

# Generation Interconnection Impact Study Report for

Queue Project AE2-182

BRIERY-CLOVER 230 KV

11.6 MW Capacity / 17 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 Impact Study Agreement between 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.

An Interconnection Customer 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.

## 3 Revision 1 (February 2022) Summary

The AE2-182 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, AE2-182, does not meet the 0.95 lagging power factor requirement. An additional 1.81 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.

#### 4 General

The Interconnection Customer (IC), has proposed a Solar generating facility located in Mecklenburg County, Virginia. The installed facilities will have a total capability of 17 MW with 11.6 MW of this output being recognized by PJM as Capacity. The proposed in-service date for this project is March 1, 2021. This study does not imply a TO commitment to this in-service date.

This project is an increase to the Interconnection Customer's AD1-088 project which will share the same point of interconnection.

Queue Number	AE2-182				
Project Name	BRIERY-CLOVER 230 KV				
Interconnection Customer	7 Bridges Solar, LLC				
State	None				
County	Mecklenburg				
Transmission Owner	Dominion				
MFO	122				
MWE	17				
MWC	11.6				
Fuel	Solar				
Basecase Study Year	2022				

#### 4.1 Point of Interconnection

AE2-182 will interconnect with the Dominion transmission system as an uprate to AD1-088 which will interconnect to the Briery to Clover 230 kV line through a new interconnection switchyard.

#### 4.2 Cost Summary

The interconnection facilities being constructed under the AD1-088 project are sufficient to support the AE2-182 project.

The AE2-182 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.

#### 5 Transmission Owner Scope of Work

Dominion assessed the impact of the proposed Queue Project AE2-182 was evaluated as a 11.6 MW Capacity (17.0 MW energy) injection at the AD1-088 230 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: <a href="http://www.dominionenergy.com">http://www.dominionenergy.com</a>.

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 AE2-182 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.

#### 6 Transmission Owner Analysis

#### **6.1** 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 additional reinforcements were found to be required.

## **6.2** Short Circuit Analysis

PJM performed a short circuit analysis and the results were verified by Dominion. The connection of AE2-182 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.

#### **6.3 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.

## 7 Interconnection Customer Requirements

#### 7.1 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.

## 7.2 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: <a href="https://www.dominionenergy.com/company/moving-energy/electric-transmission-access">https://www.dominionenergy.com/company/moving-energy/electric-transmission-access</a>. 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: <a href="https://www.dominionenergy.com/company/moving-energy/electric-transmission-access">https://www.dominionenergy.com/company/moving-energy/electric-transmission-access</a>.

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.

#### **7.3** 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.

## 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.

#### 8.1.1 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

#### **8.2** Dominion Requirements

See Section 3.4.6 "Metering and Telecommunications" of Dominion's "Dominion's Facility Interconnection Requirements" document located at: <a href="https://www.dominionenergy.com/company/moving-energy/electric-transmission-access">https://www.dominionenergy.com/company/moving-energy/electric-transmission-access</a>.

## 9 Network Impacts

The Queue Project AE2-182 was evaluated as a 17.0 MW (Capacity 11.6 MW) uprate to AD1-088 collector substation (Briery to Clover 230 kV line) in the Dominion area. Project AE2-182 was evaluated for compliance with applicable reliability planning criteria (PJM, NERC, NERC Regional Reliability Councils, and Transmission Owners). Project AE2-182 was studied with a commercial probability of 100%. 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.

ID	FROM BUS#	FROM BUS	kV	FRO M BUS AREA	TO BUS#	TO BUS	kV	TO BUS ARE A	CK T ID	CONT NAME	Туре	Ratin g MVA	PRE PROJECT LOADIN G %	POST PROJECT LOADIN G %	AC D C	MW IMPAC T
193971 2	31467 7	6BUCKIN G	230. 0	DVP	31474 7	6BREMO	230. 0	DVP	1	DVP_P1 -2: LN 556	operatio n	571.5 2	123.18	124.33	AC	6.76
193973 9	31469 2	6FARMVI L	230. 0	DVP	31467 7	6BUCKING	230. 0	DVP	1	DVP_P1 -2: LN 556	operatio n	559.3	121.37	122.54	AC	6.76
193967 1	31469 7	6SEDGE HILL	230. 0	DVP	92725 0	AC1-221 TAP	230. 0	DVP	1	DVP_P1 -2: LN 556	operatio n	674.9 2	122.55	123.62	AC	7.19
193963 4	92725 0	AC1-221 TAP	230. 0	DVP	30407 0	6PERSON23 0 T	230. 0	CPLE	1	DVP_P1 -2: LN 556	operatio n	718.0	127.63	128.61	AC	7.19

## **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.

## **15.1 Contingency Descriptions**

Contingency Name	Contingency Definition						
DVP_P1-2: LN 556	CONTINGENCY 'DVP_P1-2: LN 556'  OPEN BRANCH FROM BUS 314686 TO BUS 314906 CKT 1  OPEN BRANCH FROM BUS 314686 TO BUS 314906 CKT 2  OPEN BRANCH FROM BUS 314686 TO BUS 314906 CKT 3  OPEN BRANCH FROM BUS 314906 TO BUS 314936 CKT 1  500.00  OPEN BUS 314906 /* ISLAND: 8CLOV  OPEN BUS 314915 /* ISLAND: 8CLOV  END						

**Affected Systems** 

# **16 Affected Systems**

## **16.1 Duke Energy Progress**

No Duke Energy Progress impacts were identified as part of this study.

**Short Circuit** 

# **17 Short Circuit**

The following Breakers are overdutied:

None

**Stability Analysis** 

## **18 Stability Analysis**

To be complete as part of the Facilities Study.

#### **18.1 Executive Summary**

Generator Interconnection Request AE2-182 is for an increase in energy injection capability of the AD1-088 queue project. The AE2-182 uprate increased the Maximum Facility Output (MFO) of the plant from 105 MW to 122 MW. AE2-182 has a Point of Interconnection (POI) connecting to the transmission line between Briery and Clover 230 kV in Mecklenburg, 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. AE2-182 has been dispatched online at maximum facility output, with approximately unity power factor at the high side of the station transformer.

AE2-182 was tested for compliance with NERC, PJM, Transmission Owner and other applicable criteria. For this study, 64 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 a 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 64 fault contingencies tested on the 2022 summer peak case met the recovery criteria:

- The AE2-182 generators were 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, 138, 115, 69 kV facilities
    - 1.01 to 1.08 p.u. for 500 kV facilities
  - o P2, P4, P5, and P7 Category Contingencies:
    - 0.90 to 1.05 p.u. for 230, 138, 115, 69 kV facilities
    - 1.00 to 1.08 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 queue project, AE2-182, does not meet the 0.95 lagging power factor requirement. An additional 1.81 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.

## **Attachment 1**

## **System Configuration**

