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OFFICE OF ENERGY MARKET REGULATION

California Independent System Operator Corporation Docket No. ER19-2679-000

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Reference: Tariff Revisions for Interconnection Process Enhancements

On August 23, 2019, the California Independent System Operator Corporation (CAISO) filed revisions to its Generator Interconnection and Deliverability Allocation Procedures and related Tariff sections, set forth in the Appendices of the CAISO Tariff. The revisions will be reflected in the Small and Large Generator Interconnection Agreements, the Generator Interconnection Procedures, and Definitions.

CAISO states that the proposal includes five sets of revisions. CAISO proposes revisions (1) to increase the \$60,000/MW reimbursement limit established for reliability network upgrades; (2) to clarify the rules for transferring deliverability capacity allocations among an interconnection customer's generating units at the same site; (3) to revise the cost allocation rules for the interconnecting and neighboring Participating Transmission Owners (PTOs) to include PTO-specific cost estimates in interconnection studies that sum to a single, combined maximum cost responsibility for the interconnection customer's entire project and to clarify how reimbursements for reliability network upgrades will be paid to each PTO at various stages; (4) to revise terminology to clarify that an interconnection customer may be responsible for the cost of a particular network upgrade and (5) to omit the requirement that interconnection customers execute generator interconnection agreements within one year of receiving a deliverability allocation. The revisions are accepted for filing, effective October 23, 2019, as requested.¹

¹ The corresponding eTariff records are listed in the Appendix.

This filing was noticed on August 23, 2019, with comments, protests, or motions to intervene due on or before September 13, 2019. No protests or adverse comments were filed. Notices of intervention and unopposed timely filed motions to intervene are granted pursuant to the operation of Rule 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 C.F.R. § 385.214). Any opposed or untimely filed motion to intervene is governed by the provisions of Rule 214.

This action does not constitute approval of any service, rate, charge, classification, or any rule, regulation, contract, or practice affecting such rate or service provided for in the filed documents; nor shall such action be deemed as recognition of any claimed contractual right or obligation affecting or relating to such service or rate; and such action is without prejudice to any findings or orders which have been or may hereafter be made by the Commission in any proceeding now pending or hereafter instituted by or against CAISO.

This action is taken pursuant to authority delegated to the Director, Division of Electric Power Regulation - West, under 18 C.F.R. § 375.307. This order constitutes final agency action. Requests for rehearing by the Commission may be filed within 30 days of the date of issuance of this order, pursuant to 18 C.F.R. § 385.713.

Issued by: Steven T. Wellner, Director - Division of Electric Power Regulation - West

Appendix

California Independent System Operator Corporation FERC FPA Electric Tariff CAISO eTariff

- 1. -, Assigned Network Upgrade (ANU), 0.0.0.
- 2. -, Conditionally Assigned Network Upgrade (CANU), 0.0.0.
- 3. -, Current Cost Responsibility (CCR), 0.0.0.
- 4. -, General Reliability Network Upgrade (GRNU), 0.0.0.
- 5. -, Interconnection Financial Security (IFS), 2.0.0.
- 6. -, Interconnection Reliability Network Upgrade (IRNU), 0.0.0.
- 7. -, Maximum Cost Exposure (MCE), 0.0.0.
- 8. -, Maximum Cost Responsibility (MCR), 0.0.0.
- 9. -, Precursor Network Upgrades (PNU), 0.0.0.
- 10. -, Reliability Network Upgrade (RNU), 2.0.0.
- 11. 3.3, Interconnection Service, 2.0.0.
- 12. 4.6, Deliverability Assessment, 2.0.0.
- 13. <u>Appendix DD, Generator Interconnect & Deliverabilty Allocation Procedure,</u> 6.0.0.
- 14. Section 4, Independent Study Process, 5.0.0.
- 15. Section 6, Initial Activities & Phase I Study Request for Queue Cluster, 10.0.0.
- 16. Section 7, Activities in Preparation for Phase II, 9.0.0.
- 17. Section 8, Phase II Interconnect Study & TP Delivery Allocation Process, 9.0.0.
- 18. Section 10, Responsibility for Interconnection Customers, 3.0.0.
- 19. Section 11, Interconnection Financial Security, 8.0.0.
- 20. Section 14, PTOs Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades, 5.0.0.
- 21. Article 1., Definitions, 7.0.0.
- 22. Article 11, Performance Obligation, 6.0.0.
- 23. Article 5., Cost Responsibility for Network Upgrades, 5.0.0.
- 24. Attachment 1, Glossary of Terms, 5.0.0.