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Interconnection Guidance FAQs

1. What is the purpose of Interconnection Guidance (ICG)?

To assist developers and customers in determining the feasibility of installing Distributed Energy Resources (DER) on the Georgia Power system.

2. What size solar facilities can be studied?

Interconnection Guidance is offered for projects sized up to 6 MW AC and distribution connected.

3. What size storage device can be studied?

The minimum Storage Device (SD) capacity is 50% up to 100% of the solar capacity with a maximum of 6 MW AC. An additional requirement is that it must be paired with solar and cannot be standalone.

4. What is the Point of Interconnection (POI)?

The unique physical point at which the DER facility is interconnected to the Georgia Power distribution circuit. Note: Projects that include SDs must maintain one POI.

5. If I participate in Interconnection Guidance, is my project guaranteed to be selected for a future program? Or is my project going to be placed on an interconnection queue?

No – Applicants are provided this optional guidance solely for information and convenience.

6. If I participate in Interconnection Guidance and my project is selected for a program, is the project required to complete additional interconnection studies?

Yes – Interconnection Guidance is based on the connected load and generation on the system at the time the Interconnection Guidance is delivered. The available capacity on a distribution circuit may change when the project is evaluated for program participation.

7. Can I choose which circuit I want studied at the site if multiple Georgia Power circuits are in the area?

No – Georgia Power's Interconnection Guidance results will include the closest circuit to the POI that was indicated in the initial Interconnection Guidance application request.



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8. If my project is reviewed and does not pass a transmission evaluation, will I be offered a refund?

- If a Tier 1 Guidance is selected, a refund will not be issued as the associated costs are used to cover the time and resources necessary to deliver the Tier 1 evaluation.
- If a Tier 2 or Tier 3 Guidance is selected and a Renewable Resource Capacity resize of 1MW or above is available to pass the transmission evaluation, a refund will not be issued, and the guidance study will move forward with the reduced size. If the available Renewable Resource Capacity resize to pass the transmission evaluation is less than 1 MW, a refund will be issued at the payment amount minus the Tier 1 Guidance fee.

9. What does it mean if the results show that the project requires transmission upgrades, and it does not pass a transmission evaluation?

The Distributed Generation programs are developed so that transmission upgrades will disqualify a project from moving forward. This is due to associated costs and timelines around transmission system upgrades.

10. Can more than one POI be submitted for a parcel to be studied in a single Interconnection Guidance request?

No – Only one proposed Point of Interconnection (POI) can be submitted in a single Interconnection Guidance request.

11. Am I allowed to receive any interconnection information prior to submitting an Interconnection Guidance request?

In an effort to provide equity for future solar program participants and ensure we are appropriately recovering costs; we will not provide any preliminary information concerning a potential solar facility or tract of land. This includes, but is not limited to: circuit ownership, utility territory designation, and available circuit capacity.

12. Who do I contact if I have questions about my ICG results?

All questions about Interconnection Guidance results should be submitted through the 'Ask a Question' feature built in the PowerClerk website.

