

REMC Solar Interconnection Process and Queue Positioning

Policy Key Points

Pre-Request Response (Inquiry only) Email or Phone response to a basic inquiry about solar connection. (Not assigned a queue position). There is no fee required for general email or phone response inquiries regarding general system information.

Pre-Application Report (Voluntary-Not required) Companies may request an inquiry that is a more detailed system analytical report from the cooperative. The cooperative may provide a written report of system parameters with a turnaround time of not more than 10 business days for a \$300 non-refundable fee. To continue forward a prospective interconnecting company must fill out the Interconnection Application. It is not implied that payment for this report establishes a queue position.

Fast Track Option for smaller Units For applicants not requiring a System Impact study the cooperative may offer a “Fast Track” Option

- Project developer must have proof of land control options.
- If the Generating Facility is 20 kW or smaller, the fee is \$100
- If the Generating Facility is larger than 20 kW but not larger than 100 kW, the fee is \$250.
- If the Generating Facility is larger than 100 kW but not larger than 2 MW, the fee is \$500.

Interconnection Request (Application)

- If the Interconnection Request is submitted under the Study Process, whether a new submission or an Interconnection Request that did not pass the Fast Track Process, the Interconnection Customer shall submit an Interconnection Facilities Deposit Charge of \$20,000 plus \$1.00 per kW_{AC}.
- A system queue position will be established based on the time and date the cooperative receives a Facilities deposit. Receipt of the deposit initiates the System Impact study.
- The original date and time stamp applied to the Interconnection Request Application Form shall be accepted as the qualifying date and timestamp for establishing queue position.
- System Impact Study- Once complete, interconnector has 60 days to sign interconnection agreement and pay estimated cooperative incurred project costs or project is withdrawn from queue. The project may continue to pursue an interconnect agreement.
- A project may reestablish position at any time if system capacity is available by paying estimated construction costs.
- If interconnection request is modified by the applicant, project is withdrawn from the queue and has to re-apply.