its standard safety practices, its material and equipment specifications, its design criteria and construction procedures, its labor agreements, and Applicable Laws and Regulations. In the event Transmission Provider reasonably expects that it will not be able to complete Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades by the specified dates in Appendix B, Transmission Provider shall promptly provide written notice to Interconnection Customer and shall undertake Reasonable Efforts to meet the earliest dates thereafter.

5.1.2 Alternate Option.

If the dates designated by Interconnection Customer are acceptable to Transmission Provider, Transmission Provider shall so notify Interconnection Customer within thirty (30) Calendar Days, and shall assume responsibility for the design, procurement and construction of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities by the designated dates.

If Transmission Provider subsequently fails to complete Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities by the In-Service Date, to the extent necessary to provide back feed power; or fails to complete Network Upgrades by the Initial Synchronization Date to the extent necessary to allow for Trial Operation at full power output, unless other arrangements are made by the Parties for such Trial Operation; or fails to complete the Network Upgrades by the Commercial Operation Date, as such dates are reflected in Appendix B, PLGIA Milestones; Transmission Provider shall pay Interconnection Customer liquidated damages in accordance with Article 5.3, Liquidated Damages, provided, however, the dates designated by Interconnection Customer shall be extended day for day for each day that the applicable RTO or ISO refuses to grant clearances to install equipment.

5.1.3 Option to Build.

Interconnection Customer shall have the option to assume responsibility for the design, procurement and construction of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades on the dates specified in Article 5.1.2. Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer

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must agree as to what constitutes Stand Alone Network Upgrades and identify such Stand Alone Network Upgrades in Appendix A. Except for Stand Alone Network Upgrades, Interconnection Customer shall have no right to construct Network Upgrades under this option.

5.1.4 Negotiated Option.

If the dates designated by Interconnection Customer are not acceptable to Transmission Provider, the Parties shall in good faith attempt to negotiate terms and conditions (including revision of the specified dates and liquidated damages, the provision of incentives, or the procurement and construction of all facilities other than Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades if the Interconnection Customer elects to exercise the Option to Build under Article 5.1.3) If the Parties are unable to reach agreement on such terms and conditions, then, pursuant to Article 5.1.1 (Standard Option), Transmission Provider shall assume responsibility for the design, procurement and construction of all facilities other than Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades if the Interconnection Customer elects to exercise the Option to Build.

5.2 General Conditions Applicable to Option to Build.

If Interconnection Customer assumes responsibility for the design, procurement and construction of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades,

- (1) Interconnection Customer shall engineer, procure equipment, and construct Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades (or portions thereof) using Good Utility Practice and using standards and specifications provided in advance by Transmission Provider;
- (2) Interconnection Customer's engineering, procurement and construction of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades shall comply with all requirements of law to which Transmission Provider would be subject in the engineering, procurement or construction of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades;
- (3) Transmission Provider shall review and approve the engineering design, equipment acceptance tests, and the construction of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades;
- (4) Prior to commencement of construction, Interconnection Customer shall provide to Transmission Provider a schedule for construction of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades, and shall promptly respond to requests for information from Transmission Provider;

- (5) At any time during construction, Transmission Provider shall have the right to gain unrestricted access to Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades and to conduct inspections of the same;
- (6) At any time during construction, should any phase of the engineering, equipment procurement, or construction of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades not meet the standards and specifications provided by Transmission Provider, Interconnection Customer shall be obligated to remedy deficiencies in that portion of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades;
- (7) Interconnection Customer shall indemnify Transmission Provider for claims arising from Interconnection Customer's construction of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades under the terms and procedures applicable to Article 18.1 Indemnity;
- (8) Interconnection Customer shall transfer control of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades to Transmission Provider;
- (9) Unless Parties otherwise agree, Interconnection Customer shall transfer ownership of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand-Alone Network Upgrades to Transmission Provider;
- (10) Transmission Provider shall approve and accept for operation and maintenance Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades to the extent engineered, procured, and constructed in accordance with this Article 5.2; and
- (11) Interconnection Customer shall deliver to Transmission Provider "asbuilt" drawings, information, and any other documents that are reasonably required by Transmission Provider to assure that the Interconnection Facilities and Stand-Alone Network Upgrades are built to the standards and specifications required by Transmission Provider.
- (12) If Interconnection Customer exercises the Option to Build pursuant to Article 5.1.3, Interconnection Customer shall pay Transmission Provider the agreed upon amount of [\$ PLACEHOLDER] for Transmission Provider to execute the responsibilities enumerated to Transmission Provider under Article 5.2. Transmission Provider shall invoice Interconnection Customer for this total amount to be divided on a monthly basis pursuant to Article 12.

5.3 Liquidated Damages.

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The actual damages to Interconnection Customer, in the event Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities or Network Upgrades are not completed by the dates designated by Interconnection Customer and accepted by Transmission Provider pursuant to subparagraphs 5.1.2 or 5.1.4, above, may include Interconnection Customer's fixed operation and maintenance costs and lost opportunity costs. Such actual damages are uncertain and impossible to determine at this time. Because of such uncertainty, any liquidated damages paid by Transmission Provider to Interconnection Customer in the event that Transmission Provider does not complete any portion of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities or Network Upgrades by the applicable dates, shall be an amount equal to ½ of 1 percent per day of the actual cost of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades, in the aggregate, for which Transmission Provider has assumed responsibility to design, procure and construct.

However, in no event shall the total liquidated damages exceed 20 percent of the actual cost of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades for which Transmission Provider has assumed responsibility to design, procure, and construct. The foregoing payments will be made by Transmission Provider to Interconnection Customer as just compensation for the damages caused to Interconnection Customer, which actual damages are uncertain and impossible to determine at this time, and as reasonable liquidated damages, but not as a penalty or a method to secure performance of this PLGIA. Liquidated damages, when the Parties agree to them, are the exclusive remedy for the Transmission Provider's failure to meet its schedule.

No liquidated damages shall be paid to Interconnection Customer if: (1) Interconnection Customer is not ready to commence use of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities or Network Upgrades to take the delivery of power for the Large Generating Facility's Trial Operation or to export power from the Large Generating Facility on the specified dates, unless Interconnection Customer would have been able to commence use of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities or Network Upgrades to take the delivery of power for Large Generating Facility's Trial Operation or to export power from the Large Generating Facility, but for Transmission Provider's delay; (2) Transmission Provider's failure to meet the specified dates is the result of the action or inaction of Interconnection Customer or any other Interconnection Customer who has entered into an PLGIA with Transmission Provider or any cause beyond Transmission Provider's reasonable control or reasonable ability to cure; (3) the Interconnection Customer has assumed responsibility for the design, procurement and construction of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades; or (4) the Parties have otherwise agreed.

5.4 Power System Stabilizers.

The Interconnection Customer shall procure, install, maintain and operate Power System Stabilizers in accordance with the guidelines and procedures established by the ApplicableElectric Reliability CouncilOrganization. Transmission Provider reserves the right to reasonably establish minimum acceptable settings for any installed Power System Stabilizers, subject to the design and operating limitations of the Large Generating Facility. If the Large Generating Facility's Power System Stabilizers are removed from service or not capable of automatic operation, Interconnection Customer shall immediately notify

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Transmission Provider's system operator, or its designated representative. The requirements of this paragraph shall not apply to wind generators.

5.5 Equipment Procurement.

If responsibility for construction of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities or Network Upgrades is to be borne by Transmission Provider, then Transmission Provider shall commence design of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities or Network Upgrades and procure necessary equipment as soon as practicable after all of the following conditions are satisfied, unless the Parties otherwise agree in writing:

- Transmission Provider has completed the Interconnection Facilities Study pursuant to the Interconnection Facilities Study Agreement;
- Transmission Provider has received written authorization to proceed with design and procurement from Interconnection Customer by the date specified in Appendix B, PLGIA Milestones; and
- 5.5.3 Interconnection Customer has provided security to Transmission Provider in accordance with Article 11.5 by the dates specified in Appendix B, PLGIA Milestones.

5.6 Construction Commencement.

Transmission Provider shall commence construction of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades for which it is responsible as soon as practicable after the following additional conditions are satisfied:

- **5.6.1** Approval of the appropriate Governmental Authority has been obtained for any facilities requiring regulatory approval;
- **5.6.2** Necessary real property rights and rights-of-way have been obtained, to the extent required for the construction of a discrete aspect of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades;
- Transmission Provider has received written authorization to proceed with construction from Interconnection Customer by the date specified in Appendix B, PLGIA Milestones; and
- 5.6.4 Interconnection Customer has provided security to Transmission Provider in accordance with Article 11.5 by the dates specified in Appendix B, PLGIA Milestones.

5.7 Work Progress.

The Parties will keep each other advised periodically as to the progress of their respective design, procurement and construction efforts. Either Party may, at any time, request a progress report from the other Party. If, at any time, Interconnection Customer determines that the completion of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities will not be required until after the specified In-Service Date, Interconnection Customer will provide

written notice to Transmission Provider of such later date upon which the completion of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities will be required.

5.8 Information Exchange.

As soon as reasonably practicable after the Effective Date, the Parties shall exchange information regarding the design and compatibility of the Parties' Interconnection Facilities and compatibility of the Interconnection Facilities with Transmission Provider's Transmission System, and shall work diligently and in good faith to make any necessary design changes.

5.9 Other Interconnection Options

5.9.1 Limited Operation.

If any of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities or Network Upgrades are not reasonably expected to be completed prior to the Commercial Operation Date of the Large Generating Facility, Transmission Provider shall, upon the request and at the expense of Interconnection Customer, perform operating studies on a timely basis to determine the extent to which the Large Generating Facility and Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities may operate prior to the completion of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities or Network Upgrades consistent with Applicable Laws and Regulations, Applicable Reliability Standards, Good Utility Practice, and this PLGIA. Transmission Provider shall permit Interconnection Customer to operate the Large Generating Facility and Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities in accordance with the results of such studies.

5.9.2 Provisional Interconnection Service. [SELECTED]

Upon the request of Interconnection Customer, and prior to completion of requisite Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades, Distribution Upgrades, or System Protection Facilities Transmission Provider may execute a PLGIA or Interconnection Customer may request the filing of an unexecuted PLGIA with the Interconnection Customer for limited Interconnection Service at the discretion of Transmission Provider based upon an evaluation that will consider the results of available studies. Transmission Provider shall determine, through available studies or additional studies as necessary, whether stability, short circuit, thermal, and/or voltage issues would arise if Interconnection Customer interconnects without modifications to the Generating Facility or Transmission System. Transmission Provider shall determine whether any Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades, Distribution Upgrades, or System Protection Facilities that are necessary to meet the requirements of NERC the Electric Reliability Organization, or any applicable Regional Entity for the interconnection of a new, modified and/or expanded Generating Facility are in place prior to the commencement of Interconnection Service from the Generating Facility. Where available studies indicate that such, Interconnection Facilities. Network Upgrades. Distribution Upgrades. and/or System Protection Facilities that are required for the interconnection of a new, modified and/or expanded Generating Facility are not currently in place,

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Transmission Provider will perform a study, at the Interconnection Customer's expense, to confirm the facilities that are required for Provisional Interconnection Service. The maximum permissible output of the Generating Facility in the PLGIA shall be reviewed quarterly and updated if there are changes to system conditions compared to the system conditions previously used to determine of the maximum permissible output. Any necessary study is conducted at the Interconnection Customer's expense. Interconnection Customer assumes all risk and liabilities with respect to changes between the PLGIA and the Large Generator Interconnection Agreement, including changes in output limits and Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades, Distribution Upgrades, and/or System Protection Facilities cost responsibilities.

5.10 Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities ("ICIF").

Interconnection Customer shall, at its expense, design, procure, construct, own and install the ICIF, as set forth in Appendix A, Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades and Distribution Upgrades.

5.10.1 Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facility Specifications.

Interconnection Customer shall submit initial specifications for the ICIF, including System Protection Facilities, to Transmission Provider at least one-hundred eighty (180) Calendar Days prior to the Initial Synchronization Date; and final specifications for review and comment at least ninety (90) Calendar Days prior to the Initial Synchronization Date. Transmission Provider shall review such specifications to ensure that the ICIF are compatible with the technical specifications, operational control, and safety requirements of Transmission Provider and comment on such specifications within thirty (30) Calendar Days of Interconnection Customer's submission. All specifications provided hereunder shall be deemed confidential.

5.10.2 Transmission Provider's Review.

Transmission Provider's review of Interconnection Customer's final specifications shall not be construed as confirming, endorsing, or providing a warranty as to the design, fitness, safety, durability or reliability of the Large Generating Facility, or the ICIF. Interconnection Customer shall make such changes to the ICIF as may reasonably be required by Transmission Provider, in accordance with Good Utility Practice, to ensure that the ICIF are compatible with the technical specifications, operational control, and safety requirements of Transmission Provider.

5.10.3 ICIF Construction.

The ICIF shall be designed and constructed in accordance with Good Utility Practice. Within one-hundred twenty (120) Calendar Days after the Commercial Operation Date, unless the Parties agree on another mutually acceptable deadline, Interconnection Customer shall deliver to Transmission Provider "as-built" drawings, information and documents for the ICIF, such as: a one-line diagram, a site plan showing the Large Generating Facility and the ICIF, plan and elevation drawings showing the layout of the ICIF, a relay functional diagram, relaying AC and DC schematic wiring diagrams and relay

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settings for all facilities associated with Interconnection Customer's step-up transformers, the facilities connecting the Large Generating Facility to the step-up transformers and the ICIF, and the impedances (determined by factory tests) for the associated step-up transformers and the Large Generating Facility. The Interconnection Customer shall provide Transmission Provider specifications for the excitation system, automatic voltage regulator, Large Generating Facility control and protection settings, transformer tap settings, and communications, if applicable.

5.11 Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities Construction.

Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities shall be designed and constructed in accordance with Good Utility Practice. Upon request, within one-hundred twenty (120) Calendar Days after the Commercial Operation Date, unless the Parties agree on another mutually acceptable deadline, Transmission Provider shall deliver to Interconnection Customer the following "as-built" drawings, information and documents for Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities [include appropriate drawings and relay diagrams]. Transmission Provider will obtain control of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades upon completion of such facilities.

5.12 Access Rights.

Upon reasonable notice and supervision by a Party, and subject to any required or necessary regulatory approvals, a Party ("Granting Party") shall furnish at no cost to the other Party ("Access Party") any rights of use, licenses, rights of way and easements with respect to lands owned or controlled by the Granting Party, its agents (if allowed under the applicable agency agreement), or any Affiliate, that are necessary to enable the Access Party to obtain ingress and egress to construct, operate, maintain, repair, test (or witness testing), inspect, replace or remove facilities and equipment to: (i) interconnect the Large Generating Facility with the Transmission System; (ii) operate and maintain the Large Generating Facility, the Interconnection Facilities and the Transmission System; and (iii) disconnect or remove the Access Party's facilities and equipment upon termination of this PLGIA. In exercising such licenses, rights of way and easements, the Access Party shall not unreasonably disrupt or interfere with normal operation of the Granting Party's business and shall adhere to the safety rules and procedures established in advance, as may be changed from time to time, by the Granting Party and provided to the Access Party.

5.13 Lands of Other Property Owners.

If any part of Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities and/or Network Upgrades is to be installed on property owned by persons other than Interconnection Customer or Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner, Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner shall at Interconnection Customer's expense use efforts, similar in nature and extent to those that it typically undertakes on its own behalf or on behalf of its Affiliates, including use of its eminent domain authority, and to the extent consistent with state law, to procure from such persons any rights of use, licenses, rights of way and easements that are necessary to construct, operate, maintain, test, inspect, replace or remove Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities and/or Network Upgrades upon such property.

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5.14 Permits.

Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner and Interconnection Customer shall cooperate with each other in good faith in obtaining all permits, licenses, and authorizations that are necessary to accomplish the interconnection in compliance with Applicable Laws and Regulations. With respect to this paragraph, Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner shall provide permitting assistance to Interconnection Customer comparable to that provided to Transmission Provider's own, or an Affiliate's generation.

5.15 Early Construction of Base Case Facilities.

Interconnection Customer may request Transmission Provider to construct, and Transmission Provider shall construct, using Reasonable Efforts to accommodate Interconnection Customer's In-Service Date, all or any portion of any Network Upgrades required for Interconnection Customer to be interconnected to the Transmission System which are included in the Base Case of the Facilities Study for Interconnection Customer, and which also are required to be constructed for another Interconnection Customer, but where such construction is not scheduled to be completed in time to achieve Interconnection Customer's In-Service Date.

5.16 Suspension.

Interconnection Customer reserves the right, upon written notice to Transmission Provider, to suspend at any time all work by Transmission Provider associated with the construction and installation of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and/or Network Upgrades required under this PLGIA with the condition that Transmission System shall be left in a safe and reliable condition in accordance with Good Utility Practice and Transmission Provider's safety and reliability criteria. In such event, Interconnection Customer shall be responsible for all reasonable and necessary costs which Transmission Provider (i) has incurred pursuant to this PLGIA prior to the suspension and (ii) incurs in suspending such work, including any costs incurred to perform such work as may be necessary to ensure the safety of persons and property and the integrity of the Transmission System during such suspension and, if applicable, any costs incurred in connection with the cancellation or suspension of material, equipment and labor contracts which Transmission Provider cannot reasonably avoid; provided, however, that prior to canceling or suspending any such material, equipment or labor contract, Transmission Provider shall obtain Interconnection Customer's authorization to do so.

Transmission Provider shall invoice Interconnection Customer for such costs pursuant to Article 12 and shall use due diligence to minimize its costs. In the event Interconnection Customer suspends work by Transmission Provider required under this PLGIA pursuant to this Article 5.16, and has not requested Transmission Provider to recommence the work required under this PLGIA on or before the expiration of three (3) years following commencement of such suspension, this PLGIA shall be deemed terminated. The three-year period shall begin on the date the suspension is requested, or the date of the written notice to Transmission Provider, if no effective date is specified.

5.16.1 Effect of Missed Interconnection Customer PLGIA Milestones.

If Interconnection Customer fails to provide notice of suspension pursuant to Article 5.16, and Interconnection Customer fails to fulfill or complete any Interconnection Customer PLGIA Milestone provided in Appendix B ("PLGIA")

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Milestone"), this constitutes a Breach under this PLGIA. Depending upon the consequences of the Breach and effectiveness of the cure pursuant to Article 17, Transmission Provider's PLGIA Milestones may be revised, following consultation with Interconnection Customer, consistent with Reasonable Efforts, and in consideration of all relevant circumstances. Parties shall employ Reasonable Efforts to maintain their remaining respective PLGIA Milestones.

5.16.2 Effect of Suspension; Parties Obligations.

In the event that Interconnection Customer suspends work pursuant to this Article 5.16, the applicable construction duration, timelines and schedules set forth in Appendix B shall be suspended during the period of suspension. Should Interconnection Customer thereafter request that work be recommenced, Appendix A and Appendix B may be revised to account for construction sequencing and modified milestones. If the Commercial Operation Date is extended beyond three (3) cumulative years described in Section 4.4.5 of the Revised LGIP and Article 2.3.1 of this PLGIA, such an extension may be considered a Material Modification and result in the termination of the PLGIA under Article 2.3.1. Interconnection Customer is required to maintain Site Control while this PLGIA is in effect, including during suspension.

5.17 Taxes

5.17.1 Interconnection Customer Payments Not Taxable.

The Parties intend that all payments or property transfers made by Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider for the installation of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and the Network Upgrades shall be non-taxable, either as contributions to capital, or as an advance, in accordance with the Internal Revenue Code and any applicable state income tax laws and shall not be taxable as contributions in aid of construction or otherwise under the Internal Revenue Code and any applicable state income tax laws.

5.17.2 Representations and Covenants.

In accordance with IRS Notice 2001-82 and IRS Notice 88-129, Interconnection Customer represents and covenants that (i) ownership of the electricity generated at the Large Generating Facility will pass to another party prior to the transmission of the electricity on the Transmission System, (ii) for income tax purposes, the amount of any payments and the cost of any property transferred to Transmission Provider for Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities will be capitalized by Interconnection Customer as an intangible asset and recovered using the straight-line method over a useful life of twenty (20) years, and (iii) any portion of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities that is a "dual-use intertie," within the meaning of IRS Notice 88-129, is reasonably expected to carry only a de minimis amount of electricity in the direction of the Large Generating Facility. For this purpose, "de minimis amount" means no more than percent of the total power flows in both directions, calculated in accordance with the "5 percent test" set forth in IRS Notice 88-129. This is not intended to be an exclusive list of the relevant conditions that must be met to conform to IRS requirements for nontaxable treatment.

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At Transmission Provider's request, Interconnection Customer shall provide Transmission Provider with a report from an independent engineer confirming its representation in clause (iii), above. Transmission Provider represents and covenants that the cost of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities paid for by Interconnection Customer will have no net effect on the base upon which rates are determined.

5.17.3 Indemnification for the Cost Consequences of Current Tax Liability Imposed Upon the Transmission Provider.

Notwithstanding Article 5.17.1, Interconnection Customer shall protect, indemnify and hold harmless Transmission Provider from the cost consequences of any current tax liability imposed against Transmission Provider as the result of payments or property transfers made by Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider under this PLGIA for Interconnection Facilities, as well as any interest and penalties, other than interest and penalties attributable to any delay caused by Transmission Provider.

Transmission Provider shall not include a gross-up for the cost consequences of any current tax liability in the amounts it charges Interconnection Customer under this PLGIA unless (i) Transmission Provider has determined, in good faith, that the payments or property transfers made by Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider should be reported as income subject to taxation or (ii) any Governmental Authority directs Transmission Provider to report payments or property as income subject to taxation; provided, however, that Transmission Provider may require Interconnection Customer to provide security for Interconnection Facilities, in a form reasonably acceptable to Transmission Provider (such as a parental guarantee or a letter of credit), in an amount equal to the cost consequences of any current tax liability under this Article 5.17. Interconnection Customer shall reimburse Transmission Provider for such costs on a fully grossed-up basis, in accordance with Article 5.17.4, within thirty (30) Calendar Days of receiving written notification from Transmission Provider of the amount due, including detail about how the amount was calculated.

The indemnification obligation shall terminate at the earlier of (1) the expiration of the ten-year testing period and the applicable statute of limitation, as it may be extended by Transmission Provider upon request of the IRS, to keep these years open for audit or adjustment, or (2) the occurrence of a subsequent taxable event and the payment of any related indemnification obligations as contemplated by this Article 5.17.

5.17.4 Tax Gross-Up Amount.

Interconnection Customer's liability for the cost consequences of any current tax liability under this Article 5.17 shall be calculated on a fully grossed-up basis. Except as may otherwise be agreed to by the parties, this means that Interconnection Customer will pay Transmission Provider, in addition to the amount paid for the Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades, an amount equal to (1) the current taxes imposed on Transmission Provider ("Current Taxes")

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on the excess of (a) the gross income realized by Transmission Provider as a result of payments or property transfers made by Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider under this PLGIA (without regard to any payments under this Article 5.17) (the "Gross Income Amount") over (b) the present value of future tax deductions for depreciation that will be available as a result of such payments or property transfers (the "Present Value Depreciation Amount"), plus (2) an additional amount sufficient to permit Transmission Provider to receive and retain, after the payment of all Current Taxes, an amount equal to the net amount described in clause (1).

For this purpose, (i) Current Taxes shall be computed based on Transmission Provider's composite federal and state tax rates at the time the payments or property transfers are received and Transmission Provider will be treated as being subject to tax at the highest marginal rates in effect at that time (the "Current Tax Rate"), and (ii) the Present Value Depreciation Amount shall be computed by discounting Transmission Provider's anticipated tax depreciation deductions as a result of such payments or property transfers by Transmission Provider's current weighted average cost of capital. Thus, the formula for calculating Interconnection Customer's liability to Transmission Owner pursuant to this Article 5.17.4 can be expressed as follows: (Current Tax Rate x (Gross Income Amount – Present Value of Tax Depreciation))/(1-Current Tax Rate). Interconnection Customer's estimated tax liability in the event taxes are imposed shall be stated in Appendix A, Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades and Distribution Upgrades.

5.17.5 Private Letter Ruling or Change or Clarification of Law.

At Interconnection Customer's request and expense, Transmission Provider shall file with the IRS a request for a private letter ruling as to whether any property transferred or sums paid, or to be paid, by Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider under this PLGIA are subject to federal income taxation. Interconnection Customer will prepare the initial draft of the request for a private letter ruling, and will certify under penalties of perjury that all facts represented in such request are true and accurate to the best of Interconnection Customer's knowledge. Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer shall cooperate in good faith with respect to the submission of such request. Transmission Provider shall keep Interconnection Customer fully informed of the status of such request for a private letter ruling and shall execute either a privacy act waiver or a limited power of attorney, in a form acceptable to the IRS that authorizes Interconnection Customer to participate in all discussions with the IRS regarding such request for a private letter ruling. Transmission Provider shall allow Interconnection Customer to attend all meetings with IRS officials about the request and shall permit Interconnection Customer to prepare the initial drafts of any follow-up letters in connection with the request.

5.17.6 Subsequent Taxable Events.

If, within ten (10) years from the date on which the relevant Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities are placed in service, (i) Interconnection Customer Breaches the covenants contained in Article 5.17.2, (ii) a "disqualification event" occurs within the meaning of IRS Notice 88-129, or (iii) this

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PLGIA terminates and Transmission Provider retains ownership of the Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades, Interconnection Customer shall pay a tax gross-up for the cost consequences of any current tax liability imposed on Transmission Provider, calculated using the methodology described in Article 5.17.4 and in accordance with IRS Notice 90-60.

5.17.7 Contests.

In the event any Governmental Authority determines that Transmission Provider's receipt of payments or property constitutes income that is subject to taxation. Transmission Provider shall notify Interconnection Customer, in writing, within thirty (30) Calendar Days of receiving notification of such determination by a Governmental Authority. Upon the timely written request by Interconnection Customer and at Interconnection Customer's sole expense, Transmission Provider may appeal, protest, seek abatement of, or otherwise oppose such determination. Upon Interconnection Customer's written request and sole expense, Transmission Provider may file a claim for refund with respect to any taxes paid under this Article 5.17, whether or not it has received such a determination. Transmission Provider reserves the right to make all decisions with regard to the prosecution of such appeal, protest, abatement or other contest, including the selection of counsel and compromise or settlement of the claim, but Transmission Provider shall keep Interconnection Customer informed, shall consider in good faith suggestions from Interconnection Customer about the conduct of the contest, and shall reasonably permit Interconnection Customer or an Interconnection Customer representative to attend contest proceedings.

Interconnection Customer shall pay to Transmission Provider on a periodic basis, as invoiced by Transmission Provider, Transmission Provider's documented reasonable costs of prosecuting such appeal, protest, abatement or other contest. At any time during the contest, Transmission Provider may agree to a settlement either with Interconnection Customer's consent or after obtaining written advice from nationally-recognized tax counsel, selected by Transmission Provider, but reasonably acceptable to Interconnection Customer, that the proposed settlement represents a reasonable settlement given the hazards of litigation. Interconnection Customer's obligation shall be based on the amount of the settlement agreed to by Interconnection Customer, or if a higher amount, so much of the settlement that is supported by the written advice from nationally-recognized tax counsel selected under the terms of the preceding sentence. The settlement amount shall be calculated on a fully grossed-up basis to cover any related cost consequences of the current tax liability. Any settlement without Interconnection Customer's consent or such written advice will relieve Interconnection Customer from any obligation to indemnify Transmission Provider for the tax at issue in the contest.

5.17.8 Refund.

In the event that (a) a private letter ruling is issued to Transmission Provider which holds that any amount paid or the value of any property transferred by Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider under the terms of this PLGIA is not subject to federal income taxation, (b) any legislative change or administrative announcement, notice, ruling or other determination makes it

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reasonably clear to Transmission Provider in good faith that any amount paid or the value of any property transferred by Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider under the terms of this PLGIA is not taxable to Transmission Provider, (c) any abatement, appeal, protest, or other contest results in a determination that any payments or transfers made by Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider are not subject to federal income tax, or (d) if Transmission Provider receives a refund from any taxing authority for any overpayment of tax attributable to any payment or property transfer made by Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider pursuant to this PLGIA, Transmission Provider shall promptly refund to Interconnection Customer the following:

- (i) any payment made by Interconnection Customer under this Article 5.17 for taxes that is attributable to the amount determined to be non-taxable, together with interest thereon,
- (ii) interest on any amount paid by Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider for such taxes which Transmission Provider did not submit to the taxing authority, calculated in accordance with the methodology set forth in FERC's regulations at 18 CFR § 35.19a(a)(2)(iii) from the date payment was made by Interconnection Customer to the date Transmission Provider refunds such payment to Interconnection Customer, and
- with respect to any such taxes paid by Transmission Provider, any (iii) refund or credit Transmission Provider receives or to which it may be entitled from any Governmental Authority, interest (or that portion thereof attributable to the payment described in clause (i), above) owed to Transmission Provider for such overpayment of taxes (including any reduction in interest otherwise payable by Transmission Provider to any Governmental Authority resulting from an offset or credit); provided, however, that Transmission Provider will remit such amount promptly to Interconnection Customer only after and to the extent that Transmission Provider has received a tax refund, credit or offset from any Governmental Authority for any applicable overpayment of income tax related to Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities. The intent of this provision is to leave the Parties, to the extent practicable, in the event that no taxes are due with respect to any payment for Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades hereunder, in the same position they would have been in had no such tax payments been made.

5.17.9 Taxes Other Than Income Taxes.

Upon the timely request by Interconnection Customer, and at Interconnection Customer's sole expense, Transmission Provider may appeal, protest, seek abatement of, or otherwise contest any tax (other than federal or state income tax) asserted or assessed against Transmission Provider for which Interconnection Customer may be required to reimburse Transmission Provider under the terms of this PLGIA. Interconnection Customer shall pay to Transmission Provider on a

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periodic basis, as invoiced by Transmission Provider, Transmission Provider's documented reasonable costs of prosecuting such appeal, protest, abatement, or other contest. Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider shall cooperate in good faith with respect to any such contest. Unless the payment of such taxes is a prerequisite to an appeal or abatement or cannot be deferred, no amount shall be payable by Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider for such taxes until they are assessed by a final, non-appealable order by any court or agency of competent jurisdiction. In the event that a tax payment is withheld and ultimately due and payable after appeal, Interconnection Customer will be responsible for all taxes, interest and penalties, other than penalties attributable to any delay caused by Transmission Provider.

5.17.10 Transmission Owners Who Are Not Transmission Providers.

If Transmission Provider is not the same entity as the Transmission Owner, then (i) all references in this Article 5.17 to Transmission Provider shall be deemed also to refer to and to include the Transmission Owner, as appropriate, and (ii) this PLGIA shall not become effective until such Transmission Owner shall have agreed in writing to assume all of the duties and obligations of Transmission Provider under this Article 5.17 of this PLGIA.

5.18 Tax Status.

Each Party shall cooperate with the other to maintain the other Party's tax status. Nothing in this PLGIA is intended to adversely affect any Transmission Provider's tax exempt status with respect to the issuance of bonds including, but not limited to, Local Furnishing Bonds.

5.19 Modification.

5.19.1 General.

Either Party may undertake modifications to its facilities. If a Party plans to undertake a modification that reasonably may be expected to affect the other Party's facilities, that Party shall provide to the other Party sufficient information regarding such modification so that the other Party may evaluate the potential impact of such modification prior to commencement of the work. Such information shall be deemed to be confidential hereunder and shall include information concerning the timing of such modifications and whether such modifications are expected to interrupt the flow of electricity from the Large Generating Facility. The Party desiring to perform such work shall provide the relevant drawings, plans, and specifications to the other Party at least ninety (90) Calendar Days in advance of the commencement of the work or such shorter period upon which the Parties may agree, which agreement shall not unreasonably be withheld, conditioned or delayed.

In the case of Large Generating Facility modification that is not a Material Modification and do no require Interconnection Customer to submit an Interconnection Request, Transmission Provider shall provide, within thirty (30) Calendar Days (or such other time as the Parties may agree), an estimate of any additional modifications to the Transmission System, Transmission

Provider's Interconnection Facilities or Network Upgrades necessitated by such Interconnection Customer modification and a good faith estimate of the costs thereof.

5.19.2 Standards.

Any additions, modifications, or replacements made to a Party's facilities shall be designed, constructed, and operated in accordance with this PLGIA and Good Utility Practice.

5.19.3 Modification Costs.

Interconnection Customer shall not be directly assigned for the costs of any additions, modifications, or replacements that Transmission Provider makes to Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities or the Transmission System to facilitate the interconnection of a third party to Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities or the Transmission System, or to provide transmission service to a third party under Transmission Provider's Tariff. Interconnection Customer shall be responsible for the costs of any additions, modifications, or replacements to Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities that may be necessary to maintain or upgrade such Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities consistent with Applicable Laws and Regulations, Applicable Reliability Standards or Good Utility Practice.

Article 6. Testing and Inspection

6.1 Pre-Commercial Operation Date Testing and Modifications.

Prior to the Commercial Operation Date, Transmission Provider shall test Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades and Interconnection Customer shall test the Large Generating Facility and Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities to ensure their safe and reliable operation. Similar testing may be required after initial operation. Each Party shall make any modifications to its facilities that are found to be necessary as a result of such testing. Interconnection Customer shall bear the cost of all such testing and modifications. Interconnection Customer shall generate test energy at the Large Generating Facility only if it has arranged for the delivery of such test energy.

6.2 Post-Commercial Operation Date Testing and Modifications.

Each Party shall at its own expense perform routine inspection and testing of its facilities and equipment in accordance with Good Utility Practice as may be necessary to ensure the continued interconnection of the Large Generating Facility with the Transmission System in a safe and reliable manner. Each Party shall have the right, upon advance written notice, to require reasonable additional testing of the other Party's facilities, at the requesting Party's expense, as may be in accordance with Good Utility Practice.

6.3 Right to Observe Testing.

Each Party shall notify the other Party in advance of its performance of tests of its Interconnection Facilities. The other Party has the right, at its own expense, to observe such testing.

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6.4 Right to Inspect.

Each Party shall have the right, but shall have no obligation to: (i) observe the other Party's tests and/or inspection of any of its System Protection Facilities and other protective equipment, including Power System Stabilizers; (ii) review the settings of the other Party's System Protection Facilities and other protective equipment; and (iii) review the other Party's maintenance records relative to the Interconnection Facilities, the System Protection Facilities and other protective equipment. A Party may exercise these rights from time to time as it deems necessary upon reasonable notice to the other Party. The exercise or non-exercise by a Party of any such rights shall not be construed as an endorsement or confirmation of any element or condition of the Interconnection Facilities or the System Protection Facilities or other protective equipment or the operation thereof, or as a warranty as to the fitness, safety, desirability, or reliability of same. Any information that a Party obtains through the exercise of any of its rights under this Article 6.4 shall be deemed to be Confidential Information and treated pursuant to Article 22 of this PLGIA.

Article 7. Metering

7.1 General.

Each Party shall comply with the Applicable Electric Reliability Council Organization requirements. Unless otherwise agreed by the Parties, Transmission Provider shall install Metering Equipment at the Point of Interconnection prior to any operation of the Large Generating Facility and shall own, operate, test and maintain such Metering Equipment. Power flows to and from the Large Generating Facility shall be measured at or, at Transmission Provider's option, compensated to, the Point of Interconnection. Transmission Provider shall provide metering quantities, in analog and/or digital form, to Interconnection Customer upon request. Interconnection Customer shall bear all reasonable documented costs associated with the purchase, installation, operation, testing and maintenance of the Metering Equipment.

7.2 Check Meters.

Interconnection Customer, at its option and expense, may install and operate, on its premises and on its side of the Point of Interconnection, one or more check meters to check Transmission Provider's meters. Such check meters shall be for check purposes only and shall not be used for the measurement of power flows for purposes of this PLGIA, except as provided in Article 7.4 below. The check meters shall be subject at all reasonable times to inspection and examination by Transmission Provider or its designee. The installation, operation and maintenance thereof shall be performed entirely by Interconnection Customer in accordance with Good Utility Practice.

7.3 Standards.

Transmission Provider shall install, calibrate, and test revenue quality Metering Equipment in accordance with applicable ANSI standards.

7.4 Testing of Metering Equipment.

Transmission Provider shall inspect and test all Transmission Provider-owned Metering Equipment upon installation and at least once every two (2) years thereafter. If requested to do so by Interconnection Customer, Transmission Provider shall, at Interconnection Customer's expense, inspect or test Metering Equipment more frequently than every two

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(2) years. Transmission Provider shall give reasonable notice of the time when any inspection or test shall take place, and Interconnection Customer may have representatives present at the test or inspection. If at any time Metering Equipment is found to be inaccurate or defective, it shall be adjusted, repaired or replaced at Interconnection Customer's expense, in order to provide accurate metering, unless the inaccuracy or defect is due to Transmission Provider's failure to maintain, then Transmission Provider shall pay. If Metering Equipment fails to register, or if the measurement made by Metering Equipment during a test varies by more than two percent from the measurement made by the standard meter used in the test, Transmission Provider shall adjust the measurements by correcting all measurements for the period during which Metering Equipment was in error by using Interconnection Customer's check meters, if installed. If no such check meters are installed or if the period cannot be reasonably ascertained, the adjustment shall be for the period immediately preceding the test of the Metering Equipment equal to one-half the time from the date of the last previous test of the Metering Equipment.

7.5 Metering Data.

At Interconnection Customer's expense, the metered data shall be telemetered to one or more locations designated by Transmission Provider and one or more locations designated by Interconnection Customer. Such telemetered data shall be used, under normal operating conditions, as the official measurement of the amount of energy delivered from the Large Generating Facility to the Point of Interconnection.

Article 8. Communications

8.1 Interconnection Customer Obligations.

Interconnection Customer shall maintain satisfactory operating communications with Transmission Provider's Transmission System dispatcher or representative designated by Transmission Provider. Interconnection Customer shall provide standard voice line, dedicated voice line and facsimile communications at its Large Generating Facility control room or central dispatch facility through use of either the public telephone system, or a voice communications system that does not rely on the public telephone system. Interconnection Customer shall also provide the dedicated data circuit(s) necessary to provide Interconnection Customer data to Transmission Provider as set forth in Appendix D, Security Arrangements Details. The data circuit(s) shall extend from the Large Generating Facility to the location(s) specified by Transmission Provider. Any required maintenance of such communications equipment shall be performed by Interconnection Customer. Operational communications shall be activated and maintained under, but not be limited to, the following events: system paralleling or separation, scheduled and unscheduled shutdowns, equipment clearances, and hourly and daily load data

8.2 Remote Terminal Unit.

Prior to the Initial Synchronization Date of the Large Generating Facility, a Remote Terminal Unit, or equivalent data collection and transfer equipment acceptable to the Parties, shall be installed by Interconnection Customer, or by Transmission Provider at Interconnection Customer's expense, to gather accumulated and instantaneous data to be telemetered to the location(s) designated by Transmission Provider through use of a dedicated point-to-point data circuit(s) as indicated in Article 8.1. The communication

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protocol for the data circuit(s) shall be specified by Transmission Provider. Instantaneous bi-directional analog real power and reactive power flow information must be telemetered directly to the location(s) specified by Transmission Provider.

Each Party will promptly advise the other Party if it detects or otherwise learns of any metering, telemetry or communications equipment errors or malfunctions that require the attention and/or correction by the other Party. The Party owning such equipment shall correct such error or malfunction as soon as reasonably feasible.

8.3 No Annexation.

Any and all equipment placed on the premises of a Party shall be and remain the property of the Party providing such equipment regardless of the mode and manner of annexation or attachment to real property, unless otherwise mutually agreed by the Parties.

8.4 Provision of Data from a Variable Energy Resource.

The Interconnection Customer whose Generating facility Is a Variable Energy Resource shall provide meteorological and forced outage data to the Transmission Provider to the extent necessary for the Transmission Provider's development and deployment of power production forecasts for that class of Variable Energy Resources.

The Interconnection Customer with a Variable Energy Resource having wind as the energy source, at a minimum, will be required to provide the Transmission Provider with site-specific meteorological data including: manufacturer, model, and year of all wind turbines and meteorological instrumentation, latitude, longitude and hub height at every wind turbine and meteorological tower, real-time data including turbine generation (kW), wind speed (mph), turbine availability, wind direction (in degrees relative to true north), temperature (Celsius and F), pressure (mb), air density and turbine manufacturer power curve. The information provided shall be refreshed in approximately four-ten (4-10) second intervals with regard to its generation of Renewable Energy at the Facility.

The Interconnection Customer with a Variable Energy Resource having solar as the energy source, at a minimum, will be required to provide the Transmission Provider with site-specific meteorological data including: manufacturer, model and year of all panels, inverters and meteorological instrumentation, latitude and longitude of the center of the solar panels for every inverter and every meteorological tower, real-time data including inverter generation (kW), inverter availability, direct normal solar insolation (solar intensity), temperature, barometric pressure, wind speed (mph), wind direction (degrees relative to true north) and solar panel manufacturer power curve. The information provided shall be refreshed as frequently as allowed by the SCADA System, not to exceed sixty (60) second intervals.

The Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer whose Generating Facility is a Variable Energy Resource shall mutually agree to any additional meteorological data that are required for the development and deployment of a power production forecast. The Interconnection Customer whose Generating Facility is a Variable Energy Resource also shall submit data to the Transmission Provider regarding all forced outages to the extent necessary for the Transmission Provider's development and deployment of power production forecasts for that class of Variable Energy Resources. The exact specifications

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of the meteorological and forced outage data to be provided by the Interconnection Customer to the Transmission Provider including the frequency and timing of data submittals shall be made taking into account the size and configuration of the Variable Energy Resource, its characteristics, location, and its importance in maintaining generation resource adequacy and transmission system reliability in its area. All requirements for meteorological and forced outage data must be commensurate with the power production forecasting employed by the Transmission Provider. Such requirements for meteorological and forced outage data are set forth in Appendix C, Interconnection Details, of this PLGIA, as they may change from time to time.

Article 9. Operations

- **9.1 General**. Each Party shall comply with the <u>ApplicableElectric</u> Reliability <u>CouncilOrganization</u> requirements. Each Party shall provide to the other Party all information that may reasonably be required by the other Party to comply with Applicable Laws and Regulations and Applicable Reliability Standards.
- 9.2 ControlBalancing Authority Area Notification. At least three months before Initial Synchronization Date, Interconnection Customer shall notify Transmission Provider in writing of the ControlBalancing Authority Area in which the Large Generating Facility will be located. If Interconnection Customer elects to locate the Large Generating Facility in a ControlBalancing Authority Area other than the ControlBalancing Authority Area in which the Large Generating Facility is physically located, and if permitted to do so by the relevant transmission tariffs, all necessary arrangements, including but not limited to those set forth in Article 7 and Article 8 of this PLGIA, and remote ControlBalancing Authority Area generator interchange agreements, if applicable, and the appropriate measures under such agreements, shall be executed and implemented prior to the placement of the Large Generating Facility in the other ControlBalancing Authority Area.
- Transmission Provider Obligations. Transmission Provider shall cause the Transmission System and Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities to be operated, maintained and controlled in a safe and reliable manner and in accordance with this PLGIA. Transmission Provider may provide operating instructions to Interconnection Customer consistent with this PLGIA and Transmission Provider's operating protocols and procedures as they may change from time to time. Transmission Provider will consider changes to its operating protocols and procedures proposed by Interconnection Customer.
- 9.4 Interconnection Customer Obligations. Interconnection Customer shall at its own expense operate, maintain and control the Large Generating Facility and Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities in a safe and reliable manner and in accordance with this PLGIA. Interconnection Customer shall operate the Large Generating Facility and Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities in accordance with all applicable requirements of the Balancing Authority Area of which it is part, as such requirements are set forth in Appendix C, Interconnection Details, of this PLGIA. Appendix C, Interconnection Details, will be modified to reflect changes to the requirements as they may change from time to time. Either Party may request that the other Party provide copies of the requirements set forth in Appendix C, Interconnection Details, of this PLGIA.

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- 9.5 Start-Up and Synchronization. Consistent with the Parties' mutually acceptable procedures, Interconnection Customer is responsible for the proper synchronization of the Large Generating Facility to Transmission Provider's Transmission System.
- 9.6 Reactive Power and Primary Frequency Response.
 - 9.6.1 Power Factor Design Criteria.
- <u>9.6.1.1 Synchronous Generation</u>. Interconnection Customer shall design the Large Generating Facility to maintain a composite power delivery at continuous rated power output at the Point of Interconnection at a power factor within the range of 0.95 leading to 0.95 lagging, unless
- Transmission Provider Obligations. Transmission Provider shall cause the Transmission System and Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities to be operated, maintained and controlled in a safe and reliable manner and in accordance with this PLGIA. Transmission Provider may provide operating instructions to Interconnection Customer consistent with this PLGIA and Transmission Provider's operating protocols and procedures as they may change from time to time. Transmission Provider will consider changes to its operating protocols and procedures proposed by Interconnection Customer.
- 9.4 Interconnection Customer Obligations. Interconnection Customer shall at its own expense operate, maintain and control the Large Generating Facility and Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities in a safe and reliable manner and in accordance with this PLGIA. Interconnection Customer shall operate the Large Generating Facility and Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities in accordance with all applicable requirements of the Control Area of which it is part, as such requirements are set forth in Appendix C, Interconnection Details, of this PLGIA. Appendix C, Interconnection Details, will be modified to reflect changes to the requirements as they may change from time to time. Either Party may request that the other Party provide copies of the requirements set forth in Appendix C, Interconnection Details, of this PLGIA.
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[1] The effective date of Order 827 is October 14, 2016.

Voltage Schedules. Once Interconnection Customer has synchronized the 9.6.2 Large Generating Facility with the Transmission System, Transmission Provider shall require Interconnection Customer to operate the Large Generating Facility to produce or absorb reactive power within the design limitations of the Large Generating Facility set forth in Article 9.6.1 (Power Factor Design Criteria). Transmission Provider's voltage schedules shall treat all sources of reactive power in the Balancing Authority Area in an equitable and not unduly discriminatory manner. Transmission Provider shall exercise Reasonable Efforts to provide Interconnection Customer with such schedules at least one (1) day in advance, and may make changes to such schedules as necessary to maintain the reliability of the Transmission System. Interconnection Customer shall operate the Large Generating Facility to maintain the specified output voltage or power factor at the Point of Interconnection within the design limitations of the Large Generating Facility set forth in Article 9.6.1 (Power Factor Design Criteria). If Interconnection Customer is unable to maintain the specified voltage or power factor, it shall promptly notify the System Operator.

9.6.2.1 Voltage Regulators.

Whenever the Large Generating Facility is operated in parallel with the Transmission System and voltage regulators are capable of operation, Interconnection Customer shall operate the Large Generating Facility with its voltage regulators in automatic operation. If the Large Generating Facility's voltage regulators are not capable of such automatic operation, Interconnection Customer

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shall immediately notify Transmission Provider's system operator, or its designated representative, and ensure that such Large Generating Facility's reactive power production or absorption (measured in MVARs) are within the design capability of the Large Generating Facility's generating unit(s) and steady state stability limits. Interconnection Customer shall not cause its Large Generating Facility to disconnect automatically or instantaneously from the Transmission System or trip any generating unit comprising the Large Generating Facility for an under or over frequency condition unless the abnormal frequency condition persists for a time period beyond the limits set forth in ANSI/IEEE Standard C37.106, or such other standard as applied to other generators in the Balancing Authority Area on a comparable basis.

9.6.3 Payment for Reactive Power.

Transmission Provider is required to pay Interconnection Customer for reactive power that Interconnection Customer provides or absorbs from the Large Generating Facility when Transmission Provider requests Interconnection Customer to operate its Large Generating Facility outside the range specified in Article 9.6.1, provided that if Transmission Provider pays its own or affiliated generators for reactive power service within the specified range, it must also pay Interconnection Customer. Payments shall be pursuant to Article 11.6 or such other agreement to which the Parties have otherwise agreed.

9.6.4 Primary Frequency Response.

Interconnection Customer shall ensure the primary frequency response capability of its Large Generating Facility by installing, maintaining, and operating a functioning governor or equivalent controls. The term "functioning governor or equivalent controls" as used herein shall mean the required hardware and/or software that provides frequency responsive real power control with the ability to sense changes in system frequency and autonomously adjust the Large Generating Facility's real power output in accordance with the droop and deadband parameters and in the direction needed to correct frequency deviations. Interconnection Customer is required to install a governor or equivalent controls with the capability of operating: (1) with a maximum 5 percent droop and ±0.036 Hz deadband; or (2) in accordance with the relevant droop, deadband, and timely and sustained response settings from an approved - This power factor range standard shall be dynamic and can be met using, for example, power electronics designed to supply this level of reactive capability (taking into account any limitations due to voltage level, real power output, etc.) or fixed and switched capacitors, or a combination of the two. This requirement shall only apply to newly interconnecting non-synchronous generators that have not vet executed a Facilities Study Agreement as of the effective date of the Final Rule establishing this requirement (Order

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No. 827).⁴ This requirement also applies to existing nonsynchronous generators making upgrades that require a new Generator Interconnection Agreement where the System Impact Study shows the need for reactive power as a result of an upgrade.

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Whenever the Large Generating Facility is operated in parallel with the Transmission System and voltage regulators are capable of operation, Interconnection Customer shall operate the Large Generating Facility with its voltage regulators in automatic operation. If the Large Generating Facility's voltage regulators are not capable of such automatic operation, Interconnection Customer shall immediately notify Transmission Provider's system operator, or its designated representative, and ensure that such Large Generating Facility's reactive power production or absorption (measured in MVARs) are within the design capability of the Large Generating Facility's generating unit(s) and steady state stability limits. Interconnection Customer shall not cause its Large Generating Facility to disconnect automatically or instantaneously from the Transmission System or trip any generating unit comprising the Large Generating Facility for an under or over frequency condition unless the abnormal frequency condition persists for a time period beyond the limits set forth in ANSI/IEEE Standard C37.106, or such other standard as applied to other generators in the Control Area on a comparable basis.

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the Large Generating Facility when Transmission Provider requests Interconnection Customer to operate its Large Generating Facility outside the range specified in Article 9.6.1, provided that if Transmission Provider pays its own or affiliated generators for reactive power service within the specified range, it must also pay Interconnection Customer. Payments shall be pursuant to Article 11.6 or such other agreement to which the Parties have otherwise agreed.

9.6.4 Primary Frequency Response.

Interconnection Customer shall ensure the primary frequency response capability of its Large Generating Facility by installing, maintaining, and operating a functioning governor or equivalent controls. The term <u>"functioning governor or equivalent controls" as used herein shall mean</u> the required hardware and/or software that provides frequency responsive real power control with the ability to sense changes in system frequency and autonomously adjust the Large Generating Facility's real power output in accordance with the droop and deadband parameters and in the direction needed to correct frequency deviations. Interconnection Customer is required to install a governor or equivalent controls with the capability of operating: (1) with a maximum 5 percent droop and ±0.036 Hz deadband; or (2) in accordance with the relevant droop, deadband, and timely and sustained response settings from an approved NERCElectric Reliability Organization reliability Standard providing sproviding for equivalent or more stringent parameters. The droop characteristic shall be: (1) based on the nameplate capacity of the Large Generating Facility, and shall be linear in the range of frequencies between 59 to 61 Hz that are outside of the deadband parameter; or (2) based on an approved NERCElectric Reliability Standard Organization reliability standard providing for an equivalent or more stringent parameter. The deadband parameter shall be: the range of frequencies above and below nominal (60 Hz) in which the governor or equivalent controls is not expected to adjust the Large Generating Facility's real power output in response to frequency deviations. The deadband shall be implemented: (1) without a step to the droop curve. that is, once the frequency deviation exceeds the deadband parameter, the expected change in the Large Generating Facility's real power output in response to frequency deviations shall start from zero and then increase (for under-frequency deviations) or decrease (for overfrequency deviations) linearly in proportion to the magnitude of the frequency deviation; or (2) in accordance with an approved - The deadband parameter shall be: the range of frequencies above and below nominal (60 Hz) in which the governor or equivalent controls is not expected to adjust the Large Generating Facility's real power output in response to frequency deviations. The deadband shall be implemented: (1) without a step to the droop curve, that is, once the frequency deviation exceeds the deadband parameter, the expected change in the Large Generating Facility's real power output in response to frequency deviations shall start from zero and then increase (for

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9.6.4.1 Governor or Equivalent Controls.

Whenever the Large Generating Facility is operated in parallel with the Transmission System, Interconnection Customer shall operate the Large Generating Facility with its governor or equivalent controls in service and responsive to frequency. Interconnection Customer shall: (1) in coordination with Transmission Provider and/or the relevant balancing authority, set the deadband parameter to: (1) a maximum of ±0.036 Hz and set the droop parameter to a maximum of 5 percent or (2) implement the relevant droop and deadband settings from an approved Electric Reliability Organization reliability standard that provides for equivalent or more stringent parameters. Interconnection Customer shall be required to provide the status and settings of the governor or equivalent controls to Transmission Provider and/or the relevant balancing authority upon request. If Interconnection Customer needs to operate the Large Generating Facility with its governor or equivalent controls not in service, Interconnection Customer shall immediately notify Transmission Provider and the relevant balancing authority, and provide both with the following information: (1) the operating status of the governor or equivalent controls (i.e., whether it is currently out of service or when it will be taken out of service); (2) the reasons for removing the governor or equivalent controls from service; and (3) a reasonable estimate of when the governor or equivalent controls will be returned to service. Interconnection Customer shall make Reasonable Efforts to return its governor or equivalent controls into service as soon as practicable. Interconnection Customer shall make Reasonable Efforts to keep outages of the Large Generating Facility's governor or equivalent controls to a minimum whenever the Large Generating Facility is operated in parallel with the Transmission System.

9.6.4.2 Timely and Sustained Response.

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Interconnection Customer shall ensure that the Large Generating Facility's real power response to sustained frequency deviations outside of the deadband setting is automatically provided and shall begin immediately after frequency deviates outside of the deadband. and to the extent the Large Generating Facility has operating capability in the direction needed to correct the frequency deviation. Interconnection Customer shall not block or otherwise inhibit the ability of the governor or equivalent controls to respond and shall ensure that the response is not inhibited, except under certain operational constraints including, but not limited to, ambient temperature limitations, physical energy limitations, outages of mechanical equipment, or regulatory requirements. The Large Generating Facility shall sustain the real power response at least until system frequency returns to a value within the deadband setting of the governor or equivalent controls. Interconnection Customer shall notify Transmission Provider that the primary frequency response capability of the Large Generating Facility has been tested and confirmed during commissioning. Once Interconnection Customer has synchronized the Large Generating Facility with the Transmission System, Interconnection Customer shall operate the Large Generating Facility consistent with the provisions specified in Articles 9.6.4.1 and 9.6.4.2 of this Agreement. The primary frequency response requirements contained herein shall apply to both synchronous and non-synchronous Large Generating Facilities.

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9.6.4.3 Exemptions.

Large Generating Facilities that are regulated by the United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission shall be exempt from Articles 9.6.4, 9.6.4.1, and 9.6.4.2 of this Agreement. Large Generating Facilities that are behind the meter generation that is sized-to-load (i.e., the thermal load and the generation are near-balanced in real-time operation and the generation is primarily controlled to maintain the unique thermal, chemical, or mechanical output necessary for the operating requirements of its host facility) shall be required to install primary frequency response capability in accordance with the droop and deadband capability requirements specified in Article 9.6.4, but shall be otherwise exempt from the operating requirements in Articles 9.6.4, 9.6.4.1, 9.6.4.2, and 9.6.4.4 of this Agreement.

9.6.4.4 Electric Storage Resources.

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9.6.4.4 Electric Storage Resources.

Interconnection Customer interconnecting a Generating Facility that contains an electric storage resource shall establish an operating range in Appendix C of its PLGIA that specifies a minimum state of charge and a maximum state of charge between which the electric storage resource will be required to provide primary frequency response consistent with the conditions set forth in Articles 9.6.4, 9.6.4.1, 9.6.4.2, and 9.6.4.3 of this Agreement. Appendix C shall specify whether the operating range is static or dynamic, and shall consider (1) the expected magnitude of frequency deviations in the interconnection; (2) the expected duration that system frequency will remain outside of the deadband parameter in the interconnection; (3) the expected incidence of frequency deviations outside of the deadband parameter in the interconnection; (4) the physical capabilities of the electric storage resource; (5) operational limitations of the electric storage resource due to manufacturer specifications; and (6) any other relevant factors agreed to by Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer, and in consultation with the relevant transmission owner or balancing authority as appropriate. If the operating range is dynamic, then Appendix C must establish how frequently the operating range will be reevaluated and the factors that may be considered during its reevaluation.

Interconnection Customer's electric storage resource is required to provide timely and sustained primary frequency response consistent with Article 9.6.4.2 of this Agreement when it is online and dispatched to inject electricity to the Transmission System and/or receive electricity from the Transmission System. This excludes circumstances when the electric storage resource is not dispatched to inject electricity to the Transmission System and/or dispatched to receive electricity from the Transmission System. If Interconnection Customer's electric storage resource is charging at the time of a frequency deviation outside of its deadband

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parameter, it is to increase (for over-frequency deviations) or decrease (for under-frequency deviations) the rate at which it is charging in accordance with its droop parameter. Interconnection Customer's electric storage resource is not required to change from charging to discharging, or vice versa, unless the response necessitated by the droop and deadband settings requires it to do so and it is technically capable of making such a transition.

9.7 Outages and Interruptions.

9.7.1 Outages.

9.7.1.1 Outage Authority and Coordination.

Each Party may in accordance with Good Utility Practice in coordination with the other Party remove from service any of its respective Interconnection Facilities or Network Upgrades that may impact the other Party's facilities as necessary to perform maintenance or testing or to install or replace equipment. Absent an Emergency Condition, the Party scheduling a removal of such facility(ies) from service will use Reasonable Efforts to schedule such removal on a date and time mutually acceptable to the Parties. In all circumstances, any Party planning to remove such facility(ies) from service shall use Reasonable Efforts to minimize the effect on the other Party of such removal.

9.7.1.2 Outage Schedules.

Transmission Provider shall post scheduled outages of its transmission facilities on the OASIS. Interconnection Customer shall submit its planned maintenance schedules for the Large Generating Facility to Transmission Provider for a minimum of a rolling twenty-four month period. Interconnection Customer shall update its planned maintenance schedules as necessary. Transmission Provider may request Interconnection Customer to reschedule its maintenance as necessary to maintain the reliability of the Transmission System; provided, however, adequacy of generation supply shall not be a criterion in determining Transmission System reliability. Transmission Provider shall compensate Interconnection Customer for any additional direct costs that Interconnection Customer incurs as a result of having to reschedule maintenance, including any additional overtime, breaking of maintenance contracts or other costs above and beyond the cost Interconnection Customer would have incurred Transmission Provider's request to reschedule maintenance. Interconnection Customer will not be eligible to receive compensation, if during the twelve (12) months prior to the date of the scheduled maintenance. Interconnection Customer had modified its schedule of maintenance activities.

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9.7.1.3 Outage Restoration.

If an outage on a Party's Interconnection Facilities or Network Upgrades adversely affects the other Party's operations or facilities, the Party that owns or controls the facility that is out of service shall use Reasonable Efforts to promptly restore such facility(ies) to a normal operating condition consistent with the nature of the outage. The Party that owns or controls the facility that is out of service shall provide the other Party, to the extent such information is known, information on the nature of the Emergency Condition, an estimated time of restoration, and any corrective actions required. Initial verbal notice shall be followed up as soon as practicable with written notice explaining the nature of the outage.

9.7.2 Interruption of Service.

If required by Good Utility Practice to do so, Transmission Provider may require Interconnection Customer to interrupt or reduce deliveries of electricity if such delivery of electricity could adversely affect Transmission Provider's ability to perform such activities as are necessary to safely and reliably operate and maintain the Transmission System. The following provisions shall apply to any interruption or reduction permitted under this Article 9.7.2:

- **9.7.2.1** The interruption or reduction shall continue only for so long as reasonably necessary under Good Utility Practice;
- 9.7.2.2 Any such interruption or reduction shall be made on an equitable, non-discriminatory basis with respect to all generating facilities directly connected to the Transmission System;
- 9.7.2.3 When the interruption or reduction must be made under circumstances which do not allow for advance notice, Transmission Provider shall notify Interconnection Customer by telephone as soon as practicable of the reasons for the curtailment, interruption, or reduction, and, if known, its expected duration. Telephone notification shall be followed by written notification as soon as practicable;
- 9.7.2.4 Except during the existence of an Emergency Condition, when the interruption or reduction can be scheduled without advance notice, Transmission Provider shall notify Interconnection Customer in advance regarding the timing of such scheduling and further notify Interconnection Customer of the expected duration. Transmission Provider shall coordinate with Interconnection Customer using Good Utility Practice to schedule the interruption or reduction during periods of least impact to Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider; and
- **9.7.2.5** The Parties shall cooperate and coordinate with each other to the extent necessary in order to restore the Large Generating Facility,

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Interconnection Facilities, and the Transmission System to their normal operating state, consistent with system conditions and Good Utility Practice.

9.7.3 <u>Under-FrequencyRide Through Capability</u> and <u>Over Frequency Conditions.</u> Performance

The Transmission System is designed to automatically activate a load-shed program as required by the Applicable Electric Reliability Council Organization in the event of an under-frequency system disturbance. Interconnection Customer shall implement under-frequency and over-frequency relay set points for the Large Generating Facility as required by the Applicable Electric Reliability Council Organization to ensure frequency "ride through" capability of the Transmission System. Large Generating Facility response to frequency deviations of pre-determined magnitudes, both under-frequency and overfrequency deviations, shall be studied and coordinated with Transmission Provider in accordance with Good Utility Practice. Interconnection Customer shall also implement under-voltage and over-voltage relay set points, or equivalent electronic controls, as required by the Electric Reliability Organization to ensure voltage "ride through" capability of the Transmission System. The term "ride through" as used herein shall mean the ability of a Generating Facility to stay connected to and synchronized with the Transmission System during system disturbances within a range of underfrequency and over frequency conditions, in accordance with Good Utility Practice, over-frequency, under-voltagef and over-voltage conditions, in accordance with Good Utility Practice and consistent with any standards and guidelines that are applied to other Generating Facilities in the Balancing Authority Area on a comparable basis. For abnormal frequency conditions and voltage conditions within the "no trip zone" defined by Reliability Standard PRC-024-3 or successor mandatory ride through reliability standards, the nonsynchronous Large Generating Facility must ensure that, within any physical limitations of the Large Generating Facility, its control and protection settings are configured or set to (1) continue active power production during disturbance and post disturbance periods at predisturbance levels, unless providing primary frequency response or fast frequency response; (2) minimize reductions in active power and remain within dynamic voltage and current limits, if reactive power priority mode is enabled, unless providing primary frequency response or fast frequency response; (3) not artificially limit dynamic reactive power capability during disturbances; and (4) return to pre-disturbance active power levels without artificial ramp rate limits if active power is reduced, unless providing primary frequency response or fast frequency response.

9.7.4 System Protection and Other Control Requirements.

9.7.4.1 System Protection Facilities. Interconnection Customer shall, at its expense, install, operate and maintain System Protection Facilities as a part of the Large Generating Facility or Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities.

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Transmission Provider shall install at Interconnection Customer's expense any System Protection Facilities that may be required on Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities or the Transmission System as a result of the interconnection of the Large Generating Facility and Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities.

- **9.7.4.2** Each Party's protection facilities shall be designed and coordinated with other systems in accordance with Good Utility Practice.
- **9.7.4.3** Each Party shall be responsible for protection of its facilities consistent with Good Utility Practice.
- 9.7.4.4 Each Party's protective relay design shall incorporate the necessary test switches to perform the tests required in Article 6. The required test switches will be placed such that they allow operation of lockout relays while preventing breaker failure schemes from operating and causing unnecessary breaker operations and/or the tripping of Interconnection Customer's units.
- **9.7.4.5** Each Party will test, operate and maintain System Protection Facilities in accordance with Good Utility Practice.
- 9.7.4.6 Prior to the In-Service Date, and again prior to the Commercial Operation Date, each Party or its agent shall perform a complete calibration test and functional trip test of the System Protection Facilities. At intervals suggested by Good Utility Practice and following any apparent malfunction of the System Protection Facilities, each Party shall perform both calibration and functional trip tests of its System Protection Facilities. These tests do not require the tripping of any in-service generation unit. These tests do, however, require that all protective relays and lockout contacts be activated

9.7.5 Requirements for Protection.

In compliance with Good Utility Practice, Interconnection Customer shall provide, install, own, and maintain relays, circuit breakers and all other devices necessary to remove any fault contribution of the Large Generating Facility to any short circuit occurring on the Transmission System not otherwise isolated by Transmission Provider's equipment, such that the removal of the fault contribution shall be coordinated with the protective requirements of the Transmission System. Such protective equipment shall include, without limitation, a disconnecting device or switch with load-interrupting capability located between the Large Generating Facility and the Transmission System at a site selected upon mutual agreement (not to be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed) of the Parties. Interconnection Customer shall be responsible for protection of the Large Generating Facility and Interconnection Customer's other equipment from such conditions as negative sequence

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currents, over- or under-frequency, sudden load rejection, over- or under-voltage, and generator loss-of-field. Interconnection Customer shall be solely responsible to disconnect the Large Generating Facility and Interconnection Customer's other equipment if conditions on the Transmission System could adversely affect the Large Generating Facility.

9.7.6 Power Quality.

Neither Party's facilities shall cause excessive voltage flicker nor introduce excessive distortion to the sinusoidal voltage or current waves as defined by ANSI Standard C84.1-1989, in accordance with IEEE Standard 519, or any applicable superseding electric industry standard. In the event of a conflict between ANSI Standard C84.1-1989, or any applicable superseding electric industry standard, ANSI Standard C84.1-1989, or the applicable superseding electric industry standard, shall control.

9.8 Switching and Tagging Rules.

Each Party shall provide the other Party a copy of its switching and tagging rules that are applicable to the other Party's activities. Such switching and tagging rules shall be developed on a non-discriminatory basis. The Parties shall comply with applicable switching and tagging rules, as amended from time to time, in obtaining clearances for work or for switching operations on equipment.

9.9 Use of Interconnection Facilities by Third Parties.

9.9.1 Purpose of Interconnection Facilities.

Except as may be required by Applicable Laws and Regulations, or as otherwise agreed to among the Parties, the Interconnection Facilities shall be constructed for the sole purpose of interconnecting the Large Generating Facility to the Transmission System and shall be used for no other purpose.

9.9.2 Third Party Users.

If required by Applicable Laws and Regulations or if the Parties mutually agree, such agreement not to be unreasonably withheld, to allow one or more third parties to use Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities, or any part thereof, Interconnection Customer will be entitled to compensation for the capital expenses it incurred in connection with the Interconnection Facilities based upon the pro rata use of the Interconnection Facilities by Transmission Provider, all third party users, and Interconnection Customer, in accordance with Applicable Laws and Regulations or upon some other mutually-agreed upon methodology. In addition, cost responsibility for ongoing costs, including operation and maintenance costs associated with the Interconnection Facilities, will be allocated between Interconnection Customer and any third party users based upon the pro rata use of the Interconnection Facilities by Transmission Provider, all third party users, and Interconnection Customer, in accordance with Applicable Laws and Regulations or upon some other mutually agreed upon methodology. If the issue of such compensation or allocation cannot be resolved through such negotiations, it shall be submitted to FERC for resolution.

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9.10 Disturbance Analysis Data Exchange.

The Parties will cooperate with one another in the analysis of disturbances to either the Large Generating Facility or Transmission Provider's Transmission System by gathering and providing access to any information relating to any disturbance, including information from oscillography, protective relay targets, breaker operations and sequence of events records, and any disturbance information required by Good Utility Practice

Article 10. Maintenance.

10.1 Transmission Provider Obligations.

Transmission Provider shall maintain the Transmission System and Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities in a safe and reliable manner and in accordance with this PLGIA.

10.2 Interconnection Customer Obligations.

Interconnection Customer shall maintain the Large Generating Facility and Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities in a safe and reliable manner and in accordance with this PLGIA.

10.3 Coordination.

The Parties shall confer regularly to coordinate the planning, scheduling and performance of preventive and corrective maintenance on the Large Generating Facility and the Interconnection Facilities.

10.4 Secondary Systems.

Each Party shall cooperate with the other in the inspection, maintenance, and testing of control or power circuits that operate below 600 volts, AC or DC, including, but not limited to, any hardware, control or protective devices, cables, conductors, electric raceways, secondary equipment panels, transducers, batteries, chargers, and voltage and current transformers that directly affect the operation of a Party's facilities and equipment which may reasonably be expected to impact the other Party. Each Party shall provide advance notice to the other Party before undertaking any work on such circuits, especially on electrical circuits involving circuit breaker trip and close contacts, current transformers, or potential transformers.

10.5 Operating and Maintenance Expenses.

Subject to the provisions herein addressing the use of facilities by others, and except for operations and maintenance expenses associated with modifications made for providing interconnection or transmission service to a third party and such third party pays for such expenses, Interconnection Customer shall be responsible for all reasonable expenses including overheads, associated with: (1) owning, operating, maintaining, repairing, and replacing Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities; and (2) operation, maintenance, repair and replacement of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities.

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11.1 Interconnection Customer Interconnection Facilities.

Interconnection Customer shall design, procure, construct, install, own and/or control Interconnection Customer Interconnection Facilities described in Appendix A, Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades and Distribution Upgrades, at its sole expense.

11.2 Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities.

Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner shall design, procure, construct, install, own and/or control the Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities described in Appendix A, Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades and Distribution Upgrades, at the sole expense of the Interconnection Customer.

11.3 Network Upgrades and Distribution Upgrades.

Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner shall design, procure, construct, install, and own the Network Upgrades and Distribution Upgrades described in Appendix A, Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades and Distribution Upgrades. The Interconnection Customer shall be responsible for all costs related to Distribution Upgrades. Unless Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner elects to fund the capital for the Network Upgrades, they shall be solely funded by Interconnection Customer.

11.4 Transmission Credits.

11.4.1 Repayment of Amounts Advanced for Network Upgrades.

Interconnection Customer shall be entitled to a cash repayment, equal to the total amount paid to Transmission Provider and Affected System Operator, if any, for the Network Upgrades, including any tax gross-up or other tax-related payments associated with Network Upgrades, and not refunded to Interconnection Customer pursuant to Article 5.17.8 or otherwise, to be paid to Interconnection Customer on a dollar-for-dollar basis for the non-usage sensitive portion of transmission charges, as payments are made under Transmission Provider's Tariff and Affected System's Tariff for transmission services with respect to the Large Generating Facility. Any repayment shall include interest calculated in accordance with the methodology set forth in FERC's regulations at 18 CFR § 35.19a(a)(2)(iii) from the date of any cash payment for Network Upgrades through the date on which the Interconnection Customer receives a repayment of such payment pursuant to this subparagraph. Interconnection Customer may assign such repayment rights to any person.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, Interconnection Customer, Transmission Provider, and Affected System Operator may adopt any alternative payment schedule that is mutually agreeable so long as Transmission Provider and Affected System Operator take one of the following actions no later than five years from the Commercial Operation Date: (1) return to Interconnection Customer any amounts advanced for Network Upgrades not previously repaid, or (2) declare in writing that Transmission Provider or Affected System Operator will continue to provide payments to Interconnection Customer on a dollar-for-dollar basis for the non-usage sensitive portion of transmission

charges, or develop an alternative schedule that is mutually agreeable and provides for the return of all amounts advanced for Network Upgrades not previously repaid; however, full reimbursement shall not extend beyond twenty (20) years from the Commercial Operation Date.

If the Large Generating Facility fails to achieve Commercial Operation, but it or another Generating Facility is later constructed and makes use of the Network Upgrades, Transmission Provider and Affected System Operator shall at that time reimburse Interconnection Customer for the amounts advanced for the Network Upgrades. Before any such reimbursement can occur, the Interconnection Customer, or the entity that ultimately constructs the Generating Facility, if different, is responsible for identifying the entity to which reimbursement must be made.

11.4.2 Special Provisions for Affected Systems.

Unless Transmission Provider provides, under the PLGIA, for the repayment of amounts advanced to Affected System Operator for Network Upgrades, Interconnection Customer and Affected System Operator shall enter into an agreement that provides for such repayment. The agreement shall specify the terms governing payments to be made by Interconnection Customer to the Affected System Operator as well as the repayment by the Affected System Operator.

11.4.3 Notwithstanding any other provision of this PLGIA, nothing herein shall be construed as relinquishing or foreclosing any rights, including but not limited to firm transmission rights, capacity rights, transmission congestion rights, or transmission credits, that Interconnection Customer, shall be entitled to, now or in the future under any other agreement or tariff as a result of, or otherwise associated with, the transmission capacity, if any, created by the Network Upgrades, including the right to obtain cash reimbursements or transmission credits for transmission service that is not associated with the Large Generating Facility.

11.5 Provision of Security.

At least thirty (30) Calendar Days prior to the commencement of the procurement, installation, or construction of a discrete portion of a Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades, or Distribution Upgrades, Interconnection Customer shall provide Transmission Provider, at Interconnection Customer's option, a guarantee, a surety bond, letter of credit or other form of security that is reasonably acceptable to Transmission Provider and is consistent with the Uniform Commercial Code of the jurisdiction identified in Article 14.2.1. Such security for payment, as specified in Appendix B of this PLGIA, shall be in an amount sufficient to cover the costs for constructing, procuring and installing the applicable portion of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades, or Distribution Upgrades and shall be reduced on a dollar-for-dollar basis for payments made to Transmission Provider for these purposes. Security is also required for Provisional Interconnection Service, where the additional security is associated with the potential (1) increased interconnection costs identified through the full interconnection study and (2) costs if the Interconnection

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Customer does not complete the full interconnection process. Additional security required for Provisional Interconnection Service is [\$_____] and shall be in the form of an irrevocable letter of credit upon which Transmission Provider may draw.

In addition:

- The guarantee must be made by an entity that meets the creditworthiness requirements of Transmission Provider, and contain terms and conditions that guarantee payment of any amount that may be due from Interconnection Customer, up to an agreed-to maximum amount.
- 11.5.2 The letter of credit must be issued by a financial institution reasonably acceptable to Transmission Provider and must specify a reasonable expiration date.
- The surety bond must be issued by an insurer reasonably acceptable to Transmission Provider and must specify a reasonable expiration date, such date to be no earlier than one year after the Commercial Operation Date set forth in Appendix B, PLGIA Milestones.

11.6 Interconnection Customer Compensation.

If Transmission Provider requests or directs Interconnection Customer to provide a service pursuant to Articles 9.6.3 (Payment for Reactive Power), or 13.5.1 of this PLGIA, Transmission Provider shall compensate Interconnection Customer in accordance with Interconnection Customer's applicable rate schedule then in effect unless the provision of such service(s) is subject to an RTO or ISO FERC-approved rate schedule. Interconnection Customer shall serve Transmission Provider or RTO or ISO with any filing of a proposed rate schedule at the time of such filing with FERC. To the extent that no rate schedule is in effect at the time the Interconnection Customer is required to provide or absorb any Reactive Power under this PLGIA, Transmission Provider agrees to compensate Interconnection Customer in such amount as would have been due Interconnection Customer had the rate schedule been in effect at the time service commenced; provided, however, that such rate schedule must be filed at FERC or other appropriate Governmental Authority within sixty (60) Calendar Days of the commencement of service

11.6.1 Interconnection Customer Compensation for Actions During Emergency Condition.

Transmission Provider or RTO or ISO shall compensate Interconnection Customer for its provision of real and reactive power and other Emergency Condition services that Interconnection Customer provides to support the Transmission System during an Emergency Condition in accordance with Article 11.6.

Article 12. Invoice.

12.1 General.

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Each Party shall submit to the other Party, on a monthly basis, invoices of amounts due for the preceding month. Each invoice shall state the month to which the invoice applies and fully describe the services and equipment provided. The Parties may discharge mutual debts and payment obligations due and owing to each other on the same date through netting, in which case all amounts a Party owes to the other Party under this PLGIA, including interest payments or credits, shall be netted so that only the net amount remaining due shall be paid by the owing Party.

12.2 Final Invoice.

Within six months after completion of the construction of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and the Network Upgrades, Transmission Provider shall provide an invoice of the final cost of the construction of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and the Network Upgrades and shall set forth such costs in sufficient detail to enable Interconnection Customer to compare the actual costs with the estimates and to ascertain deviations, if any, from the cost estimates. Transmission Provider shall refund to Interconnection Customer any amount by which the actual payment by Interconnection Customer for estimated costs exceeds the actual costs of construction within thirty (30) Calendar Days of the issuance of such final construction invoice.

12.3 Payment.

Invoices shall be rendered to the paying Party at the address specified in Appendix F. The Party receiving the invoice shall pay the invoice within thirty (30) Calendar Days of receipt. All payments shall be made in immediately available funds payable to the other Party, or by wire transfer to a bank named and account designated by the invoicing Party. Payment of invoices by either Party will not constitute a waiver of any rights or claims either Party may have under this PLGIA. If Interconnection Customer has not paid the final invoice following a withdrawal within thirty (30) Calendar Days, Transmission Provider shall draw upon the security provided under this PLGIA to settle all accounts, which shall include any offsets of amounts due and owing by Transmission Provider. After the final invoice is paid and all accounts are settled, Transmission Provider shall refund all remaining security.

12.4 Disputes.

In the event of a billing dispute between Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer, Transmission Provider shall continue to provide Interconnection Service under this PLGIA as long as Interconnection Customer: (i) continues to make all payments not in dispute; and (ii) pays to Transmission Provider or into an independent escrow account the portion of the invoice in dispute, pending resolution of such dispute. If Interconnection Customer fails to meet these two requirements for continuation of service, then Transmission Provider may provide notice to Interconnection Customer of a Default pursuant to Article 17. Within thirty (30) Calendar Days after the resolution of the dispute, the Party that owes money to the other Party shall pay the amount due with interest calculated in accord with the methodology set forth in FERC's regulations at 18 CFR § 35.19a(a)(2)(iii)

Article 13. Emergencies

13.1 Definition.

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Emergency Condition" shall mean a condition or situation: (i) that in the judgment of the Party making the claim is imminently likely to endanger life or property; (ii) that, in the case of Transmission Provider, is imminently likely (as determined in a non-discriminatory manner) to cause a material adverse effect on the security of, or damage to the Transmission System, Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities or the Transmission Systems of others to which the Transmission System is directly connected; or (iii) that, in the case of Interconnection Customer, is imminently likely (as determined in a non-discriminatory manner) to cause a material adverse effect on the security of, or damage to, the Large Generating Facility or Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities. System restoration and black start shall be considered Emergency Conditions; provided, that Interconnection Customer is not obligated by this PLGIA to possess black start capability.

13.2 Obligations.

Each Party shall comply with the Emergency Condition procedures of the applicable ISO/RTO, NERC, the Applicable Electric Reliability Council Organization, Applicable Laws and Regulations, and any emergency procedures agreed to by the Joint Operating Committee.

13.3 Notice.

Transmission Provider shall notify Interconnection Customer promptly when it becomes aware of an Emergency Condition that affects Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities or the Transmission System that may reasonably be expected to affect Interconnection Customer's operation of the Large Generating Facility or Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities. Interconnection Customer shall notify Transmission Provider promptly when it becomes aware of an Emergency Condition that affects the Large Generating Facility or Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities that may reasonably be expected to affect the Transmission System or Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities. To the extent information is known, the notification shall describe the Emergency Condition, the extent of the damage or deficiency, the expected effect on the operation of Interconnection Customer's or Transmission Provider's facilities and operations, its anticipated duration and the corrective action taken and/or to be taken. The initial notice shall be followed as soon as practicable with written notice.

13.4 Immediate Action.

Unless, in Interconnection Customer's reasonable judgment, immediate action is required, Interconnection Customer shall obtain the consent of Transmission Provider, such consent to not be unreasonably withheld, prior to performing any manual switching operations at the Large Generating Facility or Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities in response to an Emergency Condition either declared by Transmission Provider or otherwise regarding the Transmission System.

13.5 Transmission Provider Authority.

13.5.1 **General.**

Transmission Provider may take whatever actions or inactions with regard to the Transmission System or Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities it deems necessary during an Emergency Condition in order to (i) preserve

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public health and safety, (ii) preserve the reliability of the Transmission System or Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities, (iii) limit or prevent damage, and (iv) expedite restoration of service.

Transmission Provider shall use Reasonable Efforts to minimize the effect of such actions or inactions on the Large Generating Facility or Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities. Transmission Provider may, on the basis of technical considerations, require the Large Generating Facility to mitigate an Emergency Condition by taking actions necessary and limited in scope to remedy the Emergency Condition, including, but not limited to, directing Interconnection Customer to shut-down, start-up, increase or decrease the real or reactive power output of the Large Generating Facility; implementing a reduction or disconnection pursuant to Article 13.5.2; directing Interconnection Customer to assist with blackstart (if available) or restoration efforts; or altering the outage schedules of the Large Generating Facility and Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities. Interconnection Customer shall comply with all of Transmission Provider's operating instructions concerning Large Generating Facility real power and reactive power output within the manufacturer's design limitations of the Large Generating Facility's equipment that is in service and physically available for operation at the time, in compliance with Applicable Laws and Regulations.

13.5.2 Reduction and Disconnection.

Transmission Provider may reduce Interconnection Service or disconnect the Large Generating Facility or Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities, when such, reduction or disconnection is necessary under Good Utility Practice due to Emergency Conditions. These rights are separate and distinct from any right of curtailment of Transmission Provider pursuant to Transmission Provider's Tariff. When Transmission Provider can schedule the reduction or disconnection in advance, Transmission Provider shall notify Interconnection Customer of the reasons, timing and expected duration of the reduction or disconnection. Transmission Provider shall coordinate with Interconnection Customer using Good Utility Practice to schedule the reduction or disconnection during periods of least impact to Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider. Any reduction or disconnection shall continue only for so long as reasonably necessary under Good Utility Practice. The Parties shall cooperate with each other to restore the Large Generating Facility, the Interconnection Facilities, and the Transmission System to their normal operating state as soon as practicable consistent with Good Utility Practice.

13.6 Interconnection Customer Authority.

Consistent with Good Utility Practice and the PLGIA and the Revised LGIP, Interconnection Customer may take actions or inactions with regard to the Large Generating Facility or Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities during an Emergency Condition in order to (i) preserve public health and safety, (ii) preserve the reliability of the Large Generating Facility or Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities, (iii) limit or prevent damage, and (iv) expedite restoration of service. Interconnection Customer shall use Reasonable Efforts to minimize the effect of such

actions or inactions on the Transmission System and Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities. Transmission Provider shall use Reasonable Efforts to assist Interconnection Customer in such actions.

13.7 Limited Liability.

Except as otherwise provided in Article 11.6.1 of this PLGIA, neither Party shall be liable to the other for any action it takes in responding to an Emergency Condition so long as such action is made in good faith and is consistent with Good Utility Practice.

Article 14. Regulatory Requirements and Governing Law

14.1 Regulatory Requirements.

Each Party's obligations under this PLGIA shall be subject to its receipt of any required approval or certificate from one or more Governmental Authorities in the form and substance satisfactory to the applying Party, or the Party making any required filings with, or providing notice to, such Governmental Authorities, and the expiration of any time period associated therewith. Each Party shall in good faith seek and use its Reasonable Efforts to obtain such other approvals. Nothing in this PLGIA shall require Interconnection Customer to take any action that could result in its inability to obtain, or its loss of, status or exemption under the Federal Power Act, the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935, as amended, or the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1978.

14.2 Governing Law.

- 14.2.1 The validity, interpretation and performance of this PLGIA and each of its provisions shall be governed by the laws of the state where the Point of Interconnection is located, without regard to its conflicts of law principles.
- **14.2.2** This PLGIA is subject to all Applicable Laws and Regulations.
- **14.2.3** Each Party expressly reserves the right to seek changes in, appeal, or otherwise contest any laws, orders, rules, or regulations of a Governmental Authority.

Article 15. Notices

15.1 General.

Unless otherwise provided in this PLGIA, any notice, demand or request required or permitted to be given by either Party to the other and any instrument required or permitted to be tendered or delivered by either Party in writing to the other shall be effective when delivered and may be so given, tendered or delivered, by recognized national courier, or by depositing the same with the United States Postal Service with postage prepaid, for delivery by certified or registered mail, addressed to the Party, or personally delivered to the Party, at the address set out in Appendix F, Addresses for Delivery of Notices and Billings.

Either Party may change the notice information in this PLGIA by giving five (5) Business Days written notice prior to the effective date of the change.

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15.2 Billings and Payments.

Billings and payments shall be sent to the addresses set out in Appendix F.

15.3 Alternative Forms of Notice.

Any notice or request required or permitted to be given by a Party to the other and not required by this Agreement to be given in writing may be so given by telephone, facsimile or email to the telephone numbers and email addresses set out in Appendix F.

15.4 Operations and Maintenance Notice.

Each Party shall notify the other Party in writing of the identity of the person(s) that it designates as the point(s) of contact with respect to the implementation of Articles 9 and 10.

Article 16. Force Majeure

16.1 Force Majeure.

16.1.1 Economic hardship is not considered a Force Majeure event.

16.1.2 Neither Party shall be considered to be in Default with respect to any obligation hereunder, (including obligations under Article 4), other than the obligation to pay money when due, if prevented from fulfilling such obligation by Force Majeure. A Party unable to fulfill any obligation hereunder (other than an obligation to pay money when due) by reason of Force Majeure shall give notice and the full particulars of such Force Majeure to the other Party in writing or by telephone as soon as reasonably possible after the occurrence of the cause relied upon. Telephone notices given pursuant to this article shall be confirmed in writing as soon as reasonably possible and shall specifically state full particulars of the Force Majeure, the time and date when the Force Majeure occurred and when the Force Majeure is reasonably expected to cease. The Party affected shall exercise due diligence to remove such disability with reasonable dispatch, but shall not be required to accede or agree to any provision not satisfactory to it in order to settle and terminate a strike or other labor disturbance.

Article 17. Default

17.1 Default.

17.1.1 **General.**

No Default shall exist where such failure to discharge an obligation (other than the payment of money) is the result of Force Majeure as defined in this PLGIA or the result of an act of omission of the other Party. Upon a Breach, the non-breaching Party shall give written notice of such Breach to the breaching Party. Except as provided in Article 17.1.2, the breaching Party shall have thirty (30) Calendar Days from receipt of the Default notice within which to cure such

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Breach; provided however, if such Breach is not capable of cure within thirty (30) Calendar Days, the breaching Party shall commence such cure within thirty (30) Calendar Days after notice and continuously and diligently complete such cure within ninety (90) Calendar Days from receipt of the Default notice; and, if cured within such time, the Breach specified in such notice shall cease to exist.

17.1.2 Right to Terminate.

If a Breach is not cured as provided in this article, or if a Breach is not capable of being cured within the period provided for herein, the non-breaching Party shall have the right to declare a Default and terminate this PLGIA by written notice at any time until cure occurs, and be relieved of any further obligation hereunder and, whether or not that Party terminates this PLGIA, to recover from the breaching Party all amounts due hereunder, plus all other damages and remedies to which it is entitled at law or in equity. The provisions of this article will survive termination of this PLGIA.

Provider requires Interconnection Customer to memorialize the operating assumptions for the charging behavior of a Generating Facility that includes at least one electric storage resource in Appendix H of this PLGIA, Transmission Provider may consider Interconnection Customer to be in Breach of the PLGIA if Interconnection Customer fails to operate the Generating Facility in accordance with those operating assumptions for charging behavior. However, if Interconnection Customer operates contrary to the operating assumptions for charging behavior specified in Appendix H of this PLGIA at the direction of Transmission Provider, Transmission Provider shall not consider Interconnection Customer in Breach of this PLGIA.

Article 18. Indemnity, Consequential Damages and Insurance

18.1 Indemnity.

The Parties shall at all times indemnify, defend, and hold the other Party harmless from, any and all damages, losses, claims, including claims and actions relating to injury to or death of any person or damage to property, demand, suits, recoveries, costs and expenses, court costs, attorney fees, and all other obligations by or to third parties, arising out of or resulting from the other Party's action or inactions of its obligations under this PLGIA on behalf of the Indemnifying Party, except in cases of gross negligence or intentional wrongdoing by the Indemnified Party.

18.1.1 Indemnified Person.

If an Indemnified Person is entitled to indemnification under this Article 18 as a result of a claim by a third party, and the Indemnifying Party fails, after notice and reasonable opportunity to proceed under Article 18.1, to assume the defense of such claim, such Indemnified Person may at the expense of the Indemnifying Party contest, settle or consent to the entry of any judgment with respect to, or pay in full, such claim.

18.1.2 Indemnifying Party.

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If an Indemnifying Party is obligated to indemnify and hold any Indemnified Person harmless under this Article 18, the amount owing to the Indemnified Person shall be the amount of such Indemnified Person's actual Loss, net of any insurance or other recovery.

18.1.3 **Indemnity Procedures.**

Promptly after receipt by an Indemnified Person of any claim or notice of the commencement of any action or administrative or legal proceeding or investigation as to which the indemnity provided for in Article 18.1 may apply. the Indemnified Person shall notify the Indemnifying Party of such fact. Any failure of or delay in such notification shall not affect a Party's indemnification obligation unless such failure or delay is materially prejudicial to the Indemnifying Party.

The Indemnifying Party shall have the right to assume the defense thereof with counsel designated by such Indemnifying Party and reasonably satisfactory to the Indemnified Person. If the defendants in any such action include one or more Indemnified Persons and the Indemnifying Party and if the Indemnified Person reasonably concludes that there may be legal defenses available to it and/or other Indemnified Persons which are different from or additional to those available to the Indemnifying Party, the Indemnified Person shall have the right to select separate counsel to assert such legal defenses and to otherwise participate in the defense of such action on its own behalf. In such instances. the Indemnifying Party shall only be required to pay the fees and expenses of one additional attorney to represent an Indemnified Person or Indemnified Persons having such differing or additional legal defenses.

The Indemnified Person shall be entitled, at its expense, to participate in any such action, suit or proceeding, the defense of which has been assumed by the Indemnifying Party. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Indemnifying Party (i) shall not be entitled to assume and control the defense of any such action, suit or proceedings if and to the extent that, in the opinion of the Indemnified Person and its counsel, such action, suit or proceeding involves the potential imposition of criminal liability on the Indemnified Person, or there exists a conflict or adversity of interest between the Indemnified Person and the Indemnifying Party, in such event the Indemnifying Party shall pay the reasonable expenses of the Indemnified Person, and (ii) shall not settle or consent to the entry of any judgment in any action, suit or proceeding without the consent of the Indemnified Person, which shall not be reasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed.

18.2 Consequential Damages.

Other than the Liquidated Damages heretofore described, in no event shall either Party be liable under any provision of this PLGIA for any losses, damages, costs or expenses for any special, indirect, incidental, consequential, or punitive damages, including but not limited to loss of profit or revenue, loss of the use of equipment, cost of capital, cost of temporary equipment or services, whether based in whole or in part in contract, in tort, including negligence, strict liability, or any other theory of liability; provided, however, that

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damages for which a Party may be liable to the other Party under another agreement will not be considered to be special, indirect, incidental, or consequential damages hereunder.

18.3 Insurance.

Each party shall, at its own expense, maintain in force throughout the period of this PLGIA, and until released by the other Party, the following minimum insurance coverages, with insurers authorized to do business in the state where the Point of Interconnection is located:

- 18.3.1 Employers' Liability and Workers' Compensation Insurance providing statutory benefits in accordance with the laws and regulations of the state in which the Point of Interconnection is located.
- 18.3.2 Commercial General Liability Insurance including premises and operations, personal injury, broad form property damage, broad form blanket contractual liability coverage (including coverage for the contractual indemnification) products and completed operations coverage, coverage for explosion, collapse and underground hazards, independent contractors coverage, coverage for pollution to the extent normally available and punitive damages to the extent normally available and a cross liability endorsement, with minimum limits of One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000) per occurrence/One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000) aggregate combined single limit for personal injury, bodily injury, including death and property damage.
- 18.3.3 Comprehensive Automobile Liability Insurance for coverage of owned and non-owned and hired vehicles, trailers or semi-trailers designed for travel on public roads, with a minimum, combined single limit of One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000) per occurrence for bodily injury, including death, and property damage.
- 18.3.4 Excess Public Liability Insurance over and above the Employers' Liability Commercial General Liability and Comprehensive Automobile Liability Insurance coverage, with a minimum combined single limit of Twenty Million Dollars (\$20,000,000) per occurrence/Twenty Million Dollars (\$20,000,000) aggregate.
- 18.3.5 The Commercial General Liability Insurance, Comprehensive Automobile Insurance and Excess Public Liability Insurance policies shall name the other Party, its parent, associated and Affiliate companies and their respective directors, officers, agents, servants and employees ("Other Party Group") as additional insured. All policies shall contain provisions whereby the insurers waive all rights of subrogation in accordance with the provisions of this PLGIA against the Other Party Group and provide thirty (30) Calendar Days advance written notice to the Other Party Group prior to anniversary date of cancellation or any material change in coverage or condition.
- **18.3.6** The Commercial General Liability Insurance, Comprehensive Automobile Liability Insurance and Excess Public Liability Insurance policies shall contain

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provisions that specify that the policies are primary and shall apply to such extent without consideration for other policies separately carried and shall state that each insured is provided coverage as though a separate policy had been issued to each, except the insurer's liability shall not be increased beyond the amount for which the insurer would have been liable had only one insured been covered. Each Party shall be responsible for its respective deductibles or retentions.

- 18.3.7 The Commercial General Liability Insurance, Comprehensive Automobile Liability Insurance and Excess Public Liability Insurance policies, if written on a Claims First Made Basis, shall be maintained in full force and effect for two (2) years after termination of this PLGIA, which coverage may be in the form of tail coverage or extended reporting period coverage if agreed by the Parties.
- 18.3.8 The requirements contained herein as to the types and limits of all insurance to be maintained by the Parties are not intended to and shall not in any manner, limit or qualify the liabilities and obligations assumed by the Parties under this PLGIA.
- 18.3.9 Within ten (10) Calendar Days following execution of this PLGIA, and as soon as practicable after the end of each fiscal year or at the renewal of the insurance policy and in any event within ninety (90) Calendar Days thereafter, each Party shall provide certification of all insurance required in this PLGIA, executed by each insurer or by an authorized representative of each insurer.
- In addition to the foregoing, each Party may self-insure to meet the minimum insurance requirements of Articles 18.3.2 through 18.3.8 to the extent it maintains a self-insurance program; provided that, such Party's self-insurance program meets the minimum insurance requirements of Articles 18.3.2 through 18.3.8. In the event that a Party is permitted to self-insure pursuant to this article, it shall certify to the other Party with a letter of self-insurance that it meets the requirements to self-insure and that its self-insurance program meets the minimum insurance requirements in a manner consistent with that specified in Article 18.3.9.
- 18.3.11 The Parties agree to report to each other in writing as soon as practical all accidents or occurrences resulting in injuries to any person, including death, and any property damage arising out of this PLGIA.

Article 19. Assignment

19.1 Assignment.

This PLGIA may be assigned by either Party only with the written consent of the other; provided that either Party may assign this PLGIA without the consent of the other Party to any Affiliate of the assigning Party with an equal or greater credit rating and with the legal authority and operational ability to satisfy the obligations of the assigning Party under this PLGIA; and provided further that Interconnection Customer shall have the right to assign this PLGIA, without the consent of Transmission Provider, for collateral security purposes

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to aid in providing financing for the Large Generating Facility, provided that Interconnection Customer will promptly notify Transmission Provider of any such assignment. Any financing arrangement entered into by Interconnection Customer pursuant to this article will provide that prior to or upon the exercise of the secured party's, trustee's or mortgagee's assignment rights pursuant to said arrangement, the secured creditor, the trustee or mortgagee will notify Transmission Provider of the date and particulars of any such exercise of assignment right(s), including providing the Transmission Provider with proof that it meets the requirements of Articles 11.5 and 18.3. Any attempted assignment that violates this article is void and ineffective. Any assignment under this PLGIA shall not relieve a Party of its obligations, nor shall a Party's obligations be enlarged, in whole or in part, by reason thereof. Where required, consent to assignment will not be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed.

Article 20. Severability

20.1 Severability. If any provision in this PLGIA is finally determined to be invalid, void or unenforceable by any court or other Governmental Authority having jurisdiction, such determination shall not invalidate, void or make unenforceable any other provision, agreement or covenant of this PLGIA; provided that if Interconnection Customer (or any third party, but only if such third party is not acting at the direction of Transmission Provider) seeks and obtains such a final determination with respect to any provision of the Alternate Option (Article 5.1.2), or the Negotiated Option (Article 5.1.4), then none of these provisions shall thereafter have any force or effect and the Parties' rights and obligations shall be governed solely by the Standard Option (Article 5.1.1)

Article 21. Comparability

21.1 Comparability.

The Parties will comply with all applicable comparability and code of conduct laws, rules and regulations, as amended from time to time.

Article 22. Confidentiality

22.1 Confidentiality.

Confidential Information shall include, without limitation, all information relating to a Party's technology, research and development, business affairs, and pricing, and any information supplied by either of the Parties to the other prior to the execution of this PLGIA.

Information is Confidential Information only if it is clearly designated or marked in writing as confidential on the face of the document, or, if the information is conveyed orally or by inspection, if the Party providing the information orally informs the Party receiving the information that the information is confidential.

If requested by either Party, the other Party shall provide in writing, the basis for asserting that the information referred to in this Article 22 warrants confidential treatment, and the requesting Party may disclose such writing to the appropriate Governmental Authority. Each Party shall be responsible for the costs associated with affording confidential treatment to its information.

22.1.1

During the term of this PLGIA, and for a period of three (3) years after the expiration or termination of this PLGIA, except as otherwise provided in this Article 22, each Party shall hold in confidence and shall not disclose to any person Confidential Information.

22.1.2 Scope.

Term.

Confidential Information shall not include information that the receiving Party can demonstrate: (1) is generally available to the public other than as a result of a disclosure by the receiving Party; (2) was in the lawful possession of the receiving Party on a non-confidential basis before receiving it from the disclosing Party; (3) was supplied to the receiving Party without restriction by a third party, who, to the knowledge of the receiving Party after due inquiry, was under no obligation to the disclosing Party to keep such information confidential; (4) was independently developed by the receiving Party without reference to Confidential Information of the disclosing Party; (5) is, or becomes, publicly known, through no wrongful act or omission of the receiving Party or Breach of this PLGIA; or (6) is required, in accordance with Article 22.1.7 of the PLGIA, Order of Disclosure, to be disclosed by any Governmental Authority or is otherwise required to be disclosed by law or subpoena, or is necessary in any legal proceeding establishing rights and obligations under this PLGIA. Information designated as Confidential Information will no longer be deemed confidential if the Party that designated the information as confidential notifies the other Party that it no longer is confidential.

22.1.3 Release of Confidential Information.

Neither Party shall release or disclose Confidential Information to any other person, except to its Affiliates (limited by the Standards of Conduct requirements), subcontractors, employees, consultants, or to parties who may be or considering providing financing to or equity participation with Interconnection Customer, or to potential purchasers or assignees of Interconnection Customer, on a need-to-know basis in connection with this PLGIA, unless such person has first been advised of the confidentiality provisions of this Article 22 and has agreed to comply with such provisions. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a Party providing Confidential Information to any person shall remain primarily responsible for any release of Confidential Information in contravention of this Article 22.

22.1.4 Rights.

Each Party retains all rights, title, and interest in the Confidential Information that each Party discloses to the other Party. The disclosure by each Party to the other Party of Confidential Information shall not be deemed a waiver by either Party or any other person or entity of the right to protect the Confidential Information from public disclosure.

22.1.5 No Warranties.

By providing Confidential Information, neither Party makes any warranties or representations as to its accuracy or completeness. In addition, by supplying Confidential Information, neither Party obligates itself to provide any particular information or Confidential Information to the other Party nor to enter into any further agreements or proceed with any other relationship or joint venture.

22.1.6 Standard of Care.

Each Party shall use at least the same standard of care to protect Confidential Information it receives as it uses to protect its own Confidential Information from unauthorized disclosure, publication or dissemination. Each Party may use Confidential Information solely to fulfill its obligations to the other Party under this PLGIA or its regulatory requirements.

22.1.7 Order of Disclosure.

If a court or a Government Authority or entity with the right, power, and apparent authority to do so requests or requires either Party, by subpoena, oral deposition, interrogatories, requests for production of documents, administrative order, or otherwise, to disclose Confidential Information, that Party shall provide the other Party with prompt notice of such request(s) or requirement(s) so that the other Party may seek an appropriate protective order or waive compliance with the terms of this PLGIA. Notwithstanding the absence of a protective order or waiver, the Party may disclose such Confidential Information which, in the opinion of its counsel, the Party is legally compelled to disclose. Each Party will use Reasonable Efforts to obtain reliable assurance that confidential treatment will be accorded any Confidential Information so furnished.

22.1.8 Termination of Agreement.

Upon termination of this PLGIA for any reason, each Party shall, within ten (10) Calendar Days of receipt of a written request from the other Party, use Reasonable Efforts to destroy, erase, or delete (with such destruction, erasure, and deletion certified in writing to the other Party) or return to the other Party, without retaining copies thereof, any and all written or electronic Confidential Information received from the other Party.

22.1.9 Remedies.

The Parties agree that monetary damages would be inadequate to compensate a Party for the other Party's Breach of its obligations under this Article 22. Each Party accordingly agrees that the other Party shall be entitled to equitable relief, by way of injunction or otherwise, if the first Party Breaches or threatens to Breach its obligations under this Article 22, which equitable relief shall be granted without bond or proof of damages, and the receiving Party shall not plead in defense that there would be an adequate remedy at law. Such remedy shall not be deemed an exclusive remedy for the Breach of this Article 22, but shall be in addition to all other remedies available at law or in equity. The Parties further acknowledge and agree that the covenants contained herein are necessary for the protection of legitimate business interests and are reasonable in scope. No Party, however, shall be liable for

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indirect, incidental, or consequential or punitive damages of any nature or kind resulting from or arising in connection with this Article 22.

22.1.10 Disclosure to FERC, its Staff, or a State.

Notwithstanding anything in this Article 22 to the contrary, and pursuant to 18 CFR section 1b.20, if FERC or its staff, during the course of an investigation or otherwise, requests information from one of the Parties that is otherwise required to be maintained in confidence pursuant to this PLGIA, the Party shall provide the requested information to FERC or its staff, within the time provided for in the request for information. In providing the information to FERC or its staff, the Party must, consistent with 18 CFR section 388.112, request that the information be treated as confidential and non-public by FERC and its staff and that the information be withheld from public disclosure. Parties are prohibited from notifying the other Party to this PLGIA prior to the release of the Confidential Information to FERC or its staff. The Party shall notify the other Party to the PLGIA when it is notified by FERC or its staff that a request to release Confidential Information has been received by FERC, at which time either of the Parties may respond before such information would be made public, pursuant to 18 CFR section 388.112. Requests from a state regulatory body conducting a confidential investigation shall be treated in a similar manner if consistent with the applicable state rules and regulations.

22.1.11 Subject to the exception in Article 22.1.10, any information that a Party claims is competitively sensitive, commercial or financial information under this PLGIA ("Confidential Information") shall not be disclosed by the other Party to any person not employed or retained by the other Party, except to the extent disclosure is (i) required by law; (ii) reasonably deemed by the disclosing Party to be required to be disclosed in connection with a dispute between or among the Parties, or the defense of litigation or dispute; (iii) otherwise permitted by consent of the other Party, such consent not to be unreasonably withheld; or (iv) necessary to fulfill its obligations under this PLGIA or as a transmission service provider or a ControlBalancing Authority Area operator including disclosing the Confidential Information to an RTO or ISO or to a regional or national reliability organization. The Party asserting confidentiality shall notify the other Party in writing of the information it claims is confidential. Prior to any disclosures of the other Party's Confidential Information under this subparagraph, or if any third party or Governmental Authority makes any request or demand for any of the information described in this subparagraph, the disclosing Party agrees to promptly notify the other Party in writing and agrees to assert confidentiality and cooperate with the other Party in seeking to protect the Confidential Information from public disclosure by confidentiality agreement, protective order or other reasonable measures.

Article 23. Environmental Releases

23.1 Each Party shall notify the other Party, first orally and then in writing, of the release of any Hazardous Substances, any asbestos or lead abatement activities, or any type of remediation activities related to the Large Generating Facility or the Interconnection

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Facilities, each of which may reasonably be expected to affect the other Party. The notifying Party shall: (i) provide the notice as soon as practicable, provided such Party makes a good faith effort to provide the notice no later than twenty-four hours after such Party becomes aware of the occurrence; and (ii) promptly furnish to the other Party copies of any publicly available reports filed with any Governmental Authorities addressing such events.

Article 24. Information Requirements

24.1 Information Acquisition.

Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer shall submit specific information regarding the electrical characteristics of their respective facilities to each other as described below and in accordance with Applicable Reliability Standards.

24.2 Information Submission by Transmission Provider.

The initial information submission by Transmission Provider shall occur no later than one hundred eighty (180) Calendar Days prior to Trial Operation and shall include Transmission System information necessary to allow Interconnection Customer to select equipment and meet any system protection and stability requirements, unless otherwise agreed to by the Parties. On a monthly basis Transmission Provider shall provide Interconnection Customer a status report on the construction and installation of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades, including, but not limited to, the following information: (1) progress to date; (2) a description of the activities since the last report (3) a description of the action items for the next period; and (4) the delivery status of equipment ordered.

24.3 Updated Information Submission by Interconnection Customer.

The updated information submission by Interconnection Customer, including manufacturer information, shall occur no later than one-hundred eighty (180) Calendar Days prior to the Trial Operation. Interconnection Customer shall submit a completed copy of the Large Generating Facility data requirements contained in Appendix 1 to the Revised LGIP. It shall also include any additional information provided to Transmission Provider for the Definitive Interconnection System ImpactCluster Study and Interconnection Facilities Study. Information in this submission shall be the most current Large Generating Facility design or expected performance data. Information submitted for stability models shall be compatible with Transmission Provider standard models. If there is no compatible model, Interconnection Customer will work with a consultant mutually agreed to by the Parties to develop and supply a standard model and associated information.

If Interconnection Customer's data is materially different from what was originally provided to Transmission Provider pursuant to the Interconnection Study Agreement between Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer, then Transmission Provider will conduct appropriate studies to determine the impact on Transmission Provider Transmission System based on the actual data submitted pursuant to this Article 24.3. The Interconnection Customer shall not begin Trial Operation until such studies are completed.

24.4 Information Supplementation.

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Prior to the Commercial Operation Date, the Parties shall supplement their information submissions described above in this Article 24 with any and all "as-built" Large Generating Facility information or "as-tested" performance information that differs from the initial submissions or, alternatively, written confirmation that no such differences exist. The Interconnection Customer shall conduct tests on the Large Generating Facility as required by Good Utility Practice such as an open circuit "step voltage" test on the Large Generating Facility to verify proper operation of the Large Generating Facility's automatic voltage regulator.

Unless otherwise agreed, the test conditions shall include: (1) Large Generating Facility at synchronous speed; (2) automatic voltage regulator on and in voltage control mode; and (3) a five percent change in Large Generating Facility terminal voltage initiated by a change in the voltage regulators reference voltage. Interconnection Customer shall provide validated test recordings showing the responses of Large Generating Facility terminal and field voltages. In the event that direct recordings of these voltages is impractical, recordings of other voltages or currents that mirror the response of the Large Generating Facility's terminal or field voltage are acceptable if information necessary to translate these alternate quantities to actual Large Generating Facility terminal or field voltages is provided. Large Generating Facility testing shall be conducted and results provided to Transmission Provider for each individual generating unit in a station.

Subsequent to the Commercial Operation Date, Interconnection Customer shall provide Transmission Provider any information changes due to equipment replacement, repair, or adjustment. Transmission Provider shall provide Interconnection Customer any information changes due to equipment replacement, repair or adjustment in the directly connected substation or any adjacent Transmission Provider-owned substation that may affect Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities equipment ratings, protection or operating requirements. The Parties shall provide such information no later than thirty (30) Calendar Days after the date of the equipment replacement, repair or adjustment.

Article 25. Information Access and Audit Rights

25.1 Information Access.

Each Party (the "disclosing Party") shall make available to the other Party information that is in the possession of the disclosing Party and is necessary in order for the other Party to: (i) verify the costs incurred by the disclosing Party for which the other Party is responsible under this PLGIA; and (ii) carry out its obligations and responsibilities under this PLGIA. The Parties shall not use such information for purposes other than those set forth in this Article 25.1 and to enforce their rights under this PLGIA.

25.2 Reporting of Non-Force Majeure Events.

Each Party (the "notifying Party") shall notify the other Party when the notifying Party becomes aware of its inability to comply with the provisions of this PLGIA for a reason other than a Force Majeure event. The Parties agree to cooperate with each other and provide necessary information regarding such inability to comply, including the date, duration, reason for the inability to comply, and corrective actions taken or planned to be taken with respect to such inability to comply. Notwithstanding the foregoing, notification,

cooperation or information provided under this article shall not entitle the Party receiving such notification to allege a cause for anticipatory breach of this PLGIA.

25.3 Audit Rights.

Subject to the requirements of confidentiality under Article 22 of this PLGIA, each Party shall have the right, during normal business hours, and upon prior reasonable notice to the other Party, to audit at its own expense the other Party's accounts and records pertaining to either Party's performance or either Party's satisfaction of obligations under this PLGIA. Such audit rights shall include audits of the other Party's costs, calculation of invoiced amounts, Transmission Provider's efforts to allocate responsibility for the provision of reactive support to the Transmission System, Transmission Provider's efforts to allocate responsibility for interruption or reduction of generation on the Transmission System, and each Party's actions in an Emergency Condition. Any audit authorized by this article shall be performed at the offices where such accounts and records are maintained and shall be limited to those portions of such accounts and records that relate to each Party's performance and satisfaction of obligations under this PLGIA. Each Party shall keep such accounts and records for a period equivalent to the audit rights periods described in Article 25.4.

25.4 Audit Rights Periods.

25.4.1 Audit Rights Period for Construction-Related Accounts and Records.

Accounts and records related to the design, engineering, procurement, and construction of Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades shall be subject to audit for a period of twenty-four months following Transmission Provider's issuance of a final invoice in accordance with Article 12.2.

25.4.2 Audit Rights Period for All Other Accounts and Records.

Accounts and records related to either Party's performance or satisfaction of all obligations under this PLGIA other than those described in Article 25.4.1 shall be subject to audit as follows: (i) for an audit relating to cost obligations, the applicable audit rights period shall be twenty-four months after the auditing Party's receipt of an invoice giving rise to such cost obligations; and (ii) for an audit relating to all other obligations, the applicable audit rights period shall be twenty-four months after the event for which the audit is sought.

25.5 Audit Results.

If an audit by a Party determines that an overpayment or an underpayment has occurred, a notice of such overpayment or underpayment shall be given to the other Party together with those records from the audit which support such determination.

Article 26. Subcontractors

26.1 General.

Nothing in this PLGIA shall prevent a Party from utilizing the services of any subcontractor as it deems appropriate to perform its obligations under this PLGIA; provided, however, that each Party shall require its subcontractors to comply with all applicable terms and

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conditions of this PLGIA in providing such services and each Party shall remain primarily liable to the other Party for the performance of such subcontractor.

26.2 Responsibility of Principal.

The creation of any subcontract relationship shall not relieve the hiring Party of any of its obligations under this PLGIA. The hiring Party shall be fully responsible to the other Party for the acts or omissions of any subcontractor the hiring Party hires as if no subcontract had been made; provided, however, that in no event shall Transmission Provider be liable for the actions or inactions of Interconnection Customer or its subcontractors with respect to obligations of Interconnection Customer under Article 5 of this PLGIA. Any applicable obligation imposed by this PLGIA upon the hiring Party shall be equally binding upon, and shall be construed as having application to, any subcontractor of such Party.

26.3 No Limitation by Insurance.

The obligations under this Article 26 will not be limited in any way by any limitation of subcontractor's insurance.

Article 27. Disputes

27.1 Submission.

In the event either Party has a dispute, or asserts a claim, that arises out of or in connection with this PLGIA or its performance, such Party (the "disputing Party") shall provide the other Party with written notice of the dispute or claim ("Notice of Dispute"). Such dispute or claim shall be referred to a designated senior representative of each Party for resolution on an informal basis as promptly as practicable after receipt of the Notice of Dispute by the other Party. In the event the designated representatives are unable to resolve the claim or dispute through unassisted or assisted negotiations within thirty (30) Calendar Days of the other Party's receipt of the Notice of Dispute, such claim or dispute may, upon mutual agreement of the Parties, be submitted to arbitration and resolved in accordance with the arbitration procedures set forth below. In the event the Parties do not agree to submit such claim or dispute to arbitration, each Party may exercise whatever rights and remedies it may have in equity or at law consistent with the terms of this PLGIA.

27.2 External Arbitration Procedures.

Any arbitration initiated under this PLGIA shall be conducted before a single neutral arbitrator appointed by the Parties. If the Parties fail to agree upon a single arbitrator within ten (10) Calendar Days of the submission of the dispute to arbitration, each Party shall choose one arbitrator who shall sit on a three-member arbitration panel. The two arbitrators so chosen shall within twenty (20) Calendar Days select a third arbitrator to chair the arbitration panel. In either case, the arbitrators shall be knowledgeable in electric utility matters, including electric transmission and bulk power issues, and shall not have any current or past substantial business or financial relationships with any party to the arbitration (except prior arbitration). The arbitrator(s) shall provide each of the Parties an opportunity to be heard and, except as otherwise provided herein, shall conduct the arbitration in accordance with the Commercial Arbitration Rules of the American Arbitration Association ("Arbitration Rules") and any applicable FERC regulations or RTO rules; provided, however, in the event of a conflict between the Arbitration Rules and the terms of this Article 27, the terms of this Article 27 shall prevail.

27.3 Arbitration Decisions.

Unless otherwise agreed by the Parties, the arbitrator(s) shall render a decision within ninety (90) Calendar Days of appointment and shall notify the Parties in writing of such decision and the reasons therefor. The arbitrator(s) shall be authorized only to interpret and apply the provisions of this PLGIA and shall have no power to modify or change any provision of this Agreement in any manner. The decision of the arbitrator(s) shall be final and binding upon the Parties, and judgment on the award may be entered in any court having jurisdiction. The decision of the arbitrator(s) may be appealed solely on the grounds that the conduct of the arbitrator(s), or the decision itself, violated the standards set forth in the Federal Arbitration Act or the Administrative Dispute Resolution Act. The final decision of the arbitrator must also be filed with FERC if it affects jurisdictional rates, terms and conditions of service, Interconnection Facilities, or Network Upgrades.

27.4 Costs.

Each Party shall be responsible for its own costs incurred during the arbitration process and for the following costs, if applicable: (1) the cost of the arbitrator chosen by the Party to sit on the three member panel and one half of the cost of the third arbitrator chosen; or (2) one-half the cost of the single arbitrator jointly chosen by the Parties.

Article 28. Representations, Warranties, and Covenants

28.1 General.

Each Party makes the following representations, warranties and covenants:

28.1.1 Good Standing.

Such Party is duly organized, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the state in which it is organized, formed, or incorporated, as applicable; that it is qualified to do business in the state or states in which the Large Generating Facility, Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades owned by such Party, as applicable, are located; and that it has the corporate power and authority to own its properties, to carry on its business as now being conducted and to enter into this PLGIA and carry out the transactions contemplated hereby and perform and carry out all covenants and obligations on its part to be performed under and pursuant to this PLGIA.

28.1.2 Authority.

Such Party has the right, power and authority to enter into this PLGIA, to become a Party hereto and to perform its obligations hereunder. This PLGIA is a legal, valid and binding obligation of such Party, enforceable against such Party in accordance with its terms, except as the enforceability thereof may be limited by applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization or other similar laws affecting creditors' rights generally and by general equitable principles (regardless of whether enforceability is sought in a proceeding in equity or at law).

28.1.3 No Conflict.

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The execution, delivery and performance of this PLGIA does not violate or conflict with the organizational or formation documents, or bylaws or operating agreement, of such Party, or any judgment, license, permit, order, material agreement or instrument applicable to or binding upon such Party or any of its assets.

28.1.4 Consent and Approval.

Such Party has sought or obtained, or, in accordance with this PLGIA will seek or obtain, each consent, approval, authorization, order, or acceptance by any Governmental Authority in connection with the execution, delivery and performance of this PLGIA, and it will provide to any Governmental Authority notice of any actions under this PLGIA that are required by Applicable Laws and Regulations

Article 29. Joint Operating Committee

29.1 Joint Operating Committee.

Except in the case of ISOs and RTOs, Transmission Provider shall constitute a Joint Operating Committee to coordinate operating and technical considerations of Interconnection Service. At least six (6) months prior to the expected Initial Synchronization Date, Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider shall each appoint one representative and one alternate to the Joint Operating Committee. Each Interconnection Customer shall notify Transmission Provider of its appointment in writing. Such appointments may be changed at any time by similar notice. The Joint Operating Committee shall meet as necessary, but not less than once each calendar year, to carry out the duties set forth herein. The Joint Operating Committee shall hold a meeting at the request of either Party, at a time and place agreed upon by the representatives. The Joint Operating Committee shall perform all of its duties consistent with the provisions of this PLGIA. Each Party shall cooperate in providing to the Joint Operating Committee all information required in the performance of the Joint Operating Committee's duties. All decisions and agreements, if any, made by the Joint Operating Committee, shall be evidenced in writing. The duties of the Joint Operating Committee shall include the following:

- **29.1.1** Establish data requirements and operating record requirements.
- **29.1.2** Review the requirements, standards, and procedures for data acquisition equipment, protective equipment, and any other equipment or software.
- 29.1.3 Annually review the one (1) year forecast of maintenance and planned outage schedules of Transmission Provider's and Interconnection Customer's facilities at the Point of Interconnection.
- 29.1.4 Coordinate the scheduling of maintenance and planned outages on the Interconnection Facilities, the Large Generating Facility and other facilities that impact the normal operation of the interconnection of the Large Generating Facility to the Transmission System.

- **29.1.5** Ensure that information is being provided by each Party regarding equipment availability.
- **29.1.6** Perform such other duties as may be conferred upon it by mutual agreement of the Parties.

Article 30. Miscellaneous

30.1 Binding Effect.

This PLGIA and the rights and obligations hereof, shall be binding upon and shall inure to the benefit of the successors and assigns of the Parties hereto.

30.2 Conflicts.

In the event of a conflict between the body of this PLGIA and any attachment, appendices or exhibits hereto, the terms and provisions of the body of this PLGIA shall prevail and be deemed the final intent of the Parties.

30.3 Rules of Interpretation.

This PLGIA, unless a clear contrary intention appears, shall be construed and interpreted as follows: (1) the singular number includes the plural number and vice versa; (2) reference to any person includes such person's successors and assigns but, in the case of a Party, only if such successors and assigns are permitted by this PLGIA, and reference to a person in a particular capacity excludes such person in any other capacity or individually; (3) reference to any agreement (including this PLGIA), document, instrument or tariff means such agreement, document, instrument, or tariff as amended or modified and in effect from time to time in accordance with the terms thereof and, if applicable, the terms hereof; (4) reference to any Applicable Laws and Regulations means such Applicable Laws and Regulations as amended, modified, codified, or reenacted, in whole or in part, and in effect from time to time, including, if applicable, rules and regulations promulgated thereunder; (5) unless expressly stated otherwise, reference to any Article, Section or Appendix means such Article of this PLGIA or such Appendix to this PLGIA, or such Section to the Revised PLGIP or such Appendix to the Revised LGIP, as the case may be; (6) "hereunder", "hereof", "herein", "hereto" and words of similar import shall be deemed references to this PLGIA as a whole and not to any particular Article or other provision hereof or thereof; (7) "including" (and with correlative meaning "include") means including without limiting the generality of any description preceding such term: and (8) relative to the determination of any period of time, "from" means "from and including", "to" means "to but excluding" and "through" means "through and including".

30.4 Entire Agreement.

This PLGIA, including all Appendices and Schedules attached hereto, constitutes the entire agreement between the Parties with reference to the subject matter hereof, and supersedes all prior and contemporaneous understandings or agreements, oral or written, between the Parties with respect to the subject matter of this PLGIA. There are no other agreements, representations, warranties, or covenants which constitute any part of the consideration for, or any condition to, either Party's compliance with its obligations under this PLGIA.

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30.5 No Third Party Beneficiaries.

This PLGIA is not intended to and does not create rights, remedies, or benefits of any character whatsoever in favor of any persons, corporations, associations, or entities other than the Parties, and the obligations herein assumed are solely for the use and benefit of the Parties, their successors in interest and, where permitted, their assigns.

30.6 Waiver.

The failure of a Party to this PLGIA to insist, on any occasion, upon strict performance of any provision of this PLGIA will not be considered a waiver of any obligation, right, or duty of, or imposed upon, such Party.

Any waiver at any time by either Party of its rights with respect to this PLGIA shall not be deemed a continuing waiver or a waiver with respect to any other failure to comply with any other obligation, right, duty of this PLGIA. Termination or Default of this PLGIA for any reason by Interconnection Customer shall not constitute a waiver of Interconnection Customer's legal rights to obtain an interconnection from Transmission Provider. Any waiver of this PLGIA shall, if requested, be provided in writing.

30.7 Headings.

The descriptive headings of the various Articles of this PLGIA have been inserted for convenience of reference only and are of no significance in the interpretation or construction of this PLGIA.

30.8 Multiple Counterparts.

This PLGIA may be executed in two or more counterparts, each of which is deemed an original but all constitute one and the same instrument.

30.9 Amendment.

The Parties may by mutual agreement amend this PLGIA by a written instrument duly executed by the Parties.

30.10 Modification by the Parties.

The Parties may by mutual agreement amend the Appendices to this PLGIA by a written instrument duly executed by the Parties. Such amendment shall become effective and a part of this PLGIA upon satisfaction of all Applicable Laws and Regulations.

30.11 Reservation of Rights.

Transmission Provider shall have the right to make a unilateral filing with FERC to modify this PLGIA with respect to any rates, terms and conditions, charges, classifications of service, rule or regulation under section 205 or any other applicable provision of the Federal Power Act and FERC's rules and regulations thereunder, and Interconnection Customer shall have the right to make a unilateral filing with FERC to modify this PLGIA pursuant to section 206 or any other applicable provision of the Federal Power Act and FERC's rules and regulations thereunder; provided that each Party shall have the right to protest any such filing by the other Party and to participate fully in any proceeding before FERC in which such modifications may be considered. Nothing in this PLGIA shall limit the rights of the Parties or of FERC under sections 205 or 206 of the Federal Power Act

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and FERC's rules and regulations thereunder, except to the extent that the Parties otherwise mutually agree as provided herein.

30.12 No Partnership.

This PLGIA shall not be interpreted or construed to create an association, joint venture, agency relationship, or partnership between the Parties or to impose any partnership obligation or partnership liability upon either Party. Neither Party shall have any right, power or authority to enter into any agreement or undertaking for, or act on behalf of, or to act as or be an agent or representative of, or to otherwise bind, the other Party.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have executed this PLGIA <u>electronically or</u> in duplicate originals, each of which shall constitute and be an original effective Agreement between the Parties.

[Insert name of Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner, if applicable]

| By: | Ву: | | | |
|---|--------|--|--|--|
| Title: | Title: | | | |
| Date: | | | | |
| Date: | | | | |
| [Insert name of Interconnection Customer] | | | | |
| Ву: | | | | |
| Title: | _ | | | |
| Date: | | | | |

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Appendix A to PLGIA

Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades and Distribution Upgrades

- A. Description of Generating Facility, Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades and Distribution Upgrades
 - 1. Description of Generating Facility: [Insert description of Generating Facility]
 - 2. Interconnection Facilities:
 - a. Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities [insert Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities]:
 - b. Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities [insert Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities]:
 - 3. Network Upgrades
 - a. Standalone Network Upgrades [insert Standalone Network Upgrades]:
 - b. Station Network Upgrades [insert Station Network Upgrades]:
 - c. Other Network Upgrades [insert Other Network Upgrades]:
 - d. Distribution Upgrades [insert Distribution Upgrades]:
- B. Interconnection Customer's Payment for Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades
- C. Contingent Facilities

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PLGIA Milestones

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Interconnection Details

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Security Arrangements Details

Infrastructure security of Transmission System equipment and operations and control hardware and software is essential to ensure day-to-day Transmission System reliability and operational security. FERC will expect all Transmission Providers, market participants, and Interconnection Customers interconnected to the Transmission System to comply with the recommendations offered by the President's Critical Infrastructure Protection Board and, eventually, best practice recommendations from the electric reliability authority. All public utilities will be expected to meet basic standards for system infrastructure and operational security, including physical, operational, and cyber-security practices.

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Commercial Operation Date

This Appendix E is a part of the PLGIA between Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer.

| [Date] | |
|--------------------------------|--|
| [Transmission Provi | der Address] |
| Re: | Large Generating Facility |
| Dear: | |
| confirms that [Interconnection | Customer] has completed Trial Operation of Unit No This letter Customer] commenced Commercial Operation of Unit No at , effective as of [Date plus one day]. |
| Thank you. | |
| [Signature] | |
| Interconnection Cus | stomer Representativel |

Appendix F to PLGIA

Addresses for Delivery of Notices and Billings

| Notices:. | | |
|---|--|--|
| Transmission Provider: | | |
| [To be supplied.] | | |
| Interconnection Customer: | | |
| [To be supplied.] | | |
| Billings and Payments: | | |
| Transmission Provider: | | |
| [To be supplied.] | | |
| Interconnection Customer: | | |
| [To be supplied.] | | |
| Alternative Forms of Delivery of Notices (telephone, facsimile or email): | | |
| Transmission Provider: | | |
| [To be supplied.] | | |
| Interconnection Customer: [To be supplied.] | | |

APPENDIX G to PLGIA

INTERCONNECTION REQUIREMENTS FOR A WIND GENERATING PLANT

Appendix G sets forth requirements and provisions specific to a wind generating plant. All other requirements of this LGIA continue to apply to wind generating plant interconnections.

A. Technical Standards Applicable to a Wind Generating Plant

i. Low Voltage Ride-Through (LVRT) Capability

A wind generating plant shall be able to remain online during voltage disturbances up to the time periods and associated voltage levels set forth in the standard below. The LVRT standard provides for a transition period standard and a post-transition period standard.

All wind generating plants subject to FERC Order No. 661 and not covered by the transition period described above must meet the following requirements:

- 1. Wind generating plants are required to remain in-service during three-phase faults with normal clearing (which is a time period of approximately 4 9 cycles) and single line to ground faults with delayed clearing, and subsequent post-fault voltage recovery to prefault voltage unless clearing the fault effectively disconnects the generator from the system. The clearing time requirement for a three-phase fault will be specific to the wind generating plant substation location, as determined by and documented by Transmission Provider. The maximum clearing time the wind generating plant shall be required to withstand for a three-phase fault shall be nine (9) cycles after which, if the fault remains following the location-specific normal clearing time for three-phase faults, the wind generating plant may disconnect from the transmission system. A wind generating plant shall remain interconnected during such a fault on the transmission system for a voltage level as low as zero (0) volts, as measured at the high voltage side of the wind GSU.
- 2. This requirement does not apply to faults that would occur between the wind generator terminals and the high side of the GSU.
- 3. Wind generating plants may be tripped after the fault period if this action is intended as part of a special protection system.
- 4. Wind generating plants may meet the LVRT requirements of this standard by the performance of the generators or by installing additional equipment (<u>e.g.</u>, Static VAr Compensator) within the wind generating plant or by a combination of generator performance and additional equipment.
- 5. Existing individual generator units that are, or have been, interconnected to the network at the same location at the effective date of the Appendix G LVRT Standard are exempt from meeting the Appendix G LVRT Standard for the remaining life of the existing

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generation equipment. Existing individual generator units that are replaced are required to meet the Appendix G LVRT Standard.

ii. Power Factor Design Criteria (Reactive Power)

The following reactive power requirements apply only to a newly interconnecting wind generating plant that has executed a Facilities Study Agreement as of the effective date of the Final Rule establishing the reactive power requirements for non-synchronous generators in Article 9.6.1 of this PLGIA (Order No. 827). A wind generating plant to which this provision applies shall maintain a power factor within the range of 0.95 leading to 0.95 lagging, measured at the Point of Interconnection as defined in this PLGIA, if Transmission Provider's Provisional Interconnection Study shows that such a requirement is necessary to ensure safety or reliability. The power factor range standard can be met by using, for example, power electronics designed to supply this level of reactive capability (taking into account any limitations due to voltage level, real power output, etc.) or fixed and switched capacitors if agreed to by Transmission Provider, or a combination of the two. The Interconnection Customer shall not disable power factor equipment while the wind plant is in operation. Wind plants shall also be able to provide sufficient dynamic voltage support in lieu of the power system stabilizer and automatic voltage regulation at the generator excitation system if the System Impact Study shows this to be required for system safety or reliability.

[2] If identified in the System Impact Study as necessary to ensure safety or reliability, existing Generating Facilities being upgraded that require a new interconnection request are subject to this reactive power requirement.

iii. Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) Capability

The wind plant shall provide SCADA capability to transmit data and receive instructions from Transmission Provider to protect system reliability. Transmission Provider and the wind plant Interconnection Customer shall determine what SCADA information is essential for the proposed wind plant, taking into account the size of the plant and its characteristics, location, and importance in maintaining generation resource adequacy and transmission system reliability in its area.

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System Impact Study shows that such a requirement is necessary to ensure safety or reliability.

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Operating Assumptions for Generating Facility

<u>Check box if applicable []</u> **Operating Assumptions:**

<u>{insert operating assumptions that reflect the charging behavior of the Generating Facility that includes at least one electric storage resource}</u>

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INTERCONNECTION REQUIREMENTS FOR PROVISIONAL INTERCONNECTION SERVICE

Provisional Agreement

This PLGIA for limited operation is provided to Interconnection Customer at Interconnection Customer's request and at the discretion of Transmission Provider based upon the results of [Insert study report or other evidence]. Interconnection Customer has requested that Transmission Provider provide the Interconnection Customer with a PLGIA that limits the transfer of energy by Interconnection Customer commensurate with that allowed for Provisional Interconnection Service.

Interconnection Customer is requesting to use this PLGIA to interconnect generation prior to the completion of the full interconnection study process. Interconnection Customer may use this Provisional Interconnection Agreement to partially satisfy Readiness Milestones required as part of the full interconnection process. Interconnection Customer agrees it is ready to move forward with Interconnection Service and commits to construct its Generation Facility as part of this PLGIA. Interconnection Customer has requested [ERIS/NRIS] for its interconnection request and has entered into the Definitive InterconnectionCluster Study Process or commits to enter into the next available study cluster.

| The potential Netv | work upgrades | that may | be identified | in the fu | all interconnection | on process is |
|---------------------|--|-----------|---------------|-----------|---------------------|---------------|
| estimated to be [\$ | <u>. </u> | Interconn | ection Custor | mer has r | made a security | deposit with |

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Transmission Provider, in the form of Letter of Credit in the amount of [\$_____] to satisfy the additional security requirements of this PLGIA (see Article 11.5).

Interconnection Customer represents that the facilities (including Network Upgrades, Interconnection Facilities, Distribution Upgrades, System Protection Upgrades and/or Generator Upgrades) that are necessary to commence Provisional Interconnection Service and meet the requirements of NERCthe Electric Reliability Organization, or any applicable regional entity for the interconnection of a new generator will be in place prior to the commencement of generation from the Generating Facility and will remain in place during the term of the service. The requisite interconnection studies were or will be performed for the Generating Facility prior to Commercial Operation. Interconnection Customer shall meet any additional requirements (including reactive power requirements) pursuant to the results of applicable future Interconnection Studies. Until such time as the applicable Interconnection Studies and any identified facilities are completed, the output of the Generating Facility will operate within the Operating Limits prescribed in a future, if applicable, operating guide.

Requirement to Procure Transmission Service

This PLGIA does not confer Transmission Service. Interconnection Customer must procure Transmission Service on the PSCo Transmission System before producing energy. Producing energy above reserved Transmission Service will be deemed as unauthorized use of the transmission system and subject to provisions in this Tariff surrounding such unauthorized use and may result in disconnection of the Generating Facility.

Interim Operating Limits Determination

For purposes of Provisional Interconnection Service to the Generating Facility, the maximum permissible output of the Generating Facility ("Operating Limits") in the PLGIA will be reviewed quarterly and updated if there are changes to the system conditions compared to the system conditions previously used to determine the Operating Limits. The Operating Limits will be determined by finding the maximum available transfer limit out of the study region. Operation above those limits 1) may be deemed a Breach of this PLGIA that results in termination of this PLGIA, 2) may result in Transmission Provider disconnecting the Generation Facility from the Transmission Provider's System, and 3) will be deemed as unauthorized use of the transmission system and subject to provisions in this Tariff surrounding such unauthorized use. Interconnection Customers subject to Operating Limits shall be responsible for the cost of performing the required studies to determine Operating Limits. If a study is required, Interconnection Customers shall submit an Operating Limit study deposit in the amount of \$2,000 within thirty (30) Calendar Days after PSCo has provided written notice to Interconnection Customer that it will conduct a study of the Operating Limits. Any difference between the study deposit and the actual cost of the applicable Operating Limit studies shall be paid by, or refunded to, the Interconnection Customer following completion of the study and within thirty (30) Calendar Days of written notice by Transmission Provider stating the calculation of those amounts. Failure to pay any difference between the calculated study costs and the initially paid deposit within thirty (30) Calendar Days of the written notice provided by the other Party shall be deemed a Breach of this PLGIA subject to the provisions of Article 17.

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Interconnection Customer assumes all risks and liabilities with respect to changes, which may impact the Standard Provisional Large Generator Interconnection Agreement including, but not limited to, change in output limits and future Network Upgrade cost responsibilities. Interconnection Service may be interrupted in order to construct additional facilities.

Interconnection Customer shall only operate in generating mode and shall not operate in load mode (i.e. charge from the grid) under the terms of this Provisional Interconnection Agreement.

Interim Operating Guide

Implementation of an interim operating guide, if applicable, that sets forth conditional Interconnection Service for the Interconnection Customer's operation of the Generating Facility until planned Network Upgrades or Interconnection Facilities are constructed will constitute an interim solution agreeable by the Transmission Provider. Any interim operating guide will be subject to the approval of the Transmission Provider. Minimum requirements for an interim operating guide are set forth as follows:

- Transmission Provider will have control of breaker(s) dedicated to the Generating Facility and will be able to trip the Interconnection Customer's Generating Facility.
- Protection schemes must be tested and operable.
- Interconnection Customer will provide continuous communication capability with the owner/operator of the Generating Facility.
- Interconnection Customer, if applicable, will enter into an operating agreement or similar
 agreement with any applicable owner of an existing generating facility which designates,
 among other things, the responsibilities and authorities of each of the parties and shall be
 subject to the acceptance of Transmission Provider.
- A termination date consistent with completion of construction of Network Upgrades and/or Interconnection Facilities will be included as part of all operating guides.

Interconnection Customer assumes all risks and liabilities with respect to changes, which may impact the PLGIA for the Generating Facility including, but not limited to, change in output limits and responsibilities for future Network Upgrade and cost responsibilities that have not yet been identified on the direct connect Transmission System or in Interconnection Studies performed to date as well as all affected Transmission, Distribution, or Generation System(s) including non-Transmission Systems not owned or operated by the Transmission Provider. Such upgrades will be determined pursuant to the Tariff and Policies in effect at the time of the applicable or identifying Interconnection Studies.

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CLUSTER STUDY SCOPING MEETING NON-DISCLOSURE AGREEMENT

- 1. Participants in the cluster scoping discussions held by Public Service Company of Colorado in connection with interconnection request [CLUSTER QUEUE NUMBER] may exchange documents or materials that are deemed to contain Privileged Material and/or Critical Energy/Electric Infrastructure Information (CEII), as those terms are defined herein. The cluster scoping discussion include and are limited to the Cluster Study Scoping Meeting as described in Section 3.4.6 of the PSCo Large Generator Interconnection Procedures, as well as any supplemental Cluster Study Scoping Meetings held by PSCo in connection with the same interconnection request cluster.
- 2. FERC's regulations and its policy governing the labelling of controlled unclassified information (CUI), establish and distinguish the respective designations of Privileged Material and CEII. As to these designations, this Non-Disclosure Agreement provides that a Participant:
 - A. may designate as Privileged Material any material which customarily is treated by that Participant as commercially sensitive or proprietary or material subject to a legal privilege, which is not otherwise available to the public, and which, if disclosed, would subject that Participant or its customers to risk of competitive disadvantage or other business injury; and
 - B. must designate as CEII, any material that meets the definition of that term as provided by 18 C.F.R. §§ 388.113(a), (c).
- 3. For the purposes of this Non-Disclosure Agreement, the listed terms are defined as follows:
 - A. Participant(s): All interconnection customers with interconnection requests included in the request cluster referenced in Paragraph 1 that participate in the cluster scoping discussions held by PSCo for that cluster.
 - B. Privileged Material:
 - Material (provided by a Participant in the discussions regarding the interconnection request cluster, and that is designated as Privileged Material by such Participant, including both written materials and information shared orally;
 - ii. Any information contained in or obtained from such designated material;
 - <u>iii.</u> Notes of Privileged Material (memoranda, handwritten notes, or any other form of information (including electronic form) which copies or discloses Privileged Material); or
 - vi. Copies of Privileged Material.
 - vii. Privileged Material does not include:

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- a. Any information or document that is publicly available, or that is contained in the public files of any federal or state agency, or any federal or state court, unless the information or document has been determined to be privileged by such agency or court;
- b. Information that is public knowledge, or which becomes public knowledge, other than through disclosure in violation of this Non-Disclosure Agreement; or
- C. Critical Energy/Electric Infrastructure Information (CEII): As defined at 18 C.F.R. §§ 388.113(a), (c).
- D. Non-Disclosure Certificate: The certificate attached to this Non-Disclosure Agreement, by which Participants granted access to Privileged Material and/or CEII must certify their understanding that such access to such material is provided pursuant to the terms and restrictions of this Non-Disclosure Agreement, and that such Participants have read the Non-Disclosure Agreement and agree to be bound by it. All executed Non-Disclosure Certificates must be provided to PSCo.
- E. Reviewing Representative: A person who has signed a Non-Disclosure Certificate and who is an employee or agent of an interconnection customer with a request in the request cluster referenced in Oaragraph 1 of this Non-Disclosure Agreement.
- 4. Privileged Material and/or CEII shall be made available under the terms of this Non-Disclosure Agreement only to Participants and only to their Reviewing Representatives as provided in Paragraphs 6-10 of this Non-Disclosure Agreement. The contents of Privileged Material, CEII or any other form of information that copies or discloses such materials shall not be disclosed to anyone other than in accordance with this Non-Disclosure Agreement and shall be used only in the cluster study scoping discussions referenced in Paragraph 1.
- 5. All Privileged Material and/or CEII must be maintained in a secure place. Access to those materials must be limited to Reviewing Representatives specifically authorized pursuant to Paragraphs 7-9 of this Non-Disclosure Agreement.
- 6. Privileged Material and/or CEII must be handled by each Participant and by each Reviewing Representative in accordance with the Non-Disclosure Certificate executed pursuant to this Non-Disclosure Agreement. Privileged Material and/or CEII shall not be used except as necessary for the cluster scoping discussions referenced in Paragraph 1, nor shall they (or the substance of their contents) be disclosed in any manner to any person except a Reviewing Representative who needs to know the information in order to carry out that person's responsibilities in connection with the cluster coping discussions. Reviewing Representatives may make copies of Privileged Material and/or CEII, but such copies automatically become Privileged Material and/or CEII. Reviewing Representatives may make notes of Privileged Material, which shall be treated as Notes of Privileged Material if they reflect the contents of Privileged Material.
- 7. If a Reviewing Representative's scope of employment includes any of the activities listed under this Paragraph 7, such Reviewing Representative may not use information contained

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in any Privileged Material and/or CEII obtained in this proceeding for a commercial purpose (e.g., to give a Participant or competitor of any Participant a commercial advantage):

- A. Generation facility development;
- B. Energy marketing;
- B. Direct supervision of any employee or employees whose duties include generation facility development or energy marketing; or
- C. The provision of consulting services to any person whose duties include generation facility development or energy marketing.
- 8. In the event that a Participant wishes to designate a person not described in Paragraph 3.E above as a Reviewing Representative, the Participant must seek agreement from PSCo. If an agreement is reached, the designee shall be a Reviewing Representative pursuant to Paragraph 3.D of this Non-Disclosure Agreement with respect to those materials.
- 10. Any Reviewing Representative may disclose Privileged Material and/or CEII to any other Reviewing Representative as long as both Reviewing Representatives have executed a Non-Disclosure Certificate. In the event any Reviewing Representative to whom Privileged Material and/or CEII are disclosed ceases to participate in the discussions referenced in Paragraph 1, or becomes employed or retained for a position that renders him or her ineligible to be a Reviewing Representative under Paragraph 3.D of this Non-Disclosure Agreement, access to such materials by that person shall be terminated. Even if no longer engaged in the discussions referenced in Paragraph 1, every person who has executed a Non-Disclosure Certificate shall continue to be bound by the provisions of this Non-Disclosure Agreement and the Non-Disclosure Certificate for as long as the Non-Disclosure Agreement is in effect.
- 15. Nothing in this Non-Disclosure Agreement shall preclude any Participant from requesting that FERC, or any other body having appropriate authority, to find this Non-Disclosure Agreement should not apply to all or any materials previously designated Privileged Material pursuant to this Non-Disclosure Agreement. FERC, or any other body having appropriate authority may alter or amend this Non-Disclosure Agreement as circumstances warrant at any time during the course of this proceeding.
- 16. Each Participant governed by this Non-Disclosure Agreement has the right to seek changes in it as appropriate from FERC, or any other body having appropriate authority.
- 17. Participants to the dispute shall employ good faith best efforts to resolve any disputes arising under this Non-Disclosure Agreement. In the event a dispute may not be resolved, Participants may request relief through an appropriate filing with FERC under the Federal Power Act.
- 18. Any violation of this Non-Disclosure Agreement and of any Non-Disclosure Certificate executed hereunder shall constitute a violation of an order of the Commission.

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I hereby certify my understanding that access to Privileged Material and/or Critical Energy/Electric Infrastructure Information (CEII) is provided to me pursuant to the terms and restrictions of the Non-Disclosure Agreement governing cluster scoping discussions for [CLUSTER QUEUE NUMBER], that I have been given a copy of and have read the Non-Disclosure Agreement, and that I agree to be bound by it. I understand that the contents of Privileged Material and/or CEII, oral or written, as well as any notes or other memoranda, or any other form of information that copies or discloses such materials, shall not be disclosed to anyone other than in accordance with the Non-Disclosure Agreement. I acknowledge that a violation of this certificate constitutes a violation of an order of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

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