Large Generator Interconnection FAQs

Transmission Interconnection & Service

01 **Are there any requirements I should be aware of before submitting an interconnection request?**

Yes. Grant PUD has prepared an **Interconnection Request Checklist** outlining the information and requirements needed when submitting an interconnection request.

02 **Does Grant PUD allow generation facilities to interconnect to its distribution system?**

No. Not under the Large Generator Interconnection Procedures (LGIP). Small generation could be allowed if it falls within the size threshold and criteria under the Small Generator Interconnection Process (SGIP). See **SGIP** for more information.

03 **What is the Interconnection Customer responsible for when connecting to Grant PUD's Transmission System?**

The Interconnection Customer is responsible for the facilities between its generation facility and the Point of Interconnection (POI). The interconnection studies will determine any additional facilities or network upgrades required and the associated costs.

04 **How much does it cost to construct a new transmission line?**

Grant PUD cannot provide an estimate of costs to build the line due to various factors including land costs, long lead time items, tariffs, and inflation.

05 **Can developers build transmission interconnection facilities and sell them to Grant PUD?**

No. Grant PUD is evaluating whether regulations would allow Grant PUD to own interconnection facilities built by another party. If Grant PUD changes this policy in the future, developers will be required to meet all regulations applicable to Grant PUD.

06 **Does Grant PUD allow retail wheeling directly to customers?**

No. Grant PUD does not have a policy that allows retail wheeling directly to customers within our service territory.

07 **Can a generation owner enter into a Power Purchase Agreement (PPA) with another party and obtain transmission service from Grant PUD through a wheeling agreement?**

Yes. Transmission service is separate from the Large Generator Interconnection Agreement (LGIA) and must be requested through Grant PUD's Open Access Same-Time Information System (OASIS).

08 What are the valid Points of Interconnection (POI) within Grant PUD's Transmission System?

A requested Point of Interconnection (POI) can be either a Grant PUD station or a transmission line.

09 Does Grant PUD provide templates for letters of credit, guarantees, or surety bonds?

No. Grant PUD does not provide templates for letters of credit or guarantees, and surety bonds are not accepted.

10 Are off-taker energy purchase/sales arrangements available at Grant PUD?

Power Purchase Agreement (PPA) discussions for the sale of energy to Grant PUD must be handled through Grant PUD's Merchant function. Transmission function staff cannot participate in these discussions under Grant PUD's Standards of Conduct (SOC) policy.

11 How much transmission capacity is available at a particular location?

We may be able to provide publicly available system information or preliminary guidance to help with site selection. However, available capacity cannot usually be confirmed based on a map or preliminary discussion alone. System conditions can change, and a formal interconnection study may be required to determine the impacts of your specific project. We recommend contacting us before making significant decisions based on an assumed point of interconnection.

12 Can I request a preliminary assessment before submitting a formal interconnection request?

If available, a preliminary assessment can provide early information about your proposed project and point of interconnection. It is important to remember that preliminary assessments are typically informational. They do not reserve capacity, establish a queue position, guarantee interconnection, or replace the studies required under the applicable interconnection process.

13 Can other files or documentation be submitted in support of the requested data contained in the interconnection application or applicable Attachments?

Yes. Applicants may supply Application, **Attachment A** and **Attachment B** data by providing equivalent technical data through original equipment manufacturer data sheets, power-flow models, dynamic models, and equipment specifications. Include reference to supporting document files uploaded via the **Secure File Transfer Protocol (SFTP)** site. Grant PUD reserves the right to request additional information necessary to complete interconnection studies.

Battery Energy Storage System (BESS)

01 **Can a stand-alone BESS be charged from Grant PUD's electrical system?**

No. Grant PUD does not currently offer a service, rate, or policy that allows a stand-alone BESS to be charged directly from Grant PUD's electrical system.

02 **How can a stand-alone BESS located on the Grant PUD transmission system be charged?**

The BESS owner must secure a power supply from a third-party source outside of Grant PUD and obtain the necessary transmission service rights through Grant PUD to deliver that energy to the project's Point of Interconnection (POI).

03 **Can Grant PUD deliver energy to my BESS project?**

Potentially. The ability to deliver energy to a BESS project depends on the project's location, the amount of energy requested, and the results of the applicable transmission studies. Grant PUD will evaluate each request through its Cluster Study process.

04 **Can Grant PUD determine whether energy can be delivered to my BESS project before the Cluster Study process is completed?**

In some cases, yes. If Grant PUD can readily determine that the requested service cannot be accommodated at the proposed Point of Interconnection (POI), the application may be withdrawn from the Cluster Study process, and applicable study fees will be refunded in accordance with Grant PUD's procedures.

05 **Could Grant PUD establish a BESS charging policy and rate before the Cluster Study process is complete?**

It is possible; however, there is no commitment or guarantee that a BESS charging policy or corresponding rate will be developed or approved before the Cluster Study process concludes.