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## **TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS FOR PARALLEL OPERATION OF CUSTOMER-OWNED GENERATION**

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# TECHNICAL CONSIDERATIONS COVERING PARALLEL OPERATIONS OF CUSTOMER-OWNED GENERATION INTERCONNECTED WITH THE DELAWARE ELECTRIC CO-OP

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## **I. Disclaimer**

This document and all the material contained herein is designed for informational and illustrative purposes and to insure at least minimum interconnection requirements are satisfied. It is produced as an aid to those Customers contemplating the purchase of generation equipment and interconnecting this generation equipment with the Delaware Electric Co-op. The information is intended to guide the customer in making a decision on whether to proceed with a more detailed engineering study.

All the information in this document is intended to be typical and of a general nature for information purposes. It is not intended to be site or Facility specific. Requirements and practices are also subject to change and it must be recognized that any given item may become obsolete or be modified in the future.

The requirements in this document are the requirements of Delaware Electric Co-op (DEC), and may also be requirements of the PJM Interconnection. For generation interconnections in the PJM queue, the PJM Tariff shall prevail in the event of any contradiction between the requirements of this document and the PJM Tariff.

## **II. Prerequisite & Interconnection Process**

To interconnect with the Delaware Electric Co-op (DEC) system, the Customer must first be in compliance with the Tariff rules and regulations and the applicable Tariff classifications and rates. The terms and conditions contained within this document are in addition to, but do not modify nor negate, the terms of the Tariff. In cases where the Customer will not be selling energy and/or capacity into PJM markets, a Generator Owner can submit an Interconnection Application and enter into an Interconnection Agreement Contract directly with DEC. This two-party Interconnection Agreement Contract will cover the interconnection and the use of DEC's facilities to enable the transfer of power from or to the Facility. The details of the Interconnection Agreement Contract are outside the scope of this document. However, this Technical Considerations Document may be included in and become part of the overall Interconnection Agreement Contract.

Alternatively, if the Customer intends to sell energy and or capacity into PJM markets, a Generator Owner must submit an Interconnection Request directly to PJM. PJM will initiate a process to study the feasibility of the generation, its impact within the PJM transmission system and the cost to make any necessary transmission system improvements. These transmission system improvements may be outside the service territory of the local utility. The extent of the studies is dependent on the size of the generation and the proposed Point of Interconnection. Again, the details of this process are outside the scope of this document. The Generator Owner must also enter into the appropriate agreement with PJM.

### **III. Interconnection Studies and Screening Criteria.**

Effective January 12, 2021, DEC's new guidelines apply to interconnections of all types of distributed generation systems of less than 10 MW to the electric distribution system for the utility. DEC now utilizes a four-tiered approach to determine the level of review required before a system may be connected to the grid. Different levels of review are subject to specific technical screens, review procedures, and time lines. The review process becomes more extensive and time consuming with increasing system size. Below are the basic criteria for determining the level of review required for a prospective project.

**Tier 1:** Lab certified, inverter-based systems with a nameplate capacity of 10 kW or less.

**Tier 2:** Lab certified or field inverter-based systems with a nameplate capacity of 2 MW or less connected to a radial distribution circuit or to a spot network serving one customer. Alternatively, the system was reviewed and not approved under Tier 1.

**Tier 3:** Only applies to systems that will not export power to the grid and which do not require new facility construction by the utility. These systems must have an aggregate generation of 5% of an area network's maximum load or 50 kW, whichever is less. Systems located on a radial network must have a capacity of 10 MW or less and not be served by a shared transformer. These systems are also subject to additional criteria dealing with the aggregate capacity of interconnected systems on a given network.

**Tier 4:** Systems with a nameplate capacity of 10 MW or less that cannot be approved or do not meet the criteria for review under a lower tier.

An interconnection request may be eligible for expedited review if small generator facilities use lab certified equipment or field approved interconnection equipment. Lab certified equipment is defined to mean equipment tested and approved by a nationally recognized testing laboratory (NRTL) as being in accordance with applicable IEEE standards, UL certification, and the National Electric Code (NEC). Field approved systems are generally non-certified systems that have been tested and approved under a review by a utility over the last 36 months and are subject to certain other restrictions including utility witness tests.

**Screening criteria to determine the level of review required for the aggregate exporting generating facilities.**

- 1- Interconnection Studies will be required for any generating facility that exceeds the 50% capacity limit of the circuit or the station where is being connected.
- 2- All other generating facilities will be eligible for expedited review.

All interconnected systems must be equipped with a utility accessible “lockable, visible-break isolation device” or alternately, a “draw-out type circuit breaker with a provision for padlocking at the draw-out position”. This requirement is equivalent to “lockable external disconnect switch” frequently specified in other jurisdictions.

Any systems that will be in excess of 500 kW must enter into a small generation interconnection agreement (SGIA).

#### **IV. Interconnection Request Processing Fees.**

##### Systems under 25 kW:

The application fee is \$50.00 per application for new or upgraded systems 25 kW DC or less. For systems over 25 kW DC the fee will be \$50.00 plus \$1 for each kW DC over the initial 25 kW DC. The application fee for systems where accounts will be aggregated is \$125 per application regardless of kW DC size. All Interconnection Applications submitted to DEC shall be accompanied with the appropriate fee made payable to DEC. The application fee is non-refundable. Applications returned for incomplete or erroneous information will be subject to an additional \$50 application fee when resubmitted. No applications will be considered without the application fee. Returned checks will be assessed an additional fee based on DEC’s Returned Check Policy.

##### Systems over 25 kW:

The application fee is \$125.00 per application for new or upgraded systems 100 kW DC or greater. For systems over 100 kW DC the fee will be \$125.00 plus \$1 for each kW DC over the initial 100 kW DC. All Interconnection Applications submitted to DEC shall be accompanied with the appropriate fee made payable to DEC. The application fee is non-refundable. Applications returned for incomplete or erroneous information will be subject to an additional \$125.00 application fee when resubmitted. No applications will be considered without the application fee. Returned checks will be assessed an additional fee based on DEC’s Returned Check Policy.

All renewable-energy generator systems must comply with all applicable safety and performance standards established by the National Electric Code (NEC), IEEE and UL. These systems are also eligible for net metering. **DEC customers with systems greater than 25 kW are required to carry at least \$1 million in liability insurance per occurrence and \$1 million in property-loss insurance. Higher amounts of coverage may be required at the discretion of DEC.**

## V. Applicability

Unless otherwise provided, these technical considerations apply to all Customer-owned generation interconnected with and operating in parallel with the DEC system at voltages up to and including 138 kV. Where multiple generators are connected to the Grid through a single Point of Common Coupling, the sum of the generator ratings will be used to determine the applicability of these Technical Considerations. These technical considerations also apply to NEM (Net Energy Metering) generator interconnections.

### A. **Control, Protection and Safety Equipment Requirements Specific to Generators of 25 kW or less.**

All Generator Owner generators 25 kW or less may be single-phase if electric service is single-phase. Customer-owned generators greater than 25 kW must be evaluated by the Company to determine if it can be single-phase. For a three-phase service, single-phase generation will be considered by the Company only during emergency standby and customer's service must be totally isolated from DEC system. The following describes necessary control, protection and safety equipment specific to generators of 25 kW or less connected to Secondary or Primary Voltage Systems:

### B. **Control, Protection and Safety Equipment for Generators 25 kW<sup>1</sup> or Less, Connected to Secondary or Primary System**

#### Generator Size 25 kW, or Less

Generator Disconnect Device	X
Over-Current Trip	X
Over-Voltage Trip	X
Under-Voltage Trip	X
Over/Under Frequency Trip	X
Synchronizing Check <sup>2</sup>	Manual or Automatic

#### **Notes:**

1. Exporting to the DEC system may require additional operational/protection devices.
2. For synchronous and other type of generators with stand-alone capability

### **C. Disconnection and Reconnection**

The Company may disconnect a distributed generation unit under the following conditions:

1. *Application Termination* - Upon termination of the approved Interconnection Application.
2. *Non Compliance* - For non-compliance with the technical guidelines specified in this document or other requirements contained in the applicable Customer Tariff, provided that the Company has given notice to the Generator Owner and provided the Generator Owner reasonable time (consistent with the condition) to correct such non-compliance. The Company will reconnect the unit only upon receipt of certification from the Generator Owner and verification by the Company that the unit is in compliance. The Company will provide verification within a reasonable time period.
3. *In case of a system emergency or outage of the Company's primary electrical source* - The Generator Owner's generation equipment must be installed and configured so that parallel operation must cease immediately and automatically during outages or loss of the Company's electric source in accordance with these guidelines. The Generator Owner must also cease parallel operation upon notification by the Company of a system emergency, abnormal condition or in cases where such operation is determined to be unsafe, interferes with the supply of service to other customers or interferes with the Company's system maintenance or operation. In addition, the Company may disconnect the generator from the system for system emergencies without notice. However, the Company will use reasonable efforts to notify the Generator Owner prior to disconnecting.
4. *For Routine Maintenance and Repairs* - The Company may disconnect a Customer/Generator Owner for routine maintenance and repairs on the Company's system consistent with applicable Tariffs and agreements. The Company will make reasonable efforts to provide advance notice to the Customer/Generator Owner of service interruptions resulting from routine maintenance. The Company will reconnect the Customer/Generator Owner as quickly as possible following any such service interruption.
5. *Disconnect Means* – The Customer/Generator Owner shall have a disconnect switch within three feet of the meter.

### **D. Termination**

The Generator Owner may terminate the approved Interconnection Application at any time upon thirty (30) days of providing written notice to the Company. The Company may terminate the Interconnection Application for cause after 60 days written notice to the Generator Owner of a material violation of the terms of the approved Interconnection Application and after the Generator Owner has had a reasonable opportunity to remedy the violation. The Generator Owner must give the Company notice that it intends to permanently shut down his generation.



## VI. Definitions

Various terms as utilized in this document are defined below. Whenever used in the document with initial capitalization, the following terms have the meanings specified in this Section.

- A. *Account* – An account is one metered or un-metered rate or service classification which normally has one electric delivery point of service. Each account shall have only one electric service supplier providing full electric supply requirements for that account. A premise may have more than one account.
- B. *Company* – Delaware Electric Cooperative (DEC).
- C. *Customer* – Any adult person, partnership, association, corporation, or other entity (i) in whose name a service account is listed, (ii) who occupies or is the ratepayer for a premises, building, structure, etc., and (iii) who is primarily responsible for payment of bills. A Customer includes anyone taking Delivery Service or combined Electric Supply & Delivery Service from the Company under one service classification for one account, premises or site. Multiple premises or sites under the same name are considered multiple Customers.
- D. *Facility (or Facilities)* – The Customer-owned generating equipment and all associated or ancillary equipment, including Interconnection Equipment, on the Customer's side of the Point of Common Coupling (Point of Interconnection).
- E. *Generator Owner* – The owner of the generation Facility that is interconnected to the Company.
- F. *Grid* – The interconnected arrangement of lines, transformers and generators that make up the electric power system.
- G. *Interconnection* – The physical connection of Customer-owned generation to the DEC system in accordance with these technical considerations so that parallel operation can safely occur.
- H. *Interconnection Application* – The standard form of application which must be submitted by the Generation Owner to the Company as a request to interconnect a generating unit to the Delaware Electric Cooperative (DEC) System or to increase the capacity of a generating unit already connected to the DEC system.
- I. *Interconnection Equipment* – That equipment necessary to safely interconnect the Facility to the DEC system, including any and all relaying, interrupting devices, and metering or communication equipment needed to protect the Facility and the DEC system and to control and safely operate the Facility in parallel with the DEC system.
- J. *Interconnection Studies* - Refers to the Feasibility, Impact, and Facilities studies to be performed as applicable and in this order, to determine the generating facility affectation to the DEC system.

- K. *Interface (Isolation) Transformer* – A transformer which interconnects a privately-owned generation source voltage with the DEC system voltage.
- L. *Inverter* – A static power converter with control, protection and filtering functions that converts Direct Current (DC) input to Alternating Current (AC) output. Inverters connected to the DEC system must be of the non-islanding type.
- M. *Island* – A portion of the DEC system containing both load and generation that is electrically isolated from the remainder of the DEC system.
- N. *NEM - Net Energy Metering* – Generation installed to offset a Customer’s energy usage and may occasionally export power to the Grid. Maximum generation size and acceptable fuel source are dictated by the various State jurisdictions.
- O. *NERC - North American Electric Reliability Council*. – The purpose of NERC is to ensure the adequacy, reliability and security of the bulk electric supply systems through coordinated operations and planning of generation and transmission facilities.
- P. *One Way Power Flow* – An interconnected Facility is classified as a “One Way Power Flow” installation if the Facility is configured such that its load is always greater than the generation capacity or the Facility does NOT propose to export excess generated power through the DEC Power Delivery transmission and distribution system. This type of installation will receive power through the DEC interconnection but will never export power back into the DEC Power Delivery transmission and distribution system.
- Q. *Parallel Operation* – Any electrical connection between the DEC system and the Generator Owner’s generation source.
- R. *DEC system* – The electric system of DEC, in whose geographical service area the Customer’s Facility is electrically connected, including transmission and distribution systems.
- S. *PJM - PJM Interconnection, L.L.C.* – PJM Interconnection is a regional transmission organization (RTO) that coordinates the movement of wholesale electricity in all or parts of 13 States and the District of Columbia. Members include electric utilities and independently-owned generating resources. The organization is responsible for dispatching generation, operating the bulk transmission system within its service area and operating a buy/sell market for member’s generation.
- T. *Point of Common Coupling (or PCC)* – The point where the electrical conductors of the DEC system are connected to the Generator Owner’s conductors and where any transfer of electric power between the Generator Owner and the Company takes place. The term Point of Interconnection (POI) used by PJM and other entities is synonymous to Point of Common Coupling.

- U. *Point of Interconnection (POI)* – See definition for “Point of Common Coupling” above.
- V. *Pre-Interconnection Study* – A technical study or studies which may be undertaken by either the Company and/or PJM in response to its receipt of a completed Interconnection Application for Parallel Operation with the DEC system submitted on the Interconnection Application form prescribed by these technical considerations or by PJM. Pre-Interconnection Studies may include, but are not limited to, service studies, coordination studies and facilities impact studies.
- V. *RFC* – ReliabilityFirst Corporation – One of eight Regional Reliability Councils which together form the North American Electric Reliability Council (NERC). RFC is responsible for thirteen States and the District of Columbia including all the DEC service territories in Delaware.
- W. *RTU* (Remote Terminal Unit) – The remote unit of a supervisory control system used to telemeter operating data, provide device status/alarms and to provide remote control of equipment at a substation or generator site. The unit communicates with a master unit at the DEC Control Center.
- X. *Stabilized* – The state of the Company’s system when the voltage and frequency have returned to their normal range for at least 5 minutes or longer following a disturbance after which tripped Customer-owned generation may reconnect to the DEC system. The Company may require a longer time period upon a reasonable showing that reconnection after only 5 minutes will adversely impact the safety and reliability of the DEC system.
- Y. *Stiffness Ratio* – A measure of how strong a generator’s fault current contribution is in comparison to the total fault current available at the Point of Common Coupling.  
  

$$\text{Stiffness Ratio} = \frac{\text{Total Fault Current Available at PCC}}{\text{Generator Fault Contribution}}$$
- Z. *System Emergency* – An imminent or occurring condition on the DEC system, the PJM System, the system of a neighboring utility, or in the Facility that is likely to impair system reliability, quality of service, or result in significant disruption of service, or damage, to any of the foregoing, or is likely to endanger life, property or the environment.
- AA. *Two Way Power Flow* – An interconnected Facility is classified as a “Two Way Power Flow” installation if the Facility is configured such that the DEC Power Delivery transmission and distribution system can deliver power to the Generator Owner and the Generator Owner can also export power into the DEC Power Delivery transmission or distribution system. In this type of Facility, the Generator Owner’s load is either variable or smaller than the generating capacity and the Generator Owner proposes to export any excess power.

## **VII. Introduction and Purpose**

- A. The purpose and intent of this document is to outline the basic requirements to those Customers who are contemplating the installation of privately-owned generation connected to, and operated in parallel with, the DEC system. The information contained in this document is to provide the proposed Generation Owner with a summary of Company and Generator Owner obligations, technical and safety requirements and the need for adequate protective equipment to be designed and installed by the Generator Owner in order to operate one or more generator units in Parallel Operation with the DEC system, without adversely impacting the reliability or power quality of electric service to other Customers or the safety of the general public and Company employees. The information contained in this document should be useful in understanding the need for a proper design and the details needed to complete a comprehensive interconnection feasibility study.
- B. No one document can provide all the details needed to cover every conceivable generator installation. Consequently, this document is provided only as a starting point and a source of preliminary information. Any Customer considering the installation of interconnected generation will have to consult all available resources, design standards and professionals necessary to develop a feasible design and installation.

## **VIII. Generator Owner Obligations**

In the course of owning, interconnecting and operating a generator in parallel with the DEC system, the Generator Owner is responsible for the following obligations:

- A. The Generator Owner must design and construct their Facility to meet all applicable national, state and local construction and safety codes.
- B. The Generator Owner must design their Facility with protective hardware and software to prevent the generator from energizing any Company de-energized circuit.
- C. The Generator Owner must design their Facility with protective hardware and software to automatically disconnect from the Company Grid if the source from the DEC system is lost, irrespective of connected loads or other generators on the circuit. Operating an intentional island of Customer-owned generation with other Customers will be permitted only if specific contractual arrangements have been made and necessary equipment has been installed and confirmed by the Generator Owner that the equipment will satisfactorily control and stabilize voltage and frequency within the island.
- D. The Generator Owner must equip his Facility with the necessary protective hardware and software designed to prevent sustained Parallel Operation of the generator with the DEC system unless the system service voltage and frequency are within acceptable magnitudes as defined in Section VIII, B and C.

- E. The Generator Owner is responsible for protecting his own Facility in such a manner that Company Grid outages, short circuits, single phasing conditions or other disturbances including zero sequence currents and ferroresonant over voltages do not damage the Generator Owner's equipment.
- F. The Generator Owner is responsible for protecting his generator and equipment from the effects of switching or automatic reclosing on the DEC system circuit(s) supplying the Generator Owner's Facility.
- G. The Generator Owner shall insure that his designs utilize equipment properly sized to meet the operating voltage, current rating, fault duty, etc. necessary for the site.
- H. The Generator Owner is responsible for protecting its own generator and all interconnection / ancillary equipment. The Generator Owner must supply the required protection schemes along with the necessary metering and monitor/control requirements specified either by DEC Power Delivery or by PJM.
- I. The design, procurement, installation and maintenance of all equipment at the Generator Owner's Facility are the responsibility of the Generator Owner. The Generator Owner is responsible for all costs.
- J. The Generator Owner will supply the Company with the necessary technical information, one-lines, equipment data, specifications, etc. so that so that the Company can conduct a complete review of the proposed Facility and conduct any necessary studies. (See Appendix B)
- K. The Generator Owner will cover the expense of any Company Service Study, Coordination Study or Facility Impact Study necessary to assess the impact of the interconnected generation. The scope of such Pre-Interconnection Studies will be based on the generator characteristics and the location of the proposed Point of Common Coupling. (The expense shall be directly reimbursed to the Company or through PJM.)
- L. Any necessary enhancements or improvements needed within the DEC system, neighboring utility system and/or at other Customer sites to accommodate the Parallel Operation of the Generator Owner's generator will be at the Generation Owner's cost, unless otherwise allocated in accordance with PJM Transmission Tariff, the PJM Operating Agreement or State regulation.
- M. The Generator Owner has full responsibility and liability for the safe and proper operation and control of their equipment and for the power originating from their generator.
- N. The Generator Owner is responsible for synchronizing their generator to the DEC system and maintaining a synchronous condition.

- O. The Generator Owner shall maintain their Facility in good working order, consistent with industry standards, manufacturer recommendations, and in compliance with all applicable rules, codes and regulations. The Generation Owner shall have a maintenance and testing program that ensures all protective schemes and equipment are periodically calibrated and functionally tested. *PJM Relay Testing and Maintenance Practices* shall be followed for all facilities participating in the PJM marketplace, or interconnected at 138 kV and above. The Company may periodically request supporting documentation that confirms the Generator Owner's maintenance and testing program.
- P. The Generator Owner must immediately cease parallel operation upon notification by the Company that their operation is unsafe, interferes with the quality of supply to other Customers or interferes with the Company's system maintenance or operation.
- Q. The Generator Owner will connect and disconnect their generator to/from the DEC system only under the direction and approval of DEC. (NEM generators and other generators 25 kW or less are generally exempt from this requirement.)
- R. The Generator Owner will obtain and cover the cost of any required communication circuits to their site for protective relaying, generator monitoring/control, metering and equipment remote access.
- S. The generator must not be connected in parallel with the DEC system until the Company has granted approval to interconnect and the Generator Owner has received such notification.
- T. The Generator Owner will apply a Warning Label provided by the Company in a conspicuous place on or near their meter, meter box, breaker or Point of Common Coupling to notify Company personnel that there is a generator source at the site.
- U. The Generator Owner must notify the Company in writing if it intends to add or modify any equipment at its Facility that impacts the protection associated with the Point of Common Coupling. The Generator Owner must also give the Company reasonable advance notice if it intends to permanently shut down their generation.
- V. The Generator Owner shall maintain an operating log at their Facility which details all changes in operating status, trip occurrences, maintenance outages or other unusual conditions found upon inspection. The Company may require other information to be logged. The Generator Owner and the Company will generally negotiate the specific information that must be logged at each site. The operating log shall be available to the Company upon request and shall be maintained by the Generator Owner at their Facility.

- W. The Generator Owner must accept the fact that all Customers including Generator Owners may be switched temporarily or permanently from one DEC system substation or circuit to another in response to such causes as load growth, equipment failure, maintenance outages or other reason deemed prudent by DEC. The Generator Owner is responsible for any redesign or setting adjustments in their Facility that are necessary to accommodate a permanent or temporary transfer to another DEC substation or circuit.
- X. The Generator Owner will most likely not be allowed to operate when temporarily transferred to another Company circuit or for other abnormal circuit conditions. This is particularly true if the protection of the normal source circuit has been modified to specifically accommodate the generator interconnection. When requested by the Company, the Generator Owner must cease parallel operation of their generation and reconnect their generation only when permission has been received from the Company.

**IX. DEC Power Delivery Obligations**

In negotiation, in reviewing an Interconnection Application and in ongoing operation with a Generator Owner, the Company is responsible for the following obligations:

- A. The Company will provide the Generator Owner with the DEC system available fault current, system impedance and protection system details at the proposed Point of Common Coupling. This data will be updated, as required, when significant system changes occur.
- B. The Company will review the proposed Facility design and make all the necessary Pre- Interconnection Studies to evaluate the impact of the generator on the DEC system and to identify any enhancements necessary. The Company should complete this review in a timely manner and within the timeframe that may be required by State regulation.
- C. The Company will review and provide feedback to the Generator Owner on the proposed design and protection schemes associated with the Point of Common Coupling. The Company may also review and provide comment on the generator protection and protective relay settings. However, any review by the Company does not relieve the Generation Owner of full responsibility for the protection of their generator and equipment.
- D. The Company will provide the Generation Owner with the technical details and requirements necessary to satisfy the generator metering and RTU monitoring/control needs for each specific generator installation site.
- E. The Company will provide written approval or enter into an appropriate agreement for the interconnection of the Generator Owner's Facility as soon as all requirements are satisfied. Such approval does not, however, supersede the Generator Owner's obligations or imply that the Facility meets all federal, state and local standards. If not approved, the Company will provide details on the reason or reasons for denying the parallel interconnection.

- F. The Company, in the course of reviewing applications for interconnected parallel generators and making any necessary Pre-Interconnection Studies, has the need for detailed information on the proposed Generator Owner's Facility. The Company or any of its affiliates shall not use such knowledge and information submitted by the proposed Generator Owner to offer competing services or special rate considerations. In addition, the Company will not divulge this information to a third party without the Generator Owner's consent.
- G. The Company may disconnect and isolate the Generator Owner's Facility from the DEC system for routine maintenance and repairs on the Company's Grid consistent with applicable Tariffs and agreements. The Company will make reasonable efforts to provide advance notice to the Generator Owner of service interruptions resulting from routine maintenance. The Company will reconnect the Generator Owner's Facility as quickly as possible following any such service interruption.
- H. The Company reserves the right to disconnect and isolate the Generator Owner's Facility from the DEC system for system emergencies or unsafe conditions without notice. The Company will use reasonable efforts to notify the Generator Owner prior to disconnecting.
- I. The Company will advise the Generator Owner with as much lead time as possible when the Generator Owner's Facility must be transferred from one DEC system circuit to another circuit. The Company will also advise the Generator Owner of data on the new DEC system circuit needed by the Generator Owner to re-design or reset equipment at their Facility.

## **X. Technical Design Considerations**

### **A. General**

- 1. This Technical Considerations Document describes the minimum design requirements and operating procedures necessary for the safe and effective interconnection of parallel Customer-owned generation. The Generator Owner's design must meet or exceed the requirements outlined in these Technical Considerations and also meet any applicable Tariff requirements. Some aspects of the Generator Owner's design and operation must meet PJM, IEEE, RFC and NERC standards and requirements. These standards and requirements are routinely modified. This document attempts to enumerate the standards and requirements in effect at the time of writing. Company approval of the Generator Owner's design does not relieve the Generator Owner's responsibility to comply with all standards and requirements whether listed herein or not. It is the Generator Owner's responsibility to know and understand all applicable requirements.
- 2. The Generator Owner's Facility must meet all applicable national, state and local municipal construction, safety and electrical codes. Company approval to interconnect indicates only that the minimum requirements for parallel operation outlined in this document have been satisfied. Such approval does not imply that the Generator Owner's Facility meets all federal, state and local standards and regulations.



3. All equipment, circuit breakers and other current interrupting devices at the Generator Owner's Facility must be capable of interrupting the maximum available fault current at the site including any contribution from the Facility's generator.
4. The Generator Owner must furnish and install a manual disconnect device which, when opened, will have the effect of isolating the generator from the DEC system. This disconnect device shall have a visual break such as a disconnect switch, a draw-out breaker, fuse block, etc. as appropriate to the voltage level. The disconnect device will, at all times, be accessible to Company personnel and be capable of being locked in the open position via a Company padlock.

**Note:** The Company will use reasonable efforts to utilize padlocks of a size consistent with typical manufacturer's specifications.) For interconnection voltages of 480 volts or less, the disconnection means shall be within three feet of the meter.

## **B. Background Information and Need for Protection**

1. The DEC system is subject to a variety of natural and man-made hazards. Among these are lightning, wind, snow, animals, vehicular-pole accidents, vandalism and human error. These same hazards are present in residential and commercial electric systems but to a lesser degree due to the smaller size and protected environment of these systems.
2. The electric problems that can result from the preceding hazards are principally short circuits, grounded conductors and broken or open conductors. All of these problems require that the affected equipment be de-energized as quickly as possible to minimize equipment damage, to protect Grid security, to lessen the adverse impact on Customers and to remove any hazard to the public and Company personnel.
3. When Customer-owned generators are connected to and operate in parallel with the Grid, the Generator Owner has the responsibility to protect both his own Facility and the Grid from the impact of his Facility.

## **C. Basic Protection Goals**

The protection system at the Point of Common Coupling should be designed and operated with the following desired goals in mind:

1. Protect the DEC system from the adverse impacts of the parallel generator and from faults within the Customer's Facility.
2. Protect the parallel generator from faults or other disturbances in the DEC system.
3. Disconnect the parallel generator from the DEC system for abnormal operating conditions.
4. Permit the desired range of power transfer without false operation.

#### **D. Protection General Requirements**

The generator and Point of Common Coupling protection schemes shall be continuously monitored and in a functional state. The generator shall immediately be disconnected from the Company Grid for any condition that would make the protection scheme inoperable.

1. The operating power for the generator and Point of Common Coupling protection schemes and the control power used to disconnect the generator from the Company Grid must not be dependent on Company Grid power.
2. The generator protection shall be designed to automatically and immediately disconnect the generator from the DEC system if the source circuit from the Company is lost, irrespective of connected loads or other generators on the circuit.
3. The generator shall be equipped with protective equipment (hardware or software) to prevent the generator from energizing a de-energized DEC system circuit.
4. Parallel operation must cease immediately and automatically for abnormal operating voltage, frequency, harmonic content or power flow. Parallel operation must also cease for loss of a phase or improper phase sequence. Voltage sensing shall be performed on all three phases.
5. Protection at the Point of Common Coupling must detect and isolate the Facility from the DEC system for a fault condition in the Generation Owner's Facility.
6. Protection at the Point of Common Coupling must detect and isolate from the Company Grid the Generation Owner's Facility for a fault condition on the DEC system circuit that supplies the Customer generator site.
7. The protection scheme should permit the desired range of power transfer without false operation. The protection scheme should also prevent excessive or unnecessary tripping that would adversely affect the Company's service reliability to other Customers or Generator Owners.
8. The generator protection or protection at the Point of Common Coupling must insure that the generator is disconnected from the Company Grid before any automatic re-energizing of the DEC system supply circuit.
9. The protection at the Point of Common Coupling must recognize and disconnect the Generator from the Company Grid before entering Island mode. Generators that serve only the specific customer load must have necessary equipment to insure no power will be exported to the DEC system during an outage of the DEC system whether planned or during an emergency. Any automatic reconnection of the generator to the Grid following a loss and subsequent restoration of the DEC system source must occur only after the Company Grid has stabilized.

**Note:**

1. This preceding list of design requirements is not intended to be all-inclusive. Other hazards and conditions may need to be taken into consideration by the design engineer based upon the circumstances, the specific site, the Generation Owner's needs and other appropriate criteria.

**E. Grid Interconnection Point Information**

Generator Owner will normally want to interconnect their generator to a DEC system circuit or power substation that is near their site. Some details on the Company Grid are noted below to assist the Generator Owner in the design of their Facility.

1. The DEC system distribution facilities consist of voltages shown in the following:

**Table 1, DEC Distribution Facility Voltages**

<b>Voltage</b>	<b>DEC-Owned Lines</b>
12,470/7,200	Three-Phase, Single Source
277/480	Three-Phase, Grounded Wye
120/208	Three-Phase, Grounded Wye
120/240	Single-Phase

2. The DEC system transmission facilities consist of 69 kV and 138 kV circuits.
3. Not all delivery voltages are available at any particular location. The Company must be contacted regarding the availability of specific delivery voltages for interconnection at a particular site.
4. The DEC system can only accept 60 Hz alternating current from parallel generators. All AC generators within the size range covered by this document must be three-phase unless approved by DEC.
5. The Company may limit the size of the generator that can be interconnected at any particular location due to the existing infrastructure and loading of the Grid surrounding the proposed generator site. The presence of existing interconnected generators on the circuit may also limit the size of any new proposed generator interconnection. Any Company Grid upgrades or new construction necessary to interconnect a generator larger than the existing Grid will support will be done at the Generator Owner's expense, unless otherwise allocated in accordance with PJM Tariff, PJM Operating Agreement or State regulation.
6. The following table provides typical maximum generator size in MW that can generally be interconnected at the various DEC system voltage levels. Existing installed generation may further limit the size of additional generation that can be added.

**Table 2, Typical Maximum Size Generation in MW**

<b>Voltage Level</b>	<b>12.47 kV</b>	<b>69 kV</b>	<b>138 kV</b>
Maximum Typical Generation Size Allowed on Non-Express Circuits	2.0	Note 2	Note 2
Maximum Typical Generation Size Allowed on Express Circuits (Note 1)	5.0	Note 2	Note 2

**Notes:**

- a) Express Circuits are new dedicated facilities specifically constructed to interconnect the Generator Owner facilities with the DEC system. The need for an Express Circuit will be based on the results of the Pre-Interconnection Study.
  - b) The results of the PJM Interconnection Study or the DEC Interconnection Study will determine on a case by case basis the maximum generation that can be interconnected at these transmission voltages.
7. Most distribution and transmission lines have automatic line restoration following a line trip. The majority of faults (short circuits) are temporary in nature such as a flashed insulator or a tree limb that brushed against a line. Once the fault has been detected and the affected circuit de-energized, the circuit can normally be successfully re-energized. This re-energizing or automatic reclose could occur after the line has been dead for 0.20 second, up to a minute or more. The net result of automatic line restoration is to restore the integrity of the Grid and to minimize any Customer outage time. The Generator Owner will have to take into account the impact of automatic circuit restoration in the design and operation of their Facility. See Section VIII, D, E, and F.
  8. The Generator Owner may request the Company to delay any high speed reclosing on the DEC system supply circuit to allow the Parallel Operation generator sufficient time to remove itself from an islanded or de-energized circuit prior to automatic reclose. Since delaying the automatic reclose time degrades the level of service to other Customers on the circuit, the Company may limit any delay of the automatic reclose to a few seconds, or less. A direct transfer trip scheme is often needed to disconnect the interconnected generator prior to automatic reclosing. The transfer trip scheme will utilize a communication channel between the Company Facility and Generator Owner's site. A synchronizing check or reclose-blocking scheme may need to be installed on the Company's source circuit to prevent out-of-phase reclosing. The Generator Owner is responsible for all costs associated with the installation and maintenance of improvements necessary for the generator interconnection.
  9. Generators connected to a distribution circuit will require an Automatic Line Recloser (ALR) or Circuit Breaker with appropriate protective relaying be installed at the Point of Common Coupling owned by DEC and paid for by the Generation Owner. DEC may require a second ALR or circuit breaker at the Customer's transformer on the distribution voltage side if Customer's transformer is over 100 feet from the Point of Common Coupling.

## **F. Interface (Isolation) Transformer**

1. In most cases, an Interface (Isolation) Transformer will be required to interconnect the Generation Owner's Facility to the DEC system voltage. This Interface (Isolation) Transformer will decrease possible voltage variations seen by other Company Customers, attenuate any possible harmonics and reduce the effects of fault currents.
2. The Company reserves the right to specify the type of Interface (Isolation) Transformer connection (e.g. delta-delta, wye-delta, wye-wye, and delta-wye) that should be utilized, consistent, where reasonable, with the needs of the Generator Owner's Facility. The intent here is to best integrate the transformer with the circuit grounding and area ground fault detection schemes.
3. For all generation connected to the DEC system, the Interface (Isolation) transformer shall have a grounded wye connection to the DEC system.
4. An Interface (Isolation) Transformer that interfaces to the Company Grid with an ungrounded connection (delta or ungrounded wye) requires a special protection scheme to detect a grounded high side conductor. (See Protection Scheme Details, Section X - F, Table 4)
5. The Interface (Isolation) Transformer must be sized to support maximum anticipated power transfers to and from the Company Grid.

## **G. Power Quality Considerations**

1. The Generator Owner's Facility shall be designed and operated in such a manner that there are no noticeable adverse impacts to system voltage, frequency, harmonics, etc.
2. The parallel generation shall not cause excessive voltage flicker on the DEC system. (Voltage flicker is defined as variations in system voltage magnitude and with duration sufficient to allow visual observation of a change in electric light source intensity.) Any flicker shall not exceed the "Borderline of Irritation" Curve, Figure 1, as defined in IEEE Std. 1453-2015, *Recommended Practice for the Analysis of Fluctuating Installations on Power Systems*. The Company reserves the right to require tighter flicker control in situations where other Customer's or the Company's equipment or operations (computers, instrumentation, process controls, etc.) are impacted.
3. The parallel generation could introduce harmonics distortion into the Company Grid if equipment such as DC to AC inverters are used in the Facility. (Harmonic distortion is defined as continuous distortion of the normal 60 Hz. sine wave typically caused by non-linear loads or by inverters, measured in total harmonic distortion, THD.) Any voltage harmonic distortion shall not exceed the limitation as defined in IEEE Std. 519-2014, *Recommended Practices and Requirements for Harmonic Control in Electric Power Systems*, Table 1. The limits vary dependent on the voltage. In addition, the level of harmonic current that the Generator Owner shall inject into the Company Grid should not exceed the level specified in Tables 2 and 3 in IEEE Std. 519-2014.

4. Any DC to AC inverter should not inject DC current greater than 0.5% of the rated inverter capacity into the Point of Common Coupling during both normal and abnormal operation.

## **H. Power Quality Considerations**

1. For Customer-owned generators seeking parallel operation through an Interconnection Request directly to PJM, the generator(s) must adhere to the power factor requirements as detailed in PJM Manual 14A, *Generation and Transmission Interconnection Process*, Section 5: *Additional Generator Requirements* and the PJM Tariff at Attachment O, Appendix 2, Section 4.7. Otherwise, the power factor requirements listed below apply.
2. A parallel generator shall not adversely impact the power factor of the DEC system. The type of generator impacts the power factor. The inverters of most DC generators are designed to operate close to unity power factor unless otherwise configured. Induction generators absorb VARs from the DEC system. Synchronous generators can either absorb or produce VARs thus having a varying power factor depending upon excitation control.
3. Synchronous generators shall have and maintain a minimum design capacity to operate at a power factor between 0.85 to 1.0 lagging, i.e. supplying VARs to the DEC system.
4. If the generation interconnection is not in PJM queue, synchronous generators shall generally be operated so as not to absorb VARs from the DEC system unless directed by DEC. If the generation interconnection is in PJM queue, PJM rules will apply as noted above in line 1) of this Section.
5. The dispatching authority (PJM or DEC) can request that the generator real and reactive power output be adjusted to best meet the needs of the overall Grid.
6. Depending on the Point of Common Coupling location, the DEC system can be limited in the amount of reactive power capacity available to the Generator Owner. The Generator Owner must provide for his own reactive power requirements (via generator control, capacitors, etc.) so as to operate at no less a power factor (drawing VARs from the DEC system) at the Point of Common Coupling than existed prior to the installation of the Facility. Any reactive power requirements in excess of this limit may require upgrades and/or the installation of capacitor units on the DEC system. The costs for any such upgrades will be charged to the Generator Owner. Specific purchase power arrangements, including power factor requirements, are defined in appropriate Tariffs and Interconnection Agreements.
7. It is the Generator Owner's responsibility to provide adequate mitigation equipment or controls to insure that any variation in voltage at the Point of Common Coupling does not exceed the limits defined in the Tariff and by the local regulatory jurisdiction. When the generator is connected to distribution circuits at 12 kV or below, the generator voltage regulation must be set to properly coordinate with voltage regulating equipment on the DEC Power Delivery circuit.

8. For intermittent type generators such as wind and solar (photovoltaic) the generator may be required to operate in a fixed absorbing VARs power factor schedule to mitigate voltage impacts caused by power output fluctuations. If the generating Facility is capable and obtains permission from DEC, it may operate in a dynamic mode to mitigate voltage impacts by dynamically controlling VARs.

## **I. Inverter Considerations**

Photovoltaic, fuel cell and wind DC generation sources will utilize inverters to convert their DC output to AC power acceptable to the Grid.

1. The Generator Owner must use a non-islanding type inverter. If the grid loses power for any reason, the generation source must either disconnect from the grid or cease operation.
2. Non-islanding type inverters are inherently designed to automatically disconnect from the Grid if the Generator Owner's site becomes isolated from the DEC system. This type inverter also prevents the Generator owner from inadvertently supplying other Company Customers in an isolated Island situation.
3. The inverter output specifications must meet the power quality considerations detailed in Section VII, H. Inverters used in energy farm-type installations may need to include dynamic VAR compensation or use other mitigating means to maintain voltage regulation at the Power of Common Coupling. Dynamic inverters that do not meet the anti-islanding provisions will generally require transfer trip from the upstream protective device(s).

## **J. Induction Generator Considerations**

Wind and other generation sources utilizing induction generators, singularly or in aggregate, could fall within the lower range of parallel generator sizes covered by this Technical Consideration document.

1. The reactive supply for induction generators may impose some design and generator size constraints because these generators obtain their excitation from the Grid. Capacitors may have to be added either at the Generator Owner's site or on the DEC system. (See Section VIII, H) The addition of capacitors may also cause undesirable ferroresonance. The cost to install and maintain capacitors on the DEC system specifically for the generator is the Generator Owner's responsibility.
2. Any flicker produced in the course of starting an induction generator and bringing it up to synchronous speed (as an induction motor) must not exceed the flicker limit detailed in Section XI, D, 3).
3. The installation of capacitors for reactive supply at or near an induction generator site greatly increases the risk that the induction machine may become self-excited if somehow isolated from the Grid. A self-excited induction generator can rapidly produce abnormally high voltages which can damage equipment on the Grid and at other Customer sites. Self-excitation is more likely where the Grid capacity and the circuit load density are both low.

4. The Generator Owner with an induction generator must include protection at their Facility to detect self-excitation operation and disconnect the generator from the DEC system.
5. By their design, induction generators can only supply fault current for a short period of time as the field flux decays rapidly on removal or decay of the source voltage.

#### **K. Synchronous Generator Considerations**

1. By their design and generally larger size, synchronous generators are capable of supporting sustained fault currents. As such, the protection scheme associated with the Point of Common Coupling must be designed to insure detection of fault conditions in the DEC system.
2. Synchronous generators are capable of operating independently irrespective of the Grid source. They can continue to operate after being isolated from the Grid providing the load is within the generator's capacity. Consequently, a more robust protection scheme is generally needed to detect isolation from the Grid. Transfer trip from the Company is generally required.
3. Sufficient generator reactive power control capability shall be provided to withstand normal voltage changes on the DEC system.

#### **L. Interval (Revenue) Metering Considerations**

For Customer-owned generators seeking parallel operation through an Interconnection Request directly to PJM, generator(s) must adhere to the metering requirements as outlined in PJM Manual 01, *Control Center and Data Exchange Requirements*, Section 5: *Metering Requirements* and PJM Tariff, Attachment O, Appendix 2, Section 8. Additional DEC metering requirements are detailed below and also apply to PJM queue projects, except as noted.

The requirements for each parallel generator installation will be reviewed and revised on a case-by-case basis. Listed below are the standard requirements for generator Interval Metering. The Company, however, reserves the right to specify the required interval metering equipment for each paralleled generator site.

1. All paralleled generator Facilities shall be metered in accordance with applicable Tariffs and specifications provided in approved Company publications. (Does not apply to PJM generation queue projects.)
2. An Interval (Revenue) Meter must be located at each Point of Common Coupling. The Interval Meter will record MWh and MVarh input and output.
3. The Generator Owner may net retail site load behind a single meter at the Point of Common Coupling except:
  - a) A separate Interval Meter is required for each generator if the generator or aggregate generation is greater than 2 MW.



- b) In cases where the generation is served under a generator “Standby Tariff”. Under this Tariff, each generator must have a separate Interval Meter to record MWh and MVarh input and output. (Note: Does not apply to PJM queue projects.)
- 4. Generator site auxiliary loads that are not measured by the generator Interval Meter will require a separate meter.
- 5. The Generator Owner shall supply a telephone line for the Interval Meter data recorder which allows the Company to dial-up and retrieve the Interval Meter data remotely. Specific requirements will be determined on a case-by-case basis.
- 6. Unless otherwise mutually agreed upon by the Company and Generator Owner, the Company shall install and own all Interval Metering equipment at the Point of Common Coupling and on the generator(s). The Generator Owner shall pay the Company the initial costs to procure, install, test and startup the metering and associated related equipment. Thereafter, the metering equipment shall be owned, operated and maintained by the Company. (These provisions are subject to possible modification by PJM, regulatory commissions or applicable Tariffs. PJM allows Generator Owners to install, own, operate and maintain the Interval Metering (i.e. PJM “Metering Equipment”)) The Company and the Generator Owner may agree to have the Generator Owner install the metering PTs (potential transformers) and CTs (current transformers) within the Generator Owner’s switchgear equipment.
- 7. All metering shall comply with ANSI and Company technical requirements (including meter model, options and programming). The Point of Common Coupling and generator Interval Meters shall be bi-directional so that power deliveries (including reactive) to and from the Generator Owner’s site can be separately recorded. The Point of Common Coupling Interval Meter shall be equipped with detents to prevent reverse registration.
- 8. The Generator Owner may, at its sole option and cost, install or have the Company install additional metering equipment to meet any special needs that the Generator Owner may have.

## **M. Monitoring, Control and Remote Telecommunication Considerations**

For Customer-owned generators seeking parallel operation through an Interconnection Request directly to PJM, the generator(s) must adhere to the monitoring, control and remote telecommunication requirements as outlined in PJM Manual 01, *Control Center and Data Exchange Requirements* and PJM Manual 14D, *Generator Operational Requirements*. Additional DEC monitoring, control and telecommunication requirements are detailed below and also apply to PJM queue projects, except as noted.

Since parallel generators, particularly the larger units, have a direct impact on the overall operation and performance of the Grid, it is important that the Company monitor and have emergency trip control of the generator interface breaker(s). The requirements for each parallel generator installation will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis.

1. Telemetered data for each meter required in preceding Section X, D shall be telemetered to DEC's designated Control Center via a dedicated data circuit (see line 3 below for an exception).

2. The Generator Owner shall purchase and install a Remote Terminal Unit (RTU) of a DEC approved vendor to enable the Company and, if required, PJM to monitor the status of the data points at the Generator Owner's site and to control certain breakers, if required. This RTU shall utilize DNP 3.0 protocol, or other such protocol compatible with the existing Supervisory Control System at the

Company. Required data points are listed in M.6 below. In addition, the Generator shall supply a data link for transmitting the telemetry data between the Generator Owner's RTU and the appropriate DEC Control Center.

3. A generator or aggregate generation of 10 MW, or less, behind a Point of Common Coupling that is exporting energy and/or capacity to PJM may send telemetry data for the Point of Common Coupling and generator meters to PJM via an internet option in lieu of sending telemetry directly to DEC. The Generator Owner must authorize PJM to resend the telemetry data to DEC. DEC may still require direct telemetry under special circumstances. The required data points are listed in M.6 below. PJM should be contacted for detailed information on the internet option.

4. Specific data points will vary depending upon on the size of the interconnected generation. Analog telemetry and status indication points are listed below in M.6. In addition, certain control functions may be required to allow remote dispatch of generation or for isolating the generation from the DEC system in the event of a system emergency. Specific monitoring and control requirements will be determined on a case-by-case basis.

5. Remote tripping capability by DEC system Operations is required for all generator interconnections larger than 2 MW or interconnected at 12.47 kV or higher voltage, as noted below in line 6.

6. Telemetry and control requirements by generator capacity:

- a. Units 25 kW to 2 MW Capacity

- 1) Generation MW and MVar Output, MWh and MVarh for each generator if Standby Tariff applies.

b. Units Greater Than 2 MW to 10 MW Capacity

- 1) Point of Common Coupling MW, MVar, MWh, MVarh, Amp Flow on each Point of Common Coupling.
- 2) Generation Bus and Point of Common Coupling Bus Voltages.
- 3) Status indication of generator breaker(s) and Point of Common Coupling breaker/ switch.
- 4) Remote generator breaker tripping capability by DEC system Operations.
- 5) Generation MW and MVar Output, MWh and MVarh for each generator, if the Standby Tariff applies.

The Generator Owner's RTU shall connect directly to DEC. For PJM projects, the required telemetry data may be retransmitted to DEC. If data is retransmitted by PJM, the Generator Owner shall grant PJM permission to retransmit the data to DEC.

c. Units Greater Than 10 MW to 50 MW Capacity

- 1) MW and MVar Output, MWh and MVarh for each generator.
- 2) MW, MVar, Amp Flow, MWh and MVarh on each Point of Common Coupling.
- 3) Generation Bus and Point of Common Coupling Bus Voltages.
- 4) Frequency at the Point of Common Coupling.
- 5) Status indication of generator breaker(s) and Point of Common Coupling breaker.
- 6) Remote generator breaker tripping capability by DEC system Operations. The Generator Owner's RTU shall connect directly to DEC.

d. Units Greater Than 50 MW

- 1) MW and MVar Output, MWh and Mvarh for each generator.
- 2) MW and MVar load of generator auxiliaries and Facility.
- 3) MW, MVar, Amp Flow, MWh and Mvarh on each Point of Common Coupling.
- 4) MW, MVar, Amp Flow through the Interface Transformer if site loading causes the flow through the Interface Transformer to be different than the generator.

- 5) Generation Bus and Point of Common Coupling Bus Voltages
- 6) Frequency at the Point of Common Coupling.
- 7) Status indication of generator breakers and all substation breakers.
- 8) Remote generator breaker tripping capability by DEC system Operations. The Generator Owner's RTU shall connect directly to DEC.

**Notes:**

1. The Generator Owner shall contact PJM directly and review PJM documents to insure compliance with all the PJM RTU monitoring/control requirements for their proposed site.
2. The Company will allow multiple generator unit data to be combined into a single unit for Facilities not exceeding 10 MW total for all units.

**N. Event Recording Considerations**

1. The Generator Owner shall purchase and install recording equipment to monitor the performance of their protection and control equipment for those parallel generator sites interconnected with the DEC system at a voltages level of 69 kV and above.
2. The Company reserves the right to specify the voltages, currents, device status, etc. to be monitored and recorded by this event recording equipment.
3. Event information may be recorded by event record features internal to microprocessor type protective relays, by separate digital fault/event recorders or by a combination of these two methods.
4. When a digital fault/event recorder is installed, the Company will specify a manufacturer and type to insure compatibility with other digital fault/event recorders in the DEC system.
5. The Company shall have remote access to any recorded information for use in analyzing the performance of the overall electric Grid.
6. The Generator Owner will supply a dialup telephone line for the event recording equipment for remote access of the data.
7. The prospective Generator Owner should comply with NERC Standard PRC-002-2 *Disturbance Monitoring and Reporting Requirements*. NERC Standards are routinely modified. It is the responsibility of Generator Owner to be knowledgeable of an in compliance with applicable NERC Standards.
8. Digital fault recorders should be time synchronized to a reference traceable to the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST)

## **XI. Performance Considerations**

### **A. General**

1. The interconnection of parallel generation with the DEC system is permissible only if the system voltage, frequency and current flow at the Point of Common Coupling are within normal limits. Parallel operation must cease immediately and automatically for abnormal voltage, frequency, or current flow as defined below.
2. Parallel operation must also cease automatically for operation outside the power quality limitations detailed in Technical Design Considerations, Section X, G.

### **B. Voltage Limits**

1. The Generator Owner's equipment shall be operated in such a manner that the voltage levels on the Company's Grid remain within the operating limits defined by ANSI C84.1-2016 and within the limits defined by Tariff and local regulatory jurisdiction.
2. The generator must immediately and automatically cease parallel operation and disconnect from the DEC system if the voltage at the Point of Common Coupling exceeds the limits defined following:

#### **Notes:**

- a) Trip time refers to the time between when the abnormal voltage condition occurs, and the generator being disconnected from the Company Grid.
  - b) Three-phase voltage sensing shall be used.
  - c) The voltages must be sensed on the high side of any Interface (Isolation) Transformer if the high voltage winding is ungrounded. Such a scheme is necessary to rapidly detect severe over voltages that occur for a grounded high side conductor being energized from an ungrounded generation source. These high voltages can quickly cause catastrophic failure of lightning arresters and lead to other equipment insulation failures.
  - d) Exceptions to these limits may be granted or required for bulk synchronous generators with a contractual obligation and authority to supply other Customer load in an Island mode arrangement. These generators must install appropriate equipment to control and stabilize voltage within the Island.
3. The Generator Owner may reconnect to the Grid when the system voltage returns to normal range and the Grid is stabilized. Reconnection approval shall be requested from the Company Control Center. NEM generators and other generators 2 MW or less are generally exempt from receiving reconnection approval.

### C. Frequency Limits

1. The generator must immediately and automatically cease parallel operation and disconnect from the DEC system if the operating frequency exceeds the limits defined below.

#### Notes:

- a) Trip time refers to the time between when the abnormal frequency condition occurs, and the generator being disconnected from the Company Grid.
  - b) Synchronous Generators less than 20 MW whose output is netted with peak load (net system load reducer) to calculate PJM under frequency load shedding needs, will also have to meet frequency requirements for PJM Market generators.
  - c) PJM Frequency requirements are to provide uniformity across the entire Grid and to insure that all generator units will remain online until the frequency limits are reached.
  - d) PJM can grant an exception to the trip frequency requirement if warranted.
2. The Generator Owner may reconnect to the Grid when the system frequency returns to normal range and the Grid is stabilized. Reconnection approval shall be requested from the Company Control Center. NEM generators and other generators 2 MW, or less, are generally exempt from receiving reconnection approval.

### D. Synchronization

1. In order to avoid damaging a generator during synchronizing, the generator manufacturer will generally provide synchronizing limits in terms of breaker closing angle, slip frequency and voltage matching. Those manufacturer limits should be followed but in no case should they exceed the limits listed below.

**Table 3, Synchronization Limits**

<b>Frequency Difference (Slip)</b>	<b>Voltage Difference</b>	<b>Phase Angle Difference</b>
0.2 Hz.	10%	10 Degrees

2. Generators with a Stiffness Ratio of 20, or less, or units where a stability study has indicated possible unstable operation shall be equipped with a protective functions suitable for detecting loss of synchronism (out of step or pole slipping).
3. Induction generators that are started across the line shall not cause voltage flicker to exceed the limitation defined in Technical Design Considerations, Section X, H, 2. If these flicker limits are exceeded, the induction generator shall be accelerated to synchronous speed by the prime mover prior to paralleling with the Company Grid.

4. The inverters of DC generating systems shall obtain their commutation reference from the Company Grid and thus synchronization will not be an issue.

#### **E. Island Operation**

1. The generator must automatically and immediately disconnect from the DEC system if the source from the Grid is lost. This separation must occur irrespective of connected load or other generators on the circuit.
2. The generator must be disconnected from the Company Grid before any automatic reclose or reenergizing of the Company source.
3. Operating an intentional Island using Customer-owned generation will be permitted only if serving the specific load of the generator owner and the necessary equipment has been installed by the Generator Owner to insure no power is exported to DEC's System.
4. Reconnecting the Island to the Company Grid must be done at a tie location with facilities for synchronizing the Islanded generation to the Grid. Otherwise, the Island generation must be disconnected before the tie is made to the Grid.

#### **F. Fault Detection and Isolation**

1. The Generator Owner must have protective relaying to detect a fault condition on the Company source circuit that interconnects with the Generator Owner's Facility. The protective relaying must detect the Company circuit fault and disconnect the generator from the Grid. The required operating time of the protection scheme is dependent on many variables such as voltage class, generator stability concerns, primary versus backup relaying, coordination requirements with Company relaying scheme, etc. The Company will work with the Generator Owner and ascertain the performance requirements on a case by case basis.
2. In cases where clearing time from the Generator Site is critical and/or when a high speed auto reclose is needed on the source circuit, transfer trip from the Company end of the circuit to the Generator Owner's site will be required.
3. For a fault condition within the Generator Owner's Facility, the Generator Owner must have protective relaying to detect and isolate the fault from the DEC system. The required clearing time of the Facility's protection schemes is dependent on many variables such as voltage class and the operating time of any Company protection schemes that reach into the Facility. The Company will review the proposed operating time of the Facility's protection schemes and ascertain the performance requirements on a case by case basis.

## **G. Closed Transition Switching Installations**

Some privately-owned generation may be paralleled only momentarily with the DEC system during part of a source or load transfer sequence. Generators used primarily for load reduction or emergency power are sometimes operated in this manner.

1. At the time of momentary parallel operation, these installations must meet the voltage, frequency and synchronization requirements outlined in preceding Section X1 , B, C, and D. The synchronizing may be manual for generators up to 10 MW if the closed transition is manually initiated. Otherwise, the synchronizing should be automatic.
2. The transition scheme must have an additional safeguard to limit the amount of time the generator is paralleled with the Grid. The scheme shall trip the generator if the closed transition mode remains in effect longer than some predetermined time DEC to which the Generator Owner is requesting interconnection will determine the allowable time span for parallel operation of the generator.

## **XII. Protection Scheme Details**

### **1. General**

1. The protection schemes described in this Section are intended to be typical for illustration purposes and not specific design requirements for any particular site. They are intended to guide the proposed Generator Owner and provide basic information on the types of protection schemes necessary for generator Parallel Operation.
2. Protective relays, wherever possible, shall be microprocessor type with integral trip record and fault recording, self-checking and remote communications. Remote communications should be provided through a digital switching device to allow a single communication line to service multiple protective relays.
3. All protective relays must have the desired sensitivity and speed for its intended application and be of utility grade. The Company can provide feedback to the Generator Owner in this regard.
4. All equipment, lines and busses operating at 69 kV and above shall be protected by two independent protective schemes.
5. Primary and backup protection schemes shall be supplied via independent current/potential circuits and independently protected DC control circuits.
6. DC circuits supplying protective relaying schemes shall be continuously monitored and fused separately from any other DC control circuits. Loss of any control power bus including DC trip and close busses of each breaker shall also be monitored and alarmed to a manned location so that corrective action can be taken. Relay failure alarms shall be handled in a similar manner.



7. Generator units selling into the PJM marketplace, or interconnected at 69 kV and above, must meet the protection requirements detailed in the PJM Protective Relaying Philosophy and Design Standards document.
8. All protective relay systems, equipment, design, operation and maintenance shall be in accordance with all applicable Federal, State and Local requirements, National and Regional Reliability Criteria and Industry Recognized Standards and Guidelines. References to such requirements may be found in Section XV of this document. The listing is not intended to be all- inclusive.

## 2. Interface (Isolation) Transformer Protection

Typical protection schemes for various size Interface Transformers are illustrated below.

**Table 4, Interface Transformer Protection**

Up to 10 MVA	10 – 50 MVA	Greater than 50 MVA
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Three-Phase Protection Device (12 kV or 69 kV only)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Transformer Differential</li> <li>Fault Pressure</li> <li>Time/Inst. Over Current</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Transformer Primary Differential</li> <li>Transformer Backup Differential</li> <li>Fault Pressure</li> <li>Time/Inst. Over Current</li> <li>Over Excitation</li> </ul>

### Notes:

- a) For transformers needing two differential protection schemes, one of the differential schemes may also include the generator.
- b) The location of the transformer over current relaying may be dependent on the transformer connections.
- c) Generators with a fuse protected Interface (Isolation) Transformer must include protection to detect an open fuse condition.

## 3. Interconnection Line Protection

The protection applied to a line terminal at the Generator Owner's site that interconnects the privately-owned generator with the DEC system will vary depending on the voltage class and existing line relaying scheme at the DEC end(s).

Typical protection schemes for various voltage interconnection lines are provided in Table 5. The actual schemes used will vary for each specific site.

**Table 5, Typical Line Terminal Protection Schemes**

<b>Line Voltage Class</b>	<b>Possible Line Protection Schemes</b>
12 kV	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Phase &amp; Ground Overcurrent (May need to be directional)</li><li>• Three-Phase to Ground Connected Under Voltage &amp; Over Voltage</li><li>• (For line terminating in delta or ungrounded wye connected transformer)</li></ul>
69 kV	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Phase &amp; Ground Directional Over current</li><li>• Phase &amp; Ground Distance Pilot (DCB, POTT, PUTT, DTT)</li><li>• Phase &amp; Ground Step Distance Backup</li><li>• Three-Phase Overvoltage (For line terminating in delta or ungrounded wye connected transformer)</li></ul>
138 kV	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Phase &amp; Ground Distance Pilot (DCB, POTT, PUTT, DTT)</li><li>• Phase &amp; Ground Step Distance Backup</li><li>• Direct Transfer Trip Send/Receive</li></ul>

**Notes:**

- a) Generators that can go unstable due to delayed fault clearing if line pilot protection scheme fails will require two independent high speed pilot schemes, with independent communication channels.
- b) DCB is Directional Comparison Blocking
- c) POTT is Permissive Overreaching Transfer Trip
- d) PUTT is Permissive Under-Reaching Transfer Trip
- e) DTT is Direct Transfer Trip

**4. Generator Isolation Detection Schemes**

1. Under/over frequency and under/over voltage schemes can be used to detect the fact that the generator is Islanded with load (and possibly other generation) and needs to be disconnected from the DEC Grid.
2. Under/over frequency and under/over voltage detection becomes less reliable when the Islanded load is more closely matched to the generator capacity so that the resulting voltage and frequency is at or very near normal. In these cases, direct transfer trip from the DEC system to the Generator Owner's site will be necessary.
3. Generators selling into the PJM marketplace that have their under frequency trip point set to meet PJM under frequency operational requirements (such as 57.5 Hz. for 5 Seconds) essentially removes under frequency sensing as a sensitive means to detect isolation. In this event, other protective measures, such as transfer trip, will be required.

4. Generators using dynamic inverters to regulate voltage at the Point of Interconnection generally will not conform to the requirements of IEEE 1547-2018 and thus will require transfer trip from the upstream protective device(s).
5. Generally, combinations of different protection schemes are necessary to be 100% effective and to provide a level of redundancy
6. In cases where a transfer tripping scheme is needed to ensure isolation detection, the failure of the transfer trip scheme or communication channel will require that the generator automatically disconnect from the DEC until the transfer trip scheme is restored.

## **5. Generator Protection Schemes**

1. The protection schemes on generators will become more complex as the size of the generator unit increases. In addition, those generators selling into the PJM marketplace will require specific protection as required by PJM. The PJM Relay Subcommittee Protective Relaying Philosophy and Design Standards should be consulted.
2. Multi-function microprocessor relays can be used to provide several generator protection functions. However, a second multi-function relay (preferably from another manufacturer to avoid a common failure mode or defective algorithm) is necessary to provide for a relay failure. Alternatively, the generator could be immediately and automatically tripped off line upon a relay failure alarm and remain off line until the relay is repaired. This arrangement, however, may jeopardize the Generator Owner's ability to sell firm capacity into the PJM marketplace.
3. The Generator Owner should consult the generator manufacturer and national standards to develop the appropriate protection for each generator installation. National Standards include C37.102-2006 IEEE Guide for AC Generator Protection and C37.101-2006 IEEE Guide for Generator Ground Protection.
4. Some typical protection schemes for various size generators are noted in Table 6 on the following page. The actual schemes required for each site could vary from these representative samples.

**Table 6, Typical Generator Protection Schemes**

<b>DC Generating Systems With Non-Islanding Inverters</b>	<b>Induction/Synchronous Generators Up to 10 MW</b>	<b>Synchronous Generators 10 MW up to 50 MW</b>	<b>Synchronous Generators 50 MW &amp; Above</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Over/Under Voltage</li> <li>• Over/Under Frequency</li> <li>• This preceding protection is integral to the Non-Islanding Inverter.</li> <li>• DC Overcurrent</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Over/Under Voltage</li> <li>• Over/Under Frequency</li> <li>• Directional Power (Watt /Var)</li> <li>• Phase Overcurrent</li> <li>• Ground Overcurrent</li> <li>• Negative Sequence</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Over/Under Voltage</li> <li>• Over/Under Frequency</li> <li>• Differential</li> <li>• Stator Ground</li> <li>• Loss of Field</li> <li>• Anti-Motoring</li> <li>• Negative Sequence</li> <li>• Voltage Controlled Overcurrent</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Over/Under Voltage</li> <li>• Over/Under Frequency</li> <li>• Primary Differential</li> <li>• Back Up Differential</li> <li>• 100% Stator Ground</li> <li>• Back Up Stator Ground</li> <li>• Generator Lead Protection</li> <li>• Primary Loss of Field</li> <li>• Back Up Loss of Field</li> <li>• Field Ground</li> <li>• Anti-Motoring</li> <li>• Negative Sequence</li> <li>• Voltage Controlled Overcurrent or Distance Backup</li> <li>• Breaker Flashover</li> <li>• Protection During Unit Start Up &amp; Shut Down</li> <li>• Accidental Energization</li> <li>• Out of Step Protection</li> <li>• Synchronizing Check (Ref. Appendix A)</li> </ul>

**Notes:**

- a) On generators with primary and backup differentials, one differential may also cover the unit step up transformer.
- b) Loss of synchronism (out-of-step) protection is necessary where stability studies have shown this protection to be needed.
- c) Ancillary protection schemes such as breaker failure are also required.

**XIII. Typical One-Line Diagrams**

The One-Line Diagrams in Appendix E are intended to be typical or representative samples of various types and sizes of generation Facilities that are connected to and operate in parallel with the DEC system and do not purport to cover every possible case. Each site will have to be specifically designed taking into account the unique characteristics of each installation, the specific location of the Point of Common Coupling and the operating and contractual requirements for that site. Additional PJM and RFC requirements may also apply.

The listed voltages on the diagrams represent nominal values. The actual voltage is dependent on the interconnection location on the DEC circuit.

#### **XIV. Interconnection Application for non-PJM Generation Interconnection Projects**

1. For non PJM generation interconnections, the proposed Generator Owner shall submit an Interconnection Application to the DEC for approval to connect and operate a generating unit in parallel with the DEC Grid. This application should be made as far in advance as possible of the tentative planned in service date. In general, the larger the proposed generating unit, the more lead time is needed to review all aspects of the interconnection and to finalize the Facility design. (The PJM application process is outside the scope of this document and the proposed Generator Owner will have to contact PJM directly on these issues. Information can also be found on the PJM website, [www.pjm.com](http://www.pjm.com))
2. Early application submission can also be cost advantageous to the proposed Generator Owner. The DEC system near the proposed generator site may require extensive and costly upgrades in order to accommodate the output of the generator. These upgrade costs may make the proposed site undesirable for the project. Early application should make this adverse information known before the proposed Generator Owner has made extensive design and site purchase/work expenditures.
3. Early application submission is also advantageous to DEC and assists DEC in meeting the Generator Owner's time schedule. DEC will have to assign resources, do engineering and order material necessary for any Grid upgrades. The earlier this process is started, the easier it is for DEC to meet the Generator Owner's proposed in service date.
4. The Generator Owner shall complete an Interconnection Application Form and supply as much information as possible. It is realized that some information will probably not be available at the time of the initial application submission. However, the Generator Owner should supply as much information and details as possible and forward other necessary information as soon as it becomes available. For non PJM generation interconnections, the forms in Appendix B to this document should be used. For PJM queue projects, refer to the PJM Tariff for application forms and requirements.
5. For non PJM generation interconnections, a One-Line Diagram for the entire proposed Facility shall accompany the Interconnection Application. The diagram shall include details on the connection and rating of all equipment and show all protective schemes. In addition, transformer and generator impedance characteristics and dynamic modeling data must be submitted (see Appendix B).
6. Details on how the proposed Facility is to be operated and the anticipated range of power to be exported into DEC Grid should be included with the Interconnection Application.
7. DEC reserves the right to request additional data, information details and drawings necessary to fully review the proposed Facility and to insure coordination of all equipment with DEC Grid.

8. For non PJM generation interconnections, following submission of the Interconnection Application, DEC, the Generator Owner and the Generator Owner's technical consultants will institute a series of meetings to review and discuss the proposed Facility. The comments and feedback from DEC at these meetings will enable the Generator Owner to finalize his design and operating requirements. For PJM queue projects, the PJM process must be followed.
9. In addition to reviewing the data, drawings and specifications provided by the Generator Owner, DEC may elect to physically inspect the Generator Owner's site during and after construction to insure adherence to the information supplied.
10. All protection, control schemes, metering and RTU operations must be functionally tested and operating correctly before DEC can approve the Interconnection.
11. DEC reserves the right to witness testing of the Generator Owner's protection and control schemes and to request copies of any test data/results. In witnessing any testing, DEC assumes no liability as the full responsibility of Facility operation and protection rests with the Generator Owner.
12. The Generator Owner can interconnect with DEC Grid and commence parallel operation only after DEC has provided written approval to interconnect.

## **XV. References**

The references and standards listed below can provide technical requirements, support and insight into the safe, reliable interconnection of distributed and parallel generation with the DEC systems. These references should be reviewed by those individuals and/or firms contemplating parallel operation of generation with DEC for applicability to their installation. This listing is not intended to be all-inclusive. In cases where a referenced document has been updated, the most recent version of the document should be used.

- NFPA 70, National Electric Code® (NEC®)
- ANSI Std. C84.1-2016, *Electric Power Systems and Equipment – Voltage Ratings*
- ANSI/IEEE Std. C37.1-2007, *IEEE Standard for SCADA and Automation Systems*
- IEEE 100-2000, *IEEE Authoritative Dictionary of IEEE Standard Terms*
- IEEE Std. 141-1993, *IEEE Recommended Practice for Electric Power Distribution for Industrial Plants* (IEEE Red Book)
- IEEE Std. 242-2001, *IEEE Recommended Practice for Protection and Coordination of Industrial and Commercial Power Systems* (IEEE Buff Book)
- IEEE Std. 493-2007, *IEEE Recommended Practice for Design of Reliable Industrial and Commercial Power Systems* (IEEE Gold Book)
- IEEE Std. 519-2014, *IEEE Recommended Practice and Requirements for Harmonic Control in Electric Power Systems*

- IEEE Std. 1159-2009, *IEEE Recommended Practice for Monitoring Electric Power Quality*
- IEEE Std. 1547-2018, *IEEE Standard for Interconnection and interoperability of Distributed Energy Resources with Associated Electric Power Systems Interfaces*
- IEEE Std. 1547.1a-2015, *IEEE Standard Conformance Test Procedures for Equipment Interconnecting Distributed Resources with Electric Power Systems*
- IEEE Std. 1547.2-2008, *IEEE Application Guide for IEEE 1547*
- IEEE Std. 1547.3-2007, *IEEE Guide for Monitoring, Information Exchange and Control of Distributed Resources Interconnected with Electric Power Systems.*
- IEEE Std. 1547.4-2011, *IEEE Draft Guide for Design, Operation and Integration of Distributed Resource Island Systems with Electric Power Systems.*
- IEEE C2, National Electric Safety Code® (NESC®)
- IEEE Std. C37.2-2008, *IEEE Standard for Electric Power System Device Function Numbers, Acronyms and Contact Designations.*
- IEEE Std. C37.90-2005, *IEEE Standard for Relays and Relay Systems Associated with Electric Power Apparatus*
- IEEE Std. C37.90.1-2012, *IEEE Standard Surge Withstand Capability (SWC) Tests for Protective Relays and Relay Systems Associated with Electric Power Apparatus.*
- IEEE Std. C37.91-2008, *IEEE Guide for Protecting Power Transformers*
- IEEE Std. C37.93-2004, *IEEE Guide for Power System Protective Relay Applications of Audio Tones over Voice Grade Channels*
- IEEE Std. C37.95-2014, *IEEE Guide for Protective Relaying of Utility-Consumer Interconnections*
- IEEE Std. C37.101-2006, *IEEE Guide for Generator Ground Protection*
- IEEE C37.102-2006, *IEEE Guide for AC Generator Protection*
- IEEE C37.103-2015, *IEEE Guide for Differential and Polarizing Relay Circuit Testing*
- IEEE C37.104-2012, *IEEE Guide for Automatic Reclosing of Circuit Breakers for AC Distribution and Transmission Lines*
- IEEE C37.106-2003 (Reaff. 2009), *IEEE Guide for Abnormal Frequency Protection for Power Generating Plants*
- IEEE Std. C37.110-2007/Cor 1-2010, *IEEE Guide for the Application of Current Transformers Used for Protective Relaying Purposes Corrigendum 1: Corrections to Equation 18 and Equation 19*
- IEEE Std. C37.113-2015, *IEEE Guide for Protective Relaying Applications to Transmission Lines*

- IEEE C37.230-2007, *IEEE Guide for Protective Relaying Applications to Distribution Lines*
- IEEE C37.234-2009, *IEEE Guide for Protective Relay Applications for Power System Buses*
- IEEE Std. C57.13.1-2006, *IEEE Guide to Field Testing of Relaying Current Transformers*
- IEEE Std. C57.13.2-2005, *IEEE Standard Conformance Test Procedures for Instrument Transformers*
- IEEE Std. C57.13.3-2014, *IEEE Guide for Grounding of Instrument Transformer Secondary Circuits and Cases*
- UL 1741-2010, Underwriters Laboratories, Inc. *Inverters, Converters, Controllers and Interconnection System Equipment for Use with Distributed Energy Resources.*
- *PJM Protective Relaying DEC Philosophy and Design Standards*
- *PJM Relay Testing and Maintenance Practices*
- *PJM Transmission Substation and Line Design, Application and Maintenance Guidelines*
- *NERC & RFC Planning Standards*



## **Appendix A**

### DEC Power Delivery Generator Protection Guidelines For Units 50 MW and Above

## **DEC Power Delivery Generator Protection Guidelines**

### **For Units 50 MW and Above**

The following discussion and guidelines are intended to be a basis for considering what protection to apply to both new units and those being upgraded. The *PJM Relay Subcommittee Protective Relaying Philosophy and Design Standards* document is the basis for these guidelines.

Some specific protection applications may also be required as the result of consultation with the generator manufacturer.

Generator protection, like that on transmission lines, buses and transformers should be designed for reliability. This means an artful balance of dependability and security. Dependability is a measure of the protective relaying systems certainty to trip when required and security a measure of the ability not to trip falsely. The balancing of these two requirements involves consideration of independent ac current and voltage sources to the front line and backup relay schemes. Also independently protected dc control circuits should be used with the front-line and backup relay schemes.

In those cases which follow, if the need for both front-line and backup relays is not defined, one protective scheme will be adequate.

#### **1.0 Generator Stator Fault Protection**

##### **1.1 General Consideration**

Generator stator faults are very serious and cause costly damage. Because of the obvious importance of generators, the fault must be detected and cleared in the least amount of time possible. Because of the stored rotating energy of the generator, damage may occur after all the required breakers have been tripped.

##### **1.2 Phase Fault Protection**

Use a front-line current differential relay scheme and an independent backup differential scheme with independent current sources and independently protected dc control circuits. Each of these schemes should trip the generator breakers, excitation system and turbine valves.

##### **1.3 Ground Fault Protection**

High impedance grounding of generators is an accepted industry practice. This is done to limit the magnitude of ground fault current. Ground fault protection should include two independent relay schemes, employing independent current or voltage sources and independently protected dc control circuits. Each scheme should trip the generator breakers, excitation system and turbine valves.

## 2.0 Generator Rotor Field Protection

The generator rotor field winding is ungrounded. One ground on this field will not affect the generator's operation. The first ground, however, greatly increases the likelihood of a second ground occurring, causing imbalances and overheating. Generators should be equipped with rotor ground fault protection which will alarm only. Upon receipt of this alarm, the generator's load should be reduced to zero and the generator shut down as quickly as possible.

## 3.0 Generator Abnormal Operating Conditions

### 3.1 Loss of Field

Loss of field (loss of excitation) will result in loss of synchronism. Detection of this loss of field is usually done with impedance type relays. A front-line and independent backup scheme is required with each providing a simultaneous trip of the generator breakers, excitation system and turbine valves.

### 3.2 Unbalanced Currents

Unbalanced, or negative sequence currents, are the result of unbalanced loading. This could be the result of one phase open or unbalanced system faults which are not cleared properly. The unbalanced currents themselves cause generator rotor overheating. Protection requires a negative sequence time over current relay with sensitivity sufficient to detect unbalanced conditions exceeding the continuous rating of the generator. The protection should initiate an alarm at one level and a unit trip at a higher level.

### 3.3 Loss of Synchronism

Loss of synchronism, out of step and pole slipping are all synonymous and can result from transients, dynamic instability or loss of excitation. This condition can be damaging to the unit. Detailed stability studies can determine if out of step protection is required. As a rule, if an impedance swing enters the generator or step up transformer impedance, out of step protection is necessary. When out of step protection is required, the generator should be tripped within the first slip cycle.

### 3.4 Over Excitation

Excessive flux (over excitation) in the generator core can cause rapid overheating. Volts/Hertz is a measure of this condition. Two independent schemes should be used, each providing protection for the volts/hertz rating of the generator. An initial alarm followed by a simultaneous trip of the generator breakers, excitation system and turbine valves is recommended.

### 3.5 Reverse Power (Anti-Motoring)

Generator motoring is caused by the lack of energy supplied to the prime mover resulting in the electrical system driving the machine as a motor. Synchronous motoring will not damage the generator but will cause damage to the prime mover. Anti-motoring protection should initiate an alarm which will be followed after a defined time by a unit trip (generator breakers, excitation system and turbine valves).

### 3.6 Abnormal Frequencies

Generators can withstand off frequency operation for long periods of time, provided the load and voltage are reduced a sufficient amount. The turbine, however, can be subject to resonance caused by the off frequency operation. The usual frequency excursion is to a lower than 60 hertz operation. Automatic system wide load shedding is the primary protection against this condition. For protection of the turbine, under frequency relays set at 57.5 hertz and a five second tripping delay are required. For security, two under frequency relays connected in series for tripping and using independent voltage sources should be used. A sequential trip of the turbine valves, the excitation system and generator breakers are recommended.

### 4.0 Generator Breaker Failure Protection

Breaker failure protection must be provided for all relay initiated generator trips. It should be noted that all generator abnormalities that require the generator to be tripped will not result in an over current condition (off frequency, unbalanced currents, etc.). For these conditions, current actuated fault detectors lack sensitivity to monitor breaker open/close status and breaker auxiliary switches should be used instead.

### 5.0 Excitation System Tripping

All protective relay trips of the generator excitation system should trip redundant systems. This could be tripping the main field breaker and exciter field or simultaneous tripping of the main field breaker and activation of the de-excitation system.

### 6.0 Generator Open Breaker Flashover Protection

Open breaker flashover is more likely on generator breakers. Protection for this must be provided for all gas and/or air circuit breakers.

### 7.0 Protection During Start Up or Shutdown

During start up or shut down the generator may be operated at less than rated frequency. During this time, adequate protection must be provided. Some relays, however, are frequency sensitive. Each of the relays' operating characteristics versus frequency must be checked to ensure proper operation at frequencies below 60 Hz. If relay operation is questionable, additional protective relaying will have to be added.

## 8.0 Protection for Accidentally Energizing a Generator on Turning Gear

Accidental energizing of a generator while off line or on turning gear has become of increasing concern in recent years. Severe damage to the generator can occur in a very short time. To provide adequate protection for accidental energization, a scheme designed specifically for this is required. This scheme must trip all associated generator breakers.

## 9.0 Synchronizing Equipment

Each generator should be equipped with a scheme that supervises manual synchronizing. For system emergency restoration, the generator breakers should be capable of closing on a dead system.

## 10.0 Generator Lead Protection

The generator lead, in other words, the phase conductors from the generator terminals to the unit power transformer and the unit auxiliary transformer should be protected by a primary current differential relay scheme. A backup differential relay scheme is required if:

10.1 The conductors are not segregated into bus ducts for their entire exposure, or

10.2 The generator is not grounded through a high impedance to limit ground faults to levels undetectable by current differential relays.

A simultaneous trip of the generator breakers, excitation system and turbine valves are recommended.

## **Appendix B**

Information to Be Supplied By Generator Owner  
For Projects 500 kW and Greater

### **Information to be Supplied by Generator Owner for Non-PJM Projects**

The following information must be supplied by the Generator Owner to allow DEC to conduct necessary studies and reviews to assess the impact of the proposed Facility on the DEC system and to quantify what, if any, upgrades are required to accommodate the proposed generation addition at the specified Point of Common Coupling.

It is recognized that some information will not be available at the time of initial application submission. However, the Generator Owner should supply as much information and detail as possible and forward other necessary information as soon as it becomes available.

At the very least, data requested in Sections A through G, H.1 and L should accompany the initial application submission.

- A. Name of Generator Owner
- B. Name, address, telephone number, and E-mail address of individual able to answer technical questions relating to the design and operation of the proposed Facility
- C. Exact location of proposed Point of Common Coupling
- D. Type (Synchronous, Induction, Inverter, etc.) and rating of proposed generator(s)
- E. Estimated maximum and minimum Facility load at Point of Common Coupling with generation in service
- F. Estimated maximum and minimum Facility load at Point of Common Coupling without generation in service
- G. Estimated maximum power anticipated to be exported into the DEC system
- H. The Generator Owner shall provide copies of the following drawings to DEC for their review:
  - 1. A one-line diagram of Facility
  - 2. All potential elementary drawings associated with the protection and control schemes for the generator and interconnection equipment
  - 3. All current elementary drawings associated with the protection and control schemes for the generator and interconnection equipment
  - 4. A control elementary of the generator breaker and the interconnection breaker
  - 5. A three-line diagram of generation system

I. The One-Line Diagram And Three-Line Diagram shall include the following information:

1. Equipment names and/or numerical designations for all circuit breakers, contactors, air switches, transformers, generators, etc. associated with the generation as required by DEC to facilitate switching.
2. Power Transformers – name or designation, nominal kVA, nominal primary, secondary, tertiary voltages, vector diagram showing winding connections, tap setting and transformer impedance. A copy of the transformer nameplate and test report can be substituted.
3. Station Service Transformers – Designate phase(s) connected to an estimated kVA load.
4. Instrument Transformers – Voltage and current, phase connections.
5. Surge Arresters/Gas Tubes/Metal Oxide Varistors/Avalanche Diode/Spill Gaps/Surge Capacitors, etc. – Type and Ratings.
6. Capacitor Banks – kVAR rating.
7. Disconnect Switches – Indicate status normally open with a (N.O.) and whether manual or motor operated. Include switch voltage, continuous and interrupting ratings.
8. Circuit Breakers and/or Contactors – Interrupting rating, continuous rating, operating times.
9. Generators(s) – Include nameplate, test report, type, connection, kVA, voltage, current, rpm, PF, impedances, time constants, etc.
10. Point of Common Coupling with the DEC system and phase identification.
11. Fuses – Manufacturer, type, size, speed, and location.

J. Elementary Diagrams shall include the following information:

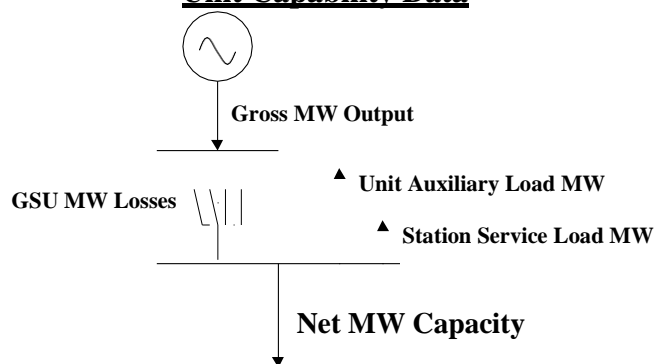
1. Terminal designation of all devices (relay coils and contacts, switches, transducers, etc.)
2. Relay functional designation per latest ANSI Standard. The same functional designation shall be used on all drawings showing the relay.
3. Complete relay type (such as CV-2, SEL321-1, REL-301, IJS51A, etc.)
4. Switch contact shall be referenced to the switch development if development is shown on a separate drawing.
5. Switch developments and escutcheons shall be shown on the drawing where the majority of contacts are used. Where contacts of a switch are used on a separate drawing, that drawing should be referenced adjacent to the contacts in the switch development. Any contacts not used should be referenced as spare.



6. All switch contacts are to be shown open with each labeled to indicate the positions in which the contact will be closed.
  7. Explanatory notes defining switch coordination and adjustment where mis-adjustment could result in equipment failure or safety hazard.
  8. Auxiliary relay contacts shall be referenced to the coil location drawing if coil is shown on a separate drawing. All contacts of auxiliary relays should be shown and the appropriate drawing referenced adjacent to the respective contacts.
  9. Device auxiliary switches (circuit breakers, contactor) should be referenced to the drawing where they are used.
  10. Any interlocks electromechanical, key, etc., associated with the generation or interconnection substation.
  11. Ranges of all timers and setting if dictated by control logic.
  12. All target ratings; on dual ratings note the appropriate target tap setting.
  13. Complete internal for electromechanical protective relays. Microprocessor relays may be shown as a “black box”, however, manufacturer’s instruction book number shall be referenced and terminal connections shown.
  14. Isolation points (states links, PK-2 and FT-1 blocks), etc., including terminal identification.
  15. All circuit elements and components, with device designation, rating and setting where applicable. Coil voltage is shown only if different from nominal control voltage.
  16. Size, type, rating and designation of all fuses.
  17. Phase sequence designation as ABC or CBA.
  18. Potential transformers – nameplate ratio, polarity marks, rating, primary and secondary connections (see Guidelines for minimum ratings.)
  19. Current transformers (including auxiliary CTs) – polarity marks, rating, tap ratio and connection.
- K. Documentation of all protective device settings shall be provided. The setting documentation shall also include relay type, model/catalog number and setting range. If automatic transfer schemes, unique or special protective schemes are used, a description of their operation should be included. DEC must review and approve the settings of all protective devices and automatic control equipment which (1) serve to protect the DEC system from hazardous currents and voltages originating from the Facility, or (2) must coordinate with protective devices or control equipment located on the DEC system.

- L. The following modeling data must be supplied to DEC and/or PJM to allow necessary interconnection studies to be performed. It is recognized that some of this data may initially be preliminary in nature. Interconnection studies will be based on data submitted. Any changes or modifications to this data after the interconnection study has been completed may render the analysis invalid and require re-opening of the interconnection study. It is the Generator Owners responsibility to make DEC and/or PJM aware of any changes to this data, and to provide final certified test reports and modeling data as soon as it is available.

### Unit Capability Data



$$\text{Net MW Capacity} = (\text{Gross MW Output} - \text{GSU MW Losses} - \text{Unit Auxiliary Load MW} - \text{Station Service Load MW})$$

PJM Queue Letter/Position/Unit ID: \_\_\_\_\_

Primary Fuel Type: \_\_\_\_\_

Maximum Summer (92° F ambient air temp.) Net MW Output: \_\_\_\_\_

Maximum Summer (92° F ambient air temp.) Gross MW Output: \_\_\_\_\_

Minimum Summer (92° F ambient air temp.) Gross MW Output: \_\_\_\_\_

Maximum Winter (30° F ambient air temp.) Gross MW Output: \_\_\_\_\_

Minimum Winter (30° F ambient air temp.) Gross MW Output: \_\_\_\_\_

Gross Reactive Power Capability at Maximum Gross MW Output (Leading and Lagging): \_\_\_\_\_

\*\*\* *Please submit Reactive Capability Curve when available*

Individual Unit Auxiliary Load at Maximum Summer MW Output (MW/MVAR): \_\_\_\_\_

Individual Unit Auxiliary Load at Minimum Summer MW Output (MW/MVAR): \_\_\_\_\_

Individual Unit Auxiliary Load at Maximum Winter MW Output (MW/MVAR): \_\_\_\_\_

Individual Unit Auxiliary Load at Minimum Winter MW Output (MW/MVAR): \_\_\_\_\_

Station Service Load (MW/MVAR): \_\_\_\_\_

Please provide any comments on the expected capability of the unit:

## **Unit Generator Dynamics Data**

PJM Queue Letter/Position/Unit ID: \_\_\_\_\_

MVA Base (upon which all reactance, resistance and inertia are calculated): \_\_\_\_\_

Nominal Power Factor: \_\_\_\_\_

Terminal Voltage (kV): \_\_\_\_\_

### **Unsaturated Reactances (on MVA Base)**

Direct Axis Synchronous Reactance,  $X_{d(i)}$ : \_\_\_\_\_

Direct Axis Transient Reactance,  $X'_{d(i)}$ : \_\_\_\_\_

Direct Axis Sub-transient Reactance,  $X''_{d(i)}$ : \_\_\_\_\_

Quadrature Axis Synchronous Reactance,  $X_{q(i)}$ : \_\_\_\_\_

Quadrature Axis Transient Reactance,  $X'_{q(i)}$ : \_\_\_\_\_

Quadrature Axis Sub-transient Reactance,  $X''_{q(i)}$ : \_\_\_\_\_

Stator Leakage Reactance,  $X_l$ : \_\_\_\_\_

Negative Sequence Reactance,  $X_2(i)$ : \_\_\_\_\_

Zero Sequence Reactance,  $X_0$ : \_\_\_\_\_

Saturated Sub-transient Reactance,  $X''_d(v)$  (on MVA Base): \_\_\_\_\_

Armature Resistance,  $R_a$  (on MVA Base): \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ °C

### **Time Constants (seconds)**

Direct Axis Transient Open Circuit,  $T'_{do}$ : \_\_\_\_\_

Direct Axis Sub-transient Open Circuit,  $T''_{do}$ : \_\_\_\_\_

Quadrature Axis Transient Open Circuit,  $T'_{qo}$ : \_\_\_\_\_

Quadrature Axis Sub-transient Open Circuit,  $T''_{qo}$ : \_\_\_\_\_

Inertia,  $H$  (kW-sec/kVA, on KVA Base): \_\_\_\_\_

Speed Damping,  $D$ : \_\_\_\_\_

Saturation Values at Per-Unit Voltage [ $S(1.0)$ ,  $S(1.2)$ ]: \_\_\_\_\_

*Please submit generator certified test report information when available*

### **IEEE dynamic model parameters:**

Governor Model: \_\_\_\_\_

Exciter Model: \_\_\_\_\_

Power System Stabilizer Model: \_\_\_\_\_

## **Unit Transformer Data**

PJM Queue Letter/Position/Unit ID: \_\_\_\_\_

Generator Step-up Transformer MVA Base: \_\_\_\_\_

Generator Step-up Transformer Impedance ( $R+jX$ , on transformer MVA Base): \_\_\_\_\_

Generator Step-up Transformer Rating (MVA): \_\_\_\_\_

Generator Step-up Transformer Low-side Voltage (kV): \_\_\_\_\_

Generator Step-up Transformer High-side Voltage (kV): \_\_\_\_\_

Generator Step-up Transformer Off-nominal Turns Ratio: \_\_\_\_\_

Generator Step-up Transformer Number of Taps and Step Size: \_\_\_\_\_

***Please submit transformer certified test report information when available***

In addition, please indicate whether the transformer is shared with other units.

## **Appendix C**

Generator Interconnection Application for Use  
With Generators Less than 100 kW

**Delaware Electric Cooperative, Inc.**  
**Interconnection Application**  
*(For Use with Systems Less than 100 kW AC)*  
*REVISED August 2018*

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7. This application must be filled out in its entirety or it will be returned without review.

Type of Application:	Initial _____	or	Addition/Upgrade _____
Ownership:	Leased _____	or	Member-Owned _____
Account(s):	Single _____	or	Aggregated _____

**1. DEC Member Information**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Town: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

DEC Account Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Sq Ft of Residence: \_\_\_\_\_ Electric Heat? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

**2. Equipment Contractor Information**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Town: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**3. Electrical Contractor Information (If different from above)**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Town: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_



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**4. Facility Information** *(If different from above)*

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Town: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Nearest DEC Equipment Tag Number: \_\_\_\_\_

**5. General Service Requirements**

What size service is required for this system?

Same as existing \_\_\_\_\_ 200A \_\_\_\_\_ 320A \_\_\_\_\_ 400A \_\_\_\_\_ 600A \_\_\_\_\_

CT Metering \_\_\_\_\_

If this is a new account for the sole purpose of this Generating System, what Voltage/Phase will be required?

120/240V – 1Ø \_\_\_\_\_

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**6. Application Fee**

The application fee is \$50.00 per application for new or upgraded systems 25 kW DC or less. For systems over 25 kW DC the fee will be \$50.00 plus \$1.00 for each kW DC over the initial 25 kW DC. The application fee for systems where accounts will be aggregated is \$125 per application regardless of kW DC size. All Interconnection Applications submitted to DEC shall be accompanied with the appropriate fee made payable to DEC. The application fee is non-refundable. Applications returned for incomplete information will be subject to an additional \$50 application fee when resubmitted. No applications will be considered without the application fee. Returned checks will be assessed an additional fee based on DEC's Returned Check Policy.

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**7. Equipment Information**

Is this equipment powered from a renewable source?    Yes \_\_\_\_    No \_\_\_\_

Type of energy source:

Solar \_\_\_\_    Wind \_\_\_\_    Diesel \_\_\_\_    Natural Gas \_\_\_\_    Fuel Oil \_\_\_\_    Other \_\_\_\_

Will excess power be exported to DEC? Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_

(Typical) Maximum export: \_\_\_\_\_ kW DC/AC

24 month average usage (kWh) \_\_\_\_\_ (monthly)

Forecast *monthly* production (kWh) \_\_\_\_\_

(Note: The forecast monthly SOLAR production MUST be completed using **4.5 peak sunlight hours per day**)

Generator (or solar collector) Manufacturer, Model Name, and Number:

\_\_\_\_\_  
(A copy of the generator nameplate and manufacturer's specification sheet may be substituted)

Quantity of PV Modules: \_\_\_\_\_    Size of PV Modules: \_\_\_\_\_

Inverter Manufacturer, Model Name, and Number:

\_\_\_\_\_  
(A copy of the inverter nameplate and manufacturer's specification sheet may be substituted)

Quantity of Inverters: \_\_\_\_\_

Please fill out the Initial Rating information if there is currently no Generating System on-site. If adding a Generating System to an existing system, fill out the Initial Rating information, the Added Rating information, and the Total Rating information.

**Initial Rating:**

DC System Design Capacity    \_\_\_\_\_ (kW)  
AC System Design Capacity    \_\_\_\_\_ (kW)    \_\_\_\_\_ (kVA)

**Added Rating:**

DC System Design Capacity    \_\_\_\_\_ (kW)  
AC System Design Capacity    \_\_\_\_\_ (kW)    \_\_\_\_\_ (kVA)

**Total Rating:**

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In order to comply with Delaware State Law regarding output of an interconnection Facility, DEC uses the following formula:

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|--|-------|--|
| 1. Enter the 24 month average usage (kWh): | _____ | (Per month)                                  |
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| 3. Enter maximum inverter rating (kVA):    | _____ | (From nameplate, at appropriate voltage)     |
| 4. Multiply line 3 by 4.5 (hours):         | _____ | (This is the maximum kWh possible per day)   |
| 5. Multiply line 4 by 365 (days):          | _____ | (This is the maximum kWh possible per year)  |
| 6. Divide line 5 by 12 (months):           | _____ | (This is the maximum kWh possible per month) |

*If line six (6) is equal to or less than line two (2), the system, as designed, will be approved by DEC.*

For DEC members that have greater than 12 months of usage history and less than 24 months of usage history, the most recent 12 months of usage history shall be used to obtain the average monthly usage necessary for calculating the inverter size as described above.

For DEC members that have no usage or less than 12 months of usage history, please consult DEC before designing the Generating System.

**8. Generator Disconnect Switch**

A lockable disconnect device shall be installed within three (3) feet of the DEC meter and accessible at all times by DEC personnel. The cost of this device and the installation thereof shall not be the responsibility of DEC.

**9. Equipment Certification**

Equipment that utilizes inverter technology must be compliant with *IEEE 929* and *Underwriters Lab. UL1741*. Equipment that utilizes a rotating machine must be compliant with DEC's *Technical Requirements for Parallel Operation of Member Owner Generation* document.

By signing below, the Equipment Contractor certifies that the installed generating equipment meets the appropriate preceding requirement(s) and can supply documentation that confirms compliance.

Company: \_\_\_\_\_

Name (print): \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

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**10. Aggregate Meter Information (if applicable)**

The following accounts shall be combined for the purpose of determining the twenty-four (24) months average usage (kWh) as required in the aforementioned formula regarding inverter sizing. Any surplus energy produced by the Generating System will be credited back to the accounts listed below. Each account must be active and ranked according to the order in which credit shall be applied. The specific method of remuneration will be determined by Delaware State Law, the DEC Tariff, and member approval.

1. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Rate: \_\_\_\_\_  
Account No. \_\_\_\_\_  
24 month average usage (kWh): \_\_\_\_\_ (monthly)
2. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Rate: \_\_\_\_\_  
Account No. \_\_\_\_\_  
24 month average usage (kWh): \_\_\_\_\_ (monthly)
3. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Rate: \_\_\_\_\_  
Account No. \_\_\_\_\_  
24 month average usage (kWh): \_\_\_\_\_ (monthly)
4. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Rate: \_\_\_\_\_  
Account No. \_\_\_\_\_  
24 month average usage (kWh): \_\_\_\_\_ (monthly)
5. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Rate: \_\_\_\_\_  
Account No. \_\_\_\_\_  
4 month average usage (kWh): \_\_\_\_\_ (monthly)

Any additional meters associated with the aggregated system must be supplied on a separate sheet in the same format.

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**11. Signatures**

**DEC Member**

I hereby certify that, to the best of my knowledge, all the information provided in this Interconnection Application is true and correct.

Name (print): \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**Equipment Contractor**

I hereby certify that the information regarding the Generating System is complete, accurate, and shall be installed as designed in accordance with all applicable standards.

Name (print): \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**Electrical Contractor (if different from above)**

I hereby certify that all wiring and installation of associated equipment shall be completed in compliance with all applicable *NEC* codes.

Name (print): \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**12. PRELIMINARY Approval to Proceed with Interconnection**

Returned without review due to insufficient information: \_\_\_\_\_

Delaware Electric Cooperative: Has Approved \_\_\_\_\_ Has Not Approved \_\_\_\_\_  
this preliminary application.

Reason for not approving:

\_\_\_\_\_

Name (print): \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

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**13. Installation Details**

The Generating System will be installed by:      Owner: \_\_\_\_\_  
State Licensed Electrician: \_\_\_\_\_  
Installing Electrician: \_\_\_\_\_  
Company: \_\_\_\_\_ License No.: \_\_\_\_\_  
Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Town: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Supply certification that the generating system has been installed and inspected in compliance with the local Building/Electrical code of the municipality of \_\_\_\_\_.

Signed (Inspector): \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
*(In lieu of signature of Inspector, a copy of the final inspection certificate may be attached)*

**14. FINAL Approval or Non-Approval**

Delaware Electric Cooperative: Has Approved \_\_\_\_ Has Not Approved \_\_\_\_  
this interconnection application.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Reason for not approving this Interconnection Application: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

“Permission to Operate” has been granted as of: \_\_\_\_\_

## **ADDENDUM A- INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

1. **Scope of Agreement.** The Interconnection Application (“Application”) and this Addendum (‘collectively the “Agreement”) establish the conditions pursuant to which Delaware Electric Cooperative (hereinafter “DEC”) and \_\_\_\_\_ (hereinafter “Member”) agree that the electric generating facilities (the “Facilities”) listed in the Application may be interconnected to DEC’s electric distribution system (“System”).

2. **Establishment of Point of Interconnection.** The point where the electric energy first leaves the wires or facilities owned by DEC and enters the wires or facilities provided by Member is the “Point of Interconnection.” DEC shall determine the Point of Interconnection in accordance with its rules, regulations, by-laws, rates, and Tariffs (the “Rules”), which are incorporated herein by reference. Any interconnection equipment installed by Member (“Interconnection Facilities”) shall also be in accordance with the Rules.

3. **Responsibilities of DEC and Member for Installation, Operation and Maintenance of Facilities.** Member will, at its own cost and expense, install, operate, maintain, repair, and inspect, and shall be fully responsible for, the Facilities listed in the Application and Member’s Interconnection Facilities. Member’s Facilities shall be designed, installed, maintained and operated in a safe and reliable manner, in compliance with all aspects of the Rules, and in accordance with industry standard prudent engineering practice. Maintenance of the Facilities and Interconnection Facilities shall be performed in accordance with the applicable manufacturers’ recommended maintenance schedule.

Member also agrees that the design, installation, maintenance and operation of its Facilities and Interconnection Facilities shall minimize the likelihood of a malfunction or other disturbance, damaging or otherwise affecting or impairing the System. Member shall comply with all applicable laws, regulations, zoning codes, building codes, safety rules and environmental restrictions applicable to the design, installation, operation and maintenance of its Facilities and Interconnection Facilities. Member shall obtain all environmental and other permits lawfully required by governmental authorities prior to the commencement of construction of the Facilities and Interconnection Facilities.

DEC will notify Member if there is evidence that operation of the Facilities or Interconnection Facilities causes, or may cause, disruption or deterioration of service to other members of DEC served by the System, or if operation of the Facilities or Interconnection Facilities causes, or may cause, damage or impairment to the System. Member will notify DEC of any emergency or hazardous condition or occurrence with the Facilities or Interconnection Facilities, which could affect safe operation of the System.

4. **Modifications.** Member will not increase the output of the Facilities or make other material changes or modifications to the configuration or operation of the Facilities or Interconnection Facilities without the prior written consent of DEC. In the event that Member plans to undertake a modification that reasonably may be expected to impact the System, Member shall provide DEC with sufficient information to allow DEC to evaluate the potential impact of the modification prior to commencement of any work.

5. **Net Metering.** All power sales to DEC and net metering shall be governed by DEC’s Tariff and Delaware law, Chapter 10 of Title 26 (Electric Utility Restructuring). Interconnection of the Facilities with the System does not grant Member the right to export power in excess of the applicable limits set forth in DEC’s Tariff of Delaware law, Chapter 10 of Title 26 (Electric Utility Restructuring), nor does it constitute an agreement by DEC to purchase or wheel excess power.

6. **Limitation of Liability and Indemnification.** (a) Member shall be responsible for the safe installation, maintenance, repair and condition of the Facilities and Interconnection Facilities. DEC does not assume any duty of inspecting Member’s lines, wires, switches, or other equipment or property and will not be responsible therefor. Member assumes all liability for and shall indemnify DEC and its members,

directors, officers, managers, employees, agents, representatives, affiliates, successors and assigns for and shall hold them harmless from and against any claims, losses, costs, and expenses of any kind or character that are the result from Member's negligence or other wrongful conduct in connection with the design, construction, installation, operation or maintenance of the Facilities or Interconnection Facilities. Such indemnity shall include, but is not limited to, financial responsibility for (i) monetary losses; (ii) reasonable costs and expenses of defending an action or claim; (iii) damages related to death or injury; (iv) damages to property; and (v) damages for the disruption of business.

DEC'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 damages actually incurred. In no event shall DEC be liable to Member any indirect, incidental, special, consequential, or punitive damages of any kind whatsoever. Member shall indemnify, defend, and save DEC 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 construction, design, installation, operation and maintenance of the Facilities.

7. **Right of Access, Equipment Installation, Removal & Inspection.** DEC may send employees, agents or contractors to Member's premises at any time, whether before, during or after the time the Facilities first produce energy to inspect the Facilities and Interconnection Facilities. DEC may monitor and observe the Facility's installation, commissioning (including any testing), startup, operation, and maintenance. DEC shall at all times have direct, unabated access to the disconnect switch and metering equipment of the Facility. DEC shall provide reasonable notice to Member when possible prior to exercising its right of access.

8. **Disconnection of Facilities.**

(a) DEC may temporarily disconnect the Facilities upon any of the following conditions:

- 1) For scheduled outages upon reasonable notice;
- 2) For unscheduled outages or emergency conditions;
- 3) If the Facilities or Interconnection Facilities do not operate in a manner consistent with the Application or these Terms and Conditions;
- 4) For improper installation or if the Facilities or Interconnection Facilities create a safety, reliability or a power quality problem; or
- 5) The Member's Interconnection Facilities are de-listed by the Nationally Recognized Testing Laboratory that provided the listing at the time the interconnection was approved.

(b) DEC may permanently disconnect or direct Member to disconnect Member's Facility and Interconnection Facilities if this Agreement is terminated.



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- (a) By Member: Member may terminate Agreement at any time by providing written notice to DEC;
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13. **Notices.** Notices given under this Agreement are deemed to have been duly delivered if hand delivered or sent by United States certified mail, return receipt requested, postage prepaid, to Member at the address listed in the Application and to DEC at P.O. Box 600, Sussex Highway, Greenwood, Delaware 19950.

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Member Signature

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Printed Name

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## **Appendix D**

Generator Interconnection Application  
For use with Generators 100 kW to 500 kW AC

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**1.    DEC Member Information**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Town: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

DEC Account Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Sq. Ft of Residence: \_\_\_\_\_ Electric Heat?    Yes \_\_\_\_\_                      No \_\_\_\_\_

**2.    Equipment Contractor Information**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Town: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Town: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**4.    Facility Information *(If different from above)***

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Town: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

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Inverter Manufacturer, Model Name, and Number:

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For DEC members that have no usage or less than 12 months of usage history, please consult DEC.

**8. Generator Disconnect Switch**

A lockable disconnect device shall be installed within three (3) feet of the DEC meter and accessible at all times by DEC personnel. The cost of this device and the installation thereof shall not be the responsibility of DEC.

**9. Equipment Certification**

Equipment that utilizes inverter technology must be compliant with *IEEE 929* and *Underwriters Lab. UL1741*. Equipment that utilizes a rotating machine must be compliant with DEC's *Technical Requirements for Parallel Operation of Member Owner Generation* document. **By signing below, the Equipment Contractor certifies that the installed generating equipment meets the appropriate preceding requirement(s) and can supply documentation that confirms compliance.**

Company: \_\_\_\_\_

Name (print): \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**10. Aggregate Meter Information (if applicable)**

The following accounts shall be combined for the purpose of determining the twenty-four (24) months average usage (kWh) as required in the aforementioned formula regarding inverter sizing. Any surplus energy produced by the Generating System will be credited back to the accounts listed below. Each account must be active and ranked according to the order in which credit shall be applied. The specific method of remuneration will be determined by Delaware State Law, the DEC Tariff, and member approval.

1. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Rate: \_\_\_\_\_  
Account No.: \_\_\_\_\_  
24 month average usage (kWh): \_\_\_\_\_ (*monthly*)
2. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Rate: \_\_\_\_\_  
Account No.: \_\_\_\_\_  
24 month average usage (kWh): \_\_\_\_\_ (*monthly*)
3. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Rate: \_\_\_\_\_  
Account No.: \_\_\_\_\_  
24 month average usage (kWh): \_\_\_\_\_ (*monthly*)
4. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Rate: \_\_\_\_\_  
Account No.: \_\_\_\_\_  
24 month average usage (kWh): \_\_\_\_\_ (*monthly*)
5. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Rate: \_\_\_\_\_  
Account No.: \_\_\_\_\_  
4 month average usage (kWh): \_\_\_\_\_ (*monthly*)

Any additional meters associated with the aggregated system must be supplied on a separate sheet in the same format.

## 11. **Signatures**

### DEC Member

I hereby certify that, to the best of my knowledge, all the information provided in this Interconnection Application is true and correct.

Name (print): \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

### Equipment Contractor

I hereby certify that the information regarding the Generating System is complete, accurate, and shall be installed as designed in accordance with all applicable standards.

Name (print): \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

### Electrical Contractor (if different from above)

I hereby certify that all wiring and installation of associated equipment shall be completed in compliance with all applicable NEC codes.

Name (print): \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**12. PRELIMINARY Approval to Proceed with Interconnection**

Returned without review due to insufficient information: \_\_\_\_\_

Delaware Electric Cooperative: Has Approved \_\_\_\_\_ Has Not Approved \_\_\_\_\_ this preliminary application.

Reason for not approving: \_\_\_\_\_

Name (print): \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**13. Installation Details**

The Generating System will be installed by: Owner: \_\_\_\_\_

State Licensed Electrician: \_\_\_\_\_

Installing Electrician: \_\_\_\_\_

Company: \_\_\_\_\_ License No.: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Town: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Supply certification that the generating system has been installed and inspected in compliance with the local Building/Electrical code of the municipality of \_\_\_\_\_.

Signed (Inspector): \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

*(In lieu of signature of Inspector, a copy of the final inspection certificate may be attached)*

**14. FINAL Approval or Non-Approval**

Delaware Electric Cooperative: Has Approved \_\_\_\_\_ Has Not Approved \_\_\_\_\_ this interconnection application.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Reason for not approving this Interconnection Application: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

“Permission to Operate” has been granted as of: \_\_\_\_\_



## **ADDENDUM A- INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

1. **Scope of Agreement.** The Interconnection Application (“Application”) and this Addendum (‘collectively the “Agreement”’) establish the conditions pursuant to which Delaware Electric Cooperative (hereinafter “DEC”) and \_\_\_\_\_ (hereinafter “Member”) agree that the electric generating facilities (the “Facilities”) listed in the Application may be interconnected to DEC’s electric distribution system (“System”).

2. **Establishment of Point of Interconnection.** The point where the electric energy first leaves the wires or facilities owned by DEC and enters the wires or facilities provided by Member is the “Point of Interconnection.” DEC shall determine the Point of Interconnection in accordance with its rules, regulations, by-laws, rates, and Tariffs (the “Rules”), which are incorporated herein by reference. Any interconnection equipment installed by Member (“Interconnection Facilities”) shall also be in accordance with the Rules.

3. **Responsibilities of DEC and Member for Installation, Operation and Maintenance of Facilities.** Member will, at its own cost and expense, install, operate, maintain, repair, and inspect, and shall be fully responsible for, the Facilities listed in the Application and Member’s Interconnection Facilities. Member’s Facilities shall be designed, installed, maintained and operated in a safe and reliable manner, in compliance with all aspects of the Rules, and in accordance with industry standard prudent engineering practice. Maintenance of the Facilities and Interconnection Facilities shall be performed in accordance with the applicable manufacturers’ recommended maintenance schedule.

Member also agrees that the design, installation, maintenance and operation of its Facilities and Interconnection Facilities shall minimize the likelihood of a malfunction or other disturbance, damaging or otherwise affecting or impairing the System. Member shall comply with all applicable laws, regulations, zoning codes, building codes, safety rules and environmental restrictions applicable to the design, installation, operation and maintenance of its Facilities and Interconnection Facilities. Member shall obtain all environmental and other permits lawfully required by governmental authorities prior to the commencement of construction of the Facilities and Interconnection Facilities.

DEC will notify Member if there is evidence that operation of the Facilities or Interconnection Facilities causes, or may cause, disruption or deterioration of service to other members of DEC served by the System, or if operation of the Facilities or Interconnection Facilities causes, or may cause, damage or impairment to the System. Member will notify DEC of any emergency or hazardous condition or occurrence with the Facilities or Interconnection Facilities, which could affect safe operation of the System.

4. **Modifications.** Member will not increase the output of the Facilities or make other material changes or modifications to the configuration or operation of the Facilities or Interconnection Facilities without the prior written consent of DEC. In the event that Member plans to undertake a modification that reasonably may be expected to impact the System, Member shall provide DEC with sufficient information to allow DEC to evaluate the potential impact of the modification prior to commencement of any work.

5. **Net Metering.** All power sales to DEC and net metering shall be governed by DEC’s Tariff and Delaware law, Chapter 10 of Title 26 (Electric Utility Restructuring). Interconnection of the Facilities with the System does not grant Member the right to export power in excess of the applicable limits set forth in DEC’s Tariff of Delaware law, Chapter 10 of Title 26 (Electric Utility Restructuring), nor does it constitute an agreement by DEC to purchase or wheel excess power.

6. **Limitation of Liability and Indemnification.** (a) Member shall be responsible for the safe installation, maintenance, repair and condition of the Facilities and Interconnection Facilities. DEC does not assume any duty of inspecting Member’s lines, wires, switches, or other equipment or property and will not be responsible therefor. Member assumes all liability for and shall indemnify DEC and its members, directors, officers, managers, employees, agents, representatives, affiliates, successors and assigns for and shall hold them harmless from and against any claims, losses, costs, and expenses of any kind or character

that are the result from Member's negligence or other wrongful conduct in connection with the design, construction, installation, operation or maintenance of the Facilities or Interconnection Facilities. Such indemnity shall include, but is not limited to, financial responsibility for (i) monetary losses; (ii) reasonable costs and expenses of defending an action or claim; (iii) damages related to death or injury; (iv) damages to property; and (v) damages for the disruption of business.

DEC'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 damages actually incurred. In no event shall DEC be liable to Member any indirect, incidental, special, consequential, or punitive damages of any kind whatsoever. Member shall indemnify, defend, and save DEC 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 construction, design, installation, operation and maintenance of the Facilities.

7. **Right of Access, Equipment Installation, Removal & Inspection.** DEC may send employees, agents or contractors to Member's premises at any time, whether before, during or after the time the Facilities first produce energy to inspect the Facilities and Interconnection Facilities. DEC may monitor and observe the Facility's installation, commissioning (including any testing), startup, operation, and maintenance. DEC shall at all times have direct, unabated access to the disconnect switch and metering equipment of the Facility. DEC shall provide reasonable notice to Member when possible prior to exercising its right of access.

8. **Disconnection of Facilities.**

(a) DEC may temporarily disconnect the Facilities upon any of the following conditions:

- 1) For scheduled outages upon reasonable notice;
- 2) For unscheduled outages or emergency conditions;
- 3) If the Facilities or Interconnection Facilities do not operate in a manner consistent with the Application or these Terms and Conditions;
- 4) For improper installation or if the Facilities or Interconnection Facilities create a safety, reliability or a power quality problem; or
- 5) The Member's Interconnection Facilities are de-listed by the Nationally Recognized Testing Laboratory that provided the listing at the time the interconnection was approved.

(b) DEC may permanently disconnect or direct Member to disconnect Member's Facility and Interconnection Facilities if this Agreement is terminated.

9. **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 Delaware. Nothing in this Agreement is intended to affect any other agreement between DEC and Member. However, in the event that a provision of the Agreement conflicts with any provision of DEC's Tariff, the Tariff shall control.

10. **Termination.** This Agreement may be terminated under the following conditions:

- (a) By Member: Member may terminate Agreement at any time by providing written notice to DEC;
- (b) By DEC: DEC may terminate this Agreement if Member fails to remedy a violation of the terms of this Agreement within 30 calendar days after notice, or such other date as may be mutually agreed to prior to the expiration of the 30 day period.

11. **Severability.** If any portion or provision of this Agreement is held for any reason to be invalid or illegal or unenforceable by any court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed to be separate, independent and severable, and the remainder of this Agreement shall remain in full force and effect.

12. **Entirety of Agreement; Amendments.** This Agreement, including the Rules, which are expressly made a part hereof for all purposes, constitutes the entire agreement and understanding between the Parties with regard to the interconnection of the Facilities. No amendments or modifications to this Agreement shall be effective unless in writing and signed by the Parties hereto.

13. **Notices.** Notices given under this Agreement are deemed to have been duly delivered if hand delivered or sent by United States certified mail, return receipt requested, postage prepaid, to Member at the address listed in the Application and to DEC at P.O. Box 600, Sussex Highway, Greenwood, Delaware 19950.

14. **Member Certification.** I hereby certify that: 1) I have read and understand the Terms and Conditions of the Agreement; 2) I have read and understand the Technical Requirements for Member-Owned Generation; 3) I agree to comply with all provisions of the Terms and Conditions; and 4) to the best of my knowledge and belief, all information provided by me in the Application is true and complete.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Member Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## **Appendix E**

### **Generator Interconnection Application For Projects 500 kW and Greater**

**Delaware Electric Cooperative, Inc.**  
**Interconnection Application**  
*(For Use with Systems 500 kW AC and Greater)*  
*REVISED May 2019*

**This Interconnection Application also serves as a binding contract between Delaware Electric Cooperative, Inc. (hereinafter referred to as DEC) and each signatory listed herein.**

**General Instructions and Expectations**

1. The preliminary portion of this application (Sections 1 through 10) Addendum A and Appendix B of this document must be submitted initially along with the application fee or a scanned copy of the check (see Section 5) to:

**Delaware Electric Cooperative, Inc.**  
**ATTN: Interconnection Application**  
**PO Box 600**  
**Greenwood, DE 19950**

Email: [interconnection@delaware.coop](mailto:interconnection@delaware.coop)

2. Should any Interconnection Application require multiple revisions by the Equipment Contractor and subsequent reviews, DEC reserves the right to charge a fee for each additional review.
3. Any Generating System requiring an upgrade to the DEC utility system will require payment in full for all costs associated with the requested upgrade before construction of the Generating System is permitted to begin.
4. After the preliminary portion of this application (Sections 1 through 10) has been approved by DEC and returned to the Equipment Contractor, construction of the Generating System may begin.
5. The final portion of this application (Sections 1 through 12) and a scanned copy of the Inspection Certificate (if applicable) must be submitted for final approval after construction of the Generating System is complete. Upon submittal, DEC will meet with the Equipment Contractor to perform a field inspection of the installation. Any installations deemed unacceptable to DEC's standards, or any installation that alters the original, approved design intent will be corrected by the Equipment Contractor at no cost to DEC before final approval is granted.
6. When final approval is granted, DEC will install appropriate metering and return the approved Interconnection Application to the Equipment Contractor. Only at that time, will "Permission to Operate" be granted.
7. This application must be filled out in its entirety or it will be returned without review.

**Delaware Electric Cooperative, Inc.**  
**Interconnection Application**

*(For Use with Systems 500 kW AC and Greater)*  
*REVISED May 2019*

Type of Application:            Initial \_\_\_\_\_            or            Addition/Upgrade \_\_\_\_\_  
Ownership:                    Leased \_\_\_\_\_            or            Member-Owned \_\_\_\_\_  
Account(s):                    Single \_\_\_\_\_            or            Aggregated \_\_\_\_\_

**1. DEC Member/ Generator Information**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Town: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

DEC Account Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Sq. Ft of Residence: \_\_\_\_\_ Electric Heat? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

**2. Equipment Contractor Information**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Town: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**3. Electrical Contractor Information (If different from above)**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Town: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

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REVISED May 2019

**4. Facility Information** (If different from above)

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Town: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Nearest DEC Equipment Tag Number: \_\_\_\_\_

**5. Application Fee**

The application fee is \$1000.00 per application for new or upgraded systems 500 kW DC or greater. All Interconnection Applications submitted to DEC shall be accompanied with the appropriate fee made payable to DEC. The application fee is non-refundable. Applications returned for incomplete information will be subject to an additional application fee when resubmitted. No applications will be considered without the application fee. Returned checks will be assessed an additional fee based on DEC's Returned Check Policy.

**6. Equipment Information**

Is this equipment powered from a renewable source?    Yes \_\_\_\_\_    No \_\_\_\_\_

Type of energy source:

Solar \_\_\_\_\_    Wind \_\_\_\_\_    Diesel \_\_\_\_\_    Natural Gas \_\_\_\_\_    Fuel Oil \_\_\_\_\_    Other \_\_\_\_\_

Maximum export: \_\_\_\_\_ kW DC/AC

24 month average usage (kWh) \_\_\_\_\_ (monthly)

Forecast *monthly* production (kWh) \_\_\_\_\_

Generator (or solar collector) Manufacturer, Model Name, and Number:

\_\_\_\_\_  
(A copy of the generator nameplate and manufacturer's specification sheet may be substituted)

Quantity of PV Modules: \_\_\_\_\_    Size of PV Modules: \_\_\_\_\_

Inverter Manufacturer, Model Name, and Number:

\_\_\_\_\_  
(A copy of the inverter nameplate and manufacturer's specification sheet may be substituted)

Quantity of Inverters: \_\_\_\_\_

Please fill out the Initial Rating information if there is currently no Generating System on-site. If adding a Generating System to an existing system, fill out the Initial Rating information, the Added Rating information, and the Total Rating information.

Initial Rating:

DC System Design Capacity \_\_\_\_\_ (kW)  
AC System Design Capacity \_\_\_\_\_ (kW) \_\_\_\_\_ (kVA)

Added Rating:

DC System Design Capacity \_\_\_\_\_ (kW)  
AC System Design Capacity \_\_\_\_\_ (kW) \_\_\_\_\_ (kVA)

Total Rating:

DC System Design Capacity \_\_\_\_\_ (kW)  
AC System Design Capacity \_\_\_\_\_ (kW) \_\_\_\_\_ (kVA)

**7. Generator Disconnect Switch**

A lockable disconnect device shall be installed within three (3) feet of the DEC meter and accessible at all times by DEC personnel. The cost of this device and the installation thereof shall not be the responsibility of DEC.

**8. Equipment Certification**

Equipment that utilizes inverter technology must be compliant with *IEEE 929* and *Underwriters Lab. UL1741*. Equipment that utilizes a rotating machine must be compliant with DEC's *Technical Requirements for Parallel Operation of Member Owner Generation* document. **By signing below, the Equipment Contractor certifies that the installed generating equipment meets the appropriate preceding requirement(s) and can supply documentation that confirms compliance.**

Company: \_\_\_\_\_

Name (print): \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**9. Signatures**

Generator Owner

I hereby certify that, to the best of my knowledge, all the information provided in this Interconnection Application is true and correct.

Name (print): \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Equipment Contractor

I hereby certify that the information regarding the Generating System is complete, accurate, and shall be installed as designed in accordance with all applicable standards.

Name (print): \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_



Electrical Contractor (if different from above)

I hereby certify that all wiring and installation of associated equipment shall be completed in compliance with all applicable *NEC* codes.

Name (print): \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

#### **10. PRELIMINARY Approval to Proceed with Interconnection**

Returned without review due to insufficient information: \_\_\_\_\_

Delaware Electric Cooperative: Has Approved \_\_\_\_\_ Has Not Approved \_\_\_\_\_ this preliminary application.

Reason for not approving: \_\_\_\_\_

Name (print): \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

#### **11. Installation Details**

The Generating System will be installed by: \_\_\_\_\_ Owner: \_\_\_\_\_

State Licensed Electrician: \_\_\_\_\_

Installing Electrician: \_\_\_\_\_

Company: \_\_\_\_\_ License No.: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Town: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Supply certification that the generating system has been installed and inspected in compliance with the local Building/Electrical code of the municipality of \_\_\_\_\_.

Signed (Inspector): \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

*(In lieu of signature of Inspector, a copy of the final inspection certificate may be attached)*

#### **12. FINAL Approval or Non-Approval**

Delaware Electric Cooperative: Has Approved \_\_\_\_\_ Has Not Approved \_\_\_\_\_ this interconnection application.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Reason for not approving this Interconnection Application: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

“Permission to Operate” has been granted as of: \_\_\_\_\_

## **SMALL GENERATOR INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT (SGIA)**

This Small Generator Interconnection Agreement ("Agreement") is made and entered into this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_, by Delaware Electric Cooperative, Inc., ("Utility"), and \_\_\_\_\_ ("Interconnection Customer" or "IC"), each sometimes referred to individually as "Party" or both referred to collectively as the "Parties."

### **Utility Information**

Utility: Delaware Electric Cooperative, Inc.

Attention: Troy Dickerson P.E., Assistant Vice President of Engineering

Address: 14198 Sussex Highway

City, State, Zip: Greenwood, DE 19950

Phone: (302) 349-3125

Email: [tdickerson@delaware.coop](mailto:tdickerson@delaware.coop)

### **Interconnection Customer Information**

Interconnection Customer: \_\_\_\_\_

Attention: \_\_\_\_\_

Site Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Interconnection Customer Application No: \_\_\_\_\_

Facility Address: \_\_\_\_\_

If not available prior to the completion of the Agreement, the Interconnection Customer must provide an address for the small generating facility ("small generating facility" or "SGF") that has been issued conforming to the 911 emergency response group for the area to the Utility within 15 business days of issuance.

## WITNESSETH

In consideration of the mutual covenants set forth in this Agreement, the Parties agree as follows:

### **Article 1. Scope and Limitations of Agreement**

1.1 This Agreement shall be used for all interconnection requests for generators in excess of 500 kW submitted to Utility and governs the terms and conditions under which the Interconnection Customer's small generating facility will interconnect with and operate in parallel with the Utility system. All interconnections must meet the requirements of Delaware's Technical Requirements for Parallel Operation of Customer-Owned Generation

1.2 This Agreement does not constitute an agreement to purchase or deliver the IC's power. The purchase or delivery of power and other services, including station service or backup power, that the IC may require will be covered under separate agreements, possibly with other parties. The IC will be responsible for separately making all necessary arrangements (including scheduling) for delivery of electricity with the applicable Utility and provider of transmission service

1.3 Nothing in this Agreement is intended to affect any other agreement between the Utility and the IC.

#### **1.4 Responsibilities of the Parties.**

1.4.1 The Parties shall perform all obligations of this Agreement in accordance with all applicable laws and regulations, operating requirements, and Good Utility Practice.

1.4.2 The IC shall construct, interconnect, operate, and maintain its SGF and construct, operate, and maintain its customer's interconnection facilities in accordance with the applicable manufacturer's recommended maintenance schedule, all applicable operating requirements, and in accordance with this Agreement and with Good Utility Practice.

1.4.3 The Utility shall construct, operate, and maintain its distribution and transmission system and attachment facilities in accordance with this Agreement and with Good Utility Practice.

1.4.4 The IC agrees to construct its facilities in accordance with applicable specifications that meet or exceed those provided by the National Electrical Safety Code, American National Standards Institute, Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE), Underwriter's Laboratory, and operating requirements in effect at the time of construction and other applicable national and state codes and standards. The IC agrees to design, install, maintain, and operate its SGF so as to reasonably minimize the likelihood of a disturbance adversely affecting or impairing the system or equipment of the Utility or affected systems and to otherwise maintain and operate its SGF in accordance with the specifications and certifications under which the SGF was initially installed and interconnected.

1.4.5 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 Utility and the IC, as appropriate, shall provide attachment facilities and customer's interconnection facilities that adequately

protect the Utility's personnel and other persons from damage and injury. The allocation of responsibility for the design, installation, operation, maintenance, and ownership of attachment facilities and Interconnection Customer's interconnection facilities shall be delineated in the Attachments to this Agreement. The design, installation, operation, and maintenance of such facilities shall be the responsibility of the owner except as otherwise provided for in this Agreement.

1.4.6 The Utility shall coordinate with all affected systems to support the interconnection.

1.4.7 The IC shall ensure "frequency ride through" capability and "voltage ride through" capability of its SGF. At the discretion of the Utility, the IC shall enable these capabilities such that its SGF shall not disconnect automatically or instantaneously from the system or equipment of the Utility and any affected systems for a defined under-frequency or over-frequency condition or for an under-voltage or over-voltage condition. 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 SGF's protective equipment settings shall comply with the Utility's automatic load-shed program. The Utility shall review the protective equipment settings to confirm compliance with the automatic load-shed program. The term "ride through" as used in this Agreement shall mean the ability of an SGF to stay connected to and synchronized with the system or equipment of the Utility 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 area on a comparable basis. The term "frequency ride through" as used in this Agreement shall mean the ability of an SGF to stay connected to and synchronized with the system or equipment of the Utility 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 in this Agreement shall mean the ability of an SGF to stay connected to and synchronized with the system or equipment of the Utility 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.

1.4.8 The IC shall not operate the SGF in such a way that the SGF would exceed the maximum generating capacity.

1.5 Parallel operation obligations. Once the SGF has been authorized to commence parallel operation, the IC shall abide by all rules and procedures pertaining to the parallel operation of the SGF in the applicable control area, including (i) any rules and procedures concerning the operation of generation set forth in approved tariffs or by the applicable system operator for the Utility's system and (ii) the operating requirements set forth in Attachment 5 of this Agreement.

1.6 Metering. The IC shall be responsible for the Utility'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 IC's metering (and data acquisition, as required) equipment and reporting shall conform to applicable industry rules and operating requirements.

1.7 Reactive power.

1.7.1 The IC shall design its SGF 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 mutually agreed upon or the Utility has established different requirements that apply to all similarly situated generators in the control area on a comparable basis. The requirements of this article shall not apply to wind generators.

1.8 Terms used in this Agreement shall have the meanings specified in the definitions in Attachment 1 of this Agreement.

## **Article 2. Inspection, Testing, Authorization, and Right of Access**

2.1 Utility may send employees, agents or contractors to Interconnection (IC) premises at any time, whether before, during or after the time the SGF first produces energy to inspect the SGF and its interconnection facilities. Utility may monitor and observe the Facility's installation, commissioning (including any testing), startup, operation, and maintenance. Utility shall at all times have direct, unabated access to the disconnect switch and metering equipment of the Facility. Utility shall provide reasonable notice when possible, to IC prior to exercising its right of access. Utility reserves the right to witness testing of the IC protection and control schemes and to request copies of any test data/results. In witnessing any testing, Utility assumes no liability as the full responsibility of SGF operation and protection rests with the IC. Any and all Inspection, Testing, Authorization and Right of Access must conform with the Technical Requirements For Parallel Operation of Customer-Owned Generation

## **Article 3. Effective Date, Term, Termination, and Disconnection**

3.1 Effective date. This Agreement shall become effective upon execution by the Parties.

3.2 Term of agreement. This Agreement shall remain in effect for a period of 10 years from the effective date or such other longer period as the IC may request and shall be automatically renewed for each successive one-year period thereafter, unless terminated earlier in accordance with Section 3.3 of this Agreement.

3.3 Termination. No termination shall become effective until the Parties have complied with all laws and regulations applicable to such termination.

3.3.1 The IC may terminate this Agreement at any time by giving the Utility 20 business days written notice and physically and permanently disconnecting the SGF from the Utility's system.

3.3.2 The Utility may terminate this Agreement upon the IC's failure to timely make the payment required by Section 6.1 of this Agreement pursuant to the milestones specified in Attachment 4 to this Agreement, or to comply with the requirements of Section 7.1.2 or 7.1.3 of this Agreement.

3.3.3 Either Party may terminate this Agreement after default pursuant to Section 7.6 of this Agreement.

3.3.4 Upon termination of this Agreement, the small generating facility will be disconnected from the Utility system. The termination of this Agreement shall not relieve either Party of its

liabilities and obligations, owed or continuing, at the time of the termination.

3.4 Temporary disconnection. Temporary disconnection shall continue only for so long as reasonably necessary under Good Utility Practice.

3.4.1 "Emergency conditions" means a condition or situation that (i) in the judgment of the Party making the claim is imminently likely to endanger life or property; (ii) in the case of the Utility, is imminently likely (as determined in a nondiscriminatory manner) to cause a material adverse effect to the security of or damage to the utility system, the attachment facilities, or the electrical facilities of others to which the utility system is directly connected; or (iii) in the case of the IC, is imminently likely (as determined in a nondiscriminatory manner) to cause a material adverse effect on the security of or damage to the SGF or the customer's interconnection facilities. Under emergency conditions, the Utility may immediately suspend interconnection service and temporarily disconnect the SGF. The Utility shall notify the IC promptly when it becomes aware of an emergency condition that may reasonably be expected to affect the IC's operation of the SGF. The IC shall notify the Utility promptly when it becomes aware of an emergency condition that may reasonably be expected to affect the utility system or other 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 Utility may interrupt interconnection service or curtail the output of the SGF and temporarily disconnect the SGF from the Utility's system when necessary for routine maintenance, construction, and repairs on the Utility system. The Utility shall provide the IC with at least five business days' notice prior to such interruption unless circumstances require shorter notice. The Utility shall use reasonable efforts to coordinate such reduction or temporary disconnection with the IC.

3.4.3 Forced outages. During any forced outage, the Utility may suspend interconnection service to effect immediate repairs on the Utility system. The Utility shall use reasonable efforts to provide the IC with prior notice. If prior notice is not given, the Utility shall, upon request, provide the IC written documentation after the fact explaining the circumstances of the disconnection.

3.4.4 Adverse operating effects. The Utility shall notify the IC as soon as practicable if based on Good Utility Practice, operation of the SGF may cause disruption or deterioration of service to other customers served from the Utility system or affected systems or if operating the SGF could cause damage to the Utility system or affected systems. Supporting documentation used to reach the decision to disconnect shall be provided to the IC upon request. If, after notice, the IC fails to remedy the adverse operating effect within a reasonable time, the Utility may disconnect the SGF. The Utility shall provide the IC with a five-business-day notice of such disconnection, unless the provisions of Section 3.4.1 of this Agreement apply.

3.4.5 Modification of the small generating facility. The IC must receive written authorization from the Utility before making changes to the SGF or mode of operations that may have a material impact on the safety or reliability of the utility system or affected system. Such authorization shall not be unreasonably withheld. Modifications shall be done in accordance with Good Utility Practice. If the IC makes such modifications without the Utility's prior written authorization, the latter shall have the right to temporarily disconnect the SGF.

3.4.6 Reconnection. The Parties shall cooperate with each other to restore the SGF, interconnection facilities, and the utility system to their normal operating state as soon as reasonably practicable following a temporary disconnection.

#### **Article 4. Cost Responsibility for Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities**

##### **Attachment Facilities, and Distribution Upgrades**

4.1 Customer's interconnection facilities. The IC shall be responsible for the costs associated with owning, operating, maintaining, repairing, and replacing the Interconnection Customer's facilities.

4.2 Attachment facilities. The IC shall pay for one-time and ongoing costs of installing, owning, operating, maintaining, and replacing the attachment facilities itemized in Attachment 2 of this Agreement. The Utility shall provide an estimated cost for the purchase and construction of the attachment facilities and provide a detailed itemization of such costs. Costs associated with attachment facilities may be shared with other entities that may benefit from such facilities by agreement of the IC, such other entities, and the Utility.

4.3 Distribution upgrades. The Utility shall design, procure, construct, install, and own the distribution upgrades described in Attachment 6 of this Agreement. The actual cost of the distribution upgrades shall be directly assigned to the IC. If the Utility and the IC agree, the IC may construct distribution upgrades that are located on land owned by the IC.

#### **Article 5. Transmission System**

##### **5.1 Transmission system upgrades.**

5.1.1 No portion of Section 5.1 of this Agreement shall apply unless the interconnection of the SGF requires transmission system upgrades.

5.1.2 The Utility shall design, procure, construct, install, and own the transmission system upgrades described in Attachment 6 of this Agreement. If the Utility and the IC agree, the IC may construct transmission system upgrades that are located on land owned by the IC. The costs of the transmission system upgrades shall be borne by the IC.

5.1.3 Notwithstanding any other provision of Section 5.1 of Agreement, in the event and to the extent an RTE has rules, tariffs, agreements, or procedures properly applying to transmission system upgrades, the provisions of Section 5.2 of this Agreement shall apply to such upgrades.

5.2 Regional transmission entities. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, if the Utility's transmission system is under the control of an RTE and the RTE has rules, tariffs, agreements, or procedures properly governing operation of the SGF, transmission of the output of the SGF, sale of the output of the SGF, system upgrades required for interconnection of the SGF, or other aspects of the interconnection and operation of the SGF, the IC and the Utility shall comply with the applicable agreements, rules, tariffs, or procedures.

5.3 Rights under other agreements. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, nothing in this Agreement shall be construed as relinquishing or foreclosing any rights, including firm transmission rights, capacity rights, transmission congestion rights, or transmission credits,

that the IC shall be entitled to now or in the future under any other agreement or tariff as a result of or otherwise associated with system upgrades, including the right to obtain cash reimbursements or transmission credits for transmission service that is not associated with the SGF.

## **Article 6. Billing, Payment, Milestones, and Financial Security**

6.1 Billing and payment procedures and final accounting. The IC shall be responsible for pre-payment of all estimated interconnection facilities, attachment facilities, and Upgrade costs identified in Attachment 2 and Attachment 6 to this Agreement, or the provision of financial security, if acceptable to the Utility as provided for in Section 6.3. Payment or financial security must be received by close of business 30 business days after the effective date of this Agreement, unless the parties agree otherwise. Failure to comply with the requirements of this section after an opportunity to cure shall result in the interconnection request being deemed withdrawn. Within 120 business days of the Utility completing the construction and installation of the attachment facilities or distribution upgrades described in the Attachments to this Agreement, the Utility shall provide the IC with a final accounting report of any difference between (i) the IC's cost responsibility for the actual cost of such facilities or upgrades and (ii) the IC's previous aggregate payments to the Utility for such facilities or upgrades. The Utility shall make reasonable efforts to meet the timeframe for issuance of the Final Accounting Report. If the Utility is unable to timely issue the Final Accounting Report, the Utility shall provide written notice to the IC explaining the reason or reasons for the delay and provide an estimated time by which it can issue the Final Accounting Report. If the IC's cost responsibility exceeds its previous aggregate payments, the Utility shall invoice the IC for the amount due, and the IC shall make payment to the Utility within 20 business days. If the IC's previous aggregate payments exceed its cost responsibility under this Agreement, the Utility shall refund to the IC an amount equal to the difference within 20 business days of the final accounting report.

6.2 Milestones. The Parties shall agree on milestones for which each Party is responsible, and such milestone shall be listed in Attachment 4 of this Agreement. A Party's milestones obligations may be modified 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 (i) notify the other Party of the reason for not meeting the milestone, (ii) propose the earliest reasonable alternate date by which it can attain this and future milestones, and (iii) request appropriate amendments to Attachment 4. The Party affected by the failure to meet a milestone shall not withhold agreement to such an amendment unless it will suffer uncompensated economic or operational harm from the delay, the delay will materially affect the schedule of another IC with subordinate queue position, attainment of the same milestone has previously been delayed, or 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.

## **Article 7. Assignment, Liability, Indemnity, Force Majeure, Consequential Damages, and Default**

### **7.1 Assignment.**

7.1.1 The IC shall notify the Utility of the pending sale of an existing SGF in writing. The IC shall provide the Utility with information regarding whether the sale is a change of ownership of the SGF to a new legal entity or a change of control of the existing legal entity.

7.1.2 The IC shall promptly notify the Utility of the final date of sale and transfer date of



ownership in writing. The purchaser of the SGF shall confirm to the Utility the final date of sale and transfer date of ownership in writing.

7.1.3 This Agreement shall not survive the transfer of ownership of the SGF to a new legal entity owner. The new owner shall submit a new interconnection request along with a processing fee as set forth in the Technical Requirements for Parallel Operation of Customer-Owned generation to the Utility within 20 business days of the transfer of ownership or, if the facility has been constructed, the Utility's interconnection facilities shall be removed or disabled and the SGF disconnected from the Utility's system. The Utility shall not study or inspect the SGF unless the new owner's interconnection request indicates that a material modification has occurred or is proposed.

7.1.4 This Agreement shall survive a change of control of the SGF's legal entity owner, where only the contact information in the interconnection agreement must be modified. The new owner shall submit a new interconnection request along with a processing fee of \$500 to the Utility within 20 business days of the change of control and provide the new contact information. The Utility shall not study or inspect the SGF unless the new owner's interconnection request indicates that a material modification has occurred or is proposed.

7.1.5 The IC shall have the right to assign this Agreement, without the consent of the Utility, for collateral security purposes to aid in providing financing for the SGF, provided that the IC will promptly notify the Utility of any such assignment. 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.

7.1.6 Any attempted assignment that violates this article is void and ineffective.

7.2 Limitation of liability. IC shall be responsible for the safe installation, maintenance, repair and condition of the SGF and the Interconnection Customer's interconnection facilities. Utility does not assume any duty of inspecting IC's lines, wires, switches, or other equipment or property and will not be responsible therefor. IC assumes all liability for and shall indemnify DEC and its members, directors, officers, managers, employees, agents, representatives, affiliates, successors and assigns for and shall hold them harmless from and against any claims, losses, costs, and expenses of any kind or character that are the result from Member's negligence or other wrongful conduct in connection with the design, construction, installation, operation or maintenance of the Facilities or Interconnection Facilities. Such indemnity shall include, but is not limited to, financial responsibility for (i) monetary losses; (ii) reasonable costs and expenses of defending an action or claim; (iii) damages related to death or injury; (iv) damages to property; and (v) damages for the disruption of business.

DEC'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 damages actually incurred. In no event shall Utility be liable to the IC for any indirect, incidental, special, consequential, or punitive damages of any kind whatsoever. IC shall indemnify, defend, and save Utility 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 construction, design, installation, operation and maintenance of the Facilities.

### 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 Section 7.2 of this Agreement.

7.3.2 The Parties shall at all times indemnify, defend, and hold the other Party harmless from 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 Party is entitled to indemnification under this Article 7 of this Agreement 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 7 of this Agreement 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 7 of this Agreement, 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 small generator investigation as to which the indemnity provided for in this Article 7 of this Agreement 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 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 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.

### 7.5 Force majeure.

7.5.1 As used in this article, "force majeure event" means 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 obligation 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 Section 7.6.2 of this Agreement, the defaulting Party shall have 40 business days from receipt of the default notice within which to cure the default; however, if the default is not capable of cure within 40 business days, the defaulting Party shall commence the cure within 10 business days after notice and continuously and diligently complete the 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 7 of this Agreement or if a default is not capable of being cured within the period provided for in this Article 7 of this Agreement, the nondefaulting 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 in this Agreement, and whether or not that Party terminates this Agreement, to recover from the defaulting Party all amounts due pursuant to this Agreement, plus all other damages and remedies to which it is entitled at law or in equity. The provisions of this Article 7 of this Agreement will survive termination of this Agreement.

## Article 8. Insurance

8.1 The IC 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 in Commercial General Liability insurance, with a minimum limit of \$1,000,000 per occurrence and a minimum umbrella limit of \$4,000,000, for a total minimum combined general liability and umbrella limit of \$5,000,000. The Commercial General Liability policies shall name Utility as an additional insured, insure on an occurrence and not a claims made basis and contain coverage for hostile fire and contractual liability. Insurance shall be obtained from an insurance provider authorized to conduct business in the State of Delaware and acceptable to Utility. Certification that such insurance is in effect shall be provided upon request of the Utility, except that the IC shall show proof of insurance to the Utility no later than 10 business days prior to the anticipated commercial operation date of the SGF. An IC of sufficient creditworthiness may propose to self-insure for such liabilities, and such a proposal

shall not be unreasonably rejected.

8.2 The Utility agrees to maintain general liability insurance or self-insurance consistent with the Utility's commercial practice. Such insurance or self-insurance shall not exclude coverage for the Utility'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 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 IC 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 or 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 Agreement to the contrary, if a governmental or quasi-governmental body with regulatory jurisdiction over a Party (collectively a "governmental body"), during the course of an investigation or otherwise, requests information from one of the Parties that is otherwise required to be maintained in confidence, the Party shall provide the requested information to such governmental body, within the time provided for in the request for information. In providing the information, the Party may request that the information be treated as confidential and nonpublic by the governmental body 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 such governmental body. A Party shall notify the other Party when it is notified by the governmental body that a request to release confidential information has been received, at which time either Party may respond to the governmental body before such information would be made public.

## **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 of this Agreement.

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. The Parties shall make a good faith effort to resolve the dispute informally within 10 business days.

Alternatively, either Party may, upon mutual agreement, seek resolution through the assistance of a dispute resolution service. The dispute resolution service will assist the Parties in either resolving the 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. Each Party shall conduct all negotiations in good faith and shall be responsible for one-half of any costs paid to neutral third parties.

10.3 If the dispute remains unresolved, 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.

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 Utility's tax-exempt status.

## **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 Delaware 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.

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 in this Agreement 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 duty 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 to be a continuing waiver or a waiver with respect to any other failure to comply with any other obligation, right, or duty of this Agreement. Termination or default of this Agreement for any reason by the IC shall not constitute a waiver of the IC's legal rights to obtain an interconnection from the Utility. Any waiver of this Agreement shall, if requested, be provided in writing.

12.5 Entire agreement. This Agreement, including all Attachments to this Agreement, 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 that 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, (i) such portion or provision shall be deemed separate and independent, (ii) the Parties shall negotiate in good faith to restore insofar as practicable the benefits to each Party that were affected by such ruling, and (iii) the remainder of this Agreement shall remain in full force and effect.

12.9 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 SGF, the customer's interconnection facilities, or attachment 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 24 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.

12.10 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; however, 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.

12.10.1 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; however, in no event shall the Utility be liable for the actions or inactions of the IC or its subcontractors with respect to obligations of the IC 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.

12.10.2 The obligations under this article will not be limited in any way by any limitation of subcontractor's insurance.

### **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 shall be deemed properly given if delivered in person, delivered by recognized national courier service, or sent by first class mail, postage prepaid, to the person listed:

If to the Interconnection Customer:

Interconnection Customer: \_\_\_\_\_

Attention: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

If to the Utility:

Delaware Electric Cooperative, Inc.

Attention: Troy Dickerson , PE, Assistant Vice President of Engineering

Address: 19148 Sussex Highway

City, State, Zip: Greenwood, DE 19950

Phone: (302) 349-3125

Email: [tdickerson@delaware.coop](mailto:tdickerson@delaware.coop) \_\_\_\_\_

### **13.2 Billing and payment.**

Billings and payments shall be sent to the addresses listed:

If to the Interconnection Customer:

Interconnection Customer: \_\_\_\_\_

Attention: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

If to the Utility:

Utility: \_\_\_\_\_

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 email to the telephone numbers and email addresses listed:

If to the Interconnection Customer:

Interconnection Customer: \_\_\_\_\_  
Attention: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

If to the Utility:

Utility: \_\_\_\_\_  
Attention: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

13.4 Designated operating representative. The Parties may also designate operating representatives to conduct the communications that may be necessary or convenient for the administration of this Agreement. This person will also serve as the point of contact with respect to operations and maintenance of the Party's facilities.

Interconnection Customer's Operating Representative:

Interconnection Customer: \_\_\_\_\_  
Attention: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

Utility's Operating Representative:

Troy Dickerson , P.E., Assistant Vice President of Engineering  
Address: 19148 Sussex Highway  
City, State, Zip: Greenwood, DE 19950  
Phone: (302) 349-3125  
Email: [tdickerson@delaware.coop](mailto:tdickerson@delaware.coop)

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.

## Article 14. Signatures

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have caused this Agreement to be executed by their respective duly authorized representatives.

For the Utility:  
Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name/Title: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
For the Interconnection Customer:  
Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name/Title: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_



## **Attachment 1**

### **Glossary of Terms**

The following terms when used in the Agreement have following meanings:

"Affected system" means an electric utility system other than that of the Utility that may be affected by the proposed interconnection.

"Affected system operator" means an entity that operates an affected system, or if the affected system is under the operational control of an independent system operator or a regional transmission entity, such independent entity.

"Applicable laws and regulations" means 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.

"Attachment facilities" means the facilities and equipment owned, operated, and maintained by the Utility that are built new in order to physically connect the customer's interconnection facilities to the Utility system. Attachment facilities shall not include distribution upgrades or previously existing distribution and transmission facilities.

"Balancing authority" means the responsible entity that integrates resource plans ahead of time, maintains load-interchange-generation balance within a balancing authority area, and supports interconnection frequency in real time.

"Balancing authority area" means 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" means Monday through Friday, excluding federal holidays.

"Calendar day" means Sunday through Saturday, including all holidays.

"Customer's interconnection facilities" means all the facilities and equipment owned, operated and maintained by the IC, between the SGF and the point of interconnection necessary to physically and electrically interconnect the SGF to the utility system.

"Default" means the failure of a breaching Party to cure its breach under the Small Generator Interconnection Agreement.

"Distribution system" means the Utility's facilities and equipment generally delivering electricity to its members from substations supplied by higher voltages (usually at transmission level).

"Distribution upgrades" means the additions, modifications, and enhancements made to the Utility's distribution system on the Utility's side of the point of interconnection necessary to ensure continued system reliability and power quality on the Utility's distribution system caused by the interconnection of the small generating facility. Distribution upgrades do not include network upgrades or the customer's interconnection facilities or the Utility's attachment facilities.

"FERC" means the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

"Good Utility Practice" means 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 that, 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 include practices, methods, or acts generally accepted in the region.

"Governmental authority" means any federal, state, local, or other governmental regulatory or administrative agency, court, commission, department, board, or other governmental subdivision or legislature or 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 that such term does not include the IC, the Utility, or a Utility affiliate.

"Interconnection Customer" or "IC" means any entity proposing to interconnect a new SGF with the utility system.

"Interconnection request" means the IC's request 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 Utility system.

"Interconnection studies" means the studies conducted by the Utility or a third party agreed to by the Utility and the IC in order to determine the interaction of the SGF with the Utility system and the affected systems in order to specify any modifications to the SGF or the electric systems studied to ensure safe and reliable operation of the SGF in parallel with the Utility system.

"Maximum generating capacity" means the maximum continuous electrical output of the SGF at any time as measured at the point of interconnection or the maximum kW delivered to the Utility during any metering period, whichever is greater. Requested maximum generating capacity will be specified by the IC in the interconnection request and an approved maximum generating capacity will subsequently be included as a limitation in the interconnection agreement.

"Network upgrades" means additions, modifications, and enhancements to the Utility's transmission system that are required in order to accommodate the interconnection of the small generating facility with the Utility's system. Network upgrades do not include distribution system upgrades.

"Operating requirements" means any operating and technical requirements that may be applicable due to regional transmission entity, independent system operator, control area, or the Utility's requirements, including those set forth in this Small Generator Interconnection Agreement.

"Party" means the Utility or the IC.

"Point of interconnection" means the point where the customer's interconnection facilities connect physically and electrically to the Utility system.

"Processing fee" means a nonrefundable cost to administer or file an application.

"Queue number" refers to the number assigned by the Utility that establishes a customer's

interconnection request's position in the study queue relative to all other valid interconnection requests. A lower queue number will be studied prior to a higher queue number, except in the case of interdependent projects. The queue number of each interconnection request shall be used to determine the cost responsibility for the upgrades necessary to accommodate the interconnection.

"Queue position" means the order of a valid interconnection request relative to all other pending valid interconnection requests based on queue number.

"Regional Transmission Entity" or "RTE" shall refer to an entity having the management and control of a Utility's transmission system.

"Small generating facility" or "generating facility" or "generator" or "SGF" means the IC's equipment used for the production of electricity, as identified in the interconnection request.

"Small Generator Interconnection Agreement" or "SGIA" means the Agreement between the Utility and the IC

"System" or "Utility system" means the distribution and transmission facilities owned, controlled, or operated by the Utility that are used to deliver electricity.

"Tariff" means the rates, terms, and conditions adopted by the Utility for the purpose of providing electric service to retail customers.

"Technical Requirements for Parallel Operation of Customer-Owned Generation" means the Technical Requirements for Parallel Operation of Customer-Owned Generation of the Utility, latest version

"Transmission system" means the Utility's facilities and equipment delivering electric energy to the distribution system; such facilities usually being operated at voltage levels above the Utility's typical distribution system voltage levels.

"Utility" means Delaware Electric Cooperative, Inc., its successors and assigns.

## **Attachment 2**

### **Description and Costs of the Small Generating Facility, Customer's Interconnection Facilities, Attachment Facilities, and Metering Equipment**

The following shall be provided in this exhibit:

1. An itemization of the major equipment components owned by the IC and the Utility, including components of the SGF, the customer's interconnection facilities, attachment facilities, and metering equipment. Such itemization shall identify the owner of each item listed.
2. The Utility's estimated itemized cost of its attachment facilities and its metering equipment.
3. The Utility's estimated cost of its annual operation and maintenance expenses associated with attachment facilities and metering equipment to be charged to the IC.

### **Attachment 3**

One-line Diagram Depicting the Small Generating Facility, Customer's Interconnection Facilities, Attachment Facilities, Metering Equipment, and Distribution Upgrades

(Diagram and description to be provided by IC unless the Utility elects to prepare this schedule. If this schedule is prepared by the Utility, the IC shall provide a one-line diagram of the SGF and IC's interconnection facilities for the Utility to use as a data source for preparing this schedule.)

## Attachment 4

### Milestones

In-Service Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Critical milestones and responsibility as agreed to by the Parties:

Milestone/Date	Responsible Party
(1) _____	_____
(2) _____	_____
(3) _____	_____
(4) _____	_____
(5) _____	_____
(6) _____	_____
(7) _____	_____
(8) _____	_____
(9) _____	_____
(10) _____	_____

Agreed to by:

For the Utility:

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Name/Title:

Date:

For the Interconnection Customer:

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Name/Title:

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## **Attachment 5**

Additional Operating Requirements for the Utility System and Affected Systems Needed to Support the Interconnection Customer's Needs

The Utility shall provide requirements that must be met by the IC prior to initiating parallel operation with the utility system.

## **Attachment 6**

### Utility's Description of its Distribution and Transmission Upgrades and Estimate of Upgrade Costs

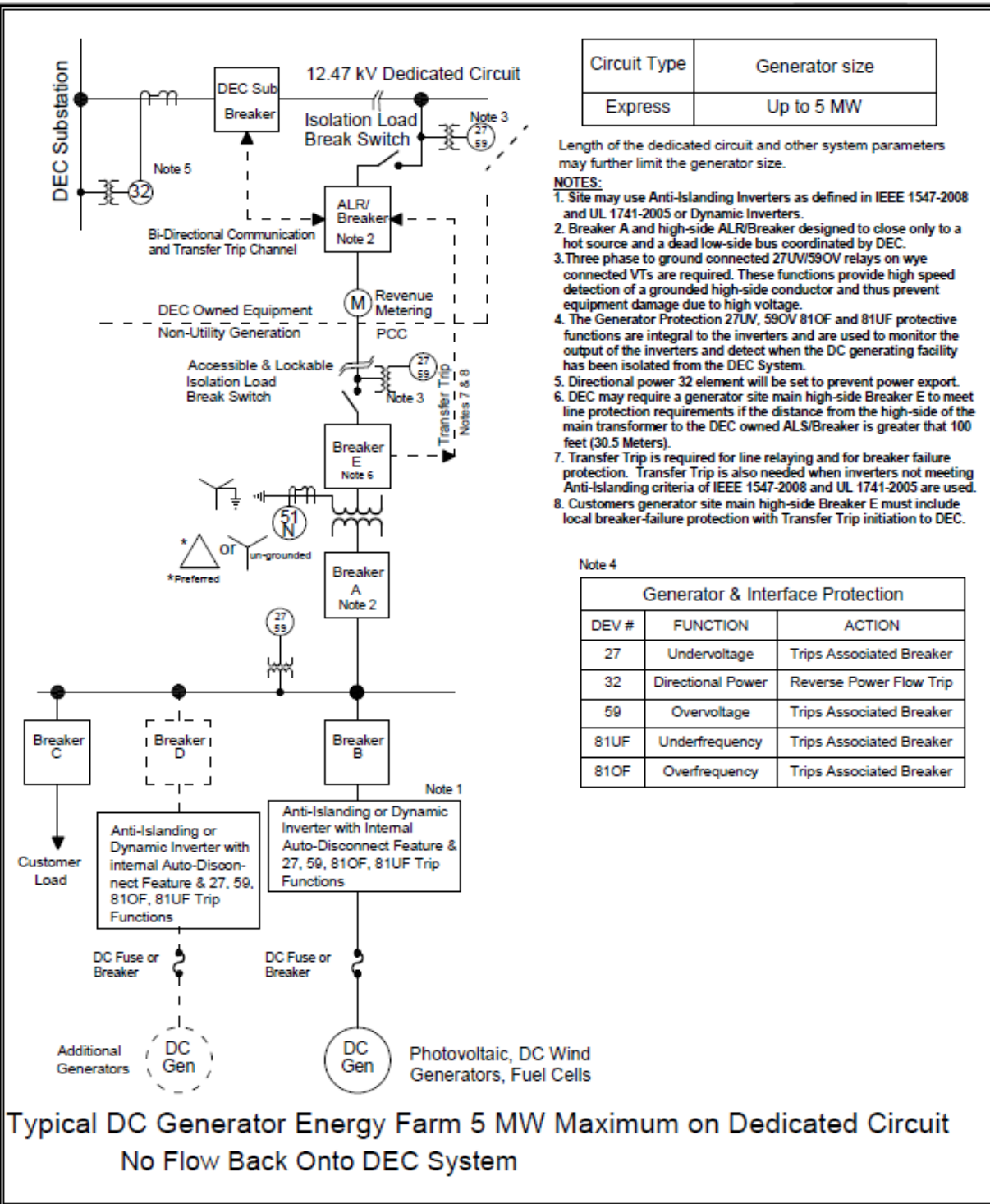
The Utility shall provide the following in this attachment:


1. An itemized list of the upgrades required to be constructed by the Utility prior to interconnection of the SGF, with transmission and distribution related upgrades shown separately.
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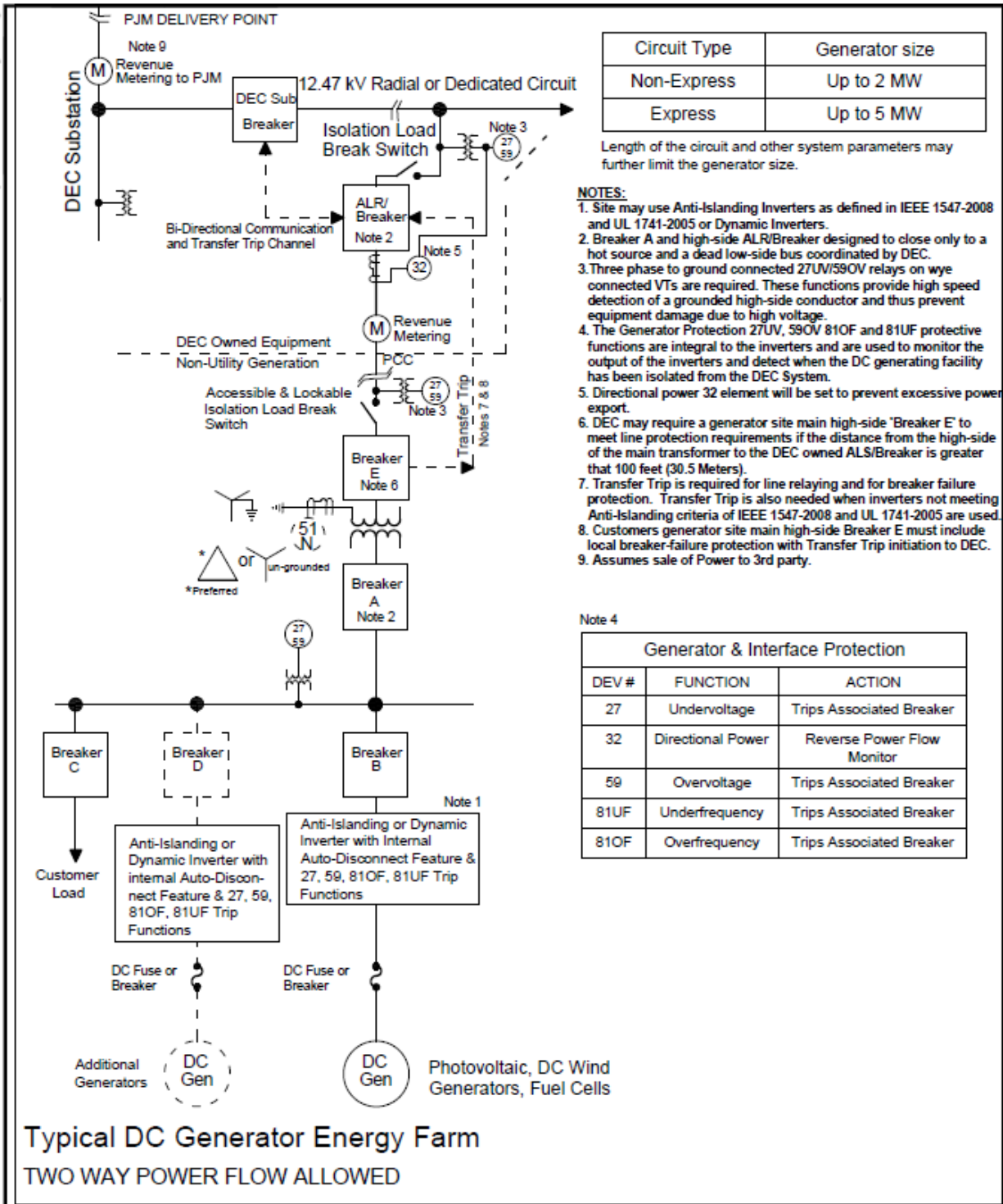



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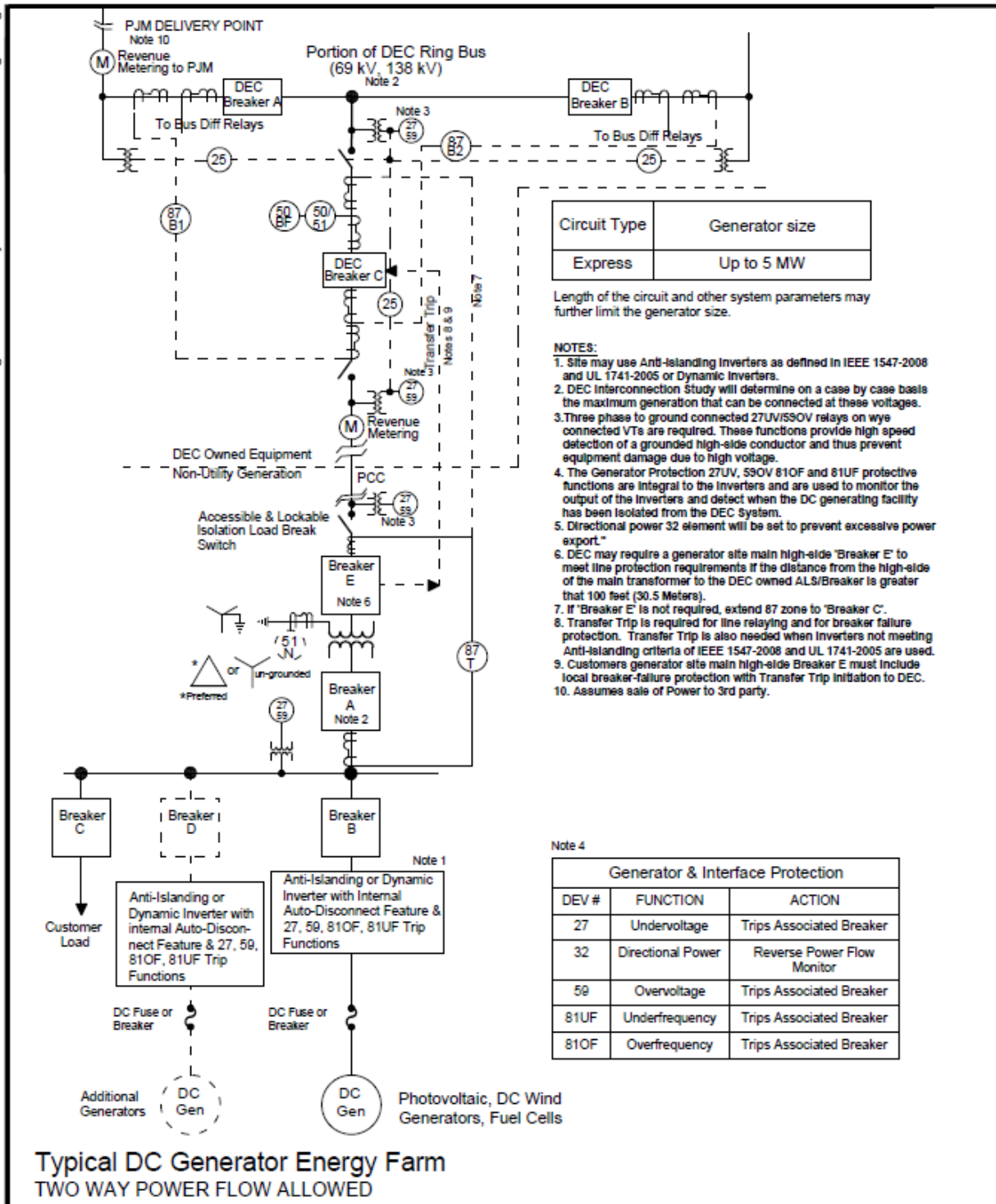
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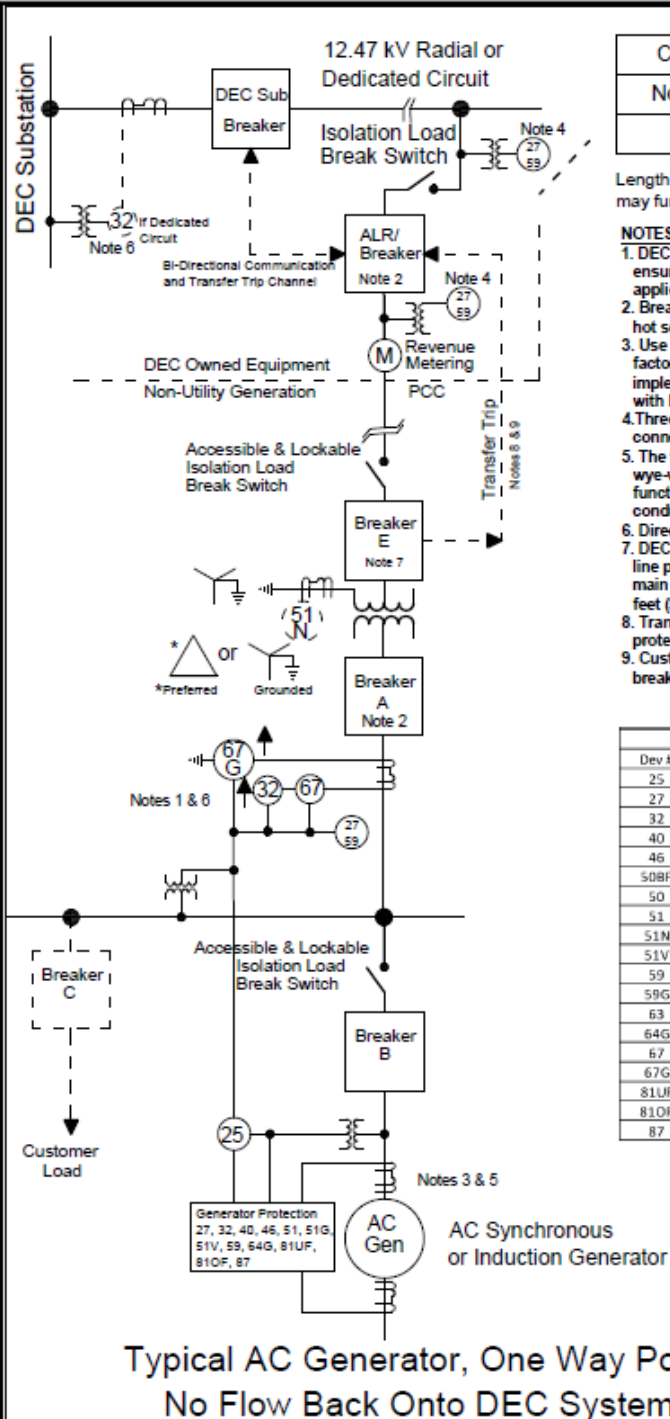
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	POWER SERVICES PROJ. NO. 11-323-1742-0001	A	01/12/12	To Client for comments		
FIGURE 1 ONE WAY POWER FLOW	DATE: JAN 11, 2012	S	01/18/12	Gnd WYE Low Voltage		
	SCALE: AS SHOWN					
DC GENERATOR ENERGY FARM CONNECTION TO DISTRIBUTION	DWN BY: HWH					
	CKD BY: GLB					
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	FIGURE 2 TWO WAY POWER FLOW					
DC GENERATOR ENERGY FARM CONNECTION TO DISTRIBUTION	DATE: JAN 11, 2012					
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Circuit Type	Generator size
Non-Express	Up to 2 MW
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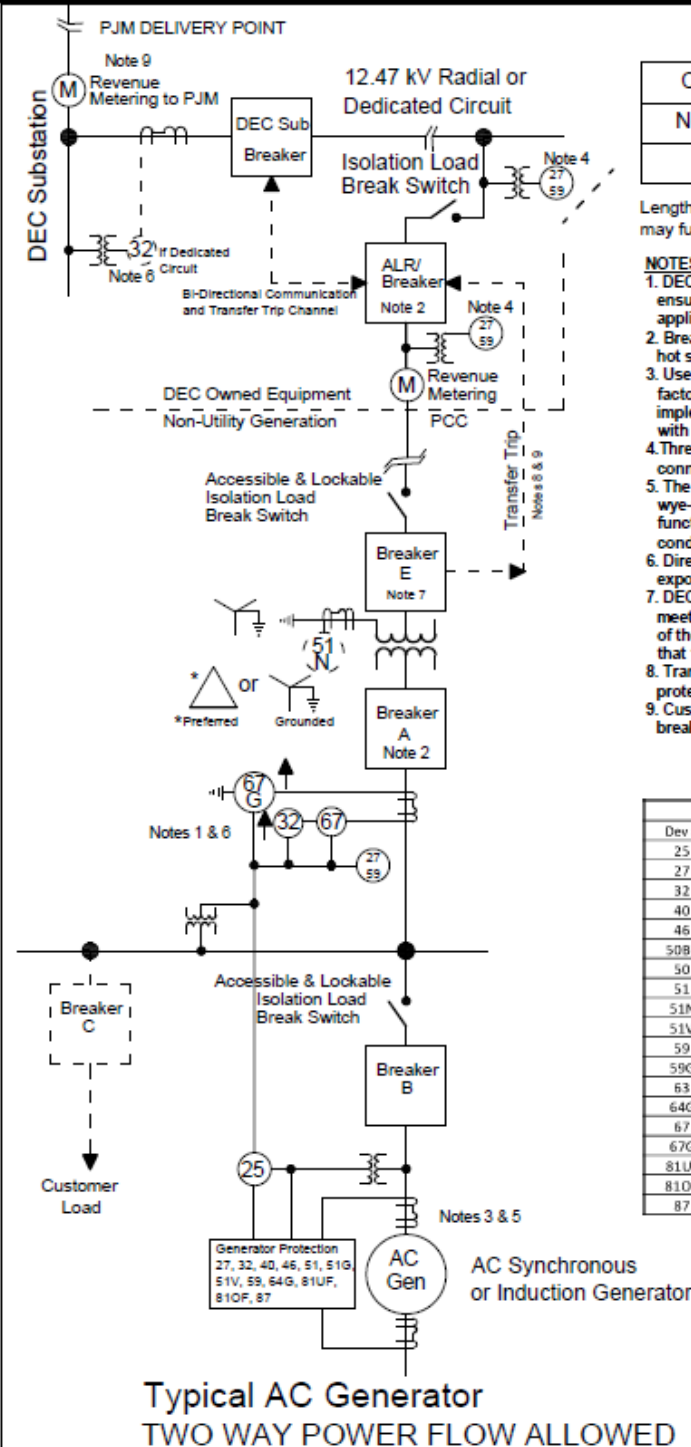
- DEC will review directional over current relay settings (67 & 67G) to ensure detection of DEC circuit faults. (Relay 67G may not be applicable depending upon transformer connection.)
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- Transfer Trip is required for line relaying and for breaker failure protection.
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Generator & Interface Protection		
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27	Undervoltage	Trip Associated Breaker
32	Directional Power	Reverse Power Flow Trip
40	Loss of Field	Trip Gen Breaker
46	Negative Sequence	Alarm then Trip Gen Breaker
50BF	Breaker Failure	Trip to Clear Failed Breaker Bus
50	Instantaneous Overcurrent	Trip Associated Breaker
51	Time Overcurrent Trip	Trip Associated Breaker
51N	Transformer Neutral OC	Trip Associated Breakers
51V	Gen OC Backup	Trip Gen Breaker
59	Gen Over Voltage	Trip Gen Breaker
59G	Gen Ground OV	Trip Gen Breaker
63	Transformer Fault Pressure	Trip Associated Breakers
64G	Insulation Ground	Trip Gen Breaker
67	Directional Overcurrent	Trip Gen Breaker
67G	Dir. Ground Overcurrent	Trip Gen Breaker
81UF	Gen Under Frequency	Trip Gen Breaker
81OF	Gen Over Frequency	Trip Gen Breaker
87	Differential	Trip Associated Breakers

Typical AC Generator, One Way Power Flow  
No Flow Back Onto DEC System

<b>DELAWARE ELECTRIC CO-OP</b> <b>GREENWOOD DELAWARE 19950</b>  <b>FIGURE 4 ONE WAY POWER FLOW</b>  <b>AC GENERATOR ENERGY FARM</b> <b>CONNECTION TO DISTRIBUTION</b>	<b>CLIENT PROJ.</b> <b>REF. NO.:</b> <b>POWER SERVICES</b> <b>PROJ. NO. 11-323-1742-0001</b>  <b>DATE:</b> JAN 11, 2012  <b>SCALE:</b> AS SHOWN <b>DWN BY:</b> HVH <b>CKD BY:</b> GLB <b>APPVD BY:</b> GLB 01/12/12	<b>REV</b> <b>DATE</b> <b>DESCRIPTION</b> <b>A</b> 01/12/12 To Client for comments <b>B</b> 01/16/12 Gnd WYE Low Voltage	<b>DWG. NO.</b>          <b>FIGURE 4</b>
			
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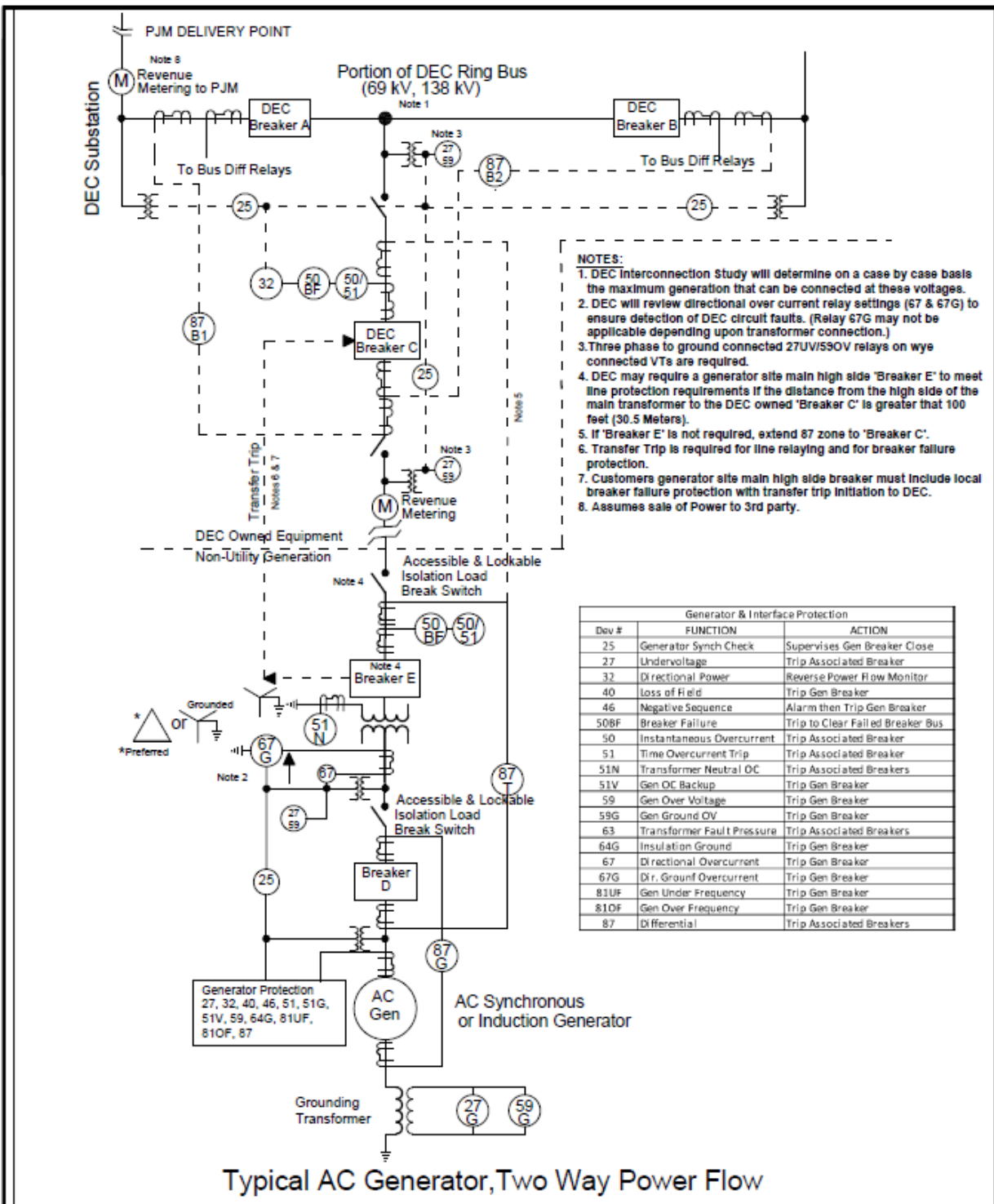
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