

Community Solar Project Interconnection Feasibility Study Agreement

This agreement is made and entered into this _____ day of _____, 2020 by and between _____, a _____ organized and existing under the laws of the State of _____, (“Applicant,”) and Idaho Power Company, a corporation existing under the laws of the State of Idaho, (“Public Utility”). Applicant and Public Utility each may be referred to as a “Party,” or collectively as the “Parties.”

Recitals:

Whereas, The Applicant is proposing to develop a Community Solar Project, as as that term is defined in Oregon Laws 2016, chapter 28, section 22(1)(a) and meets the certification and eligibility requirements of OPUC Rule OAR 860, Division 088, and consistent with the Application completed on _____; and

Whereas, Applicant desires to interconnect the Community Solar Project with Public Utility s Transmission and Distribution System (“T&D System”); and

Whereas, Applicant has requested for the Public Utility to perform an Interconnection Feasibility Study to assess the feasibility of interconnecting the proposed Community Solar Project to Public Utility’s T&D System;

Now, therefore, in consideration of and subject to the mutual covenants contained herein the Parties agree as follows:

1. When used in this Agreement, with initial capitalization, the terms specified shall have the meanings given in PUC Rule OAR 860-082-0005- 860-082-0085.
2. Interconnection Customer elects and Electric Distribution Company shall cause to be performed an Interconnection Feasibility Study consistent with OAR 860-082-0005-860-082-0085 and more specifically detailed in 860-082-0060 (6) (a)-(i).
3. The scope of the Interconnection Feasibility Study shall be subject to the assumptions set in the rule and the details supplied by the Applicant in Attachment 1 to this agreement form.
4. The Interconnection Feasibility Study shall be based on the technical information provided by the Applicant in their Application, as may be modified as the result of the Scoping Meeting. The Public Utility reserves the right to request additional technical information from the Interconnection Customer as may reasonably become necessary consistent with Good Utility Practice during the course of the Interconnection Feasibility Study. If, in the course of the Study, the Applicant finds it necessary to modify the Application, the time to complete the Interconnection Feasibility Study may be extended by mutual agreement of the Parties.



5. In performing the study, the Public Utility will rely, to the extent reasonably practicable, on existing studies of recent vintage. The Applicant will not be charged for such existing studies. However, the Applicant agrees to pay, consistent with OAR 860-082-0035 for modifications to existing studies that are reasonably necessary to perform the Interconnection Feasibility Study.

- 6. The Interconnection Feasibility Study report shall provide the following information:
 - 6.1 An identification of the potential Adverse system impacts on the utility's transmission and/or distribution system or any other affected system.
 - 6.2 Preliminary identification of any circuit breaker short circuit capability limits exceeded as a result of the interconnection,
 - 6.3 Preliminary identification of any thermal overload or voltage limit violations resulting from the interconnection,
 - 6.4 Preliminary identification of grounding requirements and electric system protection, and
 - 6.5 Preliminary description and non-binding estimated cost of facilities required to interconnect the Community Solar Project to the Public Utility's T&D System and to address the identified short circuit and power flow issues.

7. As required by OAR 860-082-0060(6)(a), Attachment 2 to this agreement provides a scope for the Interconnection Feasibility Study, a reasonable schedule for completion of the study, and a good-faith, non-binding estimate of the cost to perform the Interconnection Feasibility Study. The Interconnection Feasibility Study shall be completed and the results shall be transmitted to the Interconnection Customer within thirty Business Days after this agreement is signed by the Parties unless otherwise agreed to as part of this Agreement. Attachment 2 is incorporated as part of this Agreement.

8. Study fees will be based on actual costs in accordance with the provisions of 860-082-0035.

In witness whereof, the Parties have caused this agreement to be duly executed by their duly authorized officers or agents on the day and year first above written:

Public Utility: Idaho Power Company

Signed _____
Name (Printed): _____ Title _____

Applicant: [insert name of applicant]

Signed _____
Name (Printed): _____ Title _____



**Attachment 1: Interconnection Feasibility Study Agreement
Assumptions Used in Conducting the Interconnection Feasibility Study**

The Interconnection Feasibility Study will be based upon the information set forth in the Application and agreed upon in the Scoping Meeting held on _____:

1. Designation of Point of Interconnection and configuration to be studied.

2. Designation of alternative Point(s) of Interconnection and configuration.

3. Other Assumptions.

Note: 1 and 2 are to be provided by the Applicant. Any other assumptions (3) are to be provided by the Applicant or the Public Utility.



Attachment 2

Interconnection Feasibility Study Agreement

Detailed Scope, Schedule and Cost Estimate for Feasibility Study provided by Public Utility.

A deposit for the performance of the Interconnection Feasibility Study is not required; Idaho Power will draw funding for the Interconnection Feasibility Study from the Generator Interconnection Application fee. Applicant shall pay the actual costs of the Interconnection Feasibility Study. Any difference between the deposit and the actual cost of the study shall be paid by or refunded to Applicant, as appropriate.

Applicant will provide the requested study data as soon as possible on or before the return of the executed Interconnection Feasibility Study Agreement.

The estimated cost to conduct the Feasibility Study Report is \$5,000.

The Feasibility Study will be completed no later than 45 Calendar days after Idaho Power receives the fully executed Interconnection Feasibility Study Agreement.