

Small Generator Interconnection Procedure- Third Party System Impact Study Job Aid

Purpose

This document provides a summary of the Small Generator Interconnection Process (SGIP) Third-Party System Impact Study (SIS) procedures for Portland General Electric (PGE). These procedures align with Oregon Administrative Rule (OAR) 860-082 and are intended to guide developers and PGE Interconnection Specialists through the third-party SIS process.

Summary of Process

1. Notification of intent: If a developer wishes to pursue a third-party System Impact Study, they must notify the PGE Interconnection Specialist prior to signing a System Impact Study Agreement. This notification should ideally occur during the Scoping Meeting or following the Feasibility Study (if applicable).
 - 1.1. Email Notification: Developer should email small.powerproduction@pgn.com. Example notification: "[Developer Company Name] hereby notifies PGE of its intent to utilize a third party to perform the System Impact Study for [Project Name & Number]. We intend to engage [Studier- Engineering Company Name] to complete this study and wish to initiate the necessary protocol to facilitate the transfer of key data required for this analysis."
2. Non-Disclosure Agreement (NDA): Upon receipt of the notification of intent, PGE will issue a Non-Disclosure Agreement (NDA) to the developer and designated Third-Party Engineering Company (Studier). A copy of the NDA template is available on PGE's OASIS page.
3. Data Sharing: Once the NDA has been fully executed (signed by both parties), the PGE Interconnection Specialist will initiate the data sharing procedures. All necessary data will be provided to the Studier within 15 business days.
 - 3.1. Cost estimate for data sharing: PGE estimates approximately 6 hours of engineering time to procure and share the required data. Accordingly, PGE anticipates charging the developer a fee of \$600 for this step. Actual engineering hours to complete process will be tracked and funds collected after the study review stage discussed later.
4. Third Party Study: The Studier must complete and submit a stamped and certified System Impact Study, prepared by a licensed engineer, within 45 business days of receiving the shared data from PGE.



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5. Study review: PGE will review the submitted study for completeness, accuracy, and adherence to safety and operational standards. PGE will provide a formal acceptance or rejection of the study within 30 business days of receipt. If the study is rejected, PGE will issue a comprehensive list of reasons for the rejection and provide the Studier an opportunity to revise and resubmit.

5.1. Study Review Fee: PGE will issue a payment request of \$1,000 per review, consistent with practices established under Oregon Administrative Rule 860-082.

6. Re-Study (if required): If the study is rejected, the Studier will have 30 business days to revise the SIS to meet PGE's standards. Following resubmission, PGE will have an additional 30 business days to review and issue a formal acceptance or rejection, with proper citations provided for any further rejection.

6.1. Right to Reject: PGE reserves the right to reject any study that is incomplete or does not reasonably meet established safety and operational standards.

Conclusion

The SGIP Third-Party System Impact Study (SIS) process is designed to provide developers with a transparent and structured alternative to PGE's standard System Impact Study process, in accordance with Oregon Administrative Rule 860-082. PGE is committed to working collaboratively with all parties to facilitate a reliable and compliant interconnection process and encourages open communication with the PGE Interconnection Specialist throughout each stage to minimize delays. For additional information or clarification, please contact your PGE Interconnection Specialist or visit PGE's OASIS page ([OATLOASIS](#)) for relevant documentation and resources.

