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# **2013 Annual Full Capacity Option Study – WDAT361DS2**

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This study has been completed in coordination with California Independent System Operator Corporation (CAISO) per CAISO Tariff Appendix DD Generator Interconnection and Deliverability Allocation Procedures (GIDAP)

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## A. Executive Summary

In accordance with Southern California Edison Company's (SCE) Wholesale Distribution Access Tariff (WDAT) Attachment I Section 4.7.1, [REDACTED] an Interconnection Customer (IC), submitted a request to determine whether their proposed [REDACTED] (Project) can be designated Full Capacity Deliverability Status or Partial Capacity Deliverability Status based on the available transmission capacity under the Annual Full Capacity (AFC) Deliverability Option within the Queue Cluster 5 (QC5) Application Window. The California Independent System Operator Corporation (CAISO) performed the Annual Full Capacity Deliverability Option study in accordance to the CAISO Tariff Appendix DD Section 9.2.

The IC previously submitted a completed Interconnection Request (IR) to SCE for their proposed Project with an Energy Only Deliverability status request. The Project is a photovoltaic (PV) plant with a total net output of 5.0 MW with its Point of Interconnection (POI) at SCE's Huron 12 kV out of Great Lakes 66/12 kV Substation in the Antelope System. The IC has requested a Commercial Operation Date of September 30, 2014 for the Project. The cost and schedule for the Interconnection Facilities, Distribution Upgrades and Reliability Network Upgrades required to interconnect the Project, under Energy Only Deliverability status, have been addressed in SCE's previously issued System Impact Study (SIS) report package that included of the WDAT System Impact report dated October 20, 2010 and the Transmission Assessment dated October 23, 2013, and SCE's most recent Facilities Study (FS) dated April 1, 2013.

The Annual Full Capacity Deliverability Option study has determined that there is sufficient transmission capacity available to support Full Capacity Deliverability Status (FCDS) for the Project once the following transmission projects are in service:

- Tehachapi Renewable Transmission Project
- East Kern Wind Resource Area project
- Any transmission or distribution upgrades identified in the interconnection studies for the Project associated with the Energy Only Deliverability Status.

Additionally, it is important to note that the Full Capacity Deliverability Status does not convey any transmission right and does not guarantee that the Project will be able to generate at its maximum Generating Facility output. All generators, regardless of their deliverability status, are subject to congestion management through the market operation and during real-time operation.

As stated in Attachment 1, studies indicate that as more resources in the SCE Northern Hemisphere develop and are dispatched, the amount of available transmission capacity for the Northern Area resources is further diminished. Such conclusions point to an ultimate need for more congestion management, generation resource curtailments, than is identified in these interconnection studies.

Prior to the completion of the QC5 Phase II study, the IC elected to withdraw the Energy Only Deliverability status portion of the Project (Original IR). Given that the Original IR for the Project was withdrawn, the Project's request for Full Capacity Deliverability Status will also be considered effectively withdrawn upon issuance of this document (as stated in an email on 11/1/13 from SCE to [REDACTED] Manager of Development). This document addresses the results of the AFC Deliverability Option within the Queue Cluster 5 (QC5) Application Window for the Project; however such results are for information purposes only. This document is not intended to serve as a formal report for AFC Delivery results of the Project. Going forward, should the IC wish to interconnect the Project, the IC will have to start over and submit a new Generation Interconnection Request.



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**New Transmission Projects**

All ISO-approved transmission projects were modeled in the base case<sup>1</sup>. In general, Delivery Network Upgrades required for generation interconnection projects up to and including Queue Cluster 5 were not included in the base case unless such upgrades have received regulatory approval. Reliability Network Upgrades required to interconnect the projects up to and including Queue Cluster 5, such as plan of service upgrades and SPS, were included in the base case model. Table 1 below list all the transmission projects that were modeled and relevant to the assessment of the Project.

Table 1: Transmission Projects Assumed in the Study

Project	In-Service Date
Tehachapi Renewable Transmission Project	2016
East Kern Wind Resource Area 66kV reconfiguration project	2014

**Generation Assumptions**

All existing generators and generation projects up to and including QC5 were modeled according to their deliverability status.

Generation dispatch assumptions in Deliverability Assessment can be found at <http://www.caiso.com/Documents/Deliverability%20assessment%20methodologies>. In the on-peak Deliverability Assessment, the Peak Qualified Capacity for proposed Full Capacity generation projects is set to 64% of the requested PMax for wind generation and 100% of the requested PMax for Solar generation initially. The Peak QC may be adjusted to 40% of the requested PMax for wind generation and 85% for solar generation if a mix of different fuel type generations is identified in the Deliverability Assessment as the 5% DFAX group for a transmission limitation. In the off-peak Deliverability Assessment, the proposed Full Capacity wind generation is dispatched at its requested PMax and solar generation at 85% of its requested PMax.

**D. Deliverability Assessment Results**

The Project does not contribute to any overloads identified in the Deliverability Assessment. As the result, the Project will have Full Capacity Deliverability Status once the transmission upgrades listed in Table 1, as well as any other upgrades identified in the interconnection studies associated with the Energy Only Deliverability Status, are in service.

<sup>1</sup> Based on the information from the 2012/2013 ISO Transmission Plan

## **E. Conclusion**

The Annual Full Capacity Deliverability Option study has determined that there is sufficient transmission capacity available to support Full Capacity Deliverability Status (FCDS) for the Project once the following transmission projects are in service:

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**Attachment 1**

**SCE Northern Hemisphere Import Nomogram**

Please refer to separate document.