



Expedited Interconnection Track Procedures

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This proposed Expedited Interconnection Track (EIT) would be stand-alone outside of the PJM Cycle Process and operate in parallel to the Cycle Process.

- Allows a path for requests supported by a Primary Siting Authority for new and uprate generation.
- Capacity Resource status must be requested with the application along with Capacity Interconnection Rights relevant to the fuel type being interconnected.
- Expedited timing allows shovel-ready resources to execute GIA sooner and address resource adequacy issues that could not be achieved in the standard process.
- The EIT process will sunset at the end of 2027.



- **Point of Interconnection (POI)** – must be interconnecting to the Transmission Owner’s system of which the relevant state is supporting the project
- **MW Requirements** – EIT request must include a resource that is 250 MW UCAP or greater as defined by the most recently published ELCC forward-looking accreditation values.
- **EIT Resource Fuel Type** – all fuel types eligible, including storage
- **Readiness Deposit** – \$15k/MW
- **Study Deposit** – \$500k
- **Site Control** – 100% of Generating Facility, Interconnection Facilities and Interconnection Switchyard for a 3-year term

- **Official notice** from the relevant Primary Siting Authority supportive of the project timing is required.
- **Critical Path Construction Schedule Package** – will include the following:
 - Schedule showing that the EIT Project will achieve commercial operation within 36 months of the date of the EIT Request
 - Officer attestation verifying the accuracy of the schedule
 - Independent engineer certification that the schedule is feasible
- **Effective ISA or GIA** is required for EIT Projects that are uprates.

Application Phase (60 days)

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Submit EIT Application 2. Notice of Support from Primary Siting Authority 3. Study Deposit – \$500K nonrefundable 4. Readiness Deposit - \$15K/MW | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 5. All Site Control Requirements, including generating facilities and interconnection facilities for a 3-year term 6. Project Data, including all relevant models | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 7. PJM performs application review and confirms eligibility requirements met 8. Deficiency review period 9. PJM assigns EIT Request # 10. Scoping meeting with PJM, Project Developer, TO |
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Impact Study Phase (180 days)

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. PJM runs any needed thermal/voltage, short circuit, stability analyses. Transmission Owner identifies planning level estimates for the interconnection facilities. | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. Use Cycle Phase 2 or Phase 3 study models. | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. If any reliability criteria is violated, Developer will receive a planning level estimate for the mitigation and be required to post 100% security. |
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Facilities Study is waived in this process due to the time constraints. Engineering for facilities is performed after the execution of the agreement.

PJM issues EIT Study report to Developer along with draft GIA.

GIA Negotiation Phase (60 days)

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Developer Decision: Post 100% Security in 30 days | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. PJM to review draft GIA comments, revise and reissue as appropriate | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. Execution of GIA |
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Total time: ~10 months

EIT Applications:

- Can be submitted to PJM at any time. There are no defined EIT application windows.
- Are prioritized in the order received by PJM.
- Applications are capped annually at 10 projects.

After the Application Phase:

- Absolutely no site control changes or other project changes such as Fuel Type, MW size, etc.
- Changes post-GIA execution will follow the existing Necessary Study process.
- EIT resource is responsible for 100% of all identified required Network Upgrades. No cost sharing with other EIT Projects or Cycle projects.
- Cost estimates for mitigations will be planning estimate level only.

Generator Interconnection Agreement Requirements for EIT requests:

- Commercial Operation milestone to be set no later than 36 months from the EIT application.
- Provisional Service request milestone will be required no later than 3 years from the EIT application in the event the Transmission System buildout will not be in place.

Post Agreement Execution:

- EIT Project agrees to waive the right to a one-year extension of its milestone dates described in section 6.5 of the GIA.
- Milestone dates may be modified through the milestone extension process described in Manual 14C, section 3.7.3.
- Readiness deposits refundable after Commercial Operation is achieved, otherwise they are forfeited back to the nonrefundable study deposit pool.

Jan. 16
Board Decisional Letter on
Critical Issue Fast Path –
Large Load Additions

Feb. 3
Post CIFP
Workshop – EIT
Page Turn

Feb. 20
Notice provided at
TOA-AC meeting

Q3–Q4 2025

January 2026

February 2026

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