

**AEP Portion of  
Facilities Study Report  
For  
Physical Interconnection of  
PJM Generation Interconnection Request  
Project ID AH1-686  
"Hanging Rock 765 kV"**

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## Introduction

This Facilities Study has been prepared in accordance with the PJM Open Access Transmission Tariff Part VII, and, if applicable, the Application and Studies Agreement between the Project Developer and PJM Interconnection, LLC (PJM or Transmission Provider (TP)). The Transmission Owner (TO) is Appalachian Power Company to be abbreviated in the remainder of this report as APCO.

This Facility Study was performed to satisfy the Phase 2 Facility Study requirement of the PJM Tariff. The Facility Study is intended to provide scope, cost and schedule estimates for the project as currently defined and approved for Phase 2 study. In the event project changes are made during DP2 that impact this report, updates will be provided as part of the Phase 3 report. Following execution of the project's final agreement, this report will not be updated to account for other changes made as part of the agreement's modification clause and instead the scope change process will be followed.

### A. Transmission Owner Facilities Study Summary

#### 1. PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The Project Developer (PD) has proposed a Natural Gas uprate to a planned/existing Generating Facility located in Lawrence County, OH with a designated PJM Project ID of AH1-686.

This project is an increase to the existing AA2-137 project and will share the same Point of Change in Ownership.

The AH1-686 project is a 24.0 MW uprate (21.0 MW Capacity uprate) to the previous project. The total installed facilities will have a capability of 1364.0 MW with 111 MW of this output being recognized by PJM as Capacity.

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

The Generating Facility will interconnect with the American Electric Power (AEP) transmission system via a direct connection to the Hanging Rock 765 kV Station.

The proposed generation interconnection is shown on the single line diagram in Attachment #1.

#### 3. POINT OF CHANGE IN OWNERSHIP

The AH1-686 project is an uprate to the Project Developer's AA2-138 project and will share the same Point of Change in Ownership (PCO).

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

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

- 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 AH1-686 project to APCO transmission system. These facilities shall be designed according to APCO Applicable Technical Requirements and Standards. Once built, APCO will own, operate, and maintain these Facilities.

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

No scope applies.

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

No scope applies.

### **3. NETWORK UPGRADES**

APCO will tie the proposed AH1-686 765 kV project into the existing Hanging Rock 765 kV station by completing the following construction tasks:

- New dual fiber optic cable paths consisting of two (2) 0.1-mile segments of buried 96-count fiber optic cable, extending between the Hanging Rock 765 kV Station and the new IPP station, including terminations at the Point of Interconnection (POI) handhole.

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

- Installation of a revenue metering package, consisting of DM 51.04 ION 8650C primary meter and ION 8650A backup / PQ meter with meter plate, including connection of meters to the NC-LAN, provision of RTU-to-RTU serial-to-fiber communications with the customer, and replacement of existing 765 kV combination units with the specified new units.

## 5. MILESTONE SCHEDULES FOR COMPLETION OF AEP WORK

### 5.1. STANDARD OPTION

Facilities outlined in this report are estimated to take approximately 15 months to be functionally complete. This timeline begins at the PJM construction project kickoff meeting, after execution of the Generation Interconnection Agreement. This schedule is impacted by the timeline for procurement and installation of long lead items, the ability to obtain outages to construct and test the proposed facilities.

| <u>Activity</u>   | <u>Start Month</u> | <u>Finish Month</u> |
|-------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| Agreement Period* | 1                  | 2                   |
| Engineering       | 3                  | 15                  |
| Procurement       | N/A                | N/A                 |
| Construction      | N/A                | N/A                 |

**\*Day 1 will be determined at the PJM construction project kick off meeting.**

**Note - Scheduled Outages are contingent upon outage availability. Longer duration outages are not available during peak load periods.**

The above schedule is based on typical AEP construction timelines, long lead material availability, and common outage constraints which are subject to change during the tariff defined Final Agreement Negotiation Phase.

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

**Note -** Any materials purchased, or design decisions made by the Project Developer (relative to any facilities to be owned by AEP) prior to coordination with and approval by the executing AEP team (pursuant to an Engineering and Procurement or Generation Interconnection Agreement) are at the developer's risk and may not meet the specifications required for interconnection with the AEP transmission system.

### 6.1. SCOPE ASSUMPTIONS

- Equipment specifications (Breaker ratings, conductor size, etc.) are a result of the desktop functional scoping process observed while conducting this facilities study. These specifications are subject to change based on the results of the detailed scoping efforts that will take place post-interconnection or engineering and procurement agreements.
- Protection and Control (P&C) coordination with the Project Developer will be needed throughout the project. The Project Developer will be required to install an AEP-compatible line relaying protection panel at the collector substation using AEP standards to ensure relay coordination and adequate line protection. The AEP design team will ensure that the firmware at the collector station terminal matches the approved firmware at the AEP terminal. Failure to accept the cost of a matching line relay protection panel may change scoping.
- Scopes provided are based on a table-top process without the benefit of the results of site-specific engineering studies (e.g., soil borings, environmental survey, ground grid, etc.), unless otherwise provided by the Project Developer.

- The Project Developer will obtain, at its cost, all necessary provisions for the AEP direct connection facilities.
- The Project Developer will have their construction and required checkout completed prior to the start of the interconnection to the proposed AH1-686 765 kV station and any required testing outages.
- **The additional submetering scope provided assumes that a single submeter per transformer for each interconnection project will be sufficient to provide settlement data for an individually queued project.**
- **Additional submeters may be required depending on the Project Developer's final generation configuration.**

## 6.2. SCHEDULE ASSUMPTIONS

All transmission outages are subject to PJM and AEP Operations outage scheduling requirements.

Significant scope of work changes will impact the schedule.

The above schedule reflects only the work required to interconnect the AH1-686 project. The schedules regarding network upgrades associated with this project, if any, are detailed in the documentation related to the specific network upgrade.

Slippage by the Project Developer in executing the Generation Interconnection Agreement (GIA) does not equate to a "day for day" slippage in the scheduled back feed and in service dates. Depending on the time of year, planned outages, neighboring projects and maintenance of the grid, outage availability has the potential to shift by weeks or months depending on conditions at the time of the fully executed agreement.

## 6.3. ESTIMATE ASSUMPTIONS

Estimates provided are based on a table-top process without the benefit of the results of site-specific engineering studies (e.g., soil borings, environmental survey, ground grid, etc.), unless otherwise provided by the Project Developer.

## 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 AH1-686 GIA, and in PJM Manuals M01 and M14D. The details of applicable revenue metering requirements are provided in the "Connection Requirements for the AEP Transmission System" document, found at:

<https://www.aep.com/requiredpostings/AEPTransmissionStudies>

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

Any additional generation proposed behind an originating project's PCO that differs in either fuel type or corporate entity from the originating project will require the installation of additional submetering for both the originating project and the uprate for the purpose of settlement. Submetering will require additional space within the originating project's facilities. The meters, routers, Ethernet to fiber converters, and telecom switch will be procured and owned by AEP. The revenue quality instrument transformers, fiber-optic cable connecting the submeters, and any other

additional hardware for the required submetering will be procured, installed, owned, and maintained by the Project Developer.

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

Land requirements for the Interconnection Substation needed for this interconnection project must meet the requirements in the <https://www.aep.com/requiredpostings/AEPTransmissionStudies> posted on AEP website.

#### **9. APPLICABLE TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS AND STANDARDS**

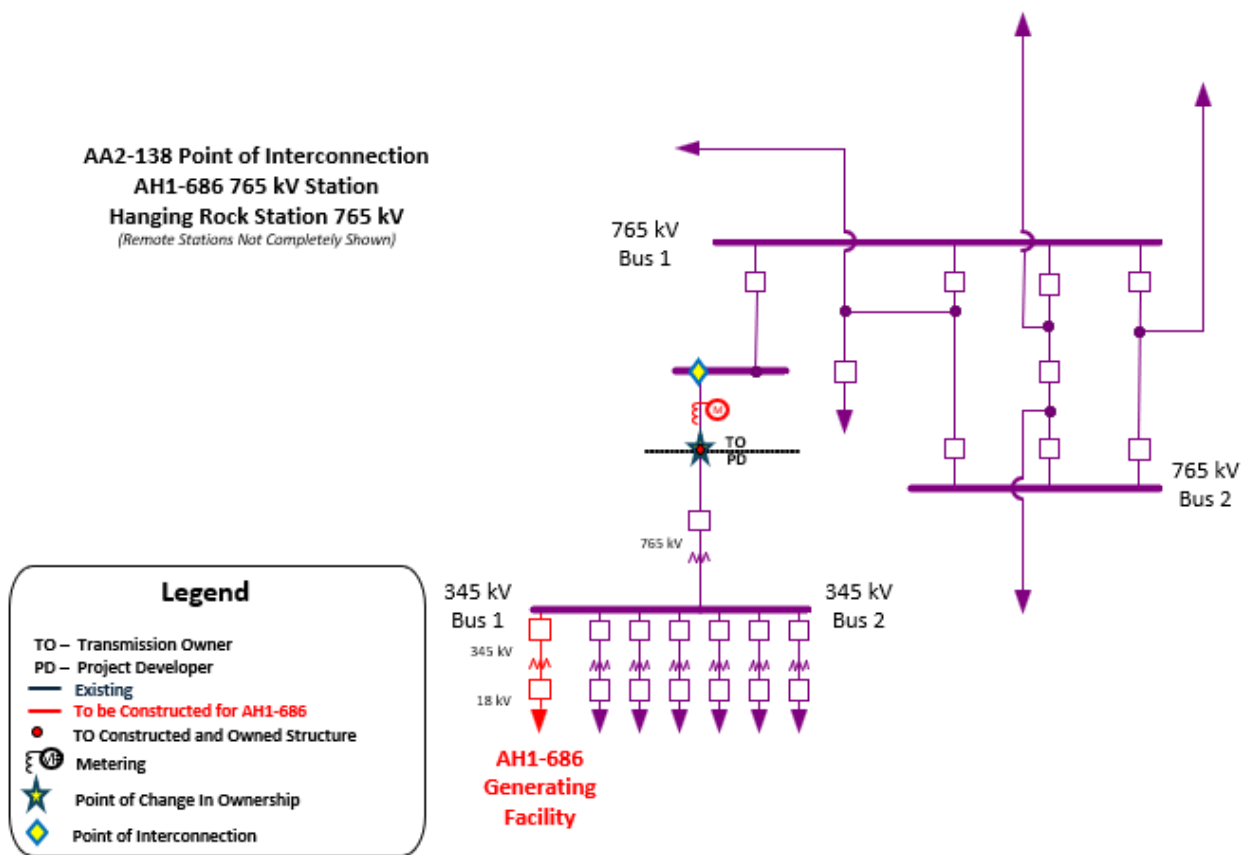
Applicable Technical Requirements and Standard: The [Connection Requirements for the AEP Transmission System](#) Rev 7 dated 12/31/2025 shall apply.

#### **10. ENVIRONMENTAL AND PERMITTING**

The Project Developer is expected to obtain, at its cost, all necessary permits and provisions for the facilities to be constructed for this interconnection. AEP requires that the standards provided in the "Standards and Expectations for Siting, Real Estate, Right-Of-Way, and Environmental Permitting for Transmission Interconnection Projects", found at: <https://www.aep.com/requiredpostings/AEPTransmissionStudies> be adhered to for all facilities interconnecting with the AEP transmission system.

## C APPENDICES

Attachment #1: Single Line Diagram for the Physical Interconnection



Attachment #2: Substation General Arrangement

