DISTRIBUTED ENERGY RESOURCES – TERM SHEET

(Working document)

Term	Definition / description	General term Order 2222 PJM defined
Distributed Energy Resource (DER)	"any resource located on the distribution system, any subsystem thereof or behind a customer meter."	
	These resources may include, but are not limited to, resources that are in front of and behind the customer meter, electric storage resources, intermittent generation, distributed generation, demand response, energy efficiency, thermal storage, and electric vehicles and their supply equipment	
Distributed Energy Resource Aggregator (DERA)	"the entity that aggregates one or more distributed energy resources for purposes of participation in the capacity, energy and/or ancillary service markets of the regional transmission organizations and/or independent system operators."	
Distributed energy resource	Any generation or electric energy storage resource connected to the distribution system and/or behind a load meter.	
	Used in past stakeholder proceedings; commonly used term by PJM staff	
Behind the meter	Common industry term for distributed energy resources, usually but not always used to indicate that a resource is physically located on the customer's side of a load meter. PJM staff tends to use this term to refer to resources that do not participate in PJM markets. This term can be confusing and it's recommended to use a more specific, or defined, term.	
Behind a customer's meter	More specific way of describing the physical location of a particular distributed energy resource.	
Behind the Meter Generation (BTMG)	"Behind The Meter Generation" shall refer to a generation unit that delivers energy to load without using the Transmission System or any distribution facilities (unless the entity that owns or leases the distribution facilities has consented to such use of the distribution facilities and such consent has been demonstrated to the satisfaction of the Office of the Interconnection); provided, however, that Behind The Meter Generation does not include (i) at any time, any portion of such generating unit's capacity that is designated as a Generation Capacity Resource; or (ii) in an hour, any portion of the output of such generating unit that is sold to another entity for consumption at another electrical location or into the PJM Interchange Energy Market. (PJM OATT)	

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