

January 28, 2021

Advice 5915-E

(Pacific Gas and Electric Company ID U 39 E)

Public Utilities Commission of the State of California

Subject: Advice Letter Modifying Electric Rule 21 Pursuant to Decision 20-09-035 for Working Group 2 and 3 (due 120 Days from Issuance) for Ordering Paragraphs 5, 6, 8 and 11.

Purpose

Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) hereby submits this Tier 2 Advice Letter (“AL”) to update Electric Rule 21 - *Generating Facility Interconnections* - in compliance with the California Public Utilities Commission (“CPUC”, “Commission”) Decision (“D.”) D.20-09-035¹ (“WG 2 & 3 Decision”) for Ordering Paragraphs 5, 6, 8 and 11 to be addressed in an advice letter to be submitted 120 days from the date D. 20-09-035 was issued.

Background**Rulemaking 17-07-007**

On July 13, 2017, The Commission adopted Order Instituting Rulemaking (R.) 17-07-007 to consider refinements to Electric Tariff Rule 21 of Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E), San Diego Gas & Electric Company (SDG&E), and Southern California Edison Company (SCE) (jointly, Utilities) regarding the interconnection of distributed energy resources.²

ACR Scoping Memo

On October 2, 2017, the Commission issued Scoping Memo of Assigned Commissioner and Administrative Law Judge (Scoping Memo) set forth the scope and schedule of the proceeding. It established the working group process, whereby resolution of the technical issues of the proceeding would be proposed by Working Groups One through Six. In

¹ [Decision 20-09-035](#) - Date of Issuance 9/30/2020 - *Decision Adopting Recommendations from Working Groups Two, Three, and Subgroup*

² The Rule 21 tariff describes the interconnection, operating, and metering requirements for certain generating and storage facilities seeking to connect to the electric distribution system. Rule 21 provides customers access to the electric grid to install generating or storage facilities while protecting the safety and reliability of the distribution and transmission systems at the local and system levels. (See R.17-07-007 at p2.)

addition, four issues were assigned to the Smart Inverter Working Group, including issues 5 and 6.³

Working Group 2

On February 14, 2018, a Ruling directed that Working Group Two would begin on March 15, 2018 and required that it subsequently file its recommendations report on September 15, 2018. The Ruling also reassigned Issue 6 to Working Group Two.

On August 15, 2018, the Administrative Law Judge issued a Ruling allowing additional time for Working Group Two to resolve issues, including sub-issues encountered, and delaying the filing of the recommendations report to October 31, 2018.

On October 31, 2018, the Working Group 2 final report was issued.⁴

On November 7, 2018, the Administrative Law Judge facilitated a workshop to discuss the recommendations provided in the Working Group 2 Final Report.

On December 7, 2018, in response to the November 7, 2018, workshop on the Working Group Two Report, and parties were directed to respond to questions on the report.

On February 1, 2019, responses to the questions, along with comments on the Working Group Report, were filed by the various parties

On February 22, 2019, replies were filed by the various parties.

Amended Scoping Memo and Working Group 3

On November 16, 2018, a Scoping Memo and Ruling (Amended Scoping Memo) delayed the start of Working Group Three until December 1, 2018 and required Working Group Three to file its recommendations report on June 14, 2019. The Amended Scoping Memo also decreased the number of working groups and redistributed issues across two working groups and the Interconnection Discussion Forum⁵ such that Working Group Three was assigned issues 12, 15, 16, 20, 22, 23, 24, 27 28, and New Issues A and B.

³ The Smart Inverter Working Group (SIWG) grew out of a collaboration between the Commission and the California Energy Commission in early 2013. The collaboration identified the development of advanced inverter functionality as an important strategy to mitigate the impact of high penetrations of distributed energy resources. [as explained in footnote 2 in D. 20-09-035]

⁴ Working Group Two Final [Report](#) filed jointly by the Utilities.

⁵ In Resolution Administrative Law Judge-347, the Commission established the Interconnection Discussion Forum (formerly known as the Rule 21 Working Group) as a venue to encourage discussion and collaboration between the Utilities and developers. [as explained in footnote 3 in D. 20-09-035]

On June 13, 2019, the Working Group Three Final Report⁶ was issued followed by a workshop.

A November 27, 2019 Ruling directed parties to respond to questions on the Working Group Three Report.

On January 13, 2020, the various parties filed responses to the questions contained in the November 27, 2019, ruling, along with comments to the Working Group Three Report.

On January 27, 2020, various parties filed replies to the responses and Working Group Three Report comments

Decision 20-09-035

On August 20, 2020, a proposed decision was issued on Working Groups Two and Three. On September 9, 2020 comments were received. On September 22, 2020, replies were received.

On September 24, 2020, the Commission voted out D.20-09-035. D.20-09-035 addressed the recommendations of Working Groups Two and Three and the Vehicle-to-Grid Alternating Current Interconnection Subgroup (V2G AC Subgroup).

Working Group one Advice letters submitted ⁷ and still pending, so changes are pending on Rule 21.

On October 30th, PG&E submitted AL 5988-E⁸, a Tier 1 AL 30 days after the issuance of D. 20-09-035, as ordered by that decision. That advice letter was protested and has been suspended.

On November 30th, PG&E submitted AL 6014-E⁹, a Tier 2 AL 60 days after the issuance of D. 20-09-035, as ordered by that decision. That advice letter was protested.

Concurrent with this advice letter, pursuant to D. 20-09-025 OP 15 and 16 PG&E submits Tier 3 AL 6058-E.

⁶ Working Group Three Final [Report](#) filed by SDG&E

⁷ [AL 5553-E](#) *Modification to Rule 21 Pursuant to the Working Group 1 D. 19-03-013*. The Rule 21 changes in AL 5553-E is still pending approval. Two other Advice letters (AL 5583-E, and AL 5584-E) were also submitted for Working Group 1 but they did not impact Rule 21.

⁸ [AL 5988-E](#) *Advice Letter Modifying Electric Rule 21 Pursuant to Decision 20-09-035 for Working Group 2 and 3*

⁹ [AL 6014-E](#) *Advice Letter Modifying Electric Rule 21 Pursuant to Decision 20-09-035 for Working Group 2 and 3 (due 60 Days from Issuance)*

Overview

D. 20-09-035 OP 55 (as corrected by D. 21-01-027¹⁰) requires:

“55. Pacific Gas and Electric Company, San Diego Gas & Electric Company, and Southern California Edison Company shall update their respective Electric Rule 21 Tariff and, where necessary, Rules 2, 15, and 16 Tariffs, in compliance with the Ordering Paragraphs of this decision by submitting three advice letters pursuant to the table below. The table provides the list of the ordering Paragraphs (OP) in this decision requiring changes to Rule 21. The table also indicates whether the advice letter associated with each ordering paragraph is required to be Tier 1 or Tier 2 and provides the deadline for submitting the Advice Letter.”

Distilling down the referenced table at the end referred to in OP 55 (as corrected) to only include the items germane to this 60-day Advice Letter, the following Ordering Paragraphs will be addressed. However, the table appears to have incorrect references¹¹ based on the context of discussion as noted in the red text.

AL Section	OP	Tier 2 Submit 120 days after issuance of decision	Description
1	5	X	Proposal 8f1 Creating Screen F1 for Short Circuit Contribution > 1.2/unit
2	6	X	Screens F, G, H & J for < 30 kVA Projects
3	8	X ¹²	Modify Screen L to Include Transmission Overvoltage and Anti-islanding Tests
4	11	X	Add 10% Buffer on ICA-SG & ICA OF Profiles

¹⁰ [D. 21-01-027](#) - Order Correcting Errors In Decision 20-09-035— issued January 21, 2021.

¹¹ Energy Division was provided notice of these discrepancies in mid-October. It seems the ordering paragraphs in the table after OP 22 should be decremented by 1 since the proposed decision was revised before the CPUC meeting, and the OP 22 was deleted in the final decision. The ALJ is working on getting a corrected decision issued, according to Energy Division.

¹² This ordering paragraph is for PG&E only.

Therefore, based on the above identified Ordering Paragraphs, PG&E proposes the tariff revision addressed below.

Tariff Changes

1. Ordering Paragraph 5 – Proposal 8f1¹³ Creating Screen F1 for Short Circuit Contribution > 1.2 per unit

Ordering Paragraph 5 requires:

Proposal 8f1 is adopted.

Pacific Gas and Electric Company, San Diego Gas & Electric Company, and Southern California Edison Company shall include a new Screen in the Interconnection Rule 21 process, to be named Screen F1, which will determine whether a generating system's short circuit contribution exceeds 1.2 per unit.

[Emphasis and formatting added]

¹³ 4.2.6. Issue 8: Proposal 8f1 Proposal 8f1 would add Screen F1 to determine whether the generating system's short circuit contribution exceeds 1.2 per unit. This is a consensus proposal.

The Working Group Two Report explains that generating systems with 1.2 per unit short circuit contribution can reference the Integration Capacity Analysis value for meeting the reduction of reach Integration Capacity Analysis Protection Screen. For generating facilities exceeding the 1.2 per unit short circuit contribution, a utility would use the protection Integration Capacity Analysis value at the point of interconnection and the project specific per unit short circuit contribution to determine whether the facility passes Screen F1.

The Working Group Two Report points out that synchronous or induction generators cannot use the Integration Capacity Analysis to determine a specific value. Instead, the Integration Capacity Analysis automatically assigns a value of 1.2 per unit short circuit contribution for inverter-based technology. Thus, to evaluate an inverter-based project's short circuit duty contribution, Screen F1 is proposed. If the project's short circuit duty contribution is less than 1.2, the project passes Screen F1. If the project's contribution is greater than 1.2, the project would fail Screen F1. The Working Group Two Report underscores that if the projects' nameplate value multiplied by its per unit contribution is less than or equal to the Integration Capacity Analysis value multiplied by 1.2 per unit, the project will still pass Screen F1. Simply put, projects would fail Screen F1 because the project's nameplate capacity is greater than the Project Specific Protection Integration Capacity Analysis value. Projects failing Screen F1 would be evaluated under Supplemental Review for impacts to reduction in reach.

³¹ Reduction of Reach occurs when distribution relays are rendered less able to sense a faulted condition as a consequence of increased generation on a distribution line. (See Padullaparti, H.V. et al. (2016).) Analytical Approach to Estimate Feeder Accommodation Limits Based on Protection Criteria. IEEE Access. 4. 1-1. 10.1109/ACCESS.2016.2589545. [p22-23]

For Screen F1, PG&E proposes to modify the language as shown: (Sheet 146)

G. ENGINEERING REVIEW DETAILS (Cont'd.)

1. INITIAL REVIEW SCREENS (Cont'd.)

f. Screen F: Is the Short Circuit Current Contribution Ratio within acceptable limits?

- If Yes (pass), continue to Screen ~~G~~.F1
- If No (fail), continue to Screen ~~G~~.F1 pursuant to Section G.1.

Note: This Screen does not apply to Generating Facilities with a Gross Rating of ~~44 kVA or~~ less than 30kVA.

When measured at primary side (high side) of the Dedicated Distribution Transformer serving a Generating Facility, the sum of the Short Circuit Contribution Ratios of all Generating Facilities connected to Distribution Provider's Distribution System circuit that serves the Generating Facility must be less than or equal to 0.1.

Significance: If the Generating Facility passes this Screen, it can be expected that it will have no significant impact on Distribution Provider's Distribution System's short circuit duty, fault detection sensitivity, relay coordination or fuse-saving schemes.

Screen F1: Is the Short Circuit Current Contribution less than or equal to 1.2 per unit or is the generation project gross nameplate rating multiplied by its per unit contribution less than the ICA-SG value multiplied by 1.2 per unit?

- If Yes (Pass), continue to Screen G
- If No (Fail), continue to Screen G pursuant to Section G.1.

Generating systems with less than or equal to 1.2 per unit short circuit contribution can reference the Integration Capacity Analysis value for meeting the reduction of reach Integration Capacity Analysis Protection Screen. For generating facilities exceeding the less than or equal to 1.2 per unit short circuit contribution, a utility would use the protection Integration Capacity Analysis value at the point of interconnection and the project specific per unit short circuit contribution to determine whether the facility passes Screen F1.

Significance: If the Generating Facility passes this Screen, it can be expected that it will have no significant impact on Protection Reduction of Reach. The Generating Facility will have no significant impact on Distribution Provider's Distribution System's short circuit duty, fault detection sensitivity, relay coordination or fuse-saving schemes.

2. Ordering Paragraph 6 – Screens F, G, H & J for < 30 kVA Projects

Ordering Paragraph 6 requires:

6. Modification 1 of Proposals 8f, 8g, 8h, and 8j is adopted.

*Pacific Gas and Electric Company, San Diego Gas & Electric Company, and Southern California Edison Company shall **modify Interconnection Rule 21 to allow interconnection projects less than 30 kilowatt volt amperes to bypass Screens F, G, H, and J.***

[emphasis and formatting added]

Note that, within the Working Group Two Report, these proposals contemplated changing the tariff language to state that these screens do not apply to Generating Facilities with a Gross Rating of “30 kVA or less.”¹⁴

OP 6, however, provides that the Utilities are to modify Rule 21 to allow interconnection projects “**less than 30 kilowatt volt amperes**” to bypass Screens F, G, H, and J. *The Decision references both approaches.*¹⁵

To comply with OP 6 as written, PG&E proposes to change the tariff to allow projects **less than 30 kVA** to bypass these screens. PG&E will update the language if the Commission later determines that it intended for the Utilities to modify Rule 21 to allow projects **less than or equal** to 30 kVA to bypass these screens.

Within the Working Group Two Report these proposals contemplated changing the tariff language to state that these screens do not apply to Generating Facilities with a Gross Rating of “30 kVA or less.”¹⁶ OP 6, however, provides that

¹⁴ Working Group Two Report at p. 52.

¹⁵ Compare Decision at p. 22 (describing Modification 1 as allowing “projects less than 30 kVA” to bypass Screens F, G, H, and J) to Decision at pp. 43-44 (referencing “raising the threshold” to 30 kVA).

¹⁶ Working Group Two Report at p. 52.

the Utilities are to modify Rule 21 to allow interconnection projects “less than 30 kilowatt volt amperes” to bypass these screens. The Decision references both approaches.¹⁷ To comply with OP 6 as written, SCE proposes to change the tariff to allow projects *less than* 30 kVA to bypass these screens; however, SCE will update the language if the Commission later determines that it intended for the Utilities to modify Rule 21 to allow projects less than *or equal to* 30 kVA to bypass these screens.

For the changes to Screens F, G, H and J, PG&E proposes the following changes to sheets 6 and 146-151

TABLE OF CONTENTS (Cont'd.)
ENGINEERING REVIEW DETAILS (Cont'd.)
INITIAL REVIEW SCREENS (Cont'd.)
...
Screen J: Is the Gross Rating of the Generating Facility less than 3044kVA or less?
...

f. Screen F: Is the Short Circuit Current Contribution Ratio within acceptable limits?
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If Yes (pass), continue to Screen G. • If No (fail), continue to Screen G pursuant to Section G.1.
Note: This Screen does not apply to Generating Facilities with a Gross Rating of less than 4430 kVA or less .
When measured at primary side (high side) of the Dedicated Distribution Transformer serving a Generating Facility, the sum of the Short Circuit Contribution Ratios of all Generating Facilities connected to Distribution Provider’s Distribution System circuit that serves the Generating Facility must be less than or equal to 0.1.

¹⁷ Compare Decision at p. 22 (describing Modification 1 as allowing “projects less than 30 kVA” to bypass Screens F, G, H, and J) to Decision at pp. 43-44 (referencing “raising the threshold” to 30 kVA).

Significance: If the Generating Facility passes this Screen, it can be expected that it will have no significant impact on Distribution Provider's Distribution System's short circuit duty, fault detection sensitivity, relay coordination or fuse-saving schemes.

g. Screen G: Is the Short Circuit Interrupting Capability Exceeded?

Does the proposed Generating Facility, in aggregate with other Generating Facilities on the distribution circuit, cause any distribution protective devices and equipment (including, but not limited to, substation breakers, fuse cutouts, and line reclosers), or Interconnection Request equipment on the system to exceed 87.5 % of the short circuit interrupting capability; or is the Interconnection proposed for a circuit that already exceeds 87.5 % of the short circuit interrupting capability?

- If Yes (fail) continue to Screen H pursuant to Section G.1.
- If No (pass), continue to Screen H

Note: This Screen does not apply to Generating Facilities with a Gross Rating of **less than 4430 kVA** ~~or less~~.

Significance: If the Generating Facility passes this screen, it can be expected that it will not cause any of Distribution Provider's equipment to be overstressed.

h. Screen H: Is the line configuration compatible with the Interconnection type?

- If Yes (pass), continue to Screen I.
- If No (fail), continue to Screen I pursuant to Section G.1.

Note: This Screen does not apply to Generating Facilities with a Gross Rating of **less than 4430kVA** ~~or less~~.

Line Configuration Screen: Identify primary distribution line configuration that will serve the Generating Facility. Based on the type of Interconnection to be used for the Generating Facility, determine from

Table G.1 if the proposed Generating Facility passes the Screen.

Table G-1 Type of Interconnection

Primary Distribution Line Type Configuration	Type of Interconnection to be made to Primary Distribution Line	Result/Criteria
Three-phase, three-wire	Any type	Pass Screen
Three-phase, four-wire	Single-phase, line-to-neutral	Pass Screen
Three-phase, four-wire (For any line that has such a section OR mixed three-wire & four-wire)	All others	To pass, aggregate Generating Facility nameplate rating must be less than or equal to 10% of Line Section peak load

Significance: If the primary distribution line serving the Generating Facility is of a “three-wire” configuration, or if the Generating Facility’s distribution transformer is single-phase and connected in a line-to-neutral configuration, then there is no concern about overvoltages to Distribution Provider’s, or other Customer’s equipment caused by loss of system neutral grounding during the operating time of the NonIslanding Protective Function.

Screen J: Is the Gross Rating of the Generating Facility ~~less than 4430 kVA~~ **less than 4430 kVA or less?**

- If Yes (pass), skip Screens K, L and M; Initial Review is complete.
- If No (fail), continue to Screen K.ⁱ

Significance: The Generating Facility will have a minimal impact on fault current levels and any potential line overvoltages from loss of Distribution Provider’s Distribution System neutral grounding.

3. Ordering Paragraph 8 – Modify Screen L to Include Transmission Overvoltage and Anti-islanding Tests

Ordering Paragraph 8 requires:

*8. Option C of Proposal 8k is adopted on an interim basis until resolution of Issue 18 in Working Group Four.*¹⁸

Pacific Gas and Electric Company shall:

modify Screen L in Interconnection Rule 21 to include the transmission overvoltage and transmission anti-islanding tests currently in Screen M.

[emphasis and footnote¹⁵ added]

For proposal 8k, “Screen L determines whether the Interconnection Request is made in an area where there are known transient stability limitations, or the proposed generating facility has interdependencies known to the utility with transmission system Interconnection Requests already in the queue.... Screen M evaluates whether there is a risk that aggregate generation could exceed 15 percent of peak load and, if so, identifies which projects require Supplemental Review.”^{19, 20, 21}

Option C is adopted by D. 20-09-025 and “modifies the Screen to temporarily allow application of antiislanding tests until Issue 18 can be resolved in Working

¹⁸ [Working Group 4 Report](#)

Issue 18 is *Should the Commission adopt changes to anti-islanding screen parameters to reflect research on islanding risks when using UL 1741-certified inverters in order to avoid unnecessary mitigations? If yes, what should those changes entail?* (p 6)

¹⁹ D.20-09-035 p. 26

²⁰ From Footnote 44, D 20-09-035 p.26 “Transmission overvoltage is considered possible when a transmission breaker opens on a substation that has an ungrounded high side and aggregate generation is greater than 50 percent of minimum load. 15 percent of peak load is used as the initial screen or filter to conduct additional screening on projects that exceed 15 percent of peak load.”

²¹ From Footnote 45 D. 20-09-035 p26: “Islanding is considered possible when the ratio of machine-based synchronous generation to inverter-based generation is more than 40 percent and aggregate generation is greater than 50 percent of minimum load. Again, 15 percent of peak load is used as the initial screen or filter to conduct additional screening on projects that exceed 15 percent of peak load.”

Group Four.”²²

“Option C, proposed by IREC, would allow **PG&E to utilize the current screening practices that look at whether a project has failed 50 percent of minimum load and where 40 percent or more of the generation on the substation comes from rotating machines** and allow SCE and SDG&E to screen for antiislanding but on a temporary basis until Issue 18 is resolved. IREC explains that Option C would require a **guidance document to be published identifying the specific screening approach SCE and SDG&E would use, similar to that of PG&E.** The subtle but important difference in Option C is that the customer will identify the specific screening approach that will apply to them....”²³

[Emphasis and formatting added]

For Screen L, PG&E modified Rule 21 Sheets 153-4

I. Screen L: Transmission Dependency, ~~and Transmission Stability, Ground Fault Overvoltage, and Anti-Islanding Tests~~

Is the Interconnection Request for an area where:

- (i) there are known, or posted, transient stability limitations, or
- (ii) the proposed Generating Facility has interdependencies, known to Distribution Provider, with earlier-queued Transmission System interconnection requests, **or**
- (iii) there is potential for transmission islanding, or**
- (iv) there is potential for transmission Ground Fault Overvoltage (GFOV) due to lack of effective grounding.**

Where (i) or (ii) **or (iii) or (iv)** above are met, the impacts of this Interconnection Request to the Transmission System may require Detailed Study.

- If Yes (fail), Supplemental Review is required.
- If No (pass), continue to Screen M.

²² D.20-09-035 p. 26

²³ D.20-09-035 p. 28

Significance: Special consideration must be given to those areas identified as having current or future (due to currently-queued interconnection requests) grid stability concerns.

PG&E will temporarily apply anti-islanding tests until the resolution of **Issue 18*** R. 17.-07-007 Working Group Four in made effective in PG&E's tariffs.

* Issue 18 is "*Should the Commission adopt changes to anti-islanding screen parameters to reflect research on islanding risks when using UL 1741-certified inverters in order to avoid unnecessary mitigations? If yes, what should those changes entail?*"

4. Ordering Paragraph 11 – Add 10% Buffer on ICA-SG & ICA OF Profiles

Ordering Paragraph 11 requires:

11. *Option B of Proposal 8m is adopted with modification.*

*Pacific Gas and Electric Company, San Diego Gas & Electric Company, and Southern California Edison Company (Utilities) **shall apply a 10 percent buffer to the Integration Capacity Analysis-Static Grid profile and to the Integration Capacity Analysis Operational Flexibility profile during review of Screen M of the Rule 21 Interconnection Application Process.***

The need for the 10 percent buffer to the Integration Capacity Analysis-Operational Flexibility profile will be revisited by the Commission.

***Utilities shall collect data** on the effectiveness of the 10 percent Integration Capacity Analysis-Operational Flexibility buffer (after consulting with the Commission's Energy Division) and provide the data and a recommendation on whether to retain the buffer or adjust it, in the Advice Letter on buffers for Issue 9, as required by Ordering Paragraph 15.*

[formatting and emphasis added]

For OP 11, PG&E makes the following changes to Rule Section G.1.m (Sheets 153-4)

m. Screen M:

When ICA information is available at the requested point of interconnection, Screen M should be evaluated in accordance with nameplate or typical PV output profile.

For Interconnection requests based on nameplate capacity:

a) Is the Interconnection request aggregate nameplate capacity greater than 90% of the lower value in the ICA-SG 576 profile?

or

b) Is the Interconnection request aggregate nameplate capacity greater than 90% of the lower value in the ICA-OF 576 profile?

If the response is “yes” to either a) or b), screen M fails, and the project must be evaluated under the Supplemental Review or Detailed Study to determine mitigation requirements

For Interconnection requests based on typical PV output profile

a) Is the Interconnection request real power production based on PV Watts or equivalent greater than 90% of the ICA-SG 576 value in any hour?

or

b) Is the Interconnection request real power production based on PV Watts or equivalent greater than 90% of the ICA-OF 576 value in any hour?

If the response is “yes” to either a) or b), screen M fails, and the project must be evaluated under the Supplemental Review or Detailed Study to determine mitigation requirements

When ICA information is not available at the requested point of interconnection, Screen M should be evaluated as follows:

Is the aggregate Generating Facility capacity on the Line Section less than 15% of Line Section peak load for all line sections bounded by automatic sectionalizing devices? ii

- If Yes (pass), Initial Review is complete.
- If No (fail), Supplemental Review is required.

Significance:

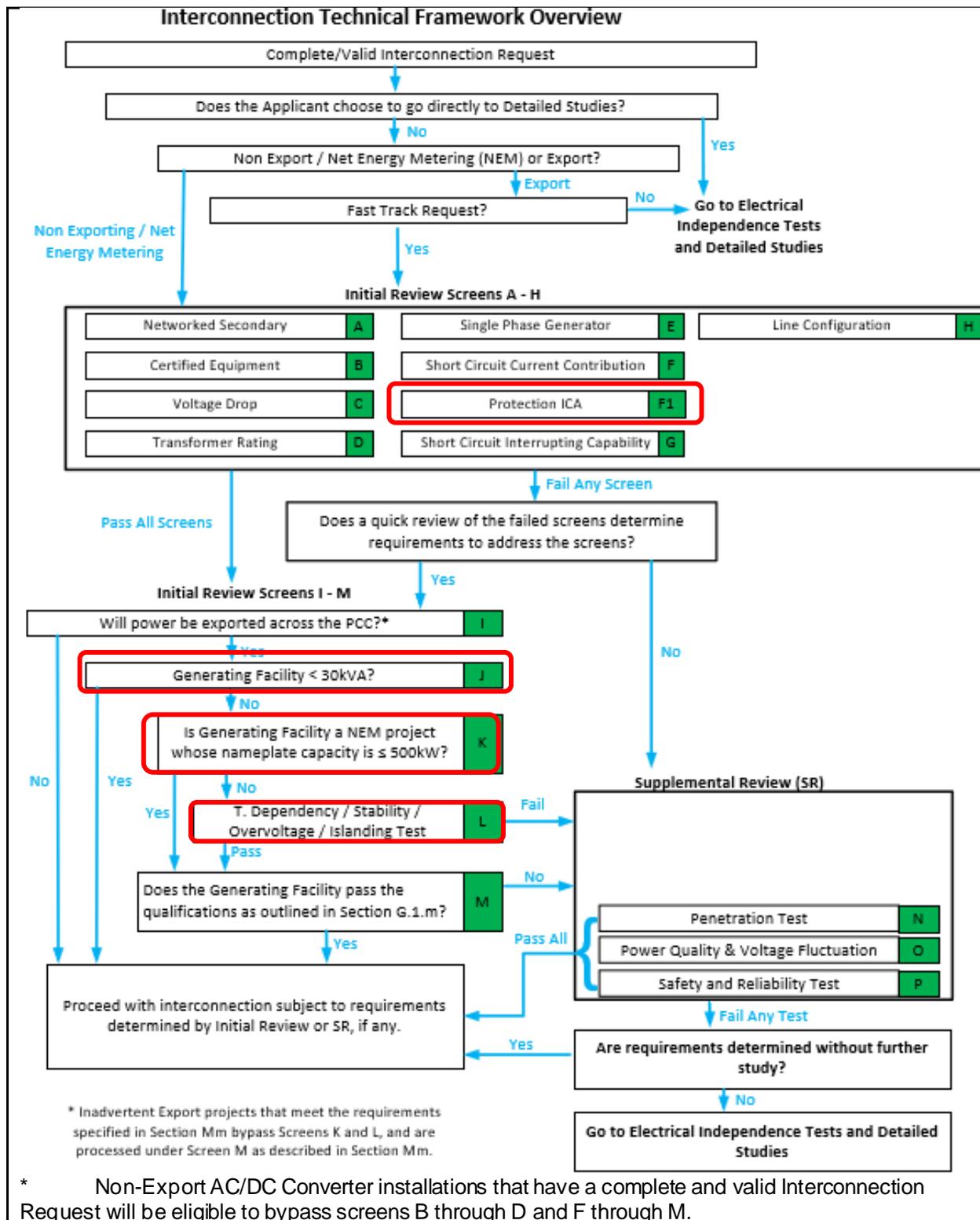
1. Low penetration of Generating Facility capacity will have a minimal impact on the operation and load restoration efforts of Distribution Provider's Distribution System. Screen M: Is the aggregate Generating Facility capacity on the Line Section less than 15% of Line Section peak load for all line sections bounded by automatic sectionalizing devices?
2. The operating requirements for a high penetration of Generating Facility capacity may be different since the impact on Distribution Provider's Distribution System will no longer be minimal, therefore requiring additional study or controls.

The purpose of this Screen is solely to identify if the Generating Facility needs additional study and is not intended as justification for limiting the penetration of generation on a line section.

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- ii Inadvertent Export systems that meet the requirements specified in Section Mm are processed under Screen M as described in Section Mm.

5. Rule 21 Flow Chart Update based on OP Changes Above

PG&E updated the Engineering Review Details flow chart (Sheet 140) consistent with the OP changes above. Additions circled in Red.



Protests

*****Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and the shelter at home orders, PG&E is currently unable to receive protests or comments to this advice letter via U.S. mail or fax. Please submit protests or comments to this advice letter to EDTariffUnit@cpuc.ca.gov and PGETariffs@pge.com*****

Any party wishing to protest this submittal may do so by letter sent via U.S. mail, facsimile or E-mail, no later than February 17, 2021, which is 20 days after the date of this submittal. Protests must be submitted to:

CPUC Energy Division
ED Tariff Unit
505 Van Ness Avenue, 4th Floor
San Francisco, California 94102

Facsimile: (415) 703-2200
E-mail: EDTariffUnit@cpuc.ca.gov

Copies of protests also should be mailed to the attention of the Director, Energy Division, Room 4004, at the address shown above.

The protest shall also be sent to PG&E either via E-mail or U.S. mail (and by facsimile, if possible) at the address shown below on the same date it is mailed or delivered to the Commission:

Erik Jacobson
Director, Regulatory Relations
c/o Megan Lawson
Pacific Gas and Electric Company
77 Beale Street, Mail Code B13U
P.O. Box 770000
San Francisco, California 94177

Facsimile: (415) 973-3582
E-mail: PGETariffs@pge.com

Any person (including individuals, groups, or organizations) may protest or respond to an advice letter (General Order 96-B, Section 7.4). The protest shall contain the following information: specification of the advice letter protested; grounds for the protest; supporting factual information or legal argument; name, telephone number, postal address, and (where appropriate) e-mail address of the protestant; and statement that the protest was sent to the utility no later than the day on which the protest was submitted to the reviewing Industry Division (General Order 96-B, Section 3.11).

Effective Date

Pursuant to Decision 20-09-035 Ordering Paragraph 55 (as corrected), this advice letter is submitted with a Tier 2 designation. PG&E requests that this advice submittal become effective 120 days after it is approved, to allow to time to implement the Screen M ICA changes and related screen L changes, train staff and notify applicants of the changes.

Notice

In accordance with General Order 96-B, Section IV, a copy of this advice letter is being sent electronically and via U.S. mail to parties shown on the attached list and the parties on the service list for R.17-07-007 (Rule .21), R. 14-07-002 (NEM Successor) and R.19-09-009 (Microgrid). Address changes to the General Order 96-B service list should be directed to PG&E at email address PGETariffs@pge.com. For changes to any other service list, please contact the Commission's Process Office at (415) 703-2021 or at Process_Office@cpuc.ca.gov. Send all electronic approvals to PGETariffs@pge.com. Advice letter submittals can also be accessed electronically at: <http://www.pge.com/tariffs/>.

/S/

Erik Jacobson
Director, Regulatory Relations

cc: Service List R.17-07-007
Service List R.14-07-002
Service List R.19-09-009

Attachments:

Attachment 1 –Clean version of updated Tariffs
Attachment 2 – Redline Tariff Revisions



ADVICE LETTER SUMMARY

ENERGY UTILITY



MUST BE COMPLETED BY UTILITY (Attach additional pages as needed)

Company name/CPUC Utility No.: Pacific Gas and Electric Company (ID U39E)

Utility type:

- ELC GAS WATER
 PLC HEAT

Contact Person: Kimberly Loo

Phone #: (415)973-4587

E-mail: PGETariffs@pge.com

E-mail Disposition Notice to: KELM@pge.com

EXPLANATION OF UTILITY TYPE

ELC = Electric GAS = Gas WATER = Water
 PLC = Pipeline HEAT = Heat

(Date Submitted / Received Stamp by CPUC)

Advice Letter (AL) #: 5915-E

Tier Designation: 2

Subject of AL: Advice Letter Modifying Electric Rule 21 Pursuant to Decision 20-09-035 for Working Group 2 and 3 (due 120 Days from Issuance) for Ordering Paragraphs 5, 6, 8 and 11.

Keywords (choose from CPUC listing): Compliance, Rule 21

AL Type: Monthly Quarterly Annual One-Time Other:

If AL submitted in compliance with a Commission order, indicate relevant Decision/Resolution #: D.20-09-035

Does AL replace a withdrawn or rejected AL? If so, identify the prior AL: No

Summarize differences between the AL and the prior withdrawn or rejected AL:

Confidential treatment requested? Yes No

If yes, specification of confidential information:

Confidential information will be made available to appropriate parties who execute a nondisclosure agreement. Name and contact information to request nondisclosure agreement/ access to confidential information:

Resolution required? Yes No

Requested effective date:

No. of tariff sheets: 127

Estimated system annual revenue effect (%): N/A

Estimated system average rate effect (%): N/A

When rates are affected by AL, include attachment in AL showing average rate effects on customer classes (residential, small commercial, large C/I, agricultural, lighting).

Tariff schedules affected: See Attachment 1

Service affected and changes proposed¹: N/A

Pending advice letters that revise the same tariff sheets: N/A

¹Discuss in AL if more space is needed.

Protests and all other correspondence regarding this AL are due no later than 20 days after the date of this submittal, unless otherwise authorized by the Commission, and shall be sent to:

CPUC, Energy Division
Attention: Tariff Unit
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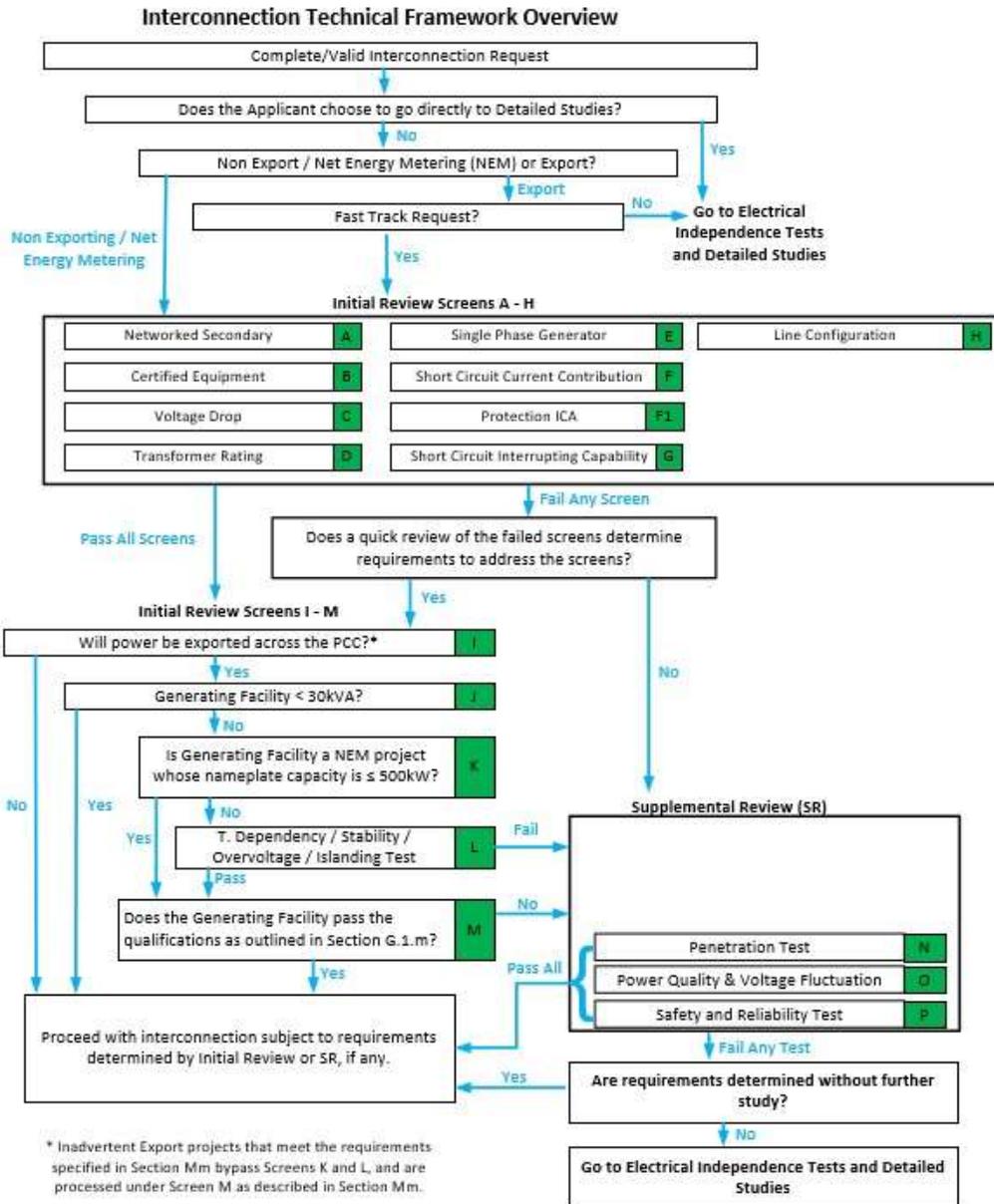
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Significance: Generating Facilities connected to a single-phase transformer with 120/240 V secondary voltage must be installed such that the aggregated gross output is as balanced as practicable between the two phases of the 240 volt service. When Distribution Provider's analysis determines a transformer change is required. Distribution Provider will furnish the customer with an explanation of why the change is needed.

- f. Screen F: Is the Short Circuit Current Contribution Ratio within acceptable limits?

- If Yes (pass), continue to Screen F1. (T)
- If No (fail), continue to Screen F1 pursuant to Section G.1. (T)

Note: This Screen does not apply to Generating Facilities with a Gross Rating of less than 30 kVA. (T)

When measured at primary side (high side) of the Dedicated Distribution Transformer serving a Generating Facility, the sum of the Short Circuit Contribution Ratios of all Generating Facilities connected to Distribution Provider's Distribution System circuit that serves the Generating Facility must be less than or equal to 0.1.

Significance: If the Generating Facility passes this Screen, it can be expected that it will have no significant impact on Distribution Provider's Distribution System's short circuit duty, fault detection sensitivity, relay coordination or fuse-saving schemes.

Screen F1: Is the Short Circuit Current Contribution less than or equal to 1.2 per unit or is the generation project gross nameplate rating multiplied by its per unit contribution less than the ICA-SG value multiplied by 1.2 per unit? (N)

- If Yes (Pass), continue to Screen G
- If No (Fail), continue to Screen G pursuant to Section G.1. (N)

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G. ENGINEERING REVIEW DETAILS (Cont'd.)

1. INITIAL REVIEW SCREENS (Cont'd.)

f. Screen F1 (Cont'd):

Generating systems with with less than or equal to 1.2 per unit short circuit contribution can reference the Integration Capacity Analysis value for meeting the reduction of reach Integration Capacity Analysis Protection Screen. For generating facilities exceeding the less than or equal to 1.2 per unit short circuit contribution, a utility would use the protection Integration Capacity Analysis value at the point of interconnection and the project specific per unit short circuit contribution to determine whether the facility passes Screen F1.

Significance: If the Generating Facility passes this Screen, it can be expected that it will have no significant impact on Protection Reduction of Reach. The Generating Facility will have no significant impact on Distribution Provider's Distribution System's short circuit duty, fault detection sensitivity, relay coordination or fuse-saving schemes.

(N)

(N)

g. Screen G: Is the Short Circuit Interrupting Capability Exceeded?

Does the proposed Generating Facility, in aggregate with other Generating Facilities on the distribution circuit, cause any distribution protective devices and equipment (including, but not limited to, substation breakers, fuse cutouts, and line reclosers), or Interconnection Request equipment on the system to exceed 87.5 % of the short circuit interrupting capability; or is the Interconnection proposed for a circuit that already exceeds 87.5 % of the short circuit interrupting capability?

- If Yes (fail) continue to Screen H pursuant to Section G.1.
- If No (pass), continue to Screen H

Note: This Screen does not apply to Generating Facilities with a Gross Rating of less than 30kVA.

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Significance: If the Generating Facility passes this screen, it can be expected that it will not cause any of Distribution Provider's equipment to be overstressed.

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1. INITIAL REVIEW SCREENS (Cont'd.)

h. Screen H: Is the line configuration compatible with the Interconnection type?

- If Yes (pass), continue to Screen I.
- If No (fail), continue to Screen I pursuant to Section G.1.

Note: This Screen does not apply to Generating Facilities with a Gross Rating of less than 30 kVA.

(T)

Line Configuration Screen: Identify primary distribution line configuration that will serve the Generating Facility. Based on the type of Interconnection to be used for the Generating Facility, determine from Table G.1 if the proposed Generating Facility passes the Screen.

Table G-1
Type of Interconnection

Primary Distribution Line Type Configuration	Type of Interconnection to be made to Primary Distribution Line	Result/Criteria
Three-phase, three-wire	Any type	Pass Screen
Three-phase, four-wire	Single-phase, line-to-neutral	Pass Screen
Three-phase, four-wire (For any line that has such a section OR mixed three-wire & four-wire)	All others	To pass, aggregate Generating Facility nameplate rating must be less than or equal to 10% of Line Section peak load

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1. INITIAL REVIEW SCREENS (Cont'd.)

j. Screen J: Is the Gross Rating of the Generating Facility less than 30 kVA? (T)
(T)

- If Yes (pass), skip Screens K, L and M; Initial Review is complete.
- If No (fail), continue to Screen K.ⁱ

Significance: The Generating Facility will have a minimal impact on fault current levels and any potential line overvoltages from loss of Distribution Provider's Distribution System neutral grounding.

k. Screen K: Is the Generating Facility a Net Energy Metering (NEM) Generating Facility with nameplate capacity less than or equal to 500 kW?

- If Yes (pass), skip screen L and continue to screen M.
- If No (fail), continue to screen L.

Significance: The purpose of this Screen is solely to facilitate interconnection of NEM facilities below this size threshold by allowing such facilities to bypass Screen M. The use of nameplate capacity expedites the Initial Review analysis. In Supplemental Review, the net export will be analyzed.

ⁱ Inadvertent Export systems that meet the requirements specified in Section Mm bypass Screens K and L, and are processed under Screen M as described in Section Mm.

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G. ENGINEERING REVIEW DETAILS (Cont'd.)

1. INITIAL REVIEW SCREENS (Cont'd.)

I. Screen L: Transmission Dependency, Stability, Overvoltage and Islanding Tests (T)
(T)

Is the Interconnection Request for an area where:

- (i) there are known, or posted, transient stability limitations, or (T)
|
- (ii) the proposed Generating Facility has interdependencies, known to Distribution Provider, with earlier-queued Transmission System interconnection requests. (T)
|
- (iii) there is potential for transmission islanding, or (N)
|
- (iv) there is potential for transmission Ground Fault Overvoltage (GFOV) due to lack of effective grounding. (N)

Where (i) or (ii) or (iii) or (iv) above are met, the impacts of this Interconnection Request to the Transmission System may require Detailed Study. (T)

- If Yes (fail), Supplemental Review is required.
- If No (pass), continue to Screen M.

Significance: Special consideration must be given to those areas identified as having current or future (due to currently-queued interconnection requests) grid stability concerns.

PG&E will temporarily apply anti-islanding tests until the resolution of Issue 18* R. 17.-07-007 Working Group Four in made effective in PG&E's tariffs. (N)
|
(N)

m. Screen M:

When ICA information is available at the requested point of interconnection, Screen M should be evaluated in accordance with nameplate or typical PV output profile. (N)
|
(N)

* Issue 18 is "Should the Commission adopt changes to anti-islanding screen parameters to reflect research on islanding risks when using UL 1741-certified inverters in order to avoid unnecessary mitigations? If yes, what should those changes entail?" (N)
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(N)

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G. ENGINEERING REVIEW DETAILS (Cont'd.)

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1. INITIAL REVIEW SCREENS (Cont'd.)

m. Screen M (Cont'd):

For Interconnection requests based on nameplate capacity:

a) Is the Interconnection request aggregate nameplate capacity greater than 90% of the lower value in the ICA-SG 576 profile?

or

b) Is the Interconnection request aggregate nameplate capacity greater than 90% of the lower value in the ICA-OF 576 profile?

If the response is "yes" to either a) or b), screen M fails, and the project must be evaluated under the Supplemental Review or Detailed Study to determine mitigation requirements

For Interconnection requests based on typical PV output profile

a) Is the Interconnection request real power production based on PV Watts or equivalent greater than 90% of the ICA-SG 576 value in any hour?

or

b) Is the Interconnection request real power production based on PV Watts or equivalent greater than 90% of the ICA-OF 576 value in any hour?

If the response is "yes" to either a) or b), screen M fails, and the project must be evaluated under the Supplemental Review or Detailed Study to determine mitigation requirements

When ICA information is not available at the requested point of interconnection, Screen M should be evaluated as follows:

(N)

Is the aggregate Generating Facility capacity on the Line Section less than 15% of Line Section peak load for all line sections bounded by automatic sectionalizing devices? ⁱⁱ

ⁱⁱ Inadvertent Export systems that meet the requirements specified in Section Mm are processed under Screen M as described in Section Mm.

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G. ENGINEERING REVIEW DETAILS (Cont'd.)

1. INITIAL REVIEW SCREENS (Cont'd.)

m. Screen M (Cont'd):

- If Yes (pass), Initial Review is complete.
- If No (fail), Supplemental Review is required.

Significance:

1. Low penetration of Generating Facility capacity will have a minimal impact on the operation and load restoration efforts of Distribution Provider's Distribution System. Screen M: Is the aggregate Generating Facility capacity on the Line Section less than 15% of Line Section peak load for all line sections bounded by automatic sectionalizing devices?
2. The operating requirements for a high penetration of Generating Facility capacity may be different since the impact on Distribution Provider's Distribution System will no longer be minimal, therefore requiring additional study or controls.

The purpose of this Screen is solely to identify if the Generating Facility needs additional study and is not intended as justification for limiting the penetration of generation on a line section.

2. SUPPLEMENTAL REVIEW SCREENS

The Supplemental Review consists of Screens N through P. If any of the Screens are not passed, a quick review of the failed Screen(s) will determine the requirements to address the failure(s) or that Detailed Studies are required. In certain instances, Distribution Provider may be able to identify the necessary solution and determine that Detailed Studies are unnecessary. Some examples of solutions that may be available to mitigate the impact of a failed Screen are:

1. Replacing a fixed capacitor bank with a switched capacitor bank.
2. Adjustment of line regulation settings.
3. Simple reconfiguration of the distribution circuit.

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G. ENGINEERING REVIEW DETAILS (Cont'd.) (L)

2. SUPPLEMENTAL REVIEW SCREENS (Cont'd.)

a. Screen N: Penetration Test

Where 12 months of line section minimum load data is available, can be calculated, can be estimated from existing data, or determined from a power flow model, is the aggregate Generating Facility capacity on the Line Section less than 100% of the minimum load for all line sections bounded by automatic sectionalizing devices upstream of the Generating Facility?

- If yes (pass), continue to Screen O.
- If no (fail), a quick review of the failure may determine the requirements to address the failure; otherwise Electrical Independence Tests and Detailed Studies are required. Continue to Screen O. (Note: If Electrical Independence tests and Detailed Studies are required, Applicants will continue to the Electrical Independence Tests and Detailed Studies after review of the remaining Supplemental Review Screens, if Applicant elects to proceed.)

Note 1: If none of the above options are available, this screen defaults to Screen M.

Note 2: The type of Generating Facility technology will be taken into account when calculating, estimating, or determining circuit or Line Section minimum load relevant for the application of this screen. For solar Generating Facilities with no battery storage, daytime minimum load will be used (i.e., 10 am to 4 pm for fixed panel solar Generating Facilities and 8 am to 6 pm for solar Generating Facilities utilizing tracking systems), while absolute minimum load will be used for all other Generating Facility technologies.

Note 3: When this screen is being applied to a NEM Generating Facility, the net export in kW, if known, that may flow across the Point of Common Coupling into Distribution Provider's Distribution System will be considered as part of the aggregate generation.

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- G. ENGINEERING REVIEW DETAILS (Cont'd.) (L)
2. SUPPLEMENTAL REVIEW SCREENS (Cont'd.)
- a. Screen N: Penetration Test (Cont'd.)
- Note 4: Distribution Provider will not consider as part of the aggregate Generating Facility capacity for purposes of this screen Generating Facility capacity known to be already reflected in the minimum load data.
- Note 5: NEM Generating Facilities with net export less than or equal to 500 kW that may flow across the Point of Common Coupling into Distribution Provider's Distribution or Transmission System will not be studied in the Transmission Cluster Study Process, but may be studied under the Independent Study Process.
- Significance: Penetration of Generating Facility capacity that does not result in power flow from the circuit back toward the substation will have a minimal impact on equipment loading, operation, and protection of the Distribution System.
- b. Screen O: Power Quality and Voltage Tests
- In aggregate with existing Generating Facility capacity on the Line Section, distribution circuit, and/or substation.
- i) Can it be determined within the Supplemental Review that the voltage regulation on the line section can be maintained in compliance with Commission Rule 2 and/or Conservation Voltage Regulation voltage requirements under all system conditions?
- ii) Can it be determined within the Supplemental Review that the voltage fluctuation is within acceptable limits as defined by IEEE 1453 or utility practice similar to IEEE1453? (L)

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- G. ENGINEERING REVIEW DETAILS (Cont'd.) (L)
2. SUPPLEMENTAL REVIEW SCREENS (Cont'd.)
- b. Screen O: Power Quality and Voltage Tests (Cont'd.)
- In aggregate with existing Generating Facility capacity on the Line Section, distribution circuit, and/or substation. (Cont'd.)
- iii) Can it be determined within the Supplemental Review that the harmonic levels meet IEEE 519 limits at the Point of Common Coupling (PCC)?
- If yes to all of the above (pass), continue to Screen P.
 - If no to any of the above (fail), a quick review of the failure may determine the requirements to address the failure; otherwise Electrical Independence Tests and Detailed Studies are required. Continue to Screen P. (Note: If Electrical Independence tests and Detailed Studies are required, Applicants will continue to the Electrical Independence Tests and Detailed Studies after review of the remaining Supplemental Review Screens.)
- Significance: Adverse voltages and undesirable interference may be experienced by other Customers on Distribution Provider's Distribution System caused by operation of the Generating Facility(ies).
- c. Screen P: Safety and Reliability Tests
- Does the location of the proposed Generating Facility or the aggregate generation capacity on the Line Section create impacts to safety or reliability that cannot be adequately addressed without Detailed Study?
- If yes (fail), review of the failure may determine the requirements to address the failure; otherwise Electrical Independence Tests and Detailed Studies are required. Continue to Section G.3.
 - If no (pass), Supplemental Review is complete. (L)

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- G. ENGINEERING REVIEW DETAILS (Cont'd.) (L)
 - 2. SUPPLEMENTAL REVIEW SCREENS (Cont'd.)
 - c. Screen P: Safety and Reliability Tests (Cont'd.)
- Significance: In the safety and reliability test, there are several factors that may affect the nature and performance of an Interconnection. These include, but are not limited to:
1. Generating Facility energy source
 2. Modes of synchronization
 3. Unique system topology
 4. Possible impacts to critical load customers
 5. Possible safety impacts
- The specific combination of these factors will determine if any system study requirements are needed. The following are some examples of the items that may be considered under this screen:
1. Does the Line Section have significant minimum loading levels dominated by a small number of customers (i.e. several large commercial customers)?
 2. Is there an even or uneven distribution of loading along the feeder?
 3. Is the proposed Generating Facility located in close proximity to the substation (i.e. <2.5 electrical line miles), and is the distribution line from the substation to the customer composed of large conductor/cable (i.e. 600A class cable)? (L)

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- G. ENGINEERING REVIEW DETAILS (Cont'd.) (L)
- 2. SUPPLEMENTAL REVIEW SCREENS (Cont'd.)
 - c. Screen P: Safety and Reliability Tests (Cont'd.)
 - 4. Does the Generating Facility incorporate a time delay function to prevent reconnection of the generator to the system until system voltage and frequency are within normal limits for a prescribed time?
 - 5. Is operational flexibility reduced by the proposed Generating Facility, such that transfer of the line section(s) of the Generating Facility to a neighboring distribution circuit/substation may trigger overloads or voltage issues?
 - 6. Does the Generating Facility utilize Certified anti-islanding functions and equipment?
- 3. DETAILED STUDY SCREENS
 - a. Screen Q: Is the Interconnection Request electrically Independent of the Transmission System?

Distribution Provider, in consultation with the CAISO, will determine, based on knowledge of the interdependencies with earlier-queued interconnection requests under any tariff, whether the Interconnection Request to the Distribution System is of sufficient MW size and located at a point of interconnection such that it is reasonably anticipated to require or contribute to the need for Network Upgrades. If Distribution Provider determines that no interdependencies exist as described above, then the Interconnection Request will be deemed to have passed Distribution Provider's Determination of Electrical Independence for the CAISO Controlled Grid. If Distribution Provider determines that interdependencies exist as described above, then Applicant may be studied under the Transmission Cluster Study Process as set forth in Section F.3.d.

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G. ENGINEERING REVIEW DETAILS (Cont'd.) (L)

3. DETAILED STUDY SCREENS (Cont'd.)

a. Screen Q: Is the Interconnection Request electrically Independent of the Transmission System? (Cont'd.)

Distribution Provider will coordinate with the CAISO if necessary to conduct the Determination of Electrical Independence for the CAISO Controlled Grid as set forth in the applicable CAISO Tariff in effect at the time the Electrical Independence Test (EIT) begins. The results of the incremental power flow, aggregate power flow, and short-circuit current contribution tests set out in the applicable CAISO Tariff in effect at the time the EIT begins will determine whether the Interconnection Request is electrically independent from the CAISO Controlled Grid.

- If Yes (pass), continue to Screen R.
- If No (fail), proceed to Section F.3.d.

Note 1: NEM Generating Facilities with net export less than or equal to 500 kW that may flow across the Point of Common Coupling will not be studied in the Transmission Cluster Study Process, but may be studied under the Independent Study Process.

Significance: Generating Facilities that are electrically interdependent with the Transmission System must be studied with other interconnection requests that have Transmission System interdependencies. It is possible to pass this Screen Q (i.e., be found to have no electrical interdependencies with earlier-queued Distribution System and/or Transmission System interconnection requests as set out above), be studied under the Independent Study Process, and still trigger a Reliability Network Upgrade.

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3. DETAILED STUDY SCREENS (Cont'd.)

- b. Screen R: Is the Interconnection Request independent of other earlier-queued and yet to be studied interconnection requests interconnecting to the Distribution System?

For Interconnection Requests that are electrically independent from the CAISO Controlled Grid, Distribution Provider will evaluate each Interconnection Request for known or reasonably anticipated relationships between the Interconnection Request and any earlier-queued interconnection requests in the Distribution Group Study Process, the Independent Study Process, or interconnection requests studied under predecessor interconnection procedures that have yet to complete their respective interconnection studies. Distribution Provider may conduct incremental power flow, aggregate power flow, and/or short-circuit duty tests using existing interconnection studies, Base Case data, overall system knowledge, and engineering judgment to determine whether an Interconnection Request can be studied independently of earlier-queued interconnection requests. If the Interconnection Request being evaluated for electrical independence on the Distribution System may be electrically related to earlier-queued interconnection requests that have yet to complete interconnection studies, then it fails the evaluation of electrical independence for the Distribution System.

- If Yes (pass), continue to Independent Study Process
- If No (fail), continue to the Distribution Group Study Process

Significance: Interconnection Requests that are electrically related to earlier-queued interconnection requests that have not yet been studied do not qualify for independent study.

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3. DETAILED STUDY SCREENS (Cont'd.)

c. Independent Study Process and Distribution Group Study Process Interconnection Studies

The Interconnection Studies shall consist of an Interconnection System Impact Study and an Interconnection Facilities Study for the Independent Study Process or the DGS Phase I Interconnection Study and the DGS Phase II Interconnection Study for the Distribution Group Study Process. The Interconnection Studies will identify Interconnection Facilities, Distribution Upgrades and Reliability Network Upgrades necessary to mitigate thermal overloads and voltage violations, and address short circuit, dynamic/stability, and reliability issues associated with the requested Interconnection Service. If Distribution Provider anticipates that Reliability Network Upgrades will be required, or the Interconnection Studies identify the need for Reliability Network Upgrades, then Distribution Provider will coordinate with the CAISO during the study process as set forth in Sections F.3.b or F.3.c above.

The estimated costs of short circuit related upgrades and shared interconnection facilities, if any, identified through a Distribution Group Study shall be assigned as provided in E.4.e.

i) Interconnection System Impact and DGS Phase I Interconnection Study.

(1) Scope of the Interconnection System Impact and DGS Phase I Interconnection Study.

The Interconnection System Impact or DGS Phase I Interconnection Study in the case of the Distribution Group Study Process may consist of a localized short circuit analysis, a stability/dynamic analysis, a power flow analysis, and any other studies that are deemed necessary. The localized short circuit analysis will evaluate impacts to the Distribution and Transmission System only with any local short circuit-duty related Reliability Network Upgrades allocated to the Generating Facility or Generating Facilities that require(s) the upgrades. Short circuit duty impacts to the

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3. DETAILED STUDY SCREENS (Cont'd.)

c. Independent Study Process and Distribution Group Study Process Interconnection Studies (Cont'd.)

i) Interconnection System Impact and DGS Phase I Interconnection Study. (Cont'd.)

(1) Scope of the Interconnection System Impact and DGS Phase I Interconnection Study. (Cont'd.)

CAISO Controlled Grid are appropriately evaluated only in the Transmission Cluster Study Process as set forth in Section F.3.d. The short circuit duty contribution of any Interconnection Requests studied in the Independent Study Process or Distribution Group Study Process that are subsequently identified in the Cluster Study Process will be allocated its pro rata share of the short circuit duty-related Reliability Network Upgrades on the basis of the short circuit duty contribution of each Generating Facility.

The Interconnection System Impact Study or DGS Phase I Interconnection Study in the case of the Distribution Group Study Process, shall state the assumptions upon which it is based, state the results of the analyses, and provide the requirement or potential impediments to providing the requested Interconnection Service, including a preliminary indication of the cost and length of time that would be necessary to correct any problems identified in those analyses and implement the Interconnection.

The Interconnection System Impact or DGS Phase I Interconnection Study shall provide a list of Distribution Provider's Interconnection Facilities, Distribution Upgrades, and Reliability Network Upgrades that are required as a result of the Interconnection Request along with a non-binding good faith estimate of cost responsibility and the amount of construction time required.

If at any time the Distribution Provider determines that it will not meet the required time frame for completing the DGS Phase I Interconnection Study due to the large number of

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- 3. DETAILED STUDY SCREENS (Cont'd.)
 - c. Independent Study Process and Distribution Group Study Process Interconnection Studies (Cont'd.)
 - i) Interconnection System Impact and DGS Phase I Interconnection Study. (Cont'd.)
 - (1) Scope of the Interconnection System Impact and DGS Phase I Interconnection Study. (Cont'd.)

Interconnection Requests in the Distribution Group Study Application window, study complexity, or unavailability of resources on a reasonable basis to perform the study in the required time frame, the Distribution Provider shall notify the Interconnection Customer(s) within the Distribution Group Study as to the schedule status of the DGS Phase I Interconnection Study and provide an estimated completion date with an explanation of the reasons why additional time is required.

Upon request, the Distribution Provider shall provide the Applicant(s) all supporting documentation, work papers and relevant pre-Interconnection Request and post-Interconnection Request power flow, short circuit and stability databases for the DGS Phase I Interconnection Study, subject to confidentiality arrangements as outlined in Section D.7.
 - ii) Interconnection Facilities Study and DGS Phase II Interconnection Study.
 - (1) Scope and Purpose of the Interconnection Facilities and DGS Phase II Interconnection Study.

The Interconnection Facilities Study or DGS Phase II Interconnection Study in the case of the Distribution Group Study Process shall specify and estimate the cost of the equipment, engineering, procurement, and construction work (including overheads) needed to implement the conclusions of the Interconnection System Impact Study or DGS Phase I Interconnection Study technical analyses in accordance with

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3. DETAILED STUDY SCREENS (Cont'd.)

c. Independent Study Process and Distribution Group Study Process Interconnection Studies (Cont'd.)

ii) Interconnection Facilities Study and DGS Phase II Interconnection Study. (Cont'd.)

(1) Scope and Purpose of the Interconnection Facilities and DGS Phase II Interconnection Study. (Cont'd.)

Good Utility Practice to physically and electrically connect the Generating Facility to the Distribution or Transmission System. The Interconnection Facilities Study or DGS Phase II Interconnection Study shall also identify (i) the electrical switching configuration of the connection equipment, including, without limitation: the transformer, switchgear, meters, and other station equipment; the nature and estimated cost of any Distribution Provider's Interconnection Facilities, Distribution Upgrades, and Network Upgrades necessary to accomplish the interconnection; and an estimate of the time required to complete the construction and installation of such facilities. The analyses in the Interconnection System Impact Study (or DGS Phase I Interconnection Study in the case of the Distribution Group Study Process) will be updated as necessary in the Interconnection Facilities Study (or DGS Phase II Interconnection Study), to account for withdrawal of interconnection requests in the interconnection queue.

H. GENERATING FACILITY DESIGN AND OPERATING REQUIREMENTS

Section H shall be used for interconnection of non-inverter based technologies.

Section H shall also continue to be used for interconnection of inverter based technologies until September 8, 2017. Following such date, Section Hh shall apply for interconnection of inverter based technologies. Until such date, Section Hh may be used in all or in part, for inverter based technologies by mutual agreement of the Distribution Provider and the Applicant.

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H. GENERATING FACILITY DESIGN AND OPERATING REQUIREMENTS (L)
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1. GENERAL INTERCONNECTION AND PROTECTIVE FUNCTION REQUIREMENTS

This section is consistent with the requirements of ANSI/IEEE 1547-2003 Standard for Interconnecting Distributed Resources with Electric Power Systems (IEEE 1547). Exceptions are taken to IEEE 1547 Clauses 4.1.4.2 Distribution Secondary Spot Networks and Clauses 4.1.8.1 or 5.1.3.1, which address Protection from Electromagnetic Interference. These are being studied for inclusion in a subsequent version of this Rule. Also, Rule 21 does not adopt the Generating Facility power limitation of 10 MW incorporated in IEEE 1547.

The Protective Functions and requirements of this Rule are designed to protect Distribution Provider's Distribution and Transmission System and not the Generating Facility. A Producer shall be solely responsible for providing adequate protection for its Generating Facility and Interconnection Facilities. Producer's Protective Functions shall not impact the operation of other Protective Functions on Distribution Provider's Distribution and Transmission System in a manner that would affect Distribution Provider's capability of providing reliable service to its customers.

a. Protective Functions Required

Generating Facilities operating in parallel with Distribution Provider's Distribution or Transmission System shall be equipped with the following Protective Functions to sense abnormal conditions on Distribution Provider's Distribution or Transmission System and cause the Generating Facility to be automatically disconnected from Distribution Provider's Distribution or Transmission System or to prevent the Generating Facility from being connected to Distribution Provider's Distribution or Transmission System inappropriately:

- i) Over and under voltage trip functions and over and under frequency trip functions;
- ii) A voltage and frequency sensing and time-delay function to prevent the Generating Facility from energizing a de-energized Distribution or Transmission System circuit and to prevent the Generating Facility from reconnecting with Distribution Provider's

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H. GENERATING FACILITY DESIGN AND OPERATING REQUIREMENTS (L)
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1. GENERAL INTERCONNECTION AND PROTECTIVE FUNCTION REQUIREMENTS (Cont'd.)

a. Protective Functions Required (Cont'd.)

- ii) Distribution or Transmission System unless Distribution Provider's Distribution System service voltage and frequency is within the ANSI C84.1-1995 Table 1 Range B voltage Range of 106 volts to 127 volts (on a 120 volt basis), inclusive, and a frequency range of 59.3 Hz to 60.5 Hz, inclusive, and are stable for at least 60 seconds; and
- iii) A function to prevent the Generating Facility from contributing to the formation of an Unintended Island, and cease to energize Distribution Provider's Distribution System within two seconds of the formation of an Unintended Island.

The Generating Facility shall cease to energize Distribution Provider's Distribution System for faults on Distribution Provider's Distribution System circuit to which it is connected (IEEE 1547-4.2.1). The Generating Facility shall cease to energize Distribution Provider's Distribution circuit prior to re-closure by Distribution Provider's Distribution System equipment (IEEE 1547-4.2.2).

b. Momentary Paralleling Generating Facilities

With Distribution Provider's approval, the transfer switch or scheme used to transfer Producer's loads from Distribution Provider's Distribution or Transmission System to Producer's Generating Facility may be used in lieu of the Protective Functions required for Parallel Operation.

c. Suitable Equipment Required

Circuit breakers or other interrupting equipment located at the Point of Common Coupling (PCC) must be Certified or "Listed" (as defined in Article 100, the Definitions Section of the National Electrical Code) as suitable for their intended application. This includes being capable of

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1. GENERAL INTERCONNECTION AND PROTECTIVE FUNCTION REQUIREMENTS (Cont'd.)

c. Suitable Equipment Required (Cont'd.)

interrupting the maximum available fault current expected at their location. Producer's Generating Facility and Interconnection Facilities shall be designed so that the failure of any single device or component shall not potentially compromise the safety and reliability of Distribution Provider's Distribution and Transmission System. The Generating Facility paralleling-device shall be capable of withstanding 220% of the Interconnection Facility rated voltage (IEEE 1547-4.1.8.3). The Interconnection Facility shall have the capability to withstand voltage and current surges in accordance with the environments defined in IEEE Std C62.41.2-2002 or IEEE Std C37.90.1-2002 as applicable and as described in L.3.e (IEEE 1547-4.1.8.2).

d. Visible Disconnect Required

When required by Distribution Provider's operating practices, Producer shall furnish and install a ganged, manually-operated isolating switch (or a comparable device mutually agreed upon by Distribution Provider and Producer) near the Point of Interconnection to isolate the Generating Facility from Distribution Provider's Distribution or Transmission System. The device does not have to be rated for load break nor provide over-current protection.

The device must:

- i) allow visible verification that separation has been accomplished. (This requirement may be met by opening the enclosure to observe contact separation.)
- ii) include markings or signage that clearly indicates open and closed positions.
- iii) be capable of being reached:
 - a) for Emergency purposes quickly and conveniently 24 hours a day by Distribution Provider personnel for construction,

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1. GENERAL INTERCONNECTION AND PROTECTIVE FUNCTION REQUIREMENTS (Cont'd.)

d. Visible Disconnect Required (Cont'd.)

iii) be capable of being reached: (Cont'd.)

a) operation, maintenance, inspection, testing or to isolate the Generating Facility from Distribution Provider's Distribution or Transmission System without obstacles or requiring those seeking access to obtain keys, special permission, or security clearances.

b) for Non-Emergency purposes during normal business hours. Distribution Provider, where possible, will provide notice to Customer for gaining access to Customer's premises.

iv) be capable of being locked in the open position,

v) be clearly marked on the submitted single line diagram and its type and location approved by Distribution Provider prior to installation. If the device is not adjacent to the PCC, permanent signage must be installed at a Distribution Provider approved location providing a clear description of the location of the device. If the switch is not accessible outside the locked premises, signage with contact information and a Distribution Provider approved locking device for the premises shall be installed.

Generating Facilities with Non-Islanding inverters totaling one (1) kilovolt-ampere (kVA) or less are exempt from this requirement.

e. Drawings Required

Prior to Parallel Operation or Momentary Parallel Operation of the Generating Facility, Distribution Provider shall approve Producer's Protective Function and control diagrams. Generating Facilities equipped with Protective Functions and a control scheme previously approved by Distribution Provider for system-wide application or only Certified Equipment may satisfy this requirement by reference to previously approved drawings and diagrams.

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H. GENERATING FACILITY DESIGN AND OPERATING REQUIREMENTS (L)
(Cont'd.)

1. GENERAL INTERCONNECTION AND PROTECTIVE FUNCTION REQUIREMENTS (Cont'd.)

f. Generating Facility Conditions Not Identified

In the event this Rule does not address the Interconnection conditions for a particular Generating Facility, Distribution Provider and Producer may agree upon other arrangements

2. PREVENTION OF INTERFERENCE

Producer shall not operate Generating or Interconnection Facilities that superimpose a voltage or current upon Distribution Provider's Distribution or Transmission System that interferes with Distribution Provider operations, service to Distribution Provider Customers, or communication facilities. If such interference occurs, Producer must diligently pursue and take corrective action at its own expense after being given notice and reasonable time to do so by Distribution Provider. If Producer does not take corrective action in a timely manner, or continues to operate the facilities causing interference without restriction or limit, Distribution Provider may, without liability, disconnect Producer's facilities from Distribution Provider's Distribution or Transmission System, in accordance with Section D.9 of this Rule. To eliminate undesirable interference caused by its operation, each Generating Facility shall meet the following criteria:

a. Voltage Regulation

The Generating Facility shall not actively regulate the voltage at the PCC while in parallel with Distribution Provider's Distribution System. The Generating Facility shall not cause the service voltage at other customers to go outside the requirements of ANSI C84.1-1995, Range A (IEEE 1547-4.1.1).

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H. GENERATING FACILITY DESIGN AND OPERATING REQUIREMENTS (L)
(Cont'd.)

2. PREVENTION OF INTERFERENCE (Cont'd.)

b. Voltage Trip Setting (Cont'd.)

ii) Generating Facilities (greater than 30 kVA)

Distribution Provider may have specific operating voltage ranges for Generating Facilities with Gross Ratings greater than 30 kVA, and may require adjustable operating voltage settings. In the absence of such requirements, the Generating Facility shall be capable of operating at a range between 88% and 110% of the applicable interconnection voltage. Voltage shall be detected at either the PCC or the Point of Interconnection, with settings compensated to account for the voltage at the PCC. However, the voltage range at the PCC, with the generator on-line, shall stay within +/-5% of nominal.

iii) Voltage Disturbances

Whenever Distribution Provider's Distribution System voltage at the PCC varies from and remains outside normal (Nominally 120 volts) for the predetermined parameters set forth in Table H-1, the Generating Facility's Protective Functions shall cause the Generator(s) to become isolated from Distribution Provider's Distribution System:

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2. PREVENTION OF INTERFERENCE (Cont'd.)

b. Voltage Trip Setting (Cont'd.)

iii) Voltage Disturbances (Cont'd.)

Table H.1: Voltage Trip Settings for Generating Facilities*			
Voltage at Point of Common Coupling (the ranges below are used to trip the generator during abnormal distribution system conditions)		Maximum Trip Time**	
Assuming 120 Volt Base	% of Nominal Voltage	# of Cycles (Assuming 60 Hz Nominal)	Seconds
Less than 60 volts	Less than 50%	10 Cycles	0.16 Seconds
Greater than or equal to 60 volts but less than 106 volts	Greater than or equal to 50% but less than 88%	120 Cycles	2 Seconds
Greater than 132 volts but less than or equal to 144 volts	Greater than 110% but less than or equal to 120%	60 Cycles	1 Second
Greater than 144 volts	Greater than 120%	10 Cycles	0.16 Seconds
*For Generating Facilities with a Rating greater than 30 kVA, set points shall be field adjustable and different voltage set points and trip times from those in Table H.1 may be negotiated with Distribution Provider			
** "Maximum Trip Time" refers to the time between the onset of the abnormal condition and the Generating Facility ceasing to energize Distribution Provider's Distribution System. Protective Function equipment and circuits may remain connected to Distribution Provider's Distribution System to allow sensing of electrical conditions for use by the "reconnect" feature. The purpose of the allowed time delay is to allow for a Generating Facility to minimize tripping during short term system disturbances. Set points shall not be user adjustable for generating facilities less than 30 kW.			

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2. PREVENTION OF INTERFERENCE (Cont'd.)

c. Paralleling

The Generating Facility shall parallel with Distribution Provider's Distribution or Transmission System without causing a voltage fluctuation at the PCC greater than plus/minus 5% of the prevailing voltage level of Distribution Provider's Distribution or Transmission System at the PCC, and meet the flicker requirements of Section H.2.d. Section L, Certification and Testing Criteria, provides technology-specific tests for evaluating the paralleling Function. (IEEE 1547-4.1.3)

d. Flicker

The Generating Facility shall not create objectionable flicker for other customers on Distribution Provider's Distribution or Transmission System. To minimize the adverse voltage effects experienced by other customers (IEEE 1547-4.3.2), flicker at the PCC caused by the Generating Facility should not exceed the limits defined by the "Maximum Borderline of Irritation Curve" identified in IEEE 519-1992 (IEEE Recommended Practices and Requirements for Harmonic Control in Electric Power Systems, IEEE STD 519-1992). This requirement is necessary to minimize the adverse voltage affects experienced by other Customers on Distribution Provider's Distribution or Transmission System. Generators may be connected and brought up to synchronous speed (as an induction motor) provided these flicker limits are not exceeded.

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- H. GENERATING FACILITY DESIGN AND OPERATING REQUIREMENTS (L)
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- 2. PREVENTION OF INTERFERENCE (Cont'd.)
- e. Integration with Distribution Provider's Distribution System Grounding
 - The grounding scheme of the Generating Facility shall not cause over-voltages that exceed the rating of the equipment connected to Distribution Provider's Distribution System and shall not disrupt the coordination of the ground fault protection on Distribution Provider's Distribution System (IEEE 1547-4.1.2) (See Section G.1.i, line configuration).
- f. Frequency
 - Distribution Provider controls system frequency, and the Generating Facility shall operate in synchronism with Distribution Provider's Distribution or Transmission System. Whenever Distribution Provider's Distribution or Transmission System frequency at the PCC varies from and remains outside normal (nominally 60 Hz) by the predetermined amounts set forth in Table H.2, the Generating Facility's Protective Functions shall cease to energize Distribution Provider's Distribution or Transmission System within the stated maximum trip time. (L)

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2. PREVENTION OF INTERFERENCE (Cont'd.)

f. Frequency (Cont'd.)

***Table H.2
Frequency Trip Settings***

<u>Generating Facility Rating</u>	<u>Frequency Range (Assuming 60Hz Nominal)</u>	<u>Maximum Trip Time [1] (Assuming 60 Cycles per Second)</u>
Less or equal to 30kW	Less than 59.3 Hz	10 Cycles
	Greater than 60.5 Hz	10 Cycles
Greater than 30 kW	Less than 57.0 Hz	10 Cycles
	Less than an adjustable value between 59.8 Hz and 57 Hz but greater than 57 Hz. [2]	Adjustable between 10 and 18,000 Cycles. [2, 3]
	Greater than 60.5 Hz.	10 Cycles

[1] – “Maximum Trip time” refers to the time between the onset of the abnormal condition and the Generating Facility ceasing to energize Distribution Provider’s Distribution or Transmission System. Protective Function sensing equipment and circuits may remain connected to Distribution Provider’s Distribution or Transmission System to allow sensing of electrical conditions for use by the “reconnect” feature. The purpose of the allowed time delay is to allow a Generating Facility to “ride through” short-term disturbances to avoid nuisance tripping. Set points shall not be user adjustable (though they may be field adjustable by qualified personnel). For Generating Facilities with a Gross Rating greater than 30 kVA, set points shall be field adjustable and different voltage set points and trip times from those in Table H.2 may be negotiated with Distribution Provider.

[2] – Unless otherwise required by Distribution Provider, a trip frequency of 59.3 Hz and a maximum trip time of 10 cycles shall be used.

[3] – When a 10 cycle Maximum trip time is used, a second under frequency trip setting is not required.

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2. PREVENTION OF INTERFERENCE (Cont'd.)

g. Harmonics

When the Generating Facility is serving balanced linear loads, harmonic current injection into Distribution Provider's Distribution or Transmission System at the PCC shall not exceed the limits stated in Table H.3. The harmonic current injections shall be exclusive of any harmonic currents due to harmonic voltage distortion present in Distribution Provider's Distribution or Transmission System without the Generating Facility connected (IEEE 1547-4.3.3.). The harmonic distortion of a Generating Facility shall be evaluated using the same criteria as for the Host Loads.

Table H.3

Maximum harmonic current distortion in percent of current (I) [1,2]

Individual harmonic order, h (odd harmonics) [3]	h<11	11≤h<17	17≤h<23	23≤h<35	35≤h	Total demand distortion
Max Distortion (%)	4.0	2.0	1.5	0.6	0.3	5.0

[1] – IEEE1547-4.3.3

[2] – I = the greater of the maximum Host Load current average demand over 15 or 30 minutes without the GF, or the GF rated current capacity (transformed to the PCC when a transformer exists between the GF and the PCC).

[3] – Even harmonics are limited to 25% of the odd harmonic limits above.

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- H. GENERATING FACILITY DESIGN AND OPERATING REQUIREMENTS (L)
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- 2. PREVENTION OF INTERFERENCE (Cont'd.)
- h. Direct Current Injection
 - Generating Facilities should not inject direct current greater than 0.5% of rated output current into Distribution Provider's Distribution or Transmission System.
- i. Power Factor
 - Producer shall provide adequate reactive power compensation on site to maintain the Generating Facility power factor near unity at rated output or a Distribution Provider specified power factor within a power factor range from 0.9 leading to 0.9 lagging, based on local system conditions. While not required, for generators that do not have inherent reactive power control capability Distribution Provider at its option may offer reactive power support in the form of power factor correction capacitors on its Distribution or Transmission System, under a Generator Interconnection Agreement or an Added Facilities or Special Facilities agreement, as described in Rule 2.H, as applicable. (L)

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3. TECHNOLOGY SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS

a. Technology Specific Requirements

Three-Phase Synchronous Generators: For three phase Generators, the Generating Facility circuit breakers shall be three-phase devices with electronic or electromechanical control. Producer shall be responsible for properly synchronizing its Generating Facility with Distribution Provider's Distribution or Transmission System by means of either manual or automatic synchronous equipment. Automatic synchronizing is required for all synchronous Generators that have a Short Circuit Contribution Ratio (SCCR) exceeding 0.05. Loss of synchronism protection is not required except as may be necessary to meet Section H.2.d (Flicker) (IEEE1547-4.2.5). Unless otherwise agreed upon by Producer and Distribution Provider, synchronous Generators shall automatically regulate power factor, not voltage, while operating in parallel with Distribution Provider's Distribution System. A power system stabilization Function is specifically not required for Generating Facilities under 10 MW Net Rating.

b. Induction Generators

Induction Generators (except self-excited Induction Generators) do not require a synchronizing Function. Starting or rapid load fluctuations on induction Generators can adversely impact Distribution Provider's Distribution or Transmission System voltage. Corrective step-switched capacitors or other techniques may be necessary and may cause undesirable ferro-resonance. When these counter measures (e.g. additional capacitors) are installed on Producer's side of the PCC, Distribution Provider must review these measures. Additional equipment may be required as determined in a Supplemental Review or an Interconnection Study.

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4. SUPPLEMENTAL GENERATING FACILITY REQUIREMENTS (Cont'd.)

b. Transfer Trip

For a Generating Facility that cannot detect Distribution or Transmission System faults (both line-to-line and line-to-ground) or the formation of an Unintended Island, and cease to energize Distribution Provider's Distribution or Transmission System within two seconds, Distribution Provider may require a Transfer Trip system or an equivalent Protective Function.

c. Reclose Blocking

Where the aggregate Generating Facility capacity exceeds 15% of the peak load on any automatic reclosing device, Distribution Provider may require additional Protective Functions, including, but not limited to reclose-blocking on some of the automatic reclosing devices.

Hh. SMART INVERTER GENERATING FACILITY DESIGN AND OPERATING REQUIREMENTS

Section H shall continue to be used for interconnection of inverter based technologies until September 8, 2017. Following such date, Section Hh shall apply for interconnection of inverter based technologies. Until such date, Section Hh may be used in all or in part, for inverter based technologies by mutual agreement of the Distribution Provider and the Applicant.

¹ "The Standard for Inverters, Converters, and Controllers for Use in Independent Power Systems".

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Hh. SMART INVERTER GENERATING FACILITY DESIGN AND OPERATING REQUIREMENTS (Cont'd.) (L)

The inverter requirements are intended to be consistent with UL 1741 - Supplement SA using Section Hh of Rule 21 as the source requirement document and ANSI/IEEE 1547-2003 and 1547a Standard for Interconnecting Distributed Resources with Electric Power Systems (IEEE 1547 including amendment 1547a), where possible. In the event of conflict between this Rule, and UL 1741 - Supplement SA, and/or IEEE 1547-2003 or IEEE 1547a, this Rule shall take precedence. Exceptions are taken to IEEE 1547 Clauses 4.1.4.2 Distribution Secondary Spot Networks and Clauses 4.1.8.1 or 5.1.3.1, which address Protection from Electromagnetic Interference. Rule 21 does not adopt the Generating Facility power limitation of 10 MW incorporated in IEEE 1547.

1. GENERAL INTERCONNECTION AND PROTECTIVE FUNCTION REQUIREMENTS

The Protective Functions and requirements of this Rule are designed to protect Distribution Provider's Distribution and Transmission System and not the Generating Facility. A Producer shall be solely responsible for providing adequate protection for its Generating Facility and Interconnection Facilities. Producer's Protective Functions shall not impact the operation of other Protective Functions on Distribution Provider's Distribution and Transmission System in a manner that would affect Distribution Provider's capability of providing reliable service to its customers.

a. Protective Functions Required

Smart Inverters operating in parallel with Distribution Provider's Distribution or Transmission System shall be equipped with the following Protective Functions to sense abnormal conditions on Distribution Provider's Distribution or Transmission System and cause the Smart Inverter to be automatically disconnected from Distribution Provider's Distribution or Transmission System or to prevent the Smart Inverter from being connected to Distribution Provider's Distribution or Transmission System inappropriately:

- (i) Over and under voltage trip functions and over and under frequency trip functions;

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Hh. SMART INVERTER GENERATING FACILITY DESIGN AND OPERATING REQUIREMENTS (Cont'd.) (L)

1. GENERAL INTERCONNECTION AND PROTECTIVE FUNCTION REQUIREMENTS (Cont'd.)

a. Protective Functions Required (Cont'd.)

(ii) A voltage and frequency sensing and time-delay function to prevent the Smart Inverter from energizing a de-energized Distribution or Transmission System circuit and to prevent the Smart Inverter from reconnecting with Distribution Provider's Distribution or Transmission System unless Distribution Provider's Distribution System service voltage and frequency is within the ANSI C84.1-1995 Table 1 Range B voltage Range of 106 volts to 127 volts (on a 120 volt basis), inclusive, and a frequency range of 58.5 Hz to 60.5 Hz, inclusive, and are stable for at least 15 seconds; and

(iii) A function to prevent the Smart Inverter from contributing to the formation of an Unintended Island, and cease to energize Distribution Provider's Distribution System within two seconds of the formation of an Unintended Island.

The Smart Inverter shall cease to energize Distribution Provider's Distribution System for faults on Distribution Provider's Distribution System circuit to which it is connected (IEEE 1547-4.2.1). The Smart Inverter shall cease to energize Distribution Provider's Distribution circuit prior to re-closure by Distribution Provider's Distribution System equipment (IEEE 1547-4.2.2).

b. Momentary Paralleling Generating Facilities

With Distribution Provider's approval, the transfer switch or scheme used to transfer Producer's loads from Distribution Provider's Distribution or Transmission System to Producer's Generating Facility may be used in lieu of the Protective Functions required for Parallel Operation. (L)

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Hh. SMART INVERTER GENERATING FACILITY DESIGN AND OPERATING REQUIREMENTS (Cont'd.) (L)

1. GENERAL INTERCONNECTION AND PROTECTIVE FUNCTION REQUIREMENTS (Cont'd.)

c. Suitable Equipment Required

Circuit breakers or other interrupting equipment located at the Point of Common Coupling (PCC) must be Certified or "Listed" (as defined in Article 100, the Definitions Section of the National Electrical Code) as suitable for their intended application. This includes being capable of interrupting the maximum available fault current expected at their location. Producer's Smart Inverter and Interconnection Facilities shall be designed so that the failure of any single device or component shall not potentially compromise the safety and reliability of Distribution Provider's Distribution and Transmission System. The Smart Inverter paralleling-device shall be capable of withstanding 220% of the Interconnection Facility rated voltage (IEEE 1547-4.1.8.3). The Interconnection Facility shall have the capability to withstand voltage and current surges in accordance with the environments defined in IEEE Std C62.41.2-2002 or IEEE Std C37.90.1-2002 as applicable and as described in L.3.e (IEEE 1547-4.1.8.2).

d. Visible Disconnect Required

When required by Distribution Provider's operating practices, Producer shall furnish and install a ganged, manually-operated isolating switch (or a comparable device mutually agreed upon by Distribution Provider and Producer) near the Point of Interconnection to isolate the Smart Inverter from Distribution Provider's Distribution or Transmission System. The device does not have to be rated for load break nor provide over-current protection.

The device must:

- (i) allow visible verification that separation has been accomplished. (This requirement may be met by opening the enclosure to observe contact separation.)

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Hh. SMART INVERTER GENERATING FACILITY DESIGN AND OPERATING REQUIREMENTS (Cont'd.) (L)

1. GENERAL INTERCONNECTION AND PROTECTIVE FUNCTION REQUIREMENTS (Cont'd.)

d. Visible Disconnect Required (Cont'd.)

(ii) include markings or signage that clearly indicates open and closed positions.

(iii) be capable of being reached:

a) for Emergency purposes quickly and conveniently 24 hours a day by Distribution Provider personnel for construction, operation, maintenance, inspection, testing or to isolate the Smart Inverter from Distribution Provider's Distribution or Transmission System without obstacles or requiring those seeking access to obtain keys, special permission, or security clearances.

b) for Non-Emergency purposes during normal business hours. Distribution Provider, where possible, will provide notice to Customer for gaining access to Customer's premises.

(iv) be capable of being locked in the open position.

(v) be clearly marked on the submitted single line diagram and its type and location approved by Distribution Provider prior to installation. If the device is not adjacent to the PCC, permanent signage must be installed at a Distribution Provider approved location providing a clear description of the location of the device. If the switch is not accessible outside the locked premises, signage with contact information and a Distribution Provider approved locking device for the premises shall be installed.

Generating Facilities with Non-Islanding inverters totaling one (1) kilovolt-ampere (kVA) or less are exempt from this requirement. (L)

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Hh. SMART INVERTER GENERATING FACILITY DESIGN AND OPERATING REQUIREMENTS (Cont'd.) (L)

1. GENERAL INTERCONNECTION AND PROTECTIVE FUNCTION REQUIREMENTS (Cont'd.)

e. Drawings Required

Prior to Parallel Operation or Momentary Parallel Operation of the Smart Inverter, Distribution Provider shall approve Producer's Protective Function and control diagrams. Generating Facilities equipped with Protective Functions and a control scheme previously approved by Distribution Provider for system-wide application or only Certified Equipment may satisfy this requirement by reference to previously approved drawings and diagrams.

f. Generating Facility Conditions Not Identified

In the event this Rule does not address the Interconnection conditions for a particular Smart Inverter, Distribution Provider and Producer may agree upon other arrangements.

2. PREVENTION OF INTERFERENCE

Producer shall not operate Smart Inverters that superimpose a voltage or current upon Distribution Provider's Distribution or Transmission System that interferes with Distribution Provider operations, service to Distribution Provider Customers, or communication facilities. If such interference occurs, Producer must diligently pursue and take corrective action at its own expense after being given notice and reasonable time to do so by Distribution Provider. If Producer does not take corrective action in a timely manner, or continues to operate the facilities causing interference without restriction or limit, Distribution Provider may, without liability, disconnect Producer's facilities from Distribution Provider's Distribution or Transmission System, in accordance with Section D.9 of this Rule. To eliminate undesirable interference caused by its operation, each Smart Inverter shall meet the following criteria:

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Hh. SMART INVERTER GENERATING FACILITY DESIGN AND OPERATING REQUIREMENTS (Cont'd.) (L)

2. PREVENTION OF INTERFERENCE (Cont'd.)

a. Voltage Regulation

If approved by the Distribution Provider, the Smart Inverter may actively regulate the voltage at the PCC while in parallel with Distribution Provider's Distribution System. The Smart Inverter shall not cause the service voltage at other customers to go outside the requirements of ANSI C84.1-1995, Range A (IEEE 1547-4.1.1).

b. Voltage Trip and Ride-Through Settings

The voltage ranges in Table Hh-.1 define protective trip limits for the Protective Function and are not intended to define or imply a voltage regulation Function. Generating Facilities shall cease to energize Distribution Provider's Distribution System within the prescribed trip time whenever the voltage at the PCC deviates from the allowable voltage operating range. The Protection Function shall detect and respond to voltage on all phases to which the Generating Facility is connected.

(i) Smart Inverters

Smart Inverters shall be capable of operating within the voltage range normally experienced on Distribution Provider's Distribution System from plus to minus 5% of the nominal voltage (e.g. 114 volts to 126 volts, on a 120 volt base), at the service panel or PCC. The trip settings at the generator terminals may be selected in a manner that minimizes nuisance tripping in accordance with Table Hh-.1 to compensate for voltage drop between the generator terminals and the PCC. Voltage may be detected at either the PCC or the Point of Interconnection. However, the voltage range at the PCC, with the generator on-line, shall stay within +/-5% of nominal.

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Hh. SMART INVERTER GENERATING FACILITY DESIGN AND OPERATING REQUIREMENTS (Cont'd.) (L)

2. PREVENTION OF INTERFERENCE (Cont'd.)

b. Voltage Trip and Ride-Through Settings (Cont'd.)

(ii) Voltage Disturbances

Whenever Distribution Provider's Distribution System voltage at the PCC varies from and remains outside near Nominal voltage for the predetermined parameters set forth in Table Hh-.1, the Smart Inverter's Protective Functions shall cause the Smart Inverter(s) to become isolated from Distribution Provider's Distribution System:

1. The Smart Inverter shall stay connected to the Distribution Provider's Transmission or Distribution System while the grid remains within the "Ride-Through Until" voltage-time range and must stay connected in the corresponding "Operating Mode.
2. For voltage excursions beyond the near Nominal (NN) magnitude range and within the range of the HV1 or LV3 regions, the Smart Inverter shall momentarily cease to energize within 0.16 seconds.
3. In the HV1 region, the Smart Inverter is permitted to reduce power output as a function of voltage under mutual agreement between the Producer and the Distribution Provider.
4. If the distribution system voltage does not exit the ride-through region and recovers to normal system voltage, the Smart Inverter shall restore continuous operation within 2 seconds.
5. If the Distribution Provider's Transmission or Distribution System voltage does not exit the ride-through region and returns from the LV3 region to the LV2 or LV1 region, the Smart Inverter shall restore available current within 2 seconds.
6. Different voltage-time settings could be permitted by the Distribution Provider. (L)

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2. PREVENTION OF INTERFERENCE (Cont'd.)

b. Voltage Trip and Ride-Through Settings (Cont'd.)

(ii) Voltage Disturbances (Cont'd.)

Table Hh.1: Voltage Ride-Through Table

Region	Voltage at Point of Common Coupling (% Nominal Voltage)	Ride-Through Until	Operating Mode	Maximum Trip Time
High Voltage 2 (HV2)	$V \geq 120$			0.16 seconds
High Voltage 1 (HV1)	$110 < V < 120$	12 seconds	Momentary Cessation	13 seconds
Near Nominal (NN)	$88 \leq V \leq 110$	Indefinite	Continuous Operation	Not Applicable
Low Voltage 1 (LV1)	$70 \leq V < 88$	20 seconds	Mandatory Operation	21 seconds
Low Voltage 2 (LV2)	$50 \leq V < 70$	10 seconds	Mandatory Operation	11 seconds
Low Voltage 3 (LV3)	$V < 50$	1 seconds	Momentary Cessation	1.5 seconds

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Hh. SMART INVERTER GENERATING FACILITY DESIGN AND OPERATING REQUIREMENTS (Cont'd.) (L)

2. PREVENTION OF INTERFERENCE (Cont'd.)

c. Paralleling

The Generating Facility shall parallel with Distribution Provider's Distribution or Transmission System without causing a voltage fluctuation at the PCC greater than plus/minus 5% of the prevailing voltage level of Distribution Provider's Distribution or Transmission System at the PCC, and meet the flicker requirements of Section H.2.d. Section L, Certification and Testing Criteria, provides technology-specific tests for evaluating the paralleling Function. (IEEE 1547-4.1.3)

d. Flicker

The Generating Facility shall not create objectionable flicker for other customers on Distribution Provider's Distribution or Transmission System. To minimize the adverse voltage effects experienced by other customers (IEEE 1547-4.3.2), flicker at the PCC caused by the Generating Facility should not exceed the limits defined by the "Maximum Borderline of Irritation Curve" identified in IEEE 519-1992 (IEEE Recommended Practices and Requirements for Harmonic Control in Electric Power Systems, IEEE STD 519-1992). This requirement is necessary to minimize the adverse voltage affects experienced by other Customers on Distribution Provider's Distribution or Transmission System. Generators may be connected and brought up to synchronous speed (as an induction motor) provided these flicker limits are not exceeded.

e. Integration with Distribution Provider's Distribution System Grounding

The grounding scheme of the Generating Facility shall not cause over-voltages that exceed the rating of the equipment connected to Distribution Provider's Distribution System and shall not disrupt the coordination of the ground fault protection on Distribution Provider's Distribution System (IEEE 1547-4.1.2) (See Section G.1.i, line configuration).

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Hh. SMART INVERTER GENERATING FACILITY DESIGN AND OPERATING REQUIREMENTS (Cont'd.) (L)

2. PREVENTION OF INTERFERENCE (Cont'd.)

f. Frequency

Distribution Provider controls system frequency, and the Generating Facility shall operate in synchronism with Distribution Provider's Distribution or Transmission System. Whenever Distribution Provider's Distribution or Transmission System frequency at the PCC varies from and remains outside normal (nominally 60 Hz) by the predetermined amounts set forth in Table H.2, the Generating Facility's Protective Functions shall cease to energize Distribution Provider's Distribution or Transmission System within the stated maximum trip time.

(i) Frequency Ride-Through Requirements

Smart Inverter based systems shall remain connected to the Distribution Provider's Distribution or Transmission System while the grid is within the frequency-time range indicated in Table Hh-.2, and shall disconnect from the electric grid during a high or low frequency event that is outside that frequency-time range.

The frequency values are shown in Table Hh.2. These values provide default interconnection system response to abnormal frequencies. The inverter shall disconnect by the default clearing times. In the high frequency range between 60.2 Hz and 61.5 Hz, or some other mutually agreed range, the Smart Inverter is permitted to reduce real power output until it ceases to export power by 61.5 Hz, or other frequency value mutually agreed between the generating facility operator and the Distribution Provider. Islands and microgrids may need different default frequency settings.

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2. PREVENTION OF INTERFERENCE (Cont'd.)

f. Frequency (Cont'd.)

(i) Frequency Ride-Through Requirements(Cont'd.)

Table Hh.2: Frequency Ride-Through and Trip Settings Table

System Frequency Default Settings (Hz)	Minimum Range of Adjustability (Hz)	Ride-Through Until	Ride-Through Operational Mode	Maximum Trip Time
$f > 62$	62 - 64	No Ride Through	Not Applicable	0.16 seconds
$60.5 < f \leq 62$	60.1 - 62	299 seconds	Mandatory Operation	300 seconds
$58.5 \leq f \leq 60.5$	Not Applicable	Indefinite	Continuous Operation	Not Applicable
$57.0 \leq f < 58.5$	57 - 59.9	299 seconds	Mandatory Operation	300 seconds
$f < 57.0$	53 - 57	No Ride Through	Not Applicable	0.16 seconds

g. Harmonics

When the Smart Inverter is serving balanced linear loads, harmonic current injection into Distribution Provider's Distribution or Transmission System at the PCC shall not exceed the limits stated in Table Hh-.43. The harmonic current injections shall be exclusive of any harmonic currents due to harmonic voltage distortion present in Distribution Provider's Distribution or Transmission System without the Smart Inverter connected (IEEE 1547-4.3.3.). The harmonic distortion of a Smart Inverter shall be evaluated using the same criteria as for the Host Loads.

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2. PREVENTION OF INTERFERENCE (Cont'd.)

g. Harmonics (Cont'd.)

Table Hh.3

Maximum harmonic current distortion in percent of current (I) [1,2]

Individual harmonic order, h (odd harmonics) [3]	h<11	11 ≤ h<17	17 ≤ h<23	23 ≤ h<35	35 ≤ h	Total demand distortion
Max Distortion (%)	4.0	2.0	1.5	0.6	0.3	5.0

[1] – IEEE1547-4.3.3

[2] – I = the greater of the maximum Host Load current average demand over 15 or 30 minutes without the GF, or the GF rated current capacity (transformed to the PCC when a transformer exists between the GF and the PCC).

[3] – Even harmonics are limited to 25% of the odd harmonic limits above.

h. Direct Current Injection

Smart Inverter should not inject direct current greater than 0.5% of rated output current into Distribution Provider's Distribution or Transmission System.

i. Fixed Power Factor

Producer shall provide adequate reactive power compensation on site to maintain the Smart Inverter power factor near unity at rated output or a Distribution Provider specified power factor in accordance with the following requirements:

(i) Default Power Factor setting: Absorbing reactive power at 0.95 lagging power factor.

(ii) Aggregate generating facility is greater than 15 kW: 1.0 +/- 0.15 (0.85 Lagging to 0.85 Leading) down to 20% rated power irrespective of Real Power Production.

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i. Fixed Power Factor (Cont'd.)

(iii) Aggregate generating facility is less than or equal to 15 kW: 1.0 +/- 0.10 (0.90 Lagging to 0.90 Leading) down to 20% rated power irrespective of Real Power Production.

j. Dynamic Volt/VAR Operations

The Smart Inverter shall be capable of operating dynamically within a power factor range of +/- 0.85 PF for larger (>15 kW) systems, down to 20% of rated active power, and +/- 0.9 PF for smaller systems (≤15 kW), down to 20% of rated active power, irrespective of Real Power Production. This dynamic Volt/VAR capability shall be able to be activated or deactivated in accordance with Distribution Provider requirements.

The Distribution Provider may permit or require the Smart Inverter systems to operate in larger power factor ranges, including in 4-quadrant operations for storage systems with the implementation of additional anti-islanding protection as determined by the Distribution Provider.

The Smart Inverter shall be capable of providing dynamic reactive power compensation (dynamic Volt/VAR operation) within the following constraints:

- The Smart Inverter shall be able to consume reactive power in response to an increase in line voltage, and produce reactive power in response to a decrease in line voltage.
- The reactive power provided shall be per the range irrespective of real power production, but the maximum reactive power provided to the system shall be as directed by the Distribution Provide
- Reduction of real power production is allowed to meet the required reactive power ranges.

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j. Dynamic Volt/VAR Operations (Cont'd.)

Dynamic Volt/Var Operations Default Settings

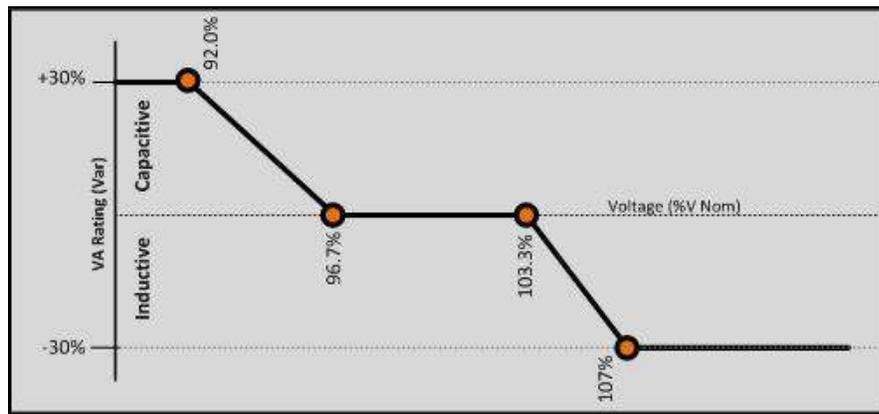
Table Hh-4 and Figure Hh-1 depict the default settings, which should be applied for all inverter sizes. Specific volt/var settings may be required for larger Generating Facilities (such as 100 kw or greater), or for specific areas with the Distribution Systems as determined by the Distribution Provider.

Default Open Loop Response Time for volt/var operation should be five (5) seconds.

Table Hh-4: Voltage and Reactive Default Settings

Voltage Setpoint	Voltage Value	Reactive Setpoint	Reactive Value	Operation
V1	92.0%	Q1	30%	Reactive Power Injection
V2	96.7%	Q2	0	Unity Power Factor
V3	103.3%	Q3	0	Unity Power Factor
V4	107.0%	Q4	30%	Reactive Power Absorption

Figure Hh-1: Voltage and Reactive Default Settings



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2. PREVENTION OF INTERFERENCE (Cont'd.)

k. Ramp Rate Requirements

The Smart Inverter is required to have the following ramp controls for at least the following four conditions. These functions can be established by multiple control functions or by one general ramp rate control function. Ramp rates are contingent upon sufficient energy available from the Smart Inverter.

- Normal ramp-up rate: For transitions between energy output levels over the normal course of operation. The default value is 100% of maximum current output per second with a range of adjustment between 1% to 100%, with specific settings as mutually agreed by the Distributor Provider and the Producer.
- Connect/Reconnect Ramp-up rate: Upon starting to inject power into the grid, following a period of inactivity or a disconnection, the inverter shall be able to control its rate of increase of power from 1 to 100% maximum current per second. The default value is 2% of maximum current output per second, with specific settings as mutually agreed upon by the Distribution Provider and the Producer.

l. Frequency-Watt Requirements

This requirement will become mandatory for Generating Facilities utilizing inverter-based technologies for which an Interconnection Request is submitted on or after February 22, 2019, nine (9) months following the approval of the SunSpec Alliance Communication Protocol Certification Test Standard.

The utilization of this function is permissible under mutual agreement between the utility and the generating facility before the effective date.

Smart Inverters shall reduce their real power production as a function of system frequency, in accordance with the following:

- When system frequency exceeds 60.036 Hz, the active power output produced by the Smart Inverter shall be reduced by 50% of real power nameplate rating per hertz (5% of real power nameplate rating reduction per 0.1 hertz)

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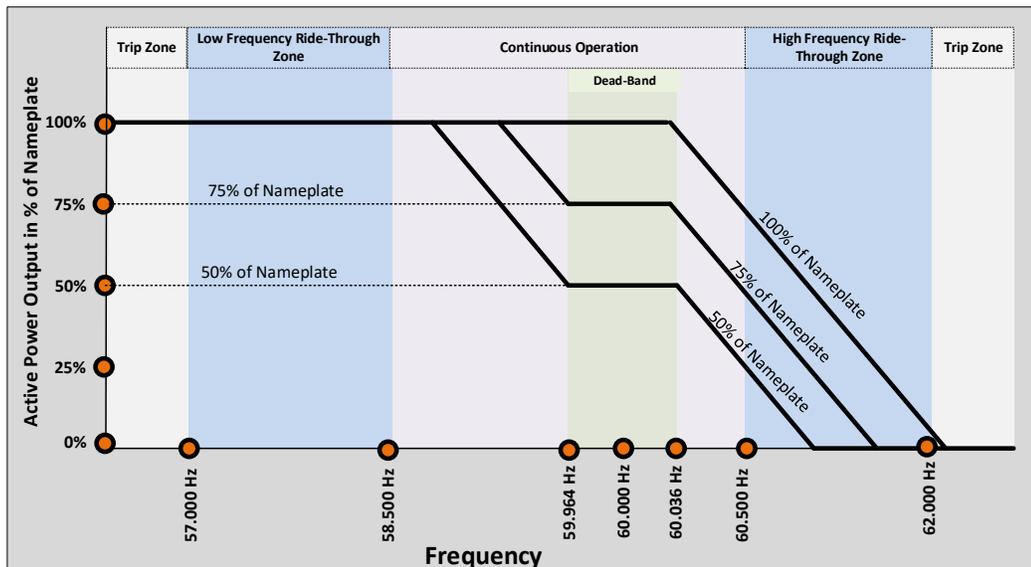
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I. Frequency-Watt Requirements (Cont'd.)

- When system frequency moves under 59.964 Hz, the active power output produced by the Smart Inverter shall be increased by 50% of real power nameplate rating per hertz (5% of real power nameplate rating increase per 0.1 hertz) when inverter is capable of increasing real power production.
- The default dead-band should be +/- 0.036 Hz from 60 Hertz (59.964 Hz to 60.036 Hz). When the system frequency is in range of 59.964 Hz and 60.036 Hz, the Smart Inverter is not required to decrease power as a function of system frequency.
- Open loop response time for Frequency –Watt shall be 5 seconds.
- Figure Hh-2 illustrated this requirement for three levels of output power. Figure Hh-2 is for illustration purposes only.

Figure Hh-2: Active Power as a Function of System Frequency



Note: the frequency markers on the horizontal axis are not drawn to scale.

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Hh. SMART INVERTER GENERATING FACILITY DESIGN AND OPERATING REQUIREMENTS (Cont'd.) (L)

2. PREVENTION OF INTERFERENCE (Cont'd.)

m. Voltage-Watt Default Settings Requirements

This requirement will become mandatory for Generating Facilities utilizing inverter-based technologies for which an Interconnection Request is submitted on or after February 22, 2019, nine (9) months following the approval of the SunSpec Alliance Communication Protocol Certification Test Standard.

The utilization of this function is permissible under mutual agreement between the utility and the generating facility before the effective date.

Smart Inverters shall reduce their real power production as a function of measured voltage at the inverter terminals or at the Generating Facility Point of Common Coupling (PCC) in accordance with the following:

- When the measured voltage is greater than 106% of nominal voltage (for example: 127.2 volts on a 120 volts nominal), the export of active power at the PCC or the production of active power by the Smart Inverter shall be reduced at a rate of 25% of active power nameplate rating per one percent of nominal voltage. Figure Hh-3 – Volt-Watt Requirements – illustrates the required rate of reduction. When export of active power is controlled, a certified inverter and control system shall be used.

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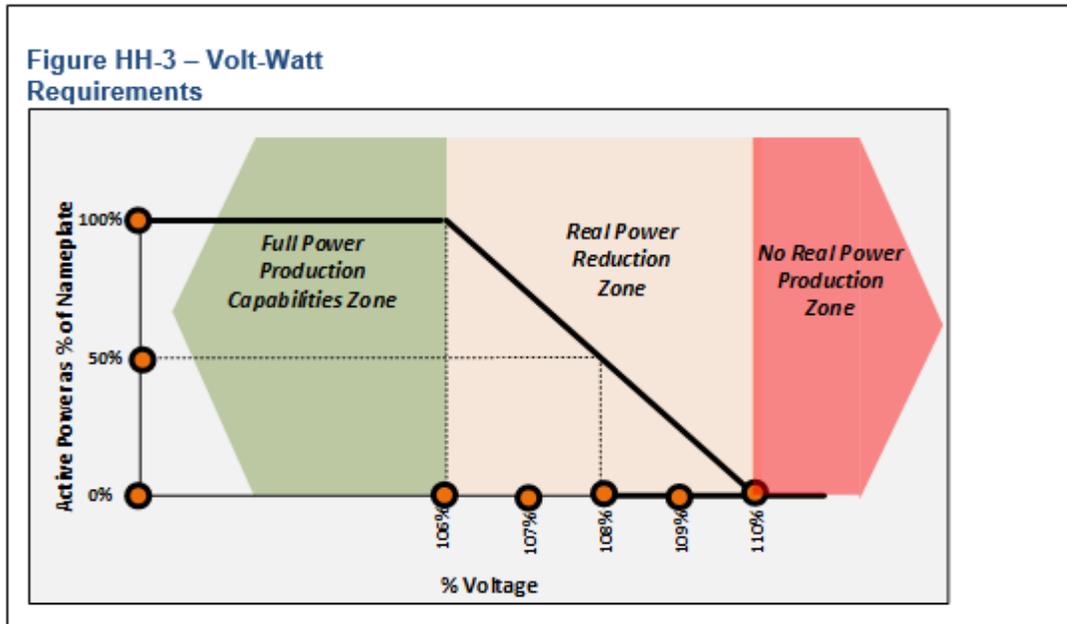
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2. PREVENTION OF INTERFERENCE (Cont'd.)

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- When the measured voltage is greater than 110% of nominal voltage (Example: 132 volts on a 120 volts nominal), the export of active power output to the grid at the PCC or the production of active power by the Smart Inverter shall be reduced to 0 watts



Percent (%) of nominal voltage

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2. PREVENTION OF INTERFERENCE (Cont'd.)

n. Dynamic Reactive Power Support Function

The capability for this requirement will become mandatory for Generating Facilities utilizing inverter-based technologies for which an Interconnection Request is submitted twelve (12) months after approval of a nationally recognized standard that includes the function.

The utilization of this function is allowed and optional upon the mutual agreement of the Distribution Provider and the Applicant, before the effective date.

o. Default Activation States

Unless otherwise provided by Distribution Provider, pursuant to Distribution Provider's Distribution Generation Interconnection Handbook, the default settings will be as follows:

	<u>Function</u>	<u>State</u>
1	Anti-islanding	activated
2	Low/High Voltage Ride-Through	activated
3	Low/High Frequency Ride-Through	activated
4	Dynamic Volt/VAR operations	activated
5	Ramp rates	activated
6	Fixed power factor	deactivated
7	Reconnect by "soft-start" methods	activated
8	Frequency-Watt*	activated
9	Volt/Watt*	activated
10	Set Active Power Function Mode (Optional)	activated under mutual agreement
11	Dynamic Reactive Power Support Mode (Optional)	activated under mutual agreement

These default activation states may be modified by mutual agreement between Distribution Provider and Producer. (L)

* These functions must be activated for Interconnection Requests submitted on or after February 22, 2019. (L)
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2. PREVENTION OF INTERFERENCE (Cont'd.)

p. Phase 3 Functions

Table of Phase 3 Effective Dates Pursuant to Resolution E-4898 and Resolution E-5000 and CPUC Letter of March 20, 2020 responding to a request to extend the date for Functions 1, 2, 3 and 8:

Phase 3 Function #		
	Description	Effective Date (note)
1	Monitor Key DER Data	June 22, 2020
2	DER Disconnect and Reconnect Command (Cease to Energize and Return to Service)	June 22, 2020
3	Limit Maximum Active Power Mode	June 22, 2020
4	Set Active Power Mode	12 months after approval of a nationally recognized standard that includes the function.
5	Frequency Watt Mode	February 22, 2019 , which is 9 months following SunSpec Alliance Communication Protocol Certification Test Standard.
6	Volt Watt Mode	February 22, 2019 , which is 9 months following SunSpec Alliance Communication Protocol Certification Test Standard.
7	Dynamic Reactive Support	12 months after approval of a nationally recognized standard that includes the function.
8	Scheduling Power Values and Modes	June 22, 2020

Note: The utilization of any of these functions is permissible under mutual agreement between the utility and the generating facility before the effective date.

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2. PREVENTION OF INTERFERENCE (Cont'd.)

q. Load Shedding or Transfer

The voltage and frequency ride-through requirements of Hh.2.b.(ii) and Hh.2.f.(i) shall not apply if either: a) The real power across the Point of Common Coupling is continuously maintained at a value less than 10% of the aggregate rating of the Smart Inverters connected to the Generation Facility prior to any voltage disturbance, and the Generation Facility disconnects from the Distribution Provider's T&D system, along with Generation Facility load, such that the net change in real power flow from or to the Distribution Provider is less than 10% of the aggregate Smart Inverter capacity; or b) Generation Facility load real power demand equal to 90% to 120% of the pre-disturbance aggregate Smart Inverter real power output is shed within 0.1 seconds of Smart Inverter disconnection.

3. TECHNOLOGY SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS

Grid-interactive inverters do not require separate synchronizing equipment. Non grid-interactive or "stand-alone" inverters shall not be used for Parallel Operation with Distribution Provider's Distribution or Transmission System.

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Hh. SMART INVERTER GENERATING FACILITY DESIGN AND OPERATING REQUIREMENTS (Cont'd.) (L)

4. SUPPLEMENTAL SMART INVERTER REQUIREMENTS

a. Fault Detection

A Smart Inverter with an SCCR exceeding 0.1 or one that does not cease to energize Distribution Provider's Distribution or Transmission System within two seconds of the formation of an Unintended Island shall be equipped with Protective Functions designed to detect Distribution or Transmission System faults, both line-to-line and line-to-ground, and cease to energize Distribution Provider's Distribution or Transmission System within two seconds of the initiation of a fault.

b. Transfer Trip

For a Generating Facility that cannot detect Distribution or Transmission System faults (both line-to-line and line-to-ground) or the formation of an Unintended Island, and cease to energize Distribution Provider's Distribution or Transmission System within two seconds, Distribution Provider may require a Transfer Trip system or an equivalent Protective Function.

c. Reclose Blocking

Where the aggregate Generating Facility capacity exceeds 15% of the peak load on any automatic reclosing device, Distribution Provider may require additional Protective Functions, including, but not limited to reclose-blocking on some of the automatic reclosing devices.

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- Hh. SMART INVERTER GENERATING FACILITY DESIGN AND OPERATING REQUIREMENTS (Cont'd.) (L)
- 5. COMMUNICATION REQUIREMENTS (Cont'd.)
 - b. Generating Facilities utilizing inverter-based technologies must adhere to all of the following communication protocol requirements for communications between Distribution Provider and communication option selected in section Hh. 5. This Rule does not specify the communication between the selected communication option and Smart Inverter but performance will be enforced by in compliance with this Rule:
 - (i) Shall be capable of communications;
 - (ii) Software shall be updateable via communications remotely;
 - (iii) The transport level protocol shall be TCP/IP; and,
 - (iv) The default application-level protocol shall be IEEE 2030.5 (i.e., Smart Energy Profile 2.0 (SEP 2)) as defined in the California IEEE 2030.5 Implementation Guide, but other application-level protocols may be used by mutual agreement of the parties including IEEE 1815/DNP3 for SCADA real-time monitoring and control and IEC 61850. (L)

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Hh. SMART INVERTER GENERATING FACILITY DESIGN AND OPERATING REQUIREMENTS (Cont'd.) (L)

5. COMMUNICATION REQUIREMENTS (Cont'd.)

c. Additional communication protocol requirements shall also apply to Generating Facilities utilizing inverter-based technologies as provided in the following documents:

(i) Distribution Provider Generation Interconnection Handbook, which shall include:

- a) Details and guidelines for the implementation of communications with Generating Facilities utilizing inverter-based technologies;
- b) Cybersecurity and privacy requirements (these may additionally or alternatively be included in the application-level protocol implementation guide); and,
- c) Generic device communications registration management requirements, including how to register individual Generating Facilities, Generating Facilities with energy management systems, and aggregators (these requirements additionally or alternatively may be included in the application-level protocol implementation guide).

(ii) Application-Level Protocol Implementation Guide, which shall provide:

- a) Communication requirements and implementation guidelines to ensure consistent interoperability of the Generating Facilities with all California investor-owned utilities under the Commission's jurisdiction.

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Hh. SMART INVERTER GENERATING FACILITY DESIGN AND OPERATING REQUIREMENTS (Cont'd.) (L)

6. SCHEDULING CAPABILITY REQUIREMENTS

- a. Generating Facilities which incorporate Smart Inverters shall incorporate scheduling capabilities with a minimum scheduling memory capability of at least 24 events. The capability for this requirement will be mandatory for Generating Facilities utilizing inverter-based technologies for which an Interconnection Request is submitted on or after June 22, 2020.

The utilization of this function is permissible under mutual agreement between the utility and the generating facility before the effective date.

Each event is composed of modifications to each, selected group of, or all of the following Smart Inverter function.

- (i) Modifications to the voltage and reactive set-points of the Dynamic volt/var function.
- (ii) Modifications to the reactive power set-points for the fixed power factor function.
- (iii) Modifications to the voltage and watt-reduction level set-points for the volt/watt function.

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Hh. SMART INVERTER GENERATING FACILITY DESIGN AND OPERATING REQUIREMENTS (Cont'd.)

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6. SCHEDULING CAPABILITY REQUIREMENTS (Cont'd.)

- b. The Generating Facility's scheduling capability requirement herein shall be met by one or more of the following options.
 - (i) Scheduling capability requirements may be stored at the Generating Facility Energy Management System (GFEMS). The GFEMS shall communicate the necessary commands to the Smart Inverters within 10 minutes from when GFEMS received the scheduling information:
 - (ii) Scheduling capability requirements may be stored at the Smart Inverter Control Unit (SMCU) within the Generating Facility. The SMCU shall communicate necessary commands to the Smart Inverters within 10 minutes from when SCMU received the scheduling information.
 - (iii) Scheduling capability requirements may be stored at an aggregator not co-located within the Generating Facility. The aggregator shall communicate the necessary commands to the Smart Inverters within 15 minutes of the aggregator receiving the scheduling information.
 - (iv) Other options may be utilized by mutual agreement between the Applicant and Distribution Provider.
- c. The selected scheduling control system shall store the schedules and shall send operational commands to the Smart Inverters as required by the schedule received from the Distribution Provider. The Smart Inverter shall respond by changing its mode of operation as commanded at the schedule start time with no unreasonable delay.

Each scheduled mode of operation shall include and start-time and duration. The Smart Inverter should return to its default settings at the end of the duration time or shall enter a new operational mode as directed by the scheduling control system.

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- Hh. SMART INVERTER GENERATING FACILITY DESIGN AND OPERATING REQUIREMENTS (Cont'd.) (L)
- 7. MONITORING AND TELEMETRY REQUIREMENTS (Cont'd.)
 - d. Monitoring and performance information should be communicated in aggregate at the Generating Facility as follows:
 - (i) When the Generating Facility includes only Smart Inverters: The production or consumption of active and reactive power shall be communicated as an aggregate of all Smart Inverters within the Generating Facility.
 - (ii) When a Generating Facility includes Smart Inverters and other technologies such as synchronous or induction generation systems, the Generating Facility should communicate the following:
 - a) The production or consumption of active and reactive power shall be communicated in aggregate of all Smart Inverters within the Generating Facility
 - b) The production or consumption of active and reactive power shall be communicated in aggregate of all the other technologies within the Generating Facility
 - (iii) When the Generating Facility with Smart Inverters includes one or multiple energy storage systems: The available operational energy should be communicated as an aggregate of all the energy storage systems.

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8. CONTROL THROUGH COMMUNICATION CAPABILITIES

- a. The capability for these requirements will be mandatory for Generating Facilities utilizing inverter-based technologies for which an Interconnection Request is submitted on or after the earlier of the dates shown in the "Table of Phase 3 Effective Dates Pursuant to Resolution E-4898" in Section Hh.2.p.

The utilization of these functions is permissible under mutual agreement between the utility and the generating facility before the effective date.

Smart Inverters shall have the capabilities of accepting an operational controls through communications in accordance to the following:

- (i) Cease to energize control command. When the Smart Inverter receives a cease-to-energize command through communication it must enter into a cease-to-energize state of operation or shall initiate the opening of the DER switch referenced in the ECP in order to galvanically isolate the DER system from the Distribution System
- (ii) Return to service control command. When the Smart Inverter receives a return-to-service control command, the Smart Inverter may return to service operation as required by Generating Facility operator or as required by the scheduling control system as required by section H.6
- (iii) Limit Active Power command. When the Smart Inverter receives a command to limit its production of real power, the Smart Inverter shall reduce its real power production to the specified percent of real power capacity of the Smart Inverter or to a specified real power value.
- (iv) Set Active Power Level Mode Function. The capability for this requirement will become mandatory for Generating Facilities utilizing inverter-based technologies for which an Interconnection Request is submitted twelve (12) months after approval of a nationally recognized standard that includes the function.
- (v) Suspension of Active Power restriction. When the Smart Inverter receives a command to suspend the command for active power reduction, the Smart Inverter may return to normal operation as required by Generating Facility operator or as required by the scheduling control system as required by section H.6.

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Sheet 214

I. THIRD-PARTY INSTALLATIONS, RESERVATION OF UNUSED FACILITIES, AND REFUND OF SALVAGE VALUE (L)

1. INTERCONNECTION FACILITIES AND DISTRIBUTION UPGRADES

Except as provided for in the Generator Interconnection Agreement of this Rule, Interconnection Facilities connected to Distribution Provider's side of the PCC and Distribution Upgrades shall be provided, installed, owned, and maintained by Distribution Provider at Producer's expense.

2. THIRD-PARTY INSTALLATIONS

Subject to the approval of Distribution Provider, a Producer may, at its option, employ a qualified contractor to provide and install Interconnection Facilities or Distribution Upgrades, to be owned and operated by Distribution Provider, on Distribution Provider's side of the PCC. Such Interconnection Facilities and Distribution Upgrades shall be installed in accordance with Distribution Provider's design and specifications. Upon final inspection and acceptance by Distribution Provider, Producer shall transfer ownership of such Producer installed Interconnection Facilities or Distribution Upgrades to Distribution Provider and such facilities shall thereafter be owned and maintained by Distribution Provider at Producer's expense. Producer shall pay Distribution Provider's reasonable cost of design, administration, and monitoring of the installation for such facilities to ensure compliance with Distribution Provider's requirements. Producer shall also be responsible for all costs, including any income tax liability, associated with the transfer of Producer installed Interconnection Facilities and Distribution Upgrades to Distribution Provider.

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I. THIRD-PARTY INSTALLATIONS, RESERVATION OF UNUSED FACILITIES, AND REFUND OF SALVAGE VALUE (Cont'd.) (L)

3. RESERVATION OF UNUSED FACILITIES

When a Producer wishes to reserve Distribution Provider-owned Interconnection Facilities or Distribution Upgrades installed and operated as Added Facilities for Producer at Producer's expense, but idled by a change in the operation of Producer's Generating Facility or otherwise, Producer may elect to abandon or reserve such facilities consistent with the terms of its agreement with Distribution Provider. If Producer elects to reserve idle Interconnection Facilities or Distribution Upgrades, Distribution Provider shall be entitled to continue to charge Producer for the costs related to the ongoing operation and maintenance of the Added Facilities.

4. REFUND OF SALVAGE VALUE

When a Producer elects to abandon the Special Facilities or Added Facilities for which it has either advanced the installed costs or constructed and transferred to Distribution Provider, Producer shall, at a minimum, receive from Distribution Provider a credit for the net salvage value of the Added Facilities.

J. METERING, MONITORING AND TELEMETERING

1. GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

All Generating Facilities shall be metered in accordance with this Section J and shall meet all applicable standards of Distribution Provider contained in Distribution Provider's applicable tariffs and published Distribution Provider manuals dealing with Metering specifications.

2. METERING BY NON-DISTRIBUTION PROVIDER PARTIES

The ownership, installation, operation, reading, and testing of revenue Metering Equipment for Generating Facilities shall be by Distribution Provider except to the extent that the Commission authorizes any or all these services be performed by others.

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J. METERING, MONITORING AND TELEMETERING (Cont'd.) (L)

3. NET GENERATION OUTPUT METERING

Generating Facility customers may be required to install Net Generation Output Metering for evaluation, monitoring, and verification purposes and to determine applicable standby and non-bypassable charges as defined in Distribution Provider's tariffs, to satisfy applicable California Independent System Operator (CAISO) reliability requirements, and for Distribution System planning and operations.

However, Generating Facility customers do not need to install Net Generation Output Metering where less intrusive and/or more cost effective options, for Producer/Customer, are available for providing generator data to Distribution Provider. These Generating Facilities may opt to have Distribution Provider estimate load data in accordance with Distribution Provider's applicable tariffs to determine or meet applicable standby and non-bypassable and other applicable charges and tariff requirements. However, if a Generating Facility customer objects to Distribution Provider's estimate of the Generator(s) output, the customer may elect to install the Net Generation Output Metering, or have Distribution Provider install Net Generation Output Metering at the customer's expense.

(a) All metering options available to the customer must conform to the requirements set forth in Distribution Provider's Rule 22. If Distribution Provider does not receive meter data in accordance with Rule 22, Distribution Provider shall have the right to install Distribution Provider-owned Net Generation Output Metering at the customer's expense. The relevant factors in determining the need for Net Generation Output Metering are as listed below:

- i) Data requirements in proportion to need for information;
- ii) Producer's election to install equipment that adequately addresses Distribution Provider's operational requirements;

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3. NET GENERATION OUTPUT METERING (Cont'd.)

- iii) Accuracy and type of required Metering consistent with purposes of collecting data;
- iv) Cost of Metering relative to the need for and accuracy of the data;
- v) The Generating Facility's size relative to the cost of the Metering/monitoring;
- vi) Other means of obtaining the data (e.g. Generating Facility logs, proxy data, etc.);
- vii) Requirements under any Generator Interconnection Agreement with Producer.

The requirements in this Section may not apply to Metering of Generating Facilities operating under Distribution Provider's Net Energy Metering tariffs. Nothing in this Section J.3 supersedes Section D.4, Compliance with Laws, Rules and Tariff Schedules.

Distribution Provider will report to the Commission or designated authority, on a quarterly basis, the rationale for requiring Net Generation Output Metering equipment in each instance along with the size and location of the facility.

4. POINT OF COMMON COUPLING (PCC) METERING

For purposes of assessing Distribution Provider's charges for retail service, Producer's PCC Metering shall be reviewed by Distribution Provider, and if required, replaced to ensure that it will appropriately measure electric power according to the provisions of the Customer's electric service Tariff. Where required, the Customer's existing meter may be replaced with a bi-directional meter so that power deliveries to and from Producer's site can be separately recorded. Alternately,

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J. METERING, MONITORING AND TELEMETERING (Cont'd.) (L)

4. POINT OF COMMON COUPLING (PCC) METERING (Cont'd.)

Producer may, at its sole option and cost, require Distribution Provider to install multi-metering equipment to separately record power deliveries to Distribution Provider's Distribution System and retail purchases from Distribution Provider. Where necessary, such PCC Metering shall be designed to prevent reverse registration.

Generating Facilities participating in Net Energy Metering shall have metering provided pursuant to the terms of the applicable Net Energy Metering tariff schedule.

5. TELEMETERING

If the nameplate rating of the Generating Facility is 1 MW or greater, Telemetering equipment at the Net Generation Output Metering location may be required at Producer's expense. If the Generating Facility is Interconnected to a portion of Distribution Provider's Distribution System operating at a voltage below 10 kV, then Telemetering equipment may be required on Generating Facilities 250 kW or greater. Distribution Provider shall only require Telemetering to the extent that less intrusive and/or more cost effective options for providing the necessary data in real time are not available. Distribution Provider will report to the Commission or designated authority, on a quarterly basis, the rationale for requiring Telemetering equipment in each instance along with the size and location of the facility.

6. LOCATION

Where Distribution Provider-owned Metering is located on Producer's premises, Producer shall provide, at no expense to Distribution Provider, a suitable location for all such Metering Equipment.

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- J. METERING, MONITORING AND TELEMETERING (Cont'd.) (L)
- 7. COSTS OF METERING
 - Producer will bear all costs of the Metering required by this Rule, including the incremental costs of operating and maintaining the Metering Equipment.
- 8. MULTIPLE TARIFF METERING
 - The requirements of Section J.3 may not apply where a Generating Facility includes multiple generators eligible for service under more than one Net Energy Metering (NEM) tariff schedule (e.g. NEM-1, NEM-2, NEMBIO, NEMFC), or where a Generating Facility consists of one or more NEM-eligible generators in combination with one or more non-NEM eligible generators without Non-Export relays ("Reverse Power Protection"). To ensure proper tariff administration, metering will be required at the PCC and at each of the NEM eligible generator groups eligible for service under the same NEM tariff schedule. For combinations of multiple NEM eligible generators under different tariffs, billing administration and metering requirements will be as specified in the appropriate NEM tariff schedule.
 - Where a Generating Facility consists of one or more NEM eligible generator groups in combination with one or more non-NEM generators, metering of the non-NEM generators is not required, except as specified in Section J.3. (L)

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K. DISPUTE RESOLUTION PROCESS

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In addition to the informal procedures for timeline-related disputes set out in Section F.1.d, the following procedures will apply for disputes arising from this Rule:

1. SCOPE

The Commission shall have initial jurisdiction to interpret, add, delete or modify any provision of this Rule or of any agreements entered into between Distribution Provider and Applicant or Producer to implement this tariff ("Implementing Agreements") and to resolve disputes regarding Distribution Provider's performance of its obligations under Commission-jurisdictional tariffs, the applicable agreements, and requirements related to the interconnection of Applicant's or Producer's Generating Facility or Interconnection Facilities pursuant to this Rule.

2. PROCEDURES

Any dispute arising between Distribution Provider and Producer (individually referred to in Section K as "Party" and collectively "the Parties") regarding Distribution Provider's or Producer's performance of its obligations under its tariffs, the Implementing Agreements, and requirements related to the interconnection of Producer's Facilities pursuant to this Rule shall be resolved according to the following procedures:

- a. The dispute shall be documented in a written notice ("notice") by the aggrieved Party to the other Party containing the relevant known facts pertaining to the dispute, the specific dispute and the relief sought, and express notice by the aggrieved Party that it is invoking the procedures under this Section. The notice shall be sent to the Party's email address and physical address set forth in the Generator Interconnection Agreement or Interconnection Request, if there is no Generator Interconnection Agreement. A copy of the notice shall also be sent to the Energy Division, Office of the Director, at the Commission. The receiving Party shall acknowledge the notice within five (5) Calendar Days of its receipt.

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K. DISPUTE RESOLUTION PROCESS (Cont'd.) (L)

2. PROCEDURES (Cont'd.)

a Upon the aggrieved Party notifying the other Party of the dispute, each Party must designate a representative with the authority to make decisions for its respective Party to review the dispute within seven (7) Calendar Days. In addition, upon receipt of the notice, Distribution Provider shall provide the aggrieved Party with all relevant regulatory and/or technical details and analysis regarding any Distribution Provider interconnection requirements under dispute within twenty-one (21) Calendar Days.

Within forty-five (45) Calendar Days of the date of the notice, the Parties' authorized representatives will be required to meet and confer to try to resolve the dispute. Parties are expected to operate in good faith and use best efforts to resolve the dispute.

b. If a resolution is not reached in forty-five (45) Calendar Days from the date of the notice, either 1) a Party may request to continue negotiations for an additional forty-five (45) Calendar Days or 2) the Parties may by mutual agreement make a written request for mediation to the ADR Coordinator in the Commission's ALJ Division. The request may be submitted by electronic mail to adr_program@cpuc.ca.gov. Alternatively, both Parties by mutual agreement may request mediation from an outside third-party mediator with costs to be shared equally between the Parties.

c. At any time, either Party may file a formal complaint before the Commission pursuant to California PUC section 1702 and Article 4 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure.

Nothing in this section shall be construed to limit the rights of any Party to exercise rights and remedies under Commission law. (L)

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K. DISPUTE RESOLUTION PROCESS (Cont'd.)

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3. PERFORMANCE DURING DISPUTE

Pending resolution of any dispute under this Section, the Parties shall proceed diligently with the performance of their respective obligations under this Rule and the Implementing Agreements, unless the Implementing Agreements have been terminated. Disputes as to the Interconnection Request and implementation of this Section shall be subject to resolution pursuant to the procedures set forth in this Section.

L. CERTIFICATION AND TESTING CRITERIA

1. INTRODUCTION

This Section describes the test procedures and requirements for equipment used for the Interconnection of Generating Facilities to Distribution Provider's Distribution or Transmission System. Included are Type Testing, Production Testing, Commissioning Testing, and Periodic Testing. The procedures listed rely heavily on those described in appropriate Underwriters Laboratory (UL), Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers (IEEE), and International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC) documents—most notably UL 1741 and IEEE 929 as well as the testing described in *May 1999 New York State Public Service Commission's Interconnection Requirements*. As noted in Section B, this Rule has been revised to be consistent with ANSI/IEEE 1547-2003 Standard for Interconnecting Distribution Resources with Electric Power Systems.

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L. CERTIFICATION AND TESTING CRITERIA (Cont'd.)

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1. INTRODUCTION (Cont'd.)

The tests described here, together with the technical requirements in Section H of this Rule, are intended to provide assurance that the Generating Facility's equipment will not adversely affect Distribution Provider's Distribution or Transmission System and that a Generating Facility will cease providing power to Distribution Provider's Distribution or Transmission System under abnormal conditions. The tests were developed assuming a low level of Generating Facility penetration or number of connections to Distribution Provider's Distribution or Transmission System. At high levels of Generating Facility penetration, additional requirements and corresponding test procedures may need to be defined.

Section L also provides criteria for "Certifying" Generators, inverters or converters. Once a Generator, inverter or converter has been Certified per this Rule, it may be considered suitable for Interconnection with Distribution Provider's Distribution or Transmission System. Subject to the exceptions described in Section L, Distribution Provider will not repeat the design review or require retesting of such Certified Equipment. It should be noted that the Certification process is intended to facilitate Generating Facilities Interconnections. Certification is not a prerequisite to interconnect a Generating Facility for Section H, except for Non-Export AC/DC Converters seeking an expedited process, but it is a prerequisite for inverters installed after September 8, 2017, pursuant to Section Hh of this Rule.

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- L. CERTIFICATION AND TESTING CRITERIA (Cont'd.) (L)
- 2. CERTIFIED AND NON-CERTIFIED INTERCONNECTION EQUIPMENT
 - a. Certified Equipment

Equipment tested and approved (i.e. "Listed") by an accredited NRTL as having met both the Type Testing and Production Testing requirements described in this document is considered to be Certified Equipment for purposes of Interconnection with Distribution Provider's Distribution or Transmission System. Certification may apply to either a pre-packaged system or an assembly of components that address the necessary functions. Type Testing may be done in the manufacturer's factory or test laboratory, or in the field. At the discretion of the testing laboratory, field-certification may apply only to the particular installation tested. In such cases, some or all of the tests may need to be repeated at other installations.

When equipment is Certified by a NRTL, the NRTL shall provide to the manufacturer, at a minimum, a Certificate with the following information for each device:

Administrative:

 - (1) The effective date of Certification or applicable serial number (range or first in series), and/or other proof that certification is current;
 - (2) Equipment model number(s) of the Certified equipment;
 - (3) The software version utilized in the equipment, if applicable;
 - (4) Test procedures specified (including date or revision number); and
 - (5) Laboratory accreditation (by whom and to what standard). (L)

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- L. CERTIFICATION AND TESTING CRITERIA (Cont'd.) (L)
- 2. CERTIFIED AND NON-CERTIFIED INTERCONNECTION EQUIPMENT (Cont'd.)
 - a. Certified Equipment (Cont'd.)

Technical (as appropriate):

 - (1) Device ratings (kW, kV, Volts, amps, etc.);
 - (2) Maximum available fault current in amps;
 - (3) In-rush Current in amps;
 - (4) Trip points, if factory set (trip value and timing);
 - (5) Trip point and timing ranges for adjustable settings;
 - (6) Nominal power factor or range if adjustable;
 - (7) If the equipment is Certified as Non-Exporting and the method used (reverse power or underpower);
 - (8) If the equipment is Certified as Non-Islanding; and
 - (9) If the equipment is Certified as a Non-Export AC/DC Converter.

It is the responsibility of the equipment manufacturer to ensure that Certification information is made publicly available by the manufacturer, the testing laboratory, or by a third party.
 - b. Non-Certified Equipment

For non-Certified equipment, some or all of the tests described in this Rule may be required by Distribution Provider for each Generating and/or Interconnection Facility. The manufacturer or a laboratory acceptable to Distribution Provider may perform these tests. Test results for non-Certified equipment must be submitted to Distribution Provider for the Supplemental Review. Approval by Distribution Provider for equipment used in a particular Generating and/or Interconnection Facility does not guarantee Distribution Provider's approval for use in other Generating and/or Interconnection Facilities. (L)

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L. CERTIFICATION AND TESTING CRITERIA (Cont'd.)

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3. TYPE TESTING

a. Type Tests and Criteria for Interconnection Equipment Certification

Type testing provides a basis for determining that equipment meets the specifications for being designated as Certified equipment under this Rule. The requirements described in this Section cover only issues related to Interconnection and are not intended to address device safety or other issues.

Table L.1 defines the test criteria by Generator or inverter technology. While UL 1741(1) and UL 1741 – Supplement SA were written specifically for inverters, the requirements are readily adaptable to synchronous Generators, induction Generators, as well as single/multi-function controllers and protection relays. Until a universal test standard is developed, Distribution Provider or NRTL shall adopt the procedures referenced in Table L.1 as appropriate and necessary for a Generating Facility and/or Interconnection Facilities or associated equipment performance and its control and Protection Functions. These tests shall be performed in the sequence shown in Table L.2.

Non-Export AC/DC Converters must satisfy the requirements in its definition in Section C.

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L. CERTIFICATION AND TESTING CRITERIA (Cont'd.)

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3. TYPE TESTING (Cont'd.)

a. Type Tests and Criteria for Interconnection Equipment Certification (Cont'd.)

Table L.1, Type Test and Requirements for Interconnection Equipment Certification

Type Test	Reference 1	Inverter (6)	Smart Inverter (7)	Synchronous Generators	Induction Generators
Utility Interaction	UL 1741 – 39, 40	X	X	X	X
Utility Compatibility (Required testing to 1547 & 1547.1)	UL 1741 - 46	X	X	X	X
DC Isolation	IEEE 1547.1(8) -5.6	X	X	-	-
Dielectric Voltage Withstand	IEEE 1547.1(8) -5.5.3	X	X	X	X
Harmonic Distortion	IEEE 1547.1(8) -5.11	X	X	X	X
DC Injection	IEEE 1547.1(8) -5.6	X	X	-	-
Distribution Provider Voltage Variation	IEEE 1547.1(8) -5.2	X	-	X	X
Distribution Provider Frequency Variation	IEEE 1547.1(8) -5.3	X	-	X	X
Abnormal Tests	UL 1741 – 47				
Loss of Control Circuit	UL 1741 – 47.8	X	X	X	X
Short Circuit	UL 1741 - 47.3	X	X	X	X
Load Transfer	UL 1741 - 47.7	X	X	X	X
Surge Withstand Capability	L.3.e	X	X	X	X
Anti-Islanding (non-Smart Inverters)	L.3.b	(2)	-	(2)	(2)
Non-Export	L.3.c	(3)	(3)	(3)	(3)
In-rush Current	L.3.d	-	-	-	(4)
Synchronization	L.3.f	(5)	(5)	X	(5)
Anti-islanding (Smart Inverters)	UL 1741 SA - SA8	-	X	-	-
Low and High Voltage Ride-through (L/H VRT)	UL 1741 SA – SA9	-	X	-	-
Low and High Frequency Ride-through (L/H FRT)	UL 1741 SA - SA10	-	X	-	-
Normal and Soft-Start Ramp Rate (RR)	UL 1741 SA - SA11	-	X	-	-
Specified Power Factor	UL 1741 SA - SA12	-	X	-	-
Volt/Var Mode (Q(V))	UL 1741 SA - SA13	-	X	-	-
Frequency-Watt(FW) - optional	UL 1741 SA - SA14	-	X	-	-
Volt-Watt (VW) - optional	UL 1741 SA - SA15	-	X	-	-
Markings and Instructions	UL 1741 SA6, SA16	-	X	-	-
Table Notes:	(1) References are to section numbers in either UL 1741 and/or UL 1741-Supplement SA (Inverters, Converters and Charge Controllers for Use in Independent Power Systems) or this Rule. References in UL 1741 to “photovoltaics” or “inverter” may have to be adapted to the other technologies by the testing laboratory to appropriately apply in the tests to other technologies.				
	(2) Required only if Non-Islanding designation.				
(3) Required only if Non-Export designation is desired.					
(4) Required for Generators that use Distribution Provider power to motor to speed.					
(5) Required for all self-excited induction Generators as well as Inverters that operate as voltage sources when connected to Distribution Provider’s Distribution or Transmission System.					
(6) Inverters compliant with Section H.					
(7) Inverters compliant with Section Hh.					
(8) IEEE 1547.1 refers to 2005 revision.					
“X” = Required “-” = Not Required					

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L. CERTIFICATION AND TESTING CRITERIA (Cont'd.) (L)

3. TYPE TESTING (Cont'd.)

a. Type Tests and Criteria for Interconnection Equipment Certification (Cont'd.)

Table L.2 Type Tests Sequence for Interconnection Equipment Certification

<u>Test No.</u>	<u>Type Test</u>
1	Distribution Provider Voltage and Frequency Variation
2	Synchronization
3	Surge Withstand Capability
4	Distribution Provider Voltage and Frequency Variation, including ride through
5	Synchronization
6	Other Required and Optional Tests

Tests 1, 2, and 3 must be done first and in the order shown. Tests 4 and on follow in order convenient to the test agency.

b. Anti-Islanding Test

Devices that pass the Anti-Islanding test procedure described in UL 1741 Section 46.3 will be considered Non-Islanding for the purposes of these Interconnection requirements. The test is required only for devices for which a Certified Non-Islanding designation is desired.

c. Non-Export Test

Equipment that passes the Non-Export test procedure described in Section L.7.a will be considered Non-Exporting for the purposes of these Interconnection requirements. This test is required only for devices for which a Certified Non-Export designation is desired.

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- L. CERTIFICATION AND TESTING CRITERIA (Cont'd.) (L)
- 3. TYPE TESTING (Cont'd.)
- d. In-rush Current Test

Generation equipment that utilizes Distribution Provider power to motor up to speed will be tested using the procedure defined in Section L.7.b to determine the maximum current drawn during this startup process. The resulting In-rush Current is used to estimate the Starting Voltage Drop.
- e. Surge Withstand Capability Test

The interconnection equipment shall be tested for the surge withstand requirement in Section H.1.c in all normal operating modes in accordance with IEEE Std C62.45-2002 for equipment rates less than 1000 V to confirm that the surge withstand capability is met by using the selected test level(s) from IEEE Std C62.41.2-2002. Interconnection equipment rated greater than 1000 V shall be tested in accordance with manufacturer or system integrator designated applicable standards. For interconnection equipment signal and control circuits, use IEEE Std C37.90.1-2002. These tests shall confirm the equipment did not fail, did not misoperate, and did not provide misinformation (IEEE 1547-5.1.3.2).

The location/exposure category for which the equipment has been tested shall be clearly marked on the equipment label or in the equipment documentation. External surge protection may be used to protect the equipment in harsher location/exposure categories. (L)

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3. TYPE TESTING (Cont'd.)

f. Synchronization Test

This test is applied to synchronous Generators, self-excited induction generators, and inverters capable of operating as voltage-source while connected to Distribution Provider's Distribution or Transmission System. The test is also applied to the resynchronization Function (transition from stand-alone to parallel operation) on equipment that provides such functionality. This test may not need to be performed on both the synchronization and re-synchronization functions if the manufacturers can verify to the satisfaction of the testing organization that monitoring and controls hardware and software are common to both functions. This test is not necessary for induction generators or current-source inverters. Instead, the In-rush Current test Section L.3.d shall be applied to those generators.

This test shall demonstrate that at the moment of the paralleling-device closure, all three synchronization parameters in Table L.3 are within the stated limits. This test shall also demonstrate that if any of the parameters are outside of the limits stated in the table, the paralleling-device shall not close (IEEE 1547-5.1.2A). The test will start with only one of the three parameters: (1) voltage difference between Generating Facility and Distribution Provider's Distribution or Transmission System; (2) frequency difference; or (3) phase angle outside of the synchronization specification. Verify that the Generating Facility is brought within specification prior to synchronization. Repeat the test five times for each of the three parameters. For manual synchronization with synch check or manual control with auto synchronization, the test must verify that paralleling does not occur until the parameters are brought within specifications. (L)

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3. TYPE TESTING (Cont'd.)

f. Synchronization Test (Cont'd.)

Table L.3
Synchronization Parameter Limits [1]

Aggregate Rating of Generator Units (kVA)	Frequency Difference (Δf , Hz)	Voltage Difference (ΔV , %)	Phase Angle Difference ($\Delta \Phi$, °)
0-500	0.3	10	20
> 500-1,500	0.2	5	15
> 1,500-10,000	0.1	3	10

[1] – IEEE 1547-5.1.1B

g. Paralleling Device Withstand Test

The di-electric voltage withstand test specified in Section L.1 shall be performed on the paralleling device to ensure compliance with those requirements specified in Section H.1.c (IEEE 1547-5.1.3.3).

h. Backfeed Test

Non-Export AC/DC Converters must satisfy the requirements in its definition in Section C.

4. PRODUCTION TESTING

At a minimum, each interconnection system shall be subjected to Distribution Provider Voltage and Frequency Variation Test procedure described in UL1741 under Manufacturing and Production Tests, Section 68 and the Synchronization test specified in Section L.3.f. Interconnection systems with adjustable set points shall be tested at a single set of set points as specified by the manufacturer. This test may be performed in the factory or as part of a Commissioning Test (Section L.5).

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- L. CERTIFICATION AND TESTING CRITERIA (Cont'd.) (L)
- 5. COMMISSIONING TESTING
 - a. Commissioning Testing

Commissioning Testing, where required, will be performed on-site to verify protective settings and functionality. Upon initial Parallel Operation of a Generating Facility, or any time interface hardware or software is changed that may affect the functions listed below, a Commissioning Test must be performed. An individual qualified in testing protective equipment (professional engineer, factory-certified technician, or licensed electrician with experience in testing protective equipment) must perform Commissioning Testing in accordance with the manufacturer's recommended test procedure to verify the settings and requirements per this Rule.

Distribution Provider may require written Commissioning test procedure be submitted to Distribution Provider at least 10 working days prior to the performance of the Commissioning Test. Distribution Provider has the right to witness Commissioning Test. Distribution Provider may also require written certification by the installer describing which tests were performed and their results. Protective Functions to be tested during commissioning, particularly with respect to non-Certified equipment, may consist of the following:

 - (1) Over and under voltage
 - (2) Over and under frequency
 - (3) Anti-Islanding function (if applicable)
 - (4) Non-Exporting function (if applicable)
 - (5) Inability to energize dead line (L)

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- L. CERTIFICATION AND TESTING CRITERIA (Cont'd.) (L)
- 5. COMMISSIONING TESTING (Cont'd.)
 - a. Commissioning Testing (Cont'd.)
 - (6) Time delay on restart after Distribution Provider source is stable
 - (7) Distribution Provider system fault detection (if used)
 - (8) Synchronizing controls (if applicable)
 - (9) Other Interconnection Protective Functions that may be required as part of the Generator Interconnection Agreement

Commissioning Test shall include visual inspections of the interconnection equipment and protective settings to confirm compliance with the interconnection requirements.
 - b. Review, Study, and Additional Commissioning Test Verification Costs

A Producer shall be responsible for the reasonably incurred costs of the reviews, studies and additional Commissioning Test verifications conducted pursuant to Section E of this Rule. If the initial Commissioning Test verification is not successful through no fault of Distribution Provider, Distribution Provider may impose upon Producer a cost based charge for subsequent Commissioning Test verifications. All Costs for additional Commissioning Test verifications shall be paid by Producer within thirty days of receipt of Distribution Provider's invoice. The invoice provided by Distribution Provider shall consist of the hourly rate multiplied by the hours incurred by Distribution Provider and will separately specify the amount of time spent on-site from that spent in roundtrip travel to the Commissioning Test site. Additional cost, if any, will be specified on the invoice. If the initial Commissioning Test verification is not successful through the fault of Distribution Provider, that visit will not be considered the initial Commissioning Test verification.

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- L. CERTIFICATION AND TESTING CRITERIA (Cont'd.) (L)
- 5. COMMISSIONING TESTING (Cont'd.)
- c. Other Checks and Tests
 - Other checks and tests that may need to be performed include:
 - (1) Verifying final Protective Function settings
 - (2) Trip test (L.5.g)
 - (3) In-service tests (L.5.h)
- d. Certified Equipment
 - Generating Facilities qualifying for interconnection through the Fast Track process incorporate Certified Equipment that have, at a minimum, passed the Type Tests and Production Tests described in this Rule and are judged to have little or no potential impact on Distribution Provider's Distribution or Transmission System. For such Generating Facilities, it is necessary to perform only the following tests:
 - (1) Protective Function settings that have been changed after Production Testing will require field verification. Tests shall be performed using injected secondary frequencies, voltages and currents, applied waveforms, at a test connection using a Generator to simulate abnormal Distribution Provider voltage or frequency, or varying the set points to show that the device trips at the measured (actual) Distribution Provider voltage or frequency.
 - (2) The Non-Islanding function shall be checked by operating a load break disconnect switch to verify the Interconnection equipment ceases to energize Distribution Provider's Distribution or Transmission System and does not re-energize it for the required time delay after the switch is closed. (L)

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- L. CERTIFICATION AND TESTING CRITERIA (Cont'd.) (L)
- 5. COMMISSIONING TESTING (Cont'd.)
- d. Certified Equipment (Cont'd.)
 - (3) The Non-Exporting function shall be checked using secondary injection techniques. This function may also be tested by adjusting the Generating Facility output and local loads to verify that the applicable Non-Exporting criteria (i.e., reverse power or underpower) are met.
 - The Supplemental Review or an Interconnection Study may impose additional components or additional testing.
- e. Non-Certified Equipment
 - Non-certified Equipment shall be subjected to the appropriate tests described in Type Testing (Section L.3) as well as those described in Certified Equipment Commissioning Tests (Section L.5.d). With Distribution Provider's approval, these tests may be performed in the factory, in the field as part of commissioning, or a combination of both. Distribution Provider, at its discretion, may also approve a reduced set of tests for a particular Generating Facility or, for example, if it determines it has sufficient experience with the equipment.
- f. Verification of Settings
 - At the completion of Commission testing, Producer shall confirm all devices are set to Distribution Provider-approved settings. Verification shall be documented in the Commissioning Test Certification. (L)

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5. COMMISSIONING TESTING (Cont'd.)

g. Trip Tests

Interconnection Protective Functions and devices (e.g. reverse power relays) that have not previously been tested as part of the Interconnection Facilities with their associated interrupting devices (e.g. contactor or circuit breaker) shall be trip tested during commissioning. The trip test shall be adequate to prove that the associated interrupting devices open when the protective devices operate. Interlocking circuits between Protective Function devices or between interrupting devices shall be similarly tested unless they are part of a system that has been tested and approved during manufacturing.

h. In-service Tests

Interconnection Protective Functions and devices that have not previously been tested as part of the Interconnection Facilities with their associated instrument transformers or that are wired in the field shall be given an in-service test during commissioning. This test will verify proper wiring, polarity, CT/PT ratios, and proper operation of the measuring circuits. The in-service test shall be made with the power system energized and carrying a known level of current. A measurement shall be made of the magnitude and phase angle of each Alternating Current (AC) voltage and current connected to the protective device and the results compared to expected values. For protective devices with built-in Metering Functions that report current and voltage magnitudes and phase angles, or magnitudes of current, voltage, and real and reactive power, the metered values may be used for in-service testing. Otherwise, portable ammeters, voltmeters, and phase-angle meters shall be used.

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L. CERTIFICATION AND TESTING CRITERIA (Cont'd.) (L)

6. PERIODIC TESTING

Periodic Testing of Interconnection-related Protective Functions shall be performed as specified by the manufacturer, or at least every four years. All Periodic Tests prescribed by the manufacturer shall be performed. Producer shall maintain Periodic Test reports or a log for inspection by Distribution Provider. Periodic Testing conforming to Distribution Provider test intervals for the particular Line Section may be specified by Distribution Provider under special circumstances, such as high fire hazard areas. Batteries used to activate any Protective Function shall be checked and logged once per month for proper voltage. Once every four years, the battery must be either replaced or a discharge test performed.

7. TYPE TESTING PROCEDURES NOT DEFINED IN OTHER STANDARDS

This Section describes the additional Type Tests necessary to qualify a device as Certified under this Rule. These Type Tests are not contained in Underwriters Laboratories UL 1741 Standard *Inverters, Converters and Controllers for Use in Independent Power Systems*, or other referenced standards.

a. Non-Exporting Test Procedures

The Non-Exporting test is intended to verify the operation of relays, controllers and inverters designed to limit the export of power and certify the equipment as meeting the requirements of Screen I, Options 1 and 2, of the review process. Tests are provided for discrete relay packages and for controllers and inverters with the intended Functions integrated.

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L. CERTIFICATION AND TESTING CRITERIA (Cont'd.) (L)

7. TYPE TESTING PROCEDURES NOT DEFINED IN OTHER STANDARDS (Cont'd.)

a. Non-Exporting Test Procedures (Cont'd.)

i) Discrete Reverse Power Relay Test

This version of the Non-Exporting test procedure is intended for discrete reverse power and underpower relay packages provided to meet the requirements of Options 1 and 2 of Screen I. It should be understood that in the reverse power application, the relay will provide a trip output with power flowing in the export (toward Distribution Provider's Distribution or Transmission System) direction.

Step 1: Power Flow Test at Minimum, Midpoint and Maximum Pickup Level Settings

Determine the corresponding secondary pickup current for the desired export power flow of 0.5 secondary watts (the minimum pickup setting, assumes 5 amp and 120V CT/PT secondary). Apply nominal voltage with minimum current setting at zero (0) degrees phase angle in the trip direction. Increase the current to pickup level. Observe the relay's (LCD or computer display) indication of power values. Note the indicated power level at which the relay trips. The power indication should be within 2% of the expected power. For relays with adjustable settings, repeat this test at the midpoint, and maximum settings. Repeat at phase angles of 90, 180 and 270 degrees and verify that the relay does not operate (measured watts will be zero or negative).

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- L. CERTIFICATION AND TESTING CRITERIA (Cont'd.) (L)
- 7. TYPE TESTING PROCEDURES NOT DEFINED IN OTHER STANDARDS (Cont'd.)
- a. Non-Exporting Test Procedures (Cont'd.)
 - i) Discrete Reverse Power Relay Test (Cont'd.)
 - Step 2: Leading Power Factor Test

Apply rated voltage with a minimum pickup current setting (calculated value for system application) and apply a leading power factor load current in the non-trip direction (current lagging voltage by 135 degrees). Increase the current to relay rated current and verify that the relay does not operate. For relays with adjustable settings, this test should be repeated at the minimum, midpoint, and maximum settings.
 - Step 3: Minimum Power Factor Test

At nominal voltage and with the minimum pickup (or ranges) determined in Step 1, adjust the current phase angle to 84 or 276 degrees. Increase the current level to pickup (about 10 times higher than at 0 degrees) and verify that the relay operates. Repeat for phase angles of 90, 180 and 270 degrees and verify that the relay does not operate.
 - Step 4: Negative Sequence Voltage Test

Using the pickup settings determined in Step 1, apply rated relay voltage and current at 180 degrees from tripping direction, to simulate normal load conditions (for three-phase relays, use Ia at 180, Ib at 60 and Ic at 300 degrees). Remove phase-1 voltage and observe that the relay does not operate. Repeat for phases-2 and 3.

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- L. CERTIFICATION AND TESTING CRITERIA (Cont'd.) (L)
- 7. TYPE TESTING PROCEDURES NOT DEFINED IN OTHER STANDARDS (Cont'd.)
- a. Non-Exporting Test Procedures (Cont'd.)
 - i) Discrete Reverse Power Relay Test (Cont'd.)
 - Step 5: Load Current Test

Using the pickup settings determined in Step 1, apply rated voltage and current at 180 degrees from the tripping direction, to simulate normal load conditions (use Ia at 180, Ib at 300 and Ic at 60 degrees). Observe that the relay does not operate.
 - Step 6: Unbalanced Fault Test

Using the pickup settings determined in Step 1, apply rated voltage and 2 times rated current, to simulate an unbalanced fault in the non-trip direction (use Va at 0 degrees, Vb and Vc at 180 degrees, Ia at 180 degrees, Ib at 0 degrees, and Ic at 180 degrees). Observe that the relay, especially single phase, does operate properly.
 - Step 7: Time Delay Settings Test

Apply Step 1 settings and set time delay to minimum setting. Adjust the current source to the appropriate level to determine operating time, and compare against calculated values. Verify that the timer stops when the relay trips. Repeat at midpoint and maximum delay settings.

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- L. CERTIFICATION AND TESTING CRITERIA (Cont'd.) (L)
- 7. TYPE TESTING PROCEDURES NOT DEFINED IN OTHER STANDARDS (Cont'd.)
- a. Non-Exporting Test Procedures (Cont'd.)
 - i) Discrete Reverse Power Relay Test (Cont'd.)

Step 8: Dielectric Test

Perform the test described in IEC 414 using 2 kV RMS for 1 minute.

Step 9: Surge Withstand Test

Perform the surge withstand test described in IEEE C37.90.1.1989 or the surge withstand capability test described in L.3.e.
 - ii) Discrete Underpower Relay Test

This version of the Non-Exporting test procedure is intended for discrete underpower relay packages and meets the requirements of Option 2 of Screen I. A trip output will be provided when import power (toward Producer's load) drops below the specified level.

Note: For an underpower relay, pickup is defined as the highest power level at which the relay indicates that the power is less than the set level.

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- L. CERTIFICATION AND TESTING CRITERIA (Cont'd.) (L)
 - 7. TYPE TESTING PROCEDURES NOT DEFINED IN OTHER STANDARDS (Cont'd.)
 - a. Non-Exporting Test Procedures (Cont'd.)
 - ii) Discrete Underpower Relay Test (Cont'd.)
- Step 1: Power Flow Test at Minimum, Midpoint and Maximum Pickup Level Settings
- Determine the corresponding secondary pickup current for the desired power flow pickup level of 5% of peak load minimum pickup setting. Apply rated voltage and current at 0 (zero) degrees phase angle in the direction of normal load current.
- Decrease the current to pickup level. Observe the relay's (LCD or computer display) indication of power values. Note the indicated power level at which the relay trips. The power indication should be within 2% of the expected power. For relays with adjustable settings, repeat the test at the midpoint, and maximum settings. Repeat at phase angles of 90, 180 and 270 degrees and verify that the relay operates (measured watts will be zero or negative).
- Step 2: Leading Power Factor Test
- Using the pickup current setting determined in Step 1, apply rated voltage and rated leading power factor load current in the normal load direction (current leading voltage by 45 degrees). Decrease the current to 145% of the pickup level determined in Step 1 and verify that the relay does not operate. For relays with adjustable settings, repeat the test at the minimum, midpoint, and maximum settings. (L)

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- L. CERTIFICATION AND TESTING CRITERIA (Cont'd.) (L)
- 7. TYPE TESTING PROCEDURES NOT DEFINED IN OTHER STANDARDS (Cont'd.)
- a. Non-Exporting Test Procedures (Cont'd.)
 - ii) Discrete Underpower Relay Test (Cont'd.)

Step 3: Minimum Power Factor Test

At nominal voltage and with the minimum pickup (or ranges) determined in Step 1, adjust the current phase angle to 84 or 276 degrees. Decrease the current level to pickup (about 10% of the value at 0 degrees) and verify that the relay operates. Repeat for phase angles 90, 180 and 270 degrees and verify that the relay operates for any current less than rated current.

Step 4: Negative Sequence Voltage Test

Using the pickup settings determined in Step 1, apply rated relay voltage and 25% of rated current in the normal load direction, to simulate light load conditions. Remove phase 1 voltage and observe that the relay does not operate. Repeat for Phases-2 and 3.

Step 5: Unbalanced Fault Test

Using the pickup settings determined in Step 1, apply rated voltage and two times rated current, to simulate an unbalanced fault in the normal load direction (use Va at 0 degrees, Vb and Vc at 180 degrees, Ia at 0 degrees, Ib at 180 degrees, and Ic at 0 degrees). Observe that the relay (especially single-phase types) operates properly. (L)

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- L. CERTIFICATION AND TESTING CRITERIA (Cont'd.) (L)
- 7. TYPE TESTING PROCEDURES NOT DEFINED IN OTHER STANDARDS (Cont'd.)
- a. Non-Exporting Test Procedures (Cont'd.)
- ii) Discrete Underpower Relay Test (Cont'd.)
- Step 6: Time Delay Settings Test
- Apply Step 1 settings and set time delay to minimum setting. Adjust the current source to the appropriate level to determine operating time, and compare against calculated values. Verify that the timer stops when the relay trips. Repeat at midpoint and maximum delay settings.
- Step 7: Dielectric Test
- Perform the test described in IEC 414 using 2 kV RMS for 1 minute.
- Step 8: Surge Withstand Test
- Perform the surge withstand test described in IEEE C37.90.1.1989 or the surge withstand test described in Section L.3.e. (L)

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L. CERTIFICATION AND TESTING CRITERIA (Cont'd.)

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7. TYPE TESTING PROCEDURES NOT DEFINED IN OTHER STANDARDS (Cont'd.)

a. Non-Exporting Test Procedures (Cont'd.)

iii) Tests for Inverters and Controllers with Integrated Functions

Inverters and controllers designed to provide reverse or underpower functions shall be tested to certify the intended operation of this function. Two methods are acceptable:

Method 1: If the inverter or controller utilizes external current/voltage measurement to determine the reverse or underpower condition, then the inverter or controller shall be functionally tested by application of appropriate secondary currents and potentials as described in the Discrete Reverse Power Relay Test, Section L.7.a.i of this Rule.

Method 2: If external secondary current or voltage signals are not used, then unit-specific tests must be conducted to verify that power cannot be exported across the PCC for a period exceeding two seconds. These may be factory tests, if the measurement and control points are integral to the unit, or they may be performed in the field.

iv) Tests for Inadvertent Export Inverters

Test requirements for certified inverters with integrated functions for Inadvertent Export shall verify the performance requirements specified in Section Mm of this Rule.

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- L. CERTIFICATION AND TESTING CRITERIA (Cont'd.) (L)
- 7. TYPE TESTING PROCEDURES NOT DEFINED IN OTHER STANDARDS (Cont'd.)
 - a. Non-Exporting Test Procedures (Cont'd.)
 - v) Interim Tests for Non-Export AC/DC Converters ("Converter")
 - Step 1: Limitation of Back-feed Under Steady State Conditions

Apply the nominal DC operating voltage of the Converter across its DC terminals with a battery source or simulated equivalent of a battery source. Vary the battery source by 100%, 75%, 50%, 25%, and 10% of Converter rated output power. The measured steady-state DC current component at each of the AC terminals of the Converter is required to be less than 0.5% of the Converter's rated RMS AC current. This test is to be repeated for 80% nominal DC operating voltage and for 125% nominal DC operating voltage. Testing requirements can be modified upon mutual agreement of the Distribution Provider and the Applicant.
 - Step 2: Back-feed Under Fault Conditions – DC Output Shorted

With a battery source or simulated equivalent of a battery source connected to the DC terminals, apply rated conditions of the Converter then short its DC terminals for 200 milliseconds. After 5 cycles of inducing the short circuit, record the measured peak current at each of the AC terminals of the Converter. These peak currents within this time interval are each required to be less than 0.5% of the Converter's rated RMS AC current. Testing requirements can be modified upon mutual agreement of the Distribution Provider and the Applicant.

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- L. CERTIFICATION AND TESTING CRITERIA (Cont'd.) (L)
- 7. TYPE TESTING PROCEDURES NOT DEFINED IN OTHER STANDARDS (Cont'd.)
 - a. Non-Exporting Test Procedures (Cont'd.)
 - v) Interim Tests for Non-Export AC/DC Converters ("Converter") (Cont'd.)

Step 3: Back-feed Under Fault Conditions – AC Input Shorted: Phase-Ground, Phase-Phase, and 3-Phase

With a battery source or simulated equivalent of a battery source connected to the DC terminals, apply rated conditions of the Converter, then apply a short between any two phases on the grid side of the Converter for 200 milliseconds. After 5 cycles of inducing the short circuit, record the measured peak current at each of the AC terminals of the Converter. These peak currents within this time interval are each required to be less than 0.5% of the Converter's rated RMS AC current. This test is to be repeated for phase-ground and 3-phase shorts. Testing requirements can be modified upon mutual agreement of the Distribution Provider and the Applicant.

Step 4: Back-feed Under Fault Conditions – Component Faults

Distribution Provider can elect to test for back-feed under the condition of a short circuit across certain components which are internal to the Converter. Potential tests can include inducing a short circuit across different terminals for electronic switches and/or across different terminals for internal transformers. Ultimately, the components used for testing will be chosen on a case-by-case basis and will depend on the Converter's circuit topology. Testing requirements can be modified upon mutual agreement of the Distribution Provider and the Applicant.

Step 5: Harmonics Testing

Under normal loading conditions at 10%, 25%, 50%, 75%, and 100% of the Converter's rated power output, conduct harmonic current distortion measurements on each of the AC terminals. Measurements should be below the maximum harmonic current distortion requirements given in IEEE 1547-4.3.3.

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- L. CERTIFICATION AND TESTING CRITERIA (Cont'd.) (L)
- 7. TYPE TESTING PROCEDURES NOT DEFINED IN OTHER STANDARDS (Cont'd.)
- b. In-rush Current Test Procedures
 - This test will determine the maximum In-rush Current drawn by the Generator.
 - i) Locked-Rotor Method
 - Use the test procedure defined in NEMA MG-1 (manufacturer's data is acceptable if available).
 - ii) Start-up Method
 - Install and setup the Generating Facility equipment as specified by the manufacturer. Using a calibrated oscilloscope or data acquisition equipment with appropriate speed and accuracy, measure the current draw at the Point of Interconnection as the Generating Facility starts up and parallels with Distribution Provider's Distribution or Transmission System. Startup shall follow the normal, manufacturer-specified procedure. Sufficient time and current resolution and accuracy shall be used to capture the maximum current draw within 5%. In-rush Current is defined as the maximum current draw from Distribution Provider during the startup process, using a 10-cycle moving average. During the test, Distribution Provider source, real or simulated, must be capable of maintaining voltage within +/- 5% of rated at the connection to the unit under test. Repeat this test five times. Report the highest 10-cycle current as the In-rush Current. A graphical representation of the time-current characteristic along with the certified In-rush Current must be included in the test report and made available to Distribution Provider. (L)

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M. INADVERTENT EXPORT

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Under certain operating conditions, an Applicant may choose to completely offset their facility load by installing generation systems which are optimally sized to meet their peak demand with load following functionality on the Generator controls to ensure conditional export of electrical power from the Generating Facility to Distribution Provider's Distribution or Transmission System. In situations where the loading changes rapidly and/or the Generator cannot ramp down quickly enough, the Generating Facility may need to export small amounts of power for limited duration. The event of exporting uncompensated power for a short time is referred to as Inadvertent Export.

The following are the minimum requirements for Inadvertent Export systems. Other factors relevant to the interconnection study process (e.g. 15% screen results, short circuit current ratio, etc.) may necessitate additional technical requirements (e.g. reclose block, transfer trip, ground bank, etc.) that are not explicitly noted here. Inadvertent Export may not be available for interconnections to Networked Secondary Systems.

1. For Inadvertent Export interconnection requests, additional Protective Functions and equipment to detect Distribution or Transmission System faults (per Distribution Provider's standard practices) may be required over and above the basic Protective Functions and equipment associated with the four options in the Export Screen. Protective Functions may include, but are not limited to, directional overcurrent/voltage-restraint overcurrent Protective Functions for line-to-line fault detection and overcurrent/overvoltage Protective Functions for line-to-ground detection. The addition of a ground bank or ground detector may also be necessary.

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- M. INADVERTENT EXPORT (Cont'd.) (L)
2. The effect on equipment ratings can be mitigated by limiting the amount of inadvertent export allowed. To a large degree, Voltage Regulation may be similarly handled. The amount of Inadvertent Export is dependent on specific Distribution Provider requirements and should be limited to the lesser of the following values:
 - a. 50% of the Generating Facility Capacity, or
 - b. 10% of the continuous conductor rating in watts at 0.9 power factor for the lowest rated feeder conductor upstream of the GF (i.e. 200kW @ 12kV), or
 - c. 110% of the largest load block in the facility, or
 - d. 500kW or some other maximum level indicated by Distribution Provider
 3. In addition to the limits above, the following are required:
 - a. A reverse power Protective Function will be provided to trip the connected Generator(s) within two seconds if the proposed amount of Inadvertent Export is exceeded.
 - b. The frequency of Inadvertent Export occurrences should be less than two occurrences per 24-hour period.
 - c. A separate reverse power or underpower Protective Function will be required (in addition to the reverse power Protective Function described in 3a. above) to trip the connected Generator(s) if the duration of reverse power or underpower (i.e. ANY export) exceeds 60 seconds. (L)

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Mm. INADVERTENT EXPORT FOR INTERCONNECTION REQUESTS UTILIZING UL-1741 CERTIFIED OR SA LISTED GRID SUPPORT (NON-ISLANDING) INVERTERS (L)

The following are the minimum requirements for Inadvertent Export systems that meet the criteria specified below. Other factors relevant to the interconnection study process (e.g., 15% screen results, short circuit current ratio, etc.) may necessitate additional technical requirements (e.g., reclose block, transfer trip, ground bank, etc.) that are not explicitly noted here. Inadvertent Export may not be available for interconnections to Networked Secondary Systems.

The certified control functions internal to the inverter control or external control system may be used to replace the discrete reverse/under power relay functions described in Section M provided the requirements outlined below are met.

- 1) All of the following requirements must be met by the Generating Facility to qualify for Inadvertent Export under this Section.
 - a. The Generating Facility must utilize only UL-1741 certified or UL-1741 SA listed grid support non-islanding inverters; and,
 - b. The Generating Facility must have an aggregate maximum nameplate capacity of 500 kVA or less; and,
 - c. The Generating Facility's total energy export must not exceed its nameplate rating (kVA-gross) multiplied by 0.1 hours per day over a rolling 30-day period (e.g., for a 100 kVA-gross nameplate Generating Facility, the maximum energy allowed to be exported for a 30-day period is 300 kWh) ; and,
 - d. Export from the Generating Facility across the PCC to the Distribution System is less than 100 kVA. (L)

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ISLANDING) INVERTERS (Cont'd.)

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- 2) To govern the level of Inadvertent Export allowable under this Section, the Generating Facility must utilize a NRTL-certified control system or NRTL-certified inverter system that meets all of the following requirements.
 - a. Must result in the Generating Facility disconnecting from the Distribution System, ceasing to energize the Distribution System or halting energy production within two (2) seconds after either:
 - i. The period of continuous export exceeds 30 seconds;
 - or,
 - ii. The level of export exceeds 100 kVA.
 - b. Must monitor that the total energy export is maintained within the allowable energy export outlined above 1.c and provide an indication or notification (e.g., electronic, alarm) if that energy export limit is exceeded.
 - c. Failure of the of the control or inverter system for more than thirty (30) seconds, resulting from loss of control signal, loss of control power or a single component failure or related control sensing of the control circuitry, must result in the Generating Facility entering Non-Export operation where no energy is exported across to the PCC to the Distribution System.

Interim approval of the control or inverter system may be permitted upon mutual agreement of PG&E and the Producer.

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Mm. INADVERTENT EXPORT FOR INTERCONNECTION REQUESTS (L)
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3) Applicability of Engineering Review Screens.

Inadvertent Export systems that meet the requirements described herein are processed under Initial Review Screens A through J as described in Section H. If these systems fail Screen J, they then bypass Screens K and L and are processed under Screens M and M1 as described below.

Screen M: Is the aggregate Generating Facility capacity on the Line Section less than 15% of Line Section peak load for all line sections bound by automatic sectionalizing devices?

- If Yes (pass), Initial Review is complete.
- If No (fail), continue to Screen M1.

Screen M1: Is the aggregate of all distributed energy resources (DER) causing reverse power flow (1) at a line section with a voltage regulator device(s) or (2) at a protection device, including the circuit breaker / field recloser?*,**

- If No (pass), existing DER does not cause reverse power flow at (1) or (2) and Initial Review is complete.
- If Yes (fail), existing DER causes reverse power flow at (1) or (2); fail Initial Review and Supplemental Review is required.

* For the purposes of applying Screen M1 herein, Distribution Provider shall utilize a zero coincidence factor when considering the impact of other Inadvertent Export systems that meet the requirements of Section Mm (i.e., projects that qualify for Option 6 under Section G.1.i) such that those Inadvertent Export systems do not impact Screen M1's aggregate analysis determination for the individual Inadvertent Export project being evaluated.

** The presence of existing non-certified DER on the line section may require additional review to ensure safe and reliable grid operation.

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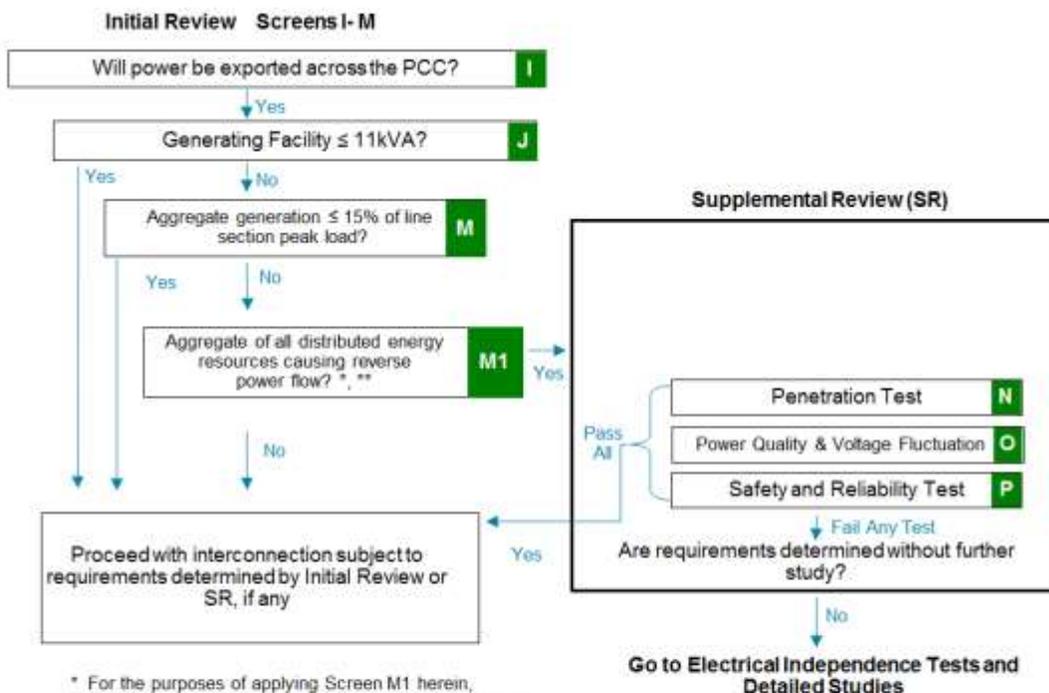
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3) Applicability of Engineering Review Screens. (Cont'd.)



* For the purposes of applying Screen M1 herein, Distribution Provider shall utilize a zero coincidence factor when considering the impact of other Inadvertent Export systems that meet with the requirements of Section Mm (i.e., projects that qualify for Option 6 under Section G 1.1) such that those Inadvertent Export systems do not impact Screen M1's aggregate analysis determination for the individual analysis determination for the individual Inadvertent Export project being evaluated.

** The presence of existing non-certified DER on the line section may require additional review to ensure safe and reliable grid operation.

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N. EXPEDITED INTERCONNECTION PROCESS FOR NON-EXPORT ENERGY STORAGE GENERATING FACILITIES (L)

Applicants with Interconnection Requests for Non-Export Energy Storage Generating Facilities who meet the requirements outlined below are eligible for expedited interconnection in accordance with the Fast Track Process technical review requirements of Section F.2.¹ Applicants with Non-Export AC/DC Converters that meet the requirements outlined in O. below are also eligible.

1. ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Applicants seeking to interconnect a Generating Facility under the provisions of this Section N must meet the following eligibility requirements.

- a. Applicant must electronically submit a completed Interconnection Request, including completing all application fields and submitting all supporting documentation necessary to facilitate the expedited review as required by Distribution Provider. Such documentation may include, but is not limited to, single line diagrams with specific details, manufacturer data sheets for proposed equipment, description of control systems, validation of the right to do business in the state, etc. Distribution Provider shall clearly communicate these requirements as part of the application process. Applicant shall select this process option in the Interconnection Request.
- b. Applicant's Generating Facility must meet the requirements outlined in Section N.2 below.
- c. Applicant's Interconnection Request must be eligible for and select the Fast Track Process.
- d. Applicant's Interconnection Request must pass Fast Track Initial Review and not require any Interconnection Facilities, Distribution Upgrades or Network Upgrades to remain eligible under this Section. As such, Interconnection Requests that select the Cost Envelope Option are not eligible.
- e. Applicants selecting this section shall use the corresponding interconnection agreement type provided for eligible Generating Facilities.

¹ In accordance with Advice 4941-E-A, the provisions provided for in Section N are being implemented under a pilot approach with a July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018 reporting period. As such, the provisions may be continued, modified and/or withdrawn as determined by the Commission

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O. Non-Export AC/DC CONVERTER ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

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Applicants with Non-Export AC/DC Converters who meet the eligibility criteria below qualify for the expedited interconnection process outlined in Section N of this Rule.

1. The Non-Export AC/DC Converter must have an aggregate maximum inverter nameplate rating of no greater than 500 kW. There is no limitation on an energy storage device's kWh capacity rating.
2. Applicant's Interconnection Request must be eligible for and select the Fast Track Process.
3. Applicant's Interconnection Request must pass Fast Track Initial Review and not require any Interconnection Facilities, Distribution Upgrades or Network Upgrades to remain eligible under this Section.
4. Applicants selecting this section shall use the corresponding interconnection agreement type provided for Non-Export AC/DC Converters eligible under this Section. As such, Interconnection Requests that select the Cost Envelope Option are not eligible.
5. Applicant's Non-Export AC/DC converter must meet the Certification requirements in the Section C Definition of "Non-Export AC/DC Converters".

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Appendix A Forms Associated with Rule 21 Generating Facility Interconnections			
Form Number	Title	Associated Tariffs	Use Guidance
Pre-Application Request			
79-1181	Rule 21 Pre-Application Report Request	Rule 21	For Generator Developer to request basic info about local distribution circuit
Study Agreement			
79-1162	Rule 21 Detailed Study Agreement	Rule 21	Independent Study and Distribution Group Study Process Study Agreement
NEM and Non-Export Interconnection Forms			
79-978	Interconnection Agreement for Net Energy Metering of Solar or Wind Electric Generating Facilities of 1,000 kW or Less, Other Than Facilities of 30 kW or Less	NEM, Rule 21	Solar and/or Wind > 30 kW and ≤ 1 MW expanded NEM used with Form 79-1174-02
79-978-02	Interconnection Agreement for Net Energy Metering (NEM2) of Solar or Wind Electric Generating Facilities of 1,000 Kilowatts or Less, Other than Facilities of 30 Kilowatts or Less	NEM2, Rule 21	Solar and/or Wind > 30 kW and ≤ 1 MW expanded NEM2 used with Form 79-1174-02
79-997	Interconnection Agreement for Net Energy Metering of Biogas Digester Generating Facilities	NEM, Rule 21	NEMBIO (Closed to new applicants), NEMBIOA Interconnection Agreement used with Form 79-1174
79-1010	Interconnection Agreement for Net Energy Metering of Fuel Cell Generating Facilities	NEM, Rule 21	NEMFC Interconnection Agreement used with Form 79-1174
79-1069	Generating facility Interconnection Agreement (Multiple Tariff)	NEM, Rule 21	NEMMT Interconnection Agreement used with Form 79-1174
79-1069-02	Generating Facility Interconnection Agreement (Multiple Tariff NEM2MT)	NEM2, Rule 21	NEM2MT Interconnection Agreement used with Form 79-1174-02
79-1109 ***	Virtual Net Energy Metering Application and Interconnection Agreement For The Building Owner of Multifamily Affordable Housing With A Solar Generating Facility of 1 Megawatt or Less	NEM, Rule 21	NEMV Interconnection Agreement used with Form 79-974

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NEM and Non-Export Interconnection Forms (Cont'd.)			
79-1109-02***	NEM2VMSH Virtual Net Energy Metering Application and Interconnection Agreement for the Building Owner of Multifamily Affordable Housing with a Solar Generating Facility of 1 Megawatt or Less	NEM2VMSH, Rule 21	NEM2VMSH Interconnection Agreement used with Form 79-1174-02
79-1151A	Net Energy Metering Interconnection for Solar And/or Wind Electric Generating Facilities Of 30 Kilowatts Or Less Agreement and Customer Authorization	NEM, Rule 21	NEMS Interconnection Agreement be used with 79-1151B Application
79-1151A-02	Agreement And Customer Authorization - Net Energy Metering (NEM2) Internconnection For Solar And/Or Wind Electric Generating Facilities Of 30 Kilowatts Or Less	NEM2, Rule 21	NEM2S Application to be used with 79-1151A Interconnection Agreement
79-1151B	Net Energy Metering Interconnection For Solar And/or Wind Electric Generating Facilities Of 30 Kilowatts Or Less Application	NEM, Rule 21	NEMS Application to be used with 79-1151A Interconnection Agreement
79-1151B-02	Application - Net Energy Metering (NEM2) Interconnection For Solar And/Or Wind Electric Generating Facilities Of 30 Kilowatts Or Less	NEM2, Rule 21	NEM2S Application to be used with 79-1151A-02 Interconnection Agreement
79-1124***	Eligible Low Income Development Virtual Net Energy Metering Application and Interconnection Agreement for Multifamily Affordable Housing with Solar Generation Totaling 1 Megawatt or Less	NEMVMASH, Rule 21	NEMVMASH Interconnection Agreement
79-1124-02***	Eligible Low Income Development Virtual Net Energy Metering (NEM2VMSH) Application and Interconnection Agreement for Multifamily Affordable Housing with Solar Generation Totaling 1 Megawatt or Less	NEM2VMSH, Rule 21	NEM2VMSH Interconnection Agreement
79-1131***	NEMV Application and Interconnection Agreement for a Solar (PV) or Wind Generating Facility of 1 MW or Less <i>Serving Multiple Tenants Served at a Single Property Delivery Point</i>	NEM, Rule 21	NEMV Interconnection Agreement
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79-1137-02	Interconnection Agreement for Net Energy Metering (NEM2/NEM2V) for a Renewable Electricity Generation Facility of 1,000 Kilowatts or Less, Except Solar or Wind	NEM2, NEM2V, Rule 21	NEM2V, NEM2EXP, NEM2EXPM Interconnection Agreement typically used with Forms 79-1174-02
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79-1136	PG&E Interconnection Agreement For an Existing Small Generating Facility Interconnecting to the Distribution System under Rule 21	Rule 21	Used for existing QFs with Form 79-974 (L)
79-1192	Interconnection Agreement for Non-Export Storage Generating Facilities 500KW or Less	Rule 21	Used for expedited interconnection of non-export energy storage, pursuant to Rule 21 Section N, PG&E AL 4941-E & E-A and D.16-06-052, & Attachment C, Section II.1
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79-1174	Rule 21 Generator Interconnection Application	NEM (NEMEXP, NEMMT and NEMA), NEMFC, NEMV, NEMVMASH, RES-BCT, Rule 21	Rule 21 customer interconnection application form for expanded net-energy metered (all NEM > 30 kw and all non-Solar/Wind NEM), NEMFC, NEMV, NEMVMASH, RES-BCT, and non-export and limited export Rule 21 generation. (Standard NEM for solar and/or wind ≤ 30 kw will continue to use the 79-1151B application.)
79-1174-02	Rule 21 Generator Interconnection Application	NEM2 (NEM2EXP, NEM2MT and NEM2A), NEMFC, NEM2V, NEM2VMASH, RES-BCT, Rule 21	Rule 21 customer interconnection application form for expanded net-energy metered (all NEM2 > 30 kw and all non-Solar/Wind NEM), NEMFC, NEM2V, NEM2VMASH, RES-BCT, and non-export and limited export Rule 21 generation. (Standard NEM for solar and/or wind ≤ 30 kw will continue to use the 79-1151B application.)

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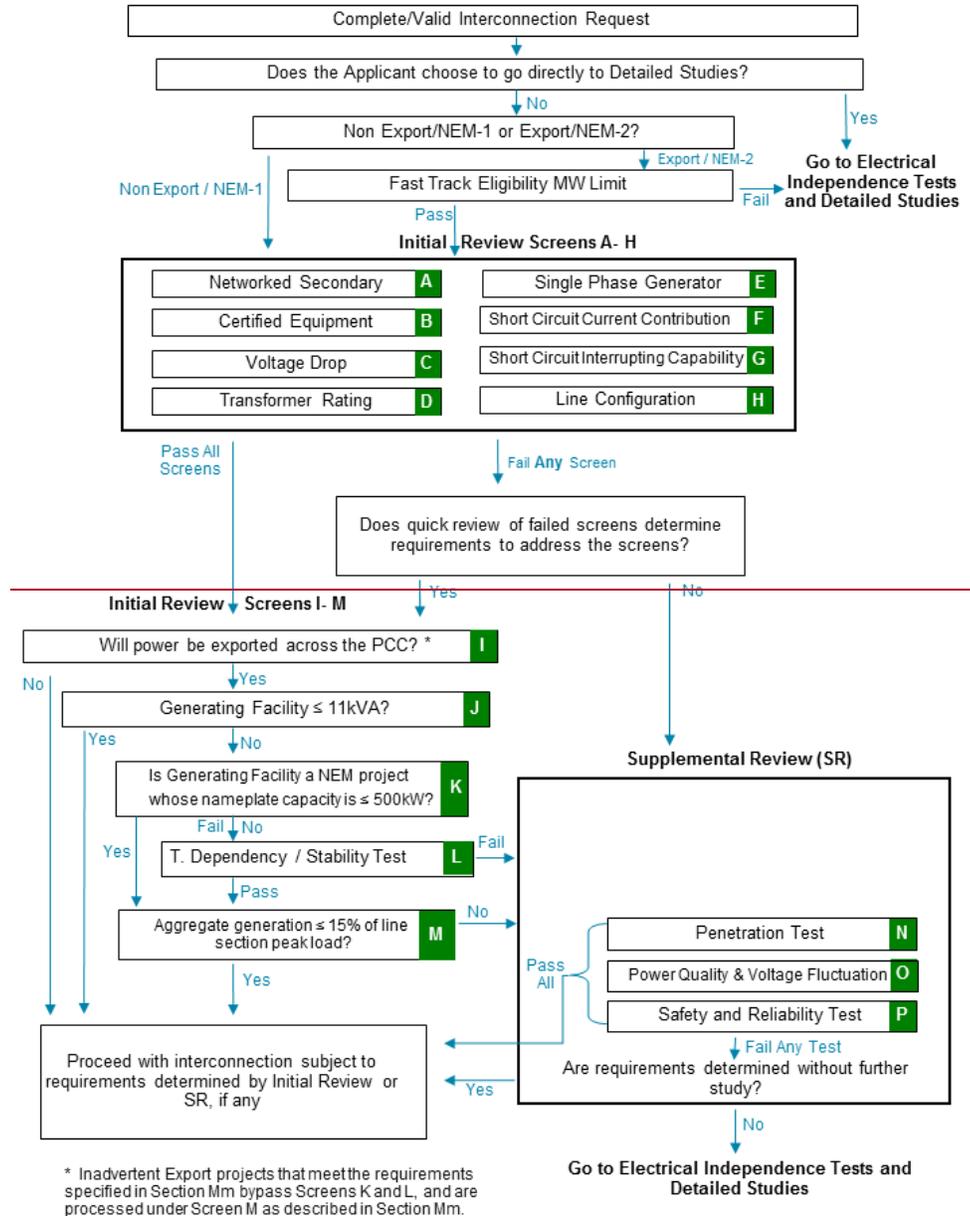


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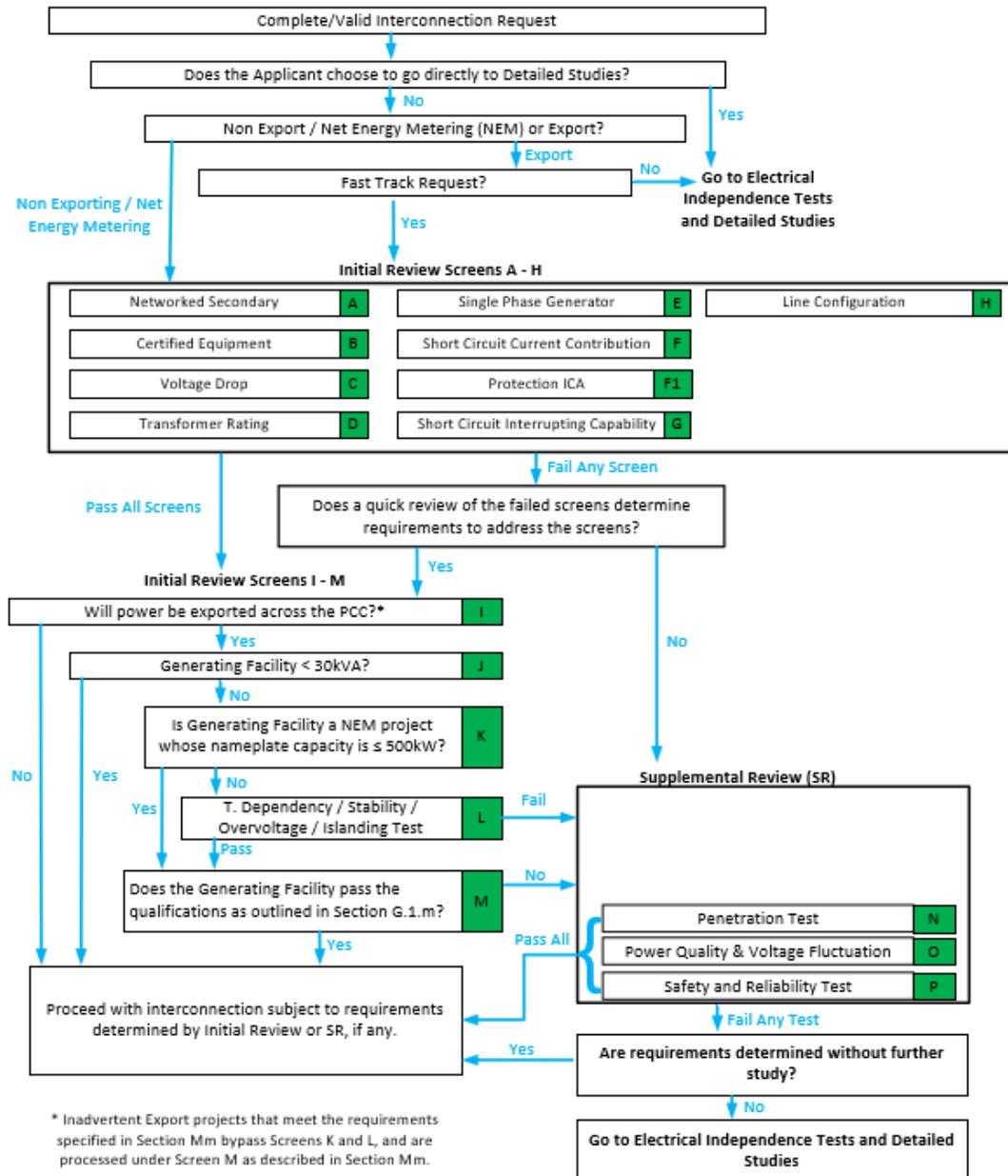
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* Inadvertent Export projects that meet the requirements specified in Section Mm bypass Screens K and L, and are processed under Screen M as described in Section Mm.

* Non-Export AC/DC Converter installations that have a complete and valid Interconnection Request will be eligible to bypass screens B through D and F through M.

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- e. Screen E: Does the Single-Phase Generator cause unacceptable imbalance? (Cont'd.)

Significance: Generating Facilities connected to a single-phase transformer with 120/240 V secondary voltage must be installed such that the aggregated gross output is as balanced as practicable between the two phases of the 240 volt service. When Distribution Provider's analysis determines a transformer change is required. Distribution Provider will furnish the customer with an explanation of why the change is needed.

- f. Screen F: Is the Short Circuit Current Contribution Ratio within acceptable limits?

- If Yes (pass), continue to Screen ~~G~~F1.
- If No (fail), continue to Screen ~~G~~F1 pursuant to Section G.1.

Note: This Screen does not apply to Generating Facilities with a Gross Rating of less than 4430 kVA ~~or less~~.

When measured at primary side (high side) of the Dedicated Distribution Transformer serving a Generating Facility, the sum of the Short Circuit Contribution Ratios of all Generating Facilities connected to Distribution Provider's Distribution System circuit that serves the Generating Facility must be less than or equal to 0.1.

Significance: If the Generating Facility passes this Screen, it can be expected that it will have no significant impact on Distribution Provider's Distribution System's short circuit duty, fault detection sensitivity, relay coordination or fuse-saving schemes.

Screen F1: Is the Short Circuit Current Contribution less than or equal to 1.2 per unit or is the generation project gross nameplate rating multiplied by its per unit contribution less than the ICA-SG value multiplied by 1.2 per unit?

- If Yes (Pass), continue to Screen G
- If No (Fail), continue to Screen G pursuant to Section G.1.

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Generating systems with less than or equal to 1.2 per unit short circuit contribution can reference the Integration Capacity Analysis value for meeting the reduction of reach Integration Capacity Analysis Protection Screen. For generating facilities exceeding the less than or equal to 1.2 per unit short circuit contribution, a utility would use the protection Integration Capacity Analysis value at the point of interconnection and the project specific per unit short circuit contribution to determine whether the facility passes Screen F1.

Significance: If the Generating Facility passes this Screen, it can be expected that it will have no significant impact on Protection Reduction of Reach. The Generating Facility will have no significant impact on Distribution Provider's Distribution System's short circuit duty, fault detection sensitivity, relay coordination or fuse-saving schemes.

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G. ENGINEERING REVIEW DETAILS (Cont'd.)

1. INITIAL REVIEW SCREENS (Cont'd.)

g. Screen G: Is the Short Circuit Interrupting Capability Exceeded?

Does the proposed Generating Facility, in aggregate with other Generating Facilities on the distribution circuit, cause any distribution protective devices and equipment (including, but not limited to, substation breakers, fuse cutouts, and line reclosers), or Interconnection Request equipment on the system to exceed 87.5 % of the short circuit interrupting capability; or is the Interconnection proposed for a circuit that already exceeds 87.5 % of the short circuit interrupting capability?

- If Yes (fail) continue to Screen H pursuant to Section G.1.
- If No (pass), continue to Screen H

Note: This Screen does not apply to Generating Facilities with a Gross Rating of less than 1130 kVA ~~or less~~.

Significance: If the Generating Facility passes this screen, it can be expected that it will not cause any of Distribution Provider's equipment to be overstressed.

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1. INITIAL REVIEW SCREENS (Cont'd.)

h. Screen H: Is the line configuration compatible with the Interconnection type?

- If Yes (pass), continue to Screen I.
- If No (fail), continue to Screen I pursuant to Section G.1.

Note: This Screen does not apply to Generating Facilities with a Gross Rating of less than 11-30 kVA or less.

Line Configuration Screen: Identify primary distribution line configuration that will serve the Generating Facility. Based on the type of Interconnection to be used for the Generating Facility, determine from Table G.1 if the proposed Generating Facility passes the Screen.

Table G-1
Type of Interconnection

Primary Distribution Line Type Configuration	Type of Interconnection to be made to Primary Distribution Line	Result/Criteria
Three-phase, three-wire	Any type	Pass Screen
Three-phase, four-wire	Single-phase, line-to-neutral	Pass Screen
Three-phase, four-wire (For any line that has such a section OR mixed three-wire & four-wire)	All others	To pass, aggregate Generating Facility nameplate rating must be less than or equal to 10% of Line Section peak load

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G. ENGINEERING REVIEW DETAILS (Cont'd.)

1. INITIAL REVIEW SCREENS (Cont'd.)

j. Screen J: Is the Gross Rating of the Generating Facility less than 44
30 kVA ~~or less~~?

- If Yes (pass), skip Screens K, L and M; Initial Review is complete.
- If No (fail), continue to Screen K.ⁱ

Significance: The Generating Facility will have a minimal impact on fault current levels and any potential line overvoltages from loss of Distribution Provider's Distribution System neutral grounding.

k. Screen K: Is the Generating Facility a Net Energy Metering (NEM) Generating Facility with nameplate capacity less than or equal to 500 kW?

- If Yes (pass), skip screen L and continue to screen M.
- If No (fail), continue to screen L.

Significance: The purpose of this Screen is solely to facilitate interconnection of NEM facilities below this size threshold by allowing such facilities to bypass Screen M. The use of nameplate capacity expedites the Initial Review analysis. In Supplemental Review, the net export will be analyzed.

ⁱ Inadvertent Export systems that meet the requirements specified in Section Mm bypass Screens K and L, and are processed under Screen M as described in Section Mm.

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G. ENGINEERING REVIEW DETAILS (Cont'd.)

1. INITIAL REVIEW SCREENS (Cont'd.)

I. Screen L: Transmission Dependency, Stability, and Transmission Stability Overvoltage and Islanding Tests

Is the Interconnection Request for an area where:

- (i) there are known, or posted, transient stability limitations, or
- (ii) the proposed Generating Facility has interdependencies, known to Distribution Provider, with earlier-queued Transmission System interconnection requests, or
- (iii) there is potential for transmission islanding, or
- (iv) there is potential for transmission Ground Fault Overvoltage (GFOV) due to lack of effective grounding.

Where (i) or (ii) or (iii) or (iv) above are met, the impacts of this Interconnection Request to the Transmission System may require Detailed Study.

- If Yes (fail), Supplemental Review is required.
- If No (pass), continue to Screen M.

Significance: Special consideration must be given to those areas identified as having current or future (due to currently-queued interconnection requests) grid stability concerns.

PG&E will temporarily apply anti-islanding tests until the resolution of Issue 18* R. 17.-07-007 Working Group Four in made effective in PG&E's tariffs.

m. Screen M:

When ICA information is available at the requested point of interconnection, Screen M should be evaluated in accordance with nameplate or typical PV output profile.

For Interconnection requests based on nameplate capacity:

- a) Is the Interconnection request aggregate nameplate capacity greater than 90% of the lower value in the ICA-SG 576 profile?

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or

b) Is the Interconnection request aggregate nameplate capacity greater than 90% of the lower value in the ICA-OF 576 profile?

If the response is “yes” to either a) or b), screen M fails, and the project must be evaluated under the Supplemental Review or Detailed Study to determine mitigation requirements

For Interconnection requests based on typical PV output profile

a) Is the Interconnection request real power production based on PV Watts or equivalent greater than 90% of the ICA-SG 576 value in any hour?

or

b) Is the Interconnection request real power production based on PV Watts or equivalent greater than 90% of the ICA-OF 576 value in any hour?

If the response is “yes” to either a) or b), screen M fails, and the project must be evaluated under the Supplemental Review or Detailed Study to determine mitigation requirements

When ICA information is not available at the requested point of interconnection, Screen M should be evaluated as follows:

Is the aggregate Generating Facility capacity on the Line Section less than 15% of Line Section peak load for all line sections bounded by automatic sectionalizing devices? ⁱⁱ

- If Yes (pass), Initial Review is complete.
- If No (fail), Supplemental Review is required.

Significance:

1. Low penetration of Generating Facility capacity will have a minimal impact on the operation and load restoration efforts of Distribution Provider’s Distribution System.

* Issue 18 is “Should the Commission adopt changes to anti-islanding screen parameters to reflect research on islanding risks when using UL 1741-certified inverters in order to avoid unnecessary mitigations? If yes, what should those changes entail?”

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- ii Inadvertent Export systems that meet the requirements specified in Section Mm are processed under Screen M as described in Section Mm.

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OnGrid Solar
Pacific Gas and Electric Company
Peninsula Clean Energy

Pioneer Community Energy

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