

**Facilities Study Report**

**For**

**Physical Interconnection of**

**PJM Generation Interconnection Request**

**Project ID AG1-127**

**“Crego Rd 138 kV”**

Revision 2: December 2024

## **Introduction**

This Facilities Study has been prepared in accordance with the PJM Open Access Transmission Tariff Part VII. The Transmission Owner (TO) is ComEd.

### **A. Transmission Owner Facilities Study Summary**

#### **1. PROJECT DESCRIPTION**

The Project Developer has proposed a solar uprate to a planned/existing solar Generating Facility located in DeKalb County, Illinois with a designated PJM Project ID of AG1-127.

This project is an increase to the AF2-366 Red Maple Solar project and will share the same Point of Change in Ownership.

The AG1-127 project is a 95.1 MW uprate to the previous project. The total installed facilities will have a capability of 190 MW with 114.04 MW of this output being recognized by PJM as Capacity.

#### **2. POINT OF INTERCONNECTION (POI)**

The Generating Facility will expand the existing Red Maple Solar collector substation (completed via AF2-366) and interconnect with the ComEd transmission system via an existing direct connection into the TSS 189 Crego Road 138 kV substation (L18901).

The proposed generation interconnection is shown on the planning sketch in Attachment #1.

#### **3. POINT OF CHANGE IN OWNERSHIP**

The Point of Change in Ownership will be located at the first dead-end structure inside the TSS 189 Crego Road 138 kV interconnection substation fence line.

#### **4. SCOPE OF PROJECT DEVELOPER INTERCONNECTION FACILITIES**

Project Developer will design, build, own, operate and maintain the Project Developer Interconnection Facilities on Project Developer's side of the Point of Change in Ownership (PCO). This includes, but is not limited to:

- Main Power Transformer (s) (MPT), Generation step-up (GSU) transformer(s) or final transformation, as applicable.
- Circuit breakers and associated equipment located between the high side of the MPT(s) or GSU(s) and the Point of Change in Ownership
- Generator lead line from the Generating Facility to the Point of Change in Ownership
- Relay and protective equipment, telecommunications equipment, and Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) to comply with the TO's Applicable Technical Requirements and Standards

## **B. Transmission Owner Facilities Study Results**

The following is a description of the planned Transmission Owner facilities for the physical interconnection of the proposed AG1-127 project to ComEd's transmission system. These facilities shall be designed according to ComEd Applicable Technical Requirements and Standards. Once built, ComEd will own, operate, and maintain these Facilities.

### **1. TRANSMISSION OWNER INTERCONNECTION FACILITIES:**

The following facilities should be existing at TSS 189 Crego Road as a part of AF2-366:

- A 138 kV dead-end structure and foundation within the fence of the Interconnection Substation, to terminate the Project Developer's generator lead line.
- Line conductor from the dead-end structure to the bus position in the switchyard of the interconnection substation.
- A 138 kV line motor operated disconnect (MOD), and a set of revenue-metering.
- Standard GIC interface relaying package of either SEL-411L/SEL311L or dual SEL-411L for 87L line differential.

Project Developer to provide limiting Transmission Facility ratings for their portion of 345KV L18901, in accordance with NERC FAC-008, FERC Order 881 and PJM Operational requirements for normal and emergency ratings from -55F to 130F in 5F increments.

### **2. STAND ALONE NETWORK UPGRADES**

N/A

### **3. NETWORK UPGRADES**

N/A

### **4. OTHER SCOPE OF WORK**

- Review and update if required the AMI and Revenue metering equipment installed during the AF2-366 New Service Request Project at TSS 189 Crego Road.
- Review and reset L18901 relay settings when required after PRC-027 review at TSS189 and at AG1-127 Red Maple Solar.

- Project Developer to coordinate updated metering/breaker status data exchange with ComEd SCADA Engineering.

## 5. MILESTONE SCHEDULE FOR COMPLETION OF [TO] WORK

Facilities outlined in this report are estimated to take 18 months to construct, from the time the Generation Interconnection Agreement is fully executed. This schedule may be impacted by the timeline for procurement and installation of long lead items, the ability to obtain outages to construct and test the proposed facilities.

| Description     | Start month | Finish month |
|-----------------|-------------|--------------|
| Detailed Design | 1           | 5            |
| Permitting      | -           | -            |
| Construction    | 5           | 18           |

## 6. ASSUMPTIONS IN DEVELOPING SCOPE/COST/SCHEDULE

- This study is based on the Generation Interconnection Feasibility Study Report for PJM New Service Request Project AG1-127 dated January 2021. The steady-state voltage study for stability analysis will be performed by PJM during the Facility Phase. The PJM study could identify upgrades to the ComEd system that would become part of this project's scope of work.
- It is assumed that all associated network upgrades, are complete prior to this queue being placed in service. This includes the initial project for Red Maple Solar (AF2-366) and TSS 189 Crego Road.
- It is assumed that dual Single Mode Fiber cables, owned and maintained by Project Developer, are already in place for System 1 and System 2 Relays for 138kV L18901 between TSS 189 Crego Road and AG1-127 Red Maple Solar.
- This cost estimates assume that work will be performed during normal weekdays and with no overtime. Transmission line outages for construction have not been identified, but generally are available from September to May. These outages are controlled by PJM.
- Costs are based on 2024 rates and do not reflect a potential increase in Labor or Material costs after 2024.
- ComEd cost estimate is valid for six (6) months after Facilities Study release by PJM.
- The Project Developer will be responsible to request and bear the cost for relocation of existing transmission or distribution lines (including structures and other facilities) that may be required for transmission line crossings, the transport of any large equipment, such as turbines, rotors, turbine structures, cranes, etc. Formal submittal of this request to ComEd's TSO for ultimate review by PJM can be made 7 months prior to back feed

request date.

- Foundation design assumes typical soil conditions at locations and will be subject to change after soil boring tests.
- All upgrades to facilities included in this document will be required to meet latest ComEd standards.
- Upgrades are subject to change based on detailed design development.
- ComEd will complete pre-design and post construction survey for the transmission and substation upgrades, as required. This includes, but is not limited to, the LIDAR survey and video imaging for transmission lines. Costs associated with this are at the expense of the Project Developer. Pre-design survey must be completed prior to detailed engineering.
- This study assumes that there will be no additional right-of-way and/or easement work required.
- This Facilities Study is time dependent. If the project is not into construction within one year of the issuance, the study will be void and the project re-studied, requiring the completion of a new Facility Study.
- It is assumed that all associated network upgrades, as listed in the Phase 1 study, are complete prior to this queue being placed in service.

## **7. REVENUE METERING REQUIREMENTS**

All revenue metering needed for this interconnection project must meet the metering requirements stated in Appendix 2, section 8 of the AG1-127 GIA, and in PJM Manuals M01 and M14D. The details of applicable revenue metering requirements are given in the ComEd Interconnection Guidelines posted on PJM website.

The revenue metering will be installed on the Transmission Owner side of the Point of Change in Ownership will be installed, owned and maintained by Transmission Owner.

- **REVENUE METERING FOR PJM AND COMED**
  - The revenue meter measures the wholesale energy output (Hourly compensated net MWH and Hourly compensated net MVARH) of the Generating Facility.
  - The metering equipment, including revenue meter and CT/PT shall be installed, at Project Developer's expense, at the interconnection substation on ComEd side of the Point of Change in Ownership.
  - ComEd shall own, operate, maintain, inspect, and test all the metering equipment as set forth in 'Testing of Metering Equipment' section of the PJM Tariff, at the Project Developer's expense.
- **REAL-TIME METERING FOR PJM**
  - The Project Developer shall install, own, operate, maintain, inspect, and test real-time metering equipment to measure and transmit directly to PJM the real time MW, MVAR, voltage and status of electrical equipment such as circuit breakers and Motor Operated Disconnect switches, in conformance with the requirements listed in PJM Manuals M-01 and M-14D, at the Project Developer's expense.

- **RETAIL METERING FOR COMED**

- The AMI Meter measures the energy consumption by the Project Developer at transmission level and hence shall be designed to measure low MW flow.
- The metering equipment including AMI Meter and CT/PT shall be installed at the interconnection substation on ComEd side of the POI, at the Project Developer's expense.
- ComEd shall own, operate, maintain, inspect, and test all the metering equipment as set forth in the 'ComEd Interconnection Guidelines'.

## **8. LAND REQUIREMENTS FOR INTERCONNECTION SUBSTATION**

No additional easements, access rights, or temporary or permanent real property rights or acquisitions were identified as required for network upgrades to the ComEd system or for the project to interconnect at this location within this study. However, as further needs are assessed in detailed engineering, design and/or construction activities, if it is determined that there is a need for easements, access rights, or temporary or permanent real property rights or acquisitions, the developer is fully responsible for the costs to acquire these required land rights. Also, as necessary, the schedule will be adjusted accordingly to account for the necessary time to obtain these required land rights. All easements, access rights, or temporary or permanent real property rights or acquisitions shall comply with all ComEd requirements as detailed in "Land requirements for Interconnection Substations".

## **9. ENVIRONMENTAL AND PERMITTING**

No environmental concerns and/or permitting requirements were identified as needed by this study. However, should detailed engineering and design and/or construction activities identify the need for an environmental study and/or permit requirements, the developer is fully responsible for the costs related to any environmental study, any actions to address the identified environmental impacts and the permits. Also, the schedule will be adjusted accordingly to account for the necessary time to perform the environmental study, address the identified environmental impacts and to obtain the permits, if applicable. All environmental studies, actions to address environmental impacts and permit actions shall comply with all ComEd requirements as detailed in "ComEd Environmental Requirements for Third Party Developers", and with all local, city, county, state, and federal requirements.

C. APPENDICES

Attachment #1: Single line Diagram for the Physical Interconnection

