



**Generation Interconnection
Impact Study Report
for
Queue Project AE2-104
SUFFOLK 115 KV
18.92 MW Capacity / 49 MW Energy
(Previously 19.7 MW Capacity / 51 MW Energy)**

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1 Introduction

This System Impact Study (SIS) has been prepared in accordance with the PJM Open Access Transmission Tariff, 205, as well as the Feasibility Study Agreement between Switchgrass Solar I, LLC, the Interconnection Customer (IC), and PJM Interconnection, LLC (PJM), Transmission Provider (TP). The Interconnected Transmission Owner (ITO) is Virginia Electric and Power Company (VEPCO).

2 Preface

The intent of the System Impact Study is to determine a plan, with approximate cost and construction time estimates, to connect the subject generation interconnection project to the PJM network at a location specified by the Interconnection Customer. As a requirement for interconnection, the Interconnection Customer may be responsible for the cost of constructing: Network Upgrades, which are facility additions, or upgrades to existing facilities, that are needed to maintain the reliability of the PJM system. All facilities required for interconnection of a generation interconnection project must be designed to meet the technical specifications (on PJM web site) for the appropriate transmission owner.

In some instances an Interconnection Customer may not be responsible for 100% of the identified network upgrade cost because other transmission network uses, e.g. another generation interconnection or merchant transmission upgrade, may also contribute to the need for the same network reinforcement. 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 System Impact Study is performed.

The System Impact 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.

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.

3 Summary Revision 1 – December 2021

This revision is being issued due to a re-tool performed.

4 Summary Revision 2 – February 2022

This AE2-104 System Impact Study has been revised to include the Stability Analysis and Reactive Power Assessment results.

The reactive power assessment for this project reveals that the project does not meet the reactive power requirements at the high side of the main transformer. The queue project, AE2-104, does not meet the 0.95 lagging power factor requirement. An additional 1.22 MVAR would be required for the plant to meet the 0.95 lagging power factor requirement. The plant did meet the 0.95 leading power factor requirement.

5 General

The Interconnection Customer (IC), has proposed a Solar generating facility located in Suffolk Virginia. The installed facilities will have a total capability of 49 MW (previously 51 MW) with 18.9 MW of this output being recognized by PJM as Capacity (previously 19.7 MW). The proposed in-service date for this project is 11/30/2021. This study does not imply a TO commitment to this in-service date.

Queue Number	AE2-104
Project Name	SUFFOLK 115 KV
Interconnection Customer	Switchgrass Solar I, LLC
State	Virginia
County	City of Suffolk
Transmission Owner	Dominion
MFO	49
MWE	49
MWC	18.9
Fuel	Solar
Basecase Study Year	2022

5.1 Point of Interconnection

AE2-104 “Suffolk 115 kV” will interconnect with the Dominion’s transmission system through the existing Suffolk 115 kV substation. This is the Point of Interconnection (POI) chose by the IC with the ITO’s transmission system. The IC is responsible for securing right-of-way, permits and constructing the proposed attachment line from the solar facility site to the proposed new switching station. Attachment 1 shows a one-line diagram of the proposed interconnection facilities. The IC may not install any facilities on Dominion’s right-of-way without first obtaining the necessary approval from Dominion Energy.

5.2 Cost Summary

The AE2-104 project will be responsible for the following costs:

Description	Total Cost
Attachment Facilities	\$ 1,700,000
Direct Connection Network Upgrade	\$ 3,600,000
Non Direct Connection Network Upgrades	\$ 0
Total Costs	\$ 5,300,000

In addition, the AE2-104 project may be responsible for a contribution to the following costs

Description	Total Cost
System Upgrades	\$ 0

Note: PJM Open Access Transmission Tariff (OATT) section 217.3A outline cost allocation rules. The rules are further clarified in PJM Manual 14A Attachment B. The allocation of costs for a network upgrade will start with the first Queue project to cause the need for the upgrade. Later queue projects will receive cost allocation contingent on their contribution to the violation and are allocated to the queues that have not closed less than 5 years following the execution of the first Interconnection Service Agreement which identifies the need for this upgrade.

6 Transmission Owner Scope of Work

Dominion assessed the impact of the proposed Queue Project AE2-104 was evaluated as a 18.9 MW Capacity (49.0 MW energy) injection at the Suffolk 115 kV substation in the Dominion Transmission System, for compliance with NERC Reliability Criteria on Dominion Transmission System. The system was assessed using the summer 2022 AE2 case provided to Dominion by PJM. When performing a generation analysis, Dominion's main analysis will be load flow study results under single contingency (both normal and stressed system conditions). Dominion Criteria considers a transmission facility overloaded if it exceeds 94% of its emergency rating under normal and stressed system conditions. A full listing of Dominion's Planning Criteria and interconnection requirements can be found in the Company's Facility Connection Requirements which are publicly available at: <http://www.dominionenergy.com>.

The results of these studies evaluate the system under a limited set of operating conditions and do not guarantee the full delivery of the capacity and associated energy of this proposed generation facility under all operating conditions. NERC Planning and Operating Reliability Criteria allow for the re-dispatch of generating units to resolve projected and actual deficiencies in real time and planning studies. Specifically in Planning Studies NERC Category C Contingency Conditions (Bus Fault, Tower Line, N-1-1, and Stuck Breaker scenarios) allow for re-dispatch of generating units to resolve potential reliability deficiencies. For Dominion Planning Criteria the re-dispatch of generating units for these contingency conditions is allowed as long as the projected loading does not exceed 100% of a facility Load Dump Rating.

The required Attachment Facilities, Direct Connection and Non-Direct Connection work for the interconnection of the AE2-104 generation project to the Dominion Transmission System is detailed in the following sections. The associated one-line with the generation project attachment facilities and primary direct and non-direct connection are shown in Attachment 1.

Note that the ITO findings were made from a conceptual review of this project. A more detailed review of the connection facilities and their cost will be identified in a future study phases. Further note that the cost estimate data contained in this document should be considered high level estimates since it was produced without a detailed engineering review. The applicant will be responsible for the actual cost of construction. ITO herein reserves the right to return to any issues in this document and, upon appropriate justification, request additional monies to complete any reinforcements to the transmission systems.

7 Attachment Facilities

Generation Substation: Install metering and associated protection equipment. Estimated Cost is \$500,000.

Transmission: Construct approximately one span of 115 kV Attachment line between the generation substation and the existing Suffolk 115 kV Switching Station. The estimated cost for this work is \$1,200,000.

The estimated total cost of the Attachment Facilities is \$1,700,000.

It is estimated to take 18-24 months to complete this work. These preliminary cost estimates are based on typical engineering costs. A more detailed engineering cost estimates are normally done when the IC provides an exact site plan location for the generation substation during the Facility Study phase. The total preliminary cost estimate for the Attachment work is given in the table below. These costs do not include CIAC Tax Gross-up.

Description	Total Cost
Substation	\$ 500,000
Transmission	\$ 1,200,000
Total Attachment Facility Costs	\$ 1,700,000

8 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.

Description	Total Cost
Two Breakers and Associated Equipment	\$ 2,000,000
Transmission (one span)	\$ 1,600,000
Total Direct Connection Facility Costs	\$ 3,600,000

9 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.

Description	Total Cost
Total Non-Direct Connection Facility Costs	\$0

Remote Terminal Work: During the Facilities Study, ITO's System Protection Engineering Department will review transmission line protection as well as anti-islanding required to accommodate the new generation and interconnection substation. System Protection Engineering will determine the minimal acceptable protection requirements to reliably interconnect the proposed generating facility with the transmission system. The review is based on maintaining system reliability by reviewing ITO's protection requirements with the known transmission system configuration which includes generating facilities in the area. This review may determine that transmission line protection and communication upgrades are required at remote substations.

10 Schedule

The schedule for the required Network Impact Reinforcements will be more clearly identified in future study phases. The estimate elapsed time to complete each of the required reinforcements is identified in the “System Reinforcements” section of the report.

11 Transmission Owner Analysis

11.1 Power Flow Analysis

PJM performed a power flow analysis of the transmission system using a 2022 summer peak load flow model and the results were verified by Dominion. Additionally, Dominion performed an analysis of its transmission system and no further deficiencies were identified.

11.2 Short Circuit Analysis

PJM performed a short circuit analysis and the results were verified by Dominion. The connection of AE2-104 project to the system does not result in any newly overdutied circuit breakers on the Dominion transmission system and does not have a significant fault current contribution to existing overdutied circuit breakers

11.3 Stability Analysis

PJM will complete a dynamic stability analysis as part of the Facilities Study. The results of this analysis will be reviewed by Dominion. Should stability concerns be identified in PJM's study, Dominion will develop appropriate system reinforcement(s) and included the estimated cost of any reinforcement(s) in Dominion's System Impact Study report.

12 Interconnection Customer Requirements

12.1 System Protection

The IC must design its Customer Facilities in accordance with all applicable standards, including the standards in Dominion's "Dominion Energy Electric Transmission Generator Interconnection Requirements" documented in Dominion's Facility Interconnection Requirements "Exhibit C" located at: <https://www.dominionenergy.com/company/moving-energy/electric-transmission-access>. Preliminary Protection requirements will be provided as part of the Facilities Study. Detailed Protection Requirements will be provided once the project enters the construction phase.

12.2 Compliance Issues and Interconnection Customer Requirements

The proposed Customer Facilities must be designed in accordance with Dominion's "Dominion's Facility Interconnection Requirements" document located at: <https://www.dominionenergy.com/company/moving-energy/electric-transmission-access>. In particular, the IC is responsible for the following:

1. The purchase and installation of a fully rated protection device (circuit breaker, circuit switcher, fuse) to protect the IC's GSU transformer(s).
2. The purchase and installation of the minimum required Dominion generation interconnection relaying and control facilities as described in the System Protection noted above. This includes over/under voltage protection, over/under frequency protection, and zero sequence voltage protection relays.
3. The purchase and installation of supervisory control and data acquisition ("SCADA") equipment to provide information in a compatible format to the Dominion Transmission System Control Center.
4. Compliance with the Dominion and PJM generator power factor and voltage control requirements.

The GSU(s) associated with the IC queue request shall meet the grounding requirements as noted in Dominion's "Dominion's Facility Interconnection Requirements" document located at: <https://www.dominionenergy.com/company/moving-energy/electric-transmission-access>.

The IC will also be required to meet all PJM, SERC, and NERC reliability criteria and operating procedures for standards compliance. For example, the IC will need to properly locate and report the over and under voltage and over and under frequency system protection elements for its units as well as the submission of the generator model and protection data required to satisfy the PJM and SERC audits. Failure to comply with these requirements may result in a disconnection of service if the violation is found to compromise the reliability of the Dominion system.

12.3 Power Factor Requirements

The IC shall design its non-synchronous Customer Facility with the ability to maintain a power factor of at least 0.95 leading (absorbing VARs) to 0.95 lagging (supplying VARs) measured at the high-side of the facility substation transformer(s) connected to the Dominion transmission system.

13 Revenue Metering and SCADA Requirements

13.1 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.

13.1.1 Meteorological Data Reporting Requirement

The solar generation facility shall provide the Transmission Provider with site-specific meteorological data including:

- Temperature (degrees Fahrenheit)
- Atmospheric pressure (hectopascals)
- Irradiance
- Forced outage data

13.2 Dominion Requirements

See Section 3.4.6 “Metering and Telecommunications” of Dominion’s “Dominion’s Facility Interconnection Requirements” document located at: <https://www.dominionenergy.com/company/moving-energy/electric-transmission-access>.

14 Network Impacts

The Queue Project AE2-104 was evaluated as a 49.0 MW (Capacity 18.9 MW) injection at the Suffolk 115 kV substation in the Dominion area. Project AE2-104 was evaluated for compliance with applicable reliability planning criteria (PJM, NERC, NERC Regional Reliability Councils, and Transmission Owners). Project AE2-104 was studied with a commercial probability of 100%. Potential network impacts were as follows:

Summer Peak Load Flow

14.1 Generation Deliverability

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

None

14.2 Multiple Facility Contingency

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

None

14.3 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

14.4 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

15 System Reinforcements

None

16 Flow Gate Details

The following indices 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.

None

Affected Systems

17 Affected Systems

17.1 TVA

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

17.2 Duke Energy Progress

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

18 Contingency Details

None

Short Circuit

19 Short Circuit

The following Breakers are overdutied:

None.

Stability

20 Stability Analysis

20.1 Executive Summary

Generator Interconnection Request AE2-104 is for a 49 MW photovoltaic (PV) solar generation plant consisting of 25 x 1.992 MW SMA SC 2200 PV inverters. AE2-104 has a Point of Interconnection (POI) connecting directly to the Suffolk Station 115 kV in Isle of Wight, Virginia, in the Dominion Virginia Power (DVP) transmission system.

The power flow scenario for the analysis was based on the RTEP 2022 summer peak case, modified to include applicable queue projects. AE2-104 has been dispatched online at maximum facility output, with approximately unity power factor at the high side of the station transformer.

AE2-104 was tested for compliance with NERC, PJM, Transmission Owner and other applicable criteria. For this study, 96 contingencies were simulated, each with a 20 second simulation time period. Studied faults included:

- Steady-state operation (20 second simulation)
- Three-phase faults with normal clearing time
- Single-phase faults with stuck breaker
- Single-phase faults placed at 80% of the line with delayed (Zone 2) clearing at remote line end because of primary communications/relaying failure
- Single-phase faults with loss of multiple circuits caused by a common tower contingency

The 96 fault contingencies tested on the 2022 summer peak case met the recovery criteria:

- The AE2-104 generator was able to ride through the faults except for faults where protective actions trip one or more generator(s).
- All generators maintained synchronism and any post-contingency oscillations are positively damped with a damping margin of at least 3%.
- All bus voltages recover to 0.7 p.u. within 2.5 seconds and the final voltages are within the steady-state voltage ranges below per DVP's transmission planning criteria.
 - P1 Category Contingencies:
 - 0.93 to 1.05 p.u. for 230, 115, 69 kV facilities
 - 0.93 to 1.03 p.u. for 138 kV facilities due to legacy switches
 - 1.01 to 1.096 p.u. for 500 kV facilities
 - P2, P4, P5, and P7 Category Contingencies:
 - 0.90 to 1.05 p.u. for 230, 138, 115, 69 kV facilities
 - 0.90 to 1.03 p.u. for 138 kV facilities due to legacy switches
 - 1.00 to 1.096 p.u. for 500 kV facilities
- No transmission element trips, other than those either directly connected or designated to trip as a consequence of the fault.

The AE2-104 queue project did not meet the 0.95 lagging power factor requirement. An additional 1.22 Mvar of reactive support is required to meet the 0.95 lagging power factor requirement. AE2-104 did meet the 0.95 leading power factor requirement.

21 Attachment 1

System Configuration



