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NIAGARA MOHAWK POWER CORPORATION
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GENERAL INFORMATION

53. STANDARDIZED INTERCONNECTION REQUIREMENTS AND APPLICATION PROCESS FOR NEW DISTRIBUTED GENERATORS 2 MW OR LESS CONNECTED IN PARALLEL TO UTILITY DISTRIBUTION SYSTEMS (Continued)

STEP 6: Utility Completes the CESIR

The CESIR will consist of two parts:

- (1) a review of the impacts to the utility system associated with the interconnection of the proposed system, and
- (2) a review of the proposed system's compliance with the applicable criteria set forth below.

A CESIR will be performed by the utility to determine if the proposed generation on the circuit results in any relay coordination, fault current, and/or voltage regulation problems. A full CESIR may not be needed if the aggregate generation is less than: 50 kW on a single-phase branch of a radial distribution circuit; or 150 kW on a single distribution feeder.

The CESIR shall be completed within sixty (60) business days of receipt of the information set forth in Step 5. For systems utilizing type-tested equipment, the time required to complete the CESIR may be reduced.

Upon completion of the CESIR, the utility will provide the following, in writing, to the applicant:

- (1) utility system impacts, if any;
- (2) notification of whether the proposed system meets the applicable criteria considered in the CESIR process;
- (3) if applicable, a description of where the proposed system is not in compliance with these requirements;
- (4) Subject to subsections (a) through (d) below, a good faith, detailed estimate of the total cost of completion of the interconnection of the proposed system and/or a statement of cost responsibility for a dedicated transformer(s) or other required interconnection equipment:

(a) with respect to an applicant that is not to be net-metered, an estimate shall be provided and shall include the costs associated with any required modifications to the utility system, administration, metering, and on-site verification testing;

(b) with respect to an applicant that is to be net-metered and that is either a Farm Wind or Non-Residential Wind applicant intending to install wind electric generating equipment with a rated capacity of more than 25 kW, an estimate shall be provided and (i) shall include the costs associated with any required modifications to the utility system, administration, metering, and on-site verification testing, and such applicant shall be informed that it is responsible for one-half of such costs, and (ii) shall include the applicant's responsibility for the actual cost of installing any dedicated transformer(s) and other safety equipment up to the maximum set forth in subsection (d) below;

(c) with respect to an applicant that is to be net-metered (but not a Farm Wind or Non-Residential Wind applicant covered in subsection (b) above) such applicant shall have no responsibility for the interconnection costs described in subsection (b)(i) above, and a statement shall be provided showing the applicant's responsibility for the actual cost of installing any dedicated transformer(s) and other safety equipment up to the maximum set forth in subsection (d) below and;

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