

# Generation Interconnection Feasibility Study Report for

Queue Project AE2-204

BOLIVAR 34.5 KV

9.3 MW Capacity / 19.3 MW Energy

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#### 1 Preface

The intent of the feasibility study is to determine a plan, with ballpark cost and construction time estimates, to connect the subject generation to the PJM network at a location specified by the Interconnection Customer. The Interconnection Customer may request the interconnection of generation as a capacity resource or as an energy-only resource. As a requirement for interconnection, the Interconnection Customer may be responsible for the cost of constructing: (1) Direct Connections, which are new facilities and/or facilities upgrades needed to connect the generator to the PJM network, and (2) Network Upgrades, which are facility additions, or upgrades to existing facilities, that are needed to maintain the reliability of the PJM system.

In some instances a generator interconnection may not be responsible for 100% of the identified network upgrade cost because other transmission network uses, e.g. another generation interconnection, may also contribute to the need for the same network reinforcement. Cost allocation rules for network upgrades can be found in PJM Manual 14A, Attachment B. The possibility of sharing the reinforcement costs with other projects may be identified in the feasibility study, but the actual allocation will be deferred until the impact study is performed.

The Interconnection Customer seeking to interconnect a wind or solar generation facility shall maintain meteorological data facilities as well as provide that meteorological data which is required per Schedule H to the Interconnection Service Agreement and Section 8 of Manual 14D.

PJM utilizes manufacturer models to ensure the performance of turbines is properly captured during the simulations performed for stability verification and, where applicable, for compliance with low voltage ride through requirements. Turbine manufacturers provide such models to their customers. The list of manufacturer models PJM has already validated is contained in Attachment B of Manual 14G. Manufacturer models may be updated from time to time, for various reasons such as to reflect changes to the control systems or to more accurately represent the capabilities turbines and controls which are currently available in the field. Additionally, as new turbine models are developed, turbine manufacturers provide such new models which must be used in the conduct of these studies. PJM needs adequate time to evaluate the new models in order to reduce delays to the System Impact Study process timeline for the Interconnection Customer as well as other Interconnection Customers in the study group. Therefore, PJM will require that any Interconnection Customer with a new manufacturer model must supply that model to PJM, along with a \$10,000 fully refundable deposit, no later than three (3) months prior to the starting date of the System Impact Study (See Section 4.3 for starting dates) for the Interconnection Request which shall specify the use of the new model. The Interconnection Customer will be required to submit a completed dynamic model study request form (Attachment B-1 of Manual 14G) in order to document the request for the study.

The Feasibility Study estimates do not include the feasibility, cost, or time required to obtain property rights and permits for construction of the required facilities. The project developer is responsible for the right of way, real estate, and construction permit issues. For properties currently owned by Transmission Owners, the costs may be included in the study.

#### 2 General

The Interconnection Customer (IC), has proposed a Solar generating facility located in Stark County, Ohio. The installed facilities will have a total capability of 19.3 MW with 9.3 MW of this output being recognized by PJM as Capacity. The proposed in-service date for this project is 5/31/2021. This study does not imply a TO commitment to this in-service date.

From the transmission perspective, no network impacts were identified, as detailed in the "Network Impacts" section below. However, the analysis performed in a Feasibility Study does not include evaluation by Protection and Control Engineering to determine whether the existing protection schemes will provide acceptable performance. A preliminary review may take place during the System Impact Study stage, but final evaluation usually occurs during the Facilities Study. Additional protection equipment may be required to provide adequate protection system performance.

Queue Number	AE2-204
Project Name	BOLIVAR 34.5 KV
State	Ohio
County	Stark
Transmission Owner	AEP
MFO	19.3
MWE	19.3
MWC	9.3
Fuel	Solar
Basecase Study Year	2022

#### 2.1 Point of Interconnection

AE2-204 will interconnect with the AEP-Ohio distribution system on the Bolivar 34.5kV circuit.

#### 2.2 Cost Summary

The AE2-204 project will be responsible for the following costs:

Description	Total Cost
Attachment Facilities	\$TBD*
Direct Connection Network Upgrade	\$TBD*
Non Direct Connection Network Upgrades	\$TBD*
Total Costs	\$TBD*

<sup>\*</sup>The Attachment, Direct, and Non-Direct connection network upgrades will be evaluated by AEP-Ohio once the Interconnection Customer submits a request to interconnect under the state jurisdictional Interconnection process.

Final attachment facilities and local upgrades (if required) along with terms and conditions to interconnect AE2-204 will be specified in a separate two party Interconnection Agreement (IA) between AEP-Ohio and the Interconnection Customer as this project is considered FERC non-jurisdictional per the PJM Open Access Transmission Tariff (OATT).

In addition, the AE2-204 project may be responsible for a contribution to the following costs

Description	Total Cost
System Upgrades	\$0

Cost allocations for these upgrades will be provided in the System Impact Study Report.

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## 3 Transmission Owner Scope of Work

#### 4 Attachment Facilities

The total preliminary cost estimate for the Attachment work is given in the table below. These costs do not include CIAC Tax Gross-up.

To be determined during the Impact Study Phase\*

## 5 Direct Connection Cost Estimate

The total preliminary cost estimate for the Direct Connection work is given in the table below. These costs do not include CIAC Tax Gross-up.

To be determined during the Impact Study Phase\*

#### **6** Non-Direct Connection Cost Estimate

The total preliminary cost estimate for the Non-Direct Connection work is given in the table below. These costs do not include CIAC Tax Gross-up.

To be determined during the Impact Study Phase\*

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## 7 Interconnection Customer Requirements

It is understood that the Interconnection Customer is responsible for all costs associated with this interconnection. The costs above are reimbursable to AEP. The cost of the Interconnection Customer's generating plant and the costs for the line connecting the generating plant to the AEP-Ohio Bolivar 34.5 kV feeder are not included in this report; these are assumed to be the Interconnection Customer's responsibility.

The Generation Interconnection Agreement does not in or by itself establish a requirement for American Electric Power to provide power for consumption at the developer's facilities. A separate agreement may be reached with the local utility that provides service in the area to ensure that infrastructure is in place to meet this demand and proper metering equipment is installed. It is the responsibility of the developer to contact the local service provider to determine if a local service agreement is required.

Requirement from the PJM Open Access Transmission Tariff:

- 1. An Interconnection Customer entering the New Services Queue on or after October 1, 2012 with a proposed new Customer Facility that has a Maximum Facility Output equal to or greater than 100 MW shall install and maintain, at its expense, phasor measurement units (PMUs). See Section 8.5.3 of Appendix 2 to the Interconnection Service Agreement as well as section 4.3 of PJM Manual 14D for additional information.
- 2. The Interconnection Customer may be required to install and/or pay for metering as necessary to properly track real time output of the facility as well as installing metering which shall be used for billing purposes. See Section 8 of Appendix 2 to the Interconnection Service Agreement as well as Section 4 of PJM Manual 14D for additional information.

## **8 Revenue Metering and SCADA Requirements**

## **8.1** PJM Requirements

The Interconnection Customer will be required to install equipment necessary to provide Revenue Metering (KWH, KVARH) and real time data (KW, KVAR) for IC's generating Resource. See PJM Manuals M-01 and M-14D, and PJM Tariff Section 8 of Attachment O.

#### **8.2** AEP Requirements

The Interconnection Customer will be required to comply with all AEP Revenue Metering Requirements for Generation Interconnection Customers. The Revenue Metering Requirements may be found within the "Requirements for Connection of New Facilities or Changes to Existing Facilities Connected to the AEP Transmission System" document located at the following link:

http://www.pjm.com/~/media/planning/plan-standards/private-aep/aep-interconnection-requirements.ashx

# 9 Network Impacts

The Queue Project AE2-204 was evaluated as a 19.3 MW (Capacity 9.3 MW) injection at the Bolivar 138kV substation in the AEP area. Project AE2-204 was evaluated for compliance with applicable reliability planning criteria (PJM, NERC, NERC Regional Reliability Councils, and Transmission Owners). Project AE2-204 was studied with a commercial probability of 53%. Potential network impacts were as follows:

**Summer Peak Load Flow** 

## 10 Generation Deliverability

(Single or N-1 contingencies for the Capacity portion only of the interconnection)

None

## 11 Multiple Facility Contingency

(Double Circuit Tower Line, Fault with a Stuck Breaker, and Bus Fault contingencies for the full energy output)

None

## 12 Contribution to Previously Identified Overloads

(This project contributes to the following contingency overloads, i.e. "Network Impacts", identified for earlier generation or transmission interconnection projects in the PJM Queue)

None

## 13 Potential Congestion due to Local Energy Deliverability

PJM also studied the delivery of the energy portion of this interconnection request. Any problems identified below are likely to result in operational restrictions to the project under study. The developer can proceed with network upgrades to eliminate the operational restriction at their discretion by submitting a Merchant Transmission Interconnection request.

Note: Only the most severely overloaded conditions are listed below. There is no guarantee of full delivery of energy for this project by fixing only the conditions listed in this section. With a Transmission Interconnection Request, a subsequent analysis will be performed which shall study all overload conditions associated with the overloaded element(s) identified.

None

# **14 System Reinforcements**

None

#### 15 Flow Gate Details

The following appendices contain additional information about each flowgate presented in the body of the report. For each appendix, a description of the flowgate and its contingency was included for convenience. However, the intent of the appendix section is to provide more information on which projects/generators have contributions to the flowgate in question. Although this information is not used "as is" for cost allocation purposes, it can be used to gage other generators impact. It should be noted the generator contributions presented in the appendices sections are full contributions, whereas in the body of the report, those contributions take into consideration the commercial probability of each project.

**Affected Systems** 

# **16 Affected Systems**

## 16.1 LG&E

LG&E Impacts to be determined during later study phases (as applicable).

## 16.2 MISO

MISO Impacts to be determined during later study phases (as applicable).

## 16.3 TVA

TVA Impacts to be determined during later study phases (as applicable).

## **16.4 Duke Energy Progress**

Duke Energy Progress Impacts to be determined during later study phases (as applicable).

#### **16.5 NYISO**

NYISO Impacts to be determined during later study phases (as applicable).

**Short Circuit** 

# **17 Short Circuit**

The following Breakers are overduty

None