

AMERICA

FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION

Standardization of Small Generator
RM02-12-000

Docket No.

Interconnection Agreements and Procedures

NOTICE AMENDING PROCEDURES
DESCRIBED IN NOVEMBER 12, 2002 NOTICE

(December 11, 2002)

1. On November 12 and 19, 2002, the Transmission/ Distribution Utilities Coalition (TDU), the Small Generators Coalition (SG) and the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC), (collectively the "Coalition"), filed consensus Interconnection Agreement (IA) and Interconnection Procedures (IP) documents in the above captioned docket. On December 9, 2002, pursuant to the Notice of Extension of Time and Further Procedures, issued November 12, 2002, SG, TDU, and NARUC filed annotation statements explaining their positions on the consensus documents to assist parties in the preparation of comments on the Advance Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (ANOPR), which are due to be filed by December 20, 2002.

2. The November 12 Notice indicated that Commission Staff would prepare a summary table showing various issues and delineating the positions and explanations of the various parties in this proceeding. Staff notes that, while there was a certain degree of consensus among those participants drafting many of the provisions of the IP and IA documents, there are numerous areas where the opinions of the participants differ, sometimes significantly. This is evident from the breadth of the supplemental explanatory documents which were filed on December 9, 2002. On reconsideration, the unexpected specificity and length of these annotated comments do not permit staff sufficient time to prepare the summary table mentioned in the November 12 Notice in time to be of practical use to commenters. We note, however, that the supplemental explanatory comments, prepared in a very short period of time, will be of invaluable help to the interested parties who are preparing comments on the consensus documents for filing by December 20, 2002. We additionally note that the supplemental explanatory comments will be of significant assistance to the Commission in understanding the consensus documents more fully, when it prepares the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking in this proceeding.

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3. Accordingly, interested parties are invited to file comments by December 20, 2002 on any aspect of the ANOPR, especially the consensus documents (including both consensus as well as contested subject areas which are of concern to the interested party) filed on November 12 and 19, and the supplemental explanatory documents filed on December 9, 2002.

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