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# **Appendix A – WDT433**

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## **Final Report**

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This study has been completed in coordination with Southern California Edison Cluster Large Generator Interconnection Procedures (CLGIP) for Interconnection Requests in a Queue Cluster Window

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### Attachments:

1. Generator Machine Dynamic Data
2. Dynamic Stability Plots (see Appendix F of the Group Report)
3. SCE Interconnection Handbook
4. Short Circuit Calculation Study Results (see Appendix H of the Group Report)
5. Deliverability Assessment Results (see Appendix I of the Group Report)
6. Allocation of Network Upgrades for Cost Estimates

## 1. Executive Summary

On January 29, 2010, the Southern California Edison Company ("SCE") received an interconnection request from [REDACTED] for the interconnection of its [REDACTED] Project), pursuant to the Cluster Large Generator Interconnection Procedures ("CLGIP") under the SCE Wholesale Distribution Access Tariff ("WDAT"). The Project is comprised of Photovoltaic modules with an output of 40 MW to the requested Point of Interconnection (POI) on Southern California Edison Company's (SCE) Vestal-Kern River 3 – 66kV line. The Interconnection Customer's requested Full Capacity deliverability status and Commercial Operation Date of June 15, 2011 for the Project.

In accordance with Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) approved Cluster Large Generator Interconnection Procedures (CLGIP), the Project was grouped with CAISO Generation Interconnection [REDACTED] projects in a Phase I Interconnection Study to determine the impacts of the group as well as impacts of the Project on the CAISO Controlled Grid and SCE's Distribution System.

The group report has been prepared separately identifying the combined impacts of all projects in the group on the CAISO Controlled Grid. This individual report focuses only on the impacts associated with the Project.

The report provides the following:

1. Transmission and Distribution system impacts caused by the Project,
2. System reinforcements necessary to mitigate the adverse impacts caused by the Project under various system conditions,
3. A list of required facilities and a non-binding, good faith estimate of (a) the Project's cost responsibility, and (b) the time required to permit, engineer, design, procure and construct these facilities.

The [REDACTED] study has determined that the Project contributes to various reliability and/or deliverability problems for which mitigation plans have been proposed. These mitigation plans are detailed in Section 11 of this report.

The non-binding cost estimate of Interconnection Facilities<sup>1</sup> to interconnect the Project is approximately **\$1,892,000** including ITCC<sup>2</sup>. The maximum cost responsibility for the SCE Network Upgrades<sup>3</sup> to interconnect the Project is **\$434,000** and the cost of the SCE Distribution Upgrades<sup>4</sup> is **\$19,306,000**. The maximum cost

<sup>1</sup> The transmission facilities necessary to physically and electrically interconnect the Project to the CAISO Controlled Grid at the point of interconnection.

<sup>2</sup> Income Tax Component of Contribution

<sup>3</sup> The SCE transmission facilities, other than Interconnection Facilities, beyond the point of interconnection necessary to physically and electrically interconnect the Project safely and reliably to the CAISO Controlled Grid

<sup>4</sup> These upgrades are not identified in the ISO tariff, and are not reimbursable.

responsibility for the PG&E Network Upgrades<sup>5</sup> to interconnect the Project is \$922,000.

The non-binding construction schedule to engineer and construct the facilities is approximately 48 months from the signing of the Large Generator Interconnection Agreement (LGIA).

**2. Project and Interconnection Information**

Table 2-1 provides general information about the Project as modeled in the Study.

Table 2-1 [Redacted] General Information

Project Location	[Redacted]
SCE Planning Area	[Redacted]
Number and Type of Generator	[Redacted]
Interconnection Voltage	[Redacted]
Maximum Generator Output	[Redacted]
Generator Auxiliary Load	[Redacted]
Maximum Net Output to Grid	[Redacted]
Power Factor Range	[Redacted]
Step-up Transformers	[Redacted]
Point of Interconnection	[Redacted]
Commercial Operation Date	[Redacted]

Figure 2-1 provides the map for the Project and the transmission facilities in the vicinity.

Figure 2-1 : Map of the Project

<sup>5</sup> The PG&E transmission facilities, other than Interconnection Facilities, beyond the point of interconnection necessary to physically and electrically interconnect the Project safely and reliably to the CAISO Controlled Grid

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### **3. Study Assumptions**

For detailed assumptions, please refer to the main report. The following assumptions are only specific to the Project:

A. The following Facilities were estimated and are included in the [REDACTED] Study:

- Tap line to connect the new tapped substation the Vestal – Kern River #3 66 kV line.
- The required revenue metering cabinet and retail load meters to be installed at the generating facility will be installed by SCE.
- The required remote terminal unit (RTU) to be installed at the generating facility.

B. The following facilities needed to support the 66 kV Gen Tie and Interconnection are to be installed by the Interconnection Customer and are not estimated or included in this [REDACTED] Study:

- Conduit for control wiring between the IC's substation and the SCE substation.
- All required CAISO metering equipment at the generating facility.
- All required revenue metering equipment to meter the generating facility retail load will be specified by SCE and will be installed by the project on the project side of the gen-tie.
- The line protection relays, to be installed at the generating facility, will be specified by SCE and provided by the generator.

### **4. Power Flow Analysis**

The group study indicated that the Project is contributing to overloading of the transmission facilities. The details of the analysis and overload levels are provided in the group study.

#### **4.1 Distribution Analysis**

The distribution study indicated that the Project contributes to the following distribution facility overloads:

### Base Case Overload

Vestal – Kern River #3 66 kV line section is overloaded to approximately 148% of its normal rating (4/0 Cu).

This line will require a re-conductor of ~1.2 miles of 4/0 Cu to 954 SAC.

## 4.2 Transmission System Analysis

The group study indicated that the Project contributes to the following transmission facility overloads or non-convergence problems. The details of the analysis and overload levels are provided in the group study. The Project was allocated cost for the following mitigations.

### Recommended Mitigations

- Midway-Whirlwind 500 kV T/L Loop in
- Short-Circuit Duty Mitigations

See the Group report for additional details

## 5. Voltage Control

### Distribution

The total generation (MW) output and total VAR production of generation facility [REDACTED] will not affect local subtransmission and distribution voltages. The Project will be required to operate in accordance with the requirements in SCE's Interconnection Handbook (see Attachment 3) to maintain voltage and power factor requirements. Also, the Project will be subjected to all other applicable SCE rules, and Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) approved rules, tariffs, and regulations.

## 6. Short Circuit Analysis

Short circuit studies were performed to determine the fault duty impact of adding the [REDACTED] to the distribution and transmission system and to ensure system coordination. The fault duties were calculated with and without the projects to identify any equipment overstress conditions. Once overstressed circuit breakers are identified, the fault current contribution from each individual project in [REDACTED] is determined. Each project in [REDACTED] will be responsible for its share of the upgrade cost based on the rules set forth in CAISO Tariff Appendix Y.

## 6.1 Short Circuit Study Input Data

The following input data provided by the Applicant of the Project was used in this study:

### Inverter Generator Short Circuit Data @ 100 MVA Base:

- Positive Sequence subtransient reactance ( $X''1$ ) = 1.6364 p.u.
- Negative Sequence subtransient reactance ( $X''2$ ) = 1.6364 p.u.
- Zero Sequence subtransient reactance ( $X''0$ ) = 1.6364 p.u.

### Station Step-up Transformers (total of forty-two)

- Forty-one three-phase 0.200/21.6 kV rated for 1.0 MVA OA @ 65 degree C temperature rise with an H-X impedance of 5.75% at 1.0 MVA base.
- One three-phase 21.6/66 kV rated for 50.0 MVA OA @ 55 degree C temperature rise with an H-X impedance of 9.0% at 30 MVA base, H-Y impedance of 5.0% at 30 MVA base, X-Y impedance of 8.0% at 30 MVA base.

## 6.2 Results

All bus locations where the [REDACTED] increase the short-circuit duty by 0.1 kA or more and where duty is in excess of 60% of the minimum breaker nameplate rating are listed in the Group Report Appendix H. These values have been used to determine if any equipment is overstressed as a result of the [REDACTED] interconnections and corresponding network upgrades, if any.

The responsibility to finance short circuit related Reliability Network Upgrades identified through a Group Study shall be assigned to all Interconnection Requests in that Group Study pro rata on the basis of short circuit duty contribution of each Large Generating Facility.

As discussed in the Group Report, the [REDACTED] breaker evaluation identified overstressed circuit breakers at the following buses. The pro-rata cost allocation for this project, based on SCD contribution at each location, is also provided:

- [REDACTED] 3 kA, 220 kV CBs at Serrano Substation (0.05%)

## 6.3 Preliminary Protection Requirements

Protection requirements are designed and intended to protect SCE's system only. The preliminary protection requirements were based upon the interconnection plan as shown in Figure 2-2.



The applicant is responsible for the protection of its own system and equipment and must meet the requirements in the SCE Interconnection Handbook provided in Attachment 3.

## **7. Reactive Power Deficiency Analysis**

Reactive power deficiency analysis was performed in the group study. The reactive power deficiency analysis included power flow sensitivity analysis in the [REDACTED] as well as reactive margin (QV) analysis on selected non-convergent cases from the power flow study. The analysis found that the [REDACTED], including this Project, collectively contribute to severe reactive power deficiencies in the transmission system under base case and contingency conditions, and voltage criteria violations under contingency conditions.

In particular, the reactive power deficiency analysis confirmed that the non-convergence cases in the power flow analysis were real transmission system deficiencies due to the addition of [REDACTED] – such as insufficient reactive margin – and not numerical solution problems. The study concluded that construction of additional area export transmission facilities will be required. For additional details, see the group report. More detailed reactive power deficiency analysis will be performed as part of the Phase II study.

The Project will be required to operate in accordance with the requirements in SCE's Interconnection Handbook (see Attachment 3) to maintain voltage and power factor requirements. Also, the Project will be subjected to all other applicable SCE rules, and Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) approved rules, tariffs, and regulations.

## **8. Transient Stability Evaluation**

Limited transient stability studies were conducted using full loop base cases to ensure that the transmission system remains in operating equilibrium, as well as operating in a coordinated fashion, through abnormal operating conditions after the [REDACTED] begin operation. The generator dynamic data used in the study for the Project is shown in Attachment 1.

### **8.1 Transient Stability Study Scenarios**

Disturbance simulations were performed for a study period of 10 seconds to determine whether the [REDACTED] will create any system instability during a variety of line and generator outages. The most critical single contingency and double contingency outage conditions in the [REDACTED] were evaluated. For the list of specific line and generator outages evaluated, see the group report.

## 8.2 Results

In the stability analysis performed in the [REDACTED] with the addition of [REDACTED], transmission system stability problems under various N-1 and N-2 outage conditions were identified. The study concluded that additional area export transmission facilities would have a significant positive impact on system stability margins with the addition of [REDACTED]. More detailed stability analysis will be performed as part of the Phase II study. Stability plots are shown in Appendix F of the group report.

## 9. Deliverability Assessment

### 9.1 On Peak Deliverability Assessment

CAISO performed an On-Peak Deliverability Assessment. The Project does not contribute to any of the delivery problems identified.

### 9.2 Off-Peak Deliverability Assessment

A modified version of the power flow 2014 Spring Off-Peak base case was created to perform the off-peak deliverability assessment of the [REDACTED]. The assumptions to create this case are listed in the group study. The Project does not contribute to any of the delivery problems identified.

## 10. Environmental Evaluation/Permitting

See Section 12 of the Group Report.

## 11. Upgrades, Cost Estimates and Construction schedule estimates

To determine the cost responsibility of each generation project in Queue Cluster, the CAISO developed cost allocation factors based on the individual contribution of each project ([Attachment 6](#)). The cost allocation for the Interconnection Facilities, Reliability Network Upgrades, and Distribution Upgrades for which the Project is solely responsible is as follows:

## INTERCONNECTION FACILITIES

### A. Sub - Transmission:

#### 66 kV Generation Tie Line

Install approximately [REDACTED] of 954 SAC and one engineered, bolted footing steel pole.

### B. Substation:

#### Tapped Substation

Construct a single circuit breaker 66 kV tapped substation to terminate the new WDT433 66 kV gen tie line.

The interconnection facilities will be installed as follows:

- [REDACTED] dead-end structure
- [REDACTED] set of 1200A disconnect switches
- [REDACTED] surge arrestors
- [REDACTED] Relay
- [REDACTED] Relay
- [REDACTED] Relays
- [REDACTED] voltage transformers
- [REDACTED] Racks
- [REDACTED] of control cable

### C. Telecommunications

### D. Corporate Environmental Health and Safety, Transmission Project & Licensing, and Real Properties

Perform all required activities related to the interconnection facilities for the project.

### E. Metering Services Organization

Install a Revenue Metering Cabinet and Revenue Meters required to meter the Retail load at the Generating Facility. The Generator will provide the required Metering Equipment (Voltage and Current Transformers).

### F. Power System Control

Install one RTU at the generating facility substation to monitor typical generation elements such as MW, MVAR, terminal voltage and circuit breaker status at each generating unit and the plant auxiliary load and transmit this information to the SCE regional grid control center. (Interconnection)

## PLAN OF SERVICE RELIABILITY NETWORK UPGRADES

No Plan of Service Reliability Upgrades have been identified for this Project.

## RELIABILITY NETWORK UPGRADES

[REDACTED]

### **Transmission Network Circuit Breaker Upgrades (SCD)**

Upgrade transmission network circuit breakers (pro-rata share of upgrade based on project contribution to SCD at each location)

• [REDACTED] 220

See the Group Report for additional details

### **DELIVERY NETWORK UPGRADES**

No Delivery Network Upgrades have been identified for this Project.

### **DISTRIBUTION UPGRADES**

#### **A. Sub - Transmission:**

##### **66 kV Tap Line (Distribution)**

Install approximately 900 circuit feet 954 SAC, two engineered, bolted footing steel poles, [REDACTED] light weight steel poles, and [REDACTED] pole switches. Remove [REDACTED] existing wood poles.

##### **Line Reconductoring**

Reconductor 1.2 miles of the Vestal – Kern River No. 3 66 kV line

#### **B. Substation:**

##### **Tapped Substation**

- [REDACTED] dead-end structures
- [REDACTED] CB rated
- [REDACTED] sets disconnect switches
- MEER

#### **C. Telecommunications**

Install approximately 7 miles of fiber and communication channels between Kern River #3, Vestal, and WDT 433 Substations for line protection and SCADA.

#### **D. Corporate Environmental Health and Safety, Transmission Project & Licensing, and Real Properties**

Perform all required activities related to the distribution facilities for the project.

#### **E. Power System Control**

Install [REDACTED] RTU at the new tapped substation to monitor typical generation elements such as MW, MVAR, terminal voltage and circuit breaker status at each generating unit and the plant auxiliary load and transmit this information to the SCE regional grid control center.

**Table 12.1: Upgrades, Estimated Costs, and Estimated Time to Construct Summary**

Type of Upgrade	Upgrade (May include the following)	Description	Estimated Cost x 1000	Estimated Time to Construct (Note 3)
<b>PTO's Interconnection Facilities</b> (Note 1)	Transmission, Substations, Metering Services Organization, Power System Control, Telecommunications, Real Properties, Transmission Projects Licensing, and Environmental Health and Safety	Non-network facilities needed to enable interconnection	\$1,892	48 Months
<b>Plan of Service Reliability Network Upgrades</b>	None	Direct Assigned Network Upgrades needed to enable interconnection.	N/A	N/A
<b>Reliability Network Upgrades</b>	Transmission, Substations	Allocated Network Upgrades needed to maintain system Reliability	\$434	48 Months
<b>Delivery Network Upgrades</b>	None	Network Upgrades needed to support Full Delivery, if requested	N/A	N/A
<b>Distribution Upgrades</b> (Note 2)	Transmission, Substations, Power System Control, Telecommunications, Real Properties, Transmission Projects Licensing, and Environmental Health and Safety	Non-CAISO SCE Distribution Facilities	\$19,306	24 Months
<b>Total SCE Allocated Cost</b>			<b>\$21,632</b>	<b>48 Months</b>
<b>PG&amp;E Reliability Network Upgrades</b>	Transmission, Substations	Allocated PG&E Network upgrades needed to maintain system Reliability	\$922	36 Months
<b>Total PG&amp;E Allocated Cost</b>			<b>\$922</b>	<b>36 Months</b>

Note 1: The Interconnection Customer is obligated to fund these upgrades and will not be reimbursed.

Note 2: These upgrades are not identified in the ISO tariff, and are not reimbursable. Allocated costs may change if all projects responsible for these upgrades do not execute LGIAs.

Note 3: The estimated time to construct (ETC) is for a typical project; schedules duration may change due to number of projects approved and release dates. Stacked projects impact resources, system outage availability, and environmental windows of construction. Assumption is SCE will need to obtain CPUC licensing and regulatory approvals prior to design, procurement and construction of the proposed facilities required to serve the interconnection customer and prerequisite facilities are in service.

## **12. Items not covered in this study**

### **12.1 Conceptual Plan of Service**

The results provided in this study are based on conceptual engineering and a preliminary plan of service and are not sufficient for permitting of facilities. The Plan of Service is subject to change as part of the Phase II Interconnection Study.

### **12.2 Customer's Technical Data**

Additional technical data related to the Interconnection Customer's project may be required as part of the Phase II study. The study accuracy and results for the [REDACTED] Study are contingent upon the accuracy of the technical data provided by the Interconnection Customer. Any changes from the data provided could void the Study results.

### **12.3 Study Impacts on Neighboring Utilities**

Results or consequences of this [REDACTED] Study and/or to-be-performed Phase II Interconnection Study may require additional studies, facility additions, and/or operating procedures to address impacts to neighboring utilities and/or regional forums. For example, impacts may include but are not limited to WECC Path Ratings, short circuit duties outside of the CAISO Controlled Grid, and sub-synchronous resonance (SSR).

### **12.4 Use of SCE Facilities**

The Interconnection Customer is responsible for acquiring all property rights necessary for the Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities, including those required to cross SCE facilities and property. This Interconnection Study does not include the method or estimated cost to the Interconnection Customer of SCE mitigation measures that may be required to accommodate any proposed crossing of SCE facilities with Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities. The use of SCE property rights shall only be permitted upon written agreement between SCE and the Interconnection Customer at SCE's sole determination. Any proposed use of SCE property rights may require a separate study and/or evaluation, at the Interconnection Customer's expense, to determine whether such use may be accommodated.

### **12.5 SCE Interconnection Handbook**

The Interconnection Customer shall be required to adhere to all applicable requirements in the SCE Interconnection Handbook. These include, but are not limited to, all applicable protection, voltage regulation, VAR correction, harmonics, switching and tagging, and metering requirements.

### **12.6 Western Electricity Coordinating Council (WECC) Policies**

The Interconnection Customer shall be required to adhere to all applicable WECC policies including, but not limited to, the WECC Generating Unit Model Validation Policy.

### **12.7 System Protection Coordination**

Adequate Protection coordination will be required between SCE-owned protection and Interconnection Customer-owned protection. If adequate protection coordination cannot be achieved, then modifications to the Interconnection Customer-owned facilities (i.e., Generation-tie or Substation modifications) may be required to allow for ample protection coordination

### **12.8 Standby Power and Temporary Construction Power**

The [REDACTED] Study does not address any requirements for standby power or temporary construction power that the Project may require prior to the in-service date of the Interconnection Facilities. Should the Project require standby power or temporary construction power from SCE prior to the in-service date of the Interconnection Facilities, the IC is responsible to make appropriate arrangements with SCE to receive and pay for such retail.

### **12.9 Construction Schedule**

The estimated time to construct (ETC) is for a typical project; schedules and duration may change due to number of projects approved and release dates. Stacked projects impact resources, system outage availability, and environmental windows of construction. The assumption is that SCE will need to obtain CPUC licensing and regulatory approvals prior to design, procurement and construction of the proposed facilities required to serve the interconnection customer and prerequisite facilities are in service.

### **11.10 Network/Non-Network Classification of Telecommunication Facilities**

The cost for telecommunication facilities that were identified as part of the IC's Interconnection Facilities was based on an assumption that these facilities would be sited, licensed, and constructed by SCE as opposed to the IC doing this work (IC may own, operate, maintain, and construct diverse telecommunication paths associated with the IC's gen tie, excluding terminal equipment at both ends). In addition, the telecommunication requirements for SPS were assumed based on tripping of the generator breaker as opposed to tripping the circuit breakers at the SCE substation. Due to uncertainties related to telecommunication upgrades for the numerous projects in queue ahead of [REDACTED] telecommunication upgrades for higher queued projects were not considered in this study. Depending on the outcome of interconnection studies for higher queued projects, the telecommunication upgrades identified for [REDACTED] may be reduced. Any changes in these assumptions may affect the cost and schedule for the identified telecommunication facilities.

## Attachment 1



## **Attachment 2**

### **Dynamic Stability Plots**

Please refer to Appendix F of the Group Report.

## **Attachment 3**

### **SCE Interconnection Handbook**

Preliminary Protection Requirements for Interconnection Facilities are outlined in the SCE Interconnection Handbook.

## **Attachment 4**

### **Short Circuit Calculation Study Results**

Please refer to Appendix H of the Group Report.

## **Attachment 5**

### **Deliverability Assessment Results**

**Please refer to Appendix I of the Group Report.**

## Attachment 6

### Allocation of Network Upgrades for Cost Estimates

Upgrades	Type	Needed For	Total Cost (\$1000)	Cost Share	Allocated Cost (\$1000)
Loop C582 into Midway - Whirlwind No. 3 (SCE Portion)	Reliability	[REDACTED] pe	\$24,770	1.48%	\$367
Loop C582 into Midway - Whirlwind No. 3 (PG&E Portion)	Reliability	[REDACTED] pe	\$62,200	1.48%	\$922
Serrano 220kV bus split	Reliability	[REDACTED]	\$134,670	0.05%	\$67
<b>Total</b>					<b>\$1,356</b>