

# Net Metering Interconnection Standards

FOR

## ***Interconnection of Electric Generators***

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**(GENERATING CAPACITY OF NOT MORE THAN 100 KILOWATTS)**



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## **Chapter 1 Purpose and Scope**

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- (1) The purpose of this policy is to establish rules and standards for determining the terms and conditions governing the interconnection of electric generating facilities with a nameplate generating capacity of not more than 100 kilowatts to the electric system of Public Utility District No. 1 of Douglas County (DCPUD).
- (2) These rules are intended to be consistent with the requirements of chapter 80.60 RCW, Net Metering of Electricity and to comply with provisions of the Energy Policy Act of 2005, Pub. L. No. 109-58 (2005) that amended section 111(d) of the Public Utility Regulatory Policy Act (PURPA) relating to Net Metering (subsection 11) and Interconnection (subsection 15); and to promote the purposes of Substitute Senate Bill 5101, Chapter 300, Laws of 2005 (effective July 1, 2005) and Engrossed Substitute House Bill 2352 (effective June 7, 2006) .
- (3) These standards govern the terms and conditions under which the applicant's generating facility will interconnect with, and operate in parallel with, DCPUD's electric system. These standards do not govern the settlement, purchase, or delivery of any power generated by the applicant's generating facility.

## **Chapter 2 Application of rules**

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- (1) These rules include various requirements applicable to DCPUD, the Applicant and the Generator.
- (2) These rules modify, if necessary, any existing interconnection rules of DCPUD, including but not limited to, rules implementing chapter 80.60 RCW, Net Metering of Electricity.

## **Chapter 3 Definitions**

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“Applicant” means any person, corporation, partnership, government agency, or other entity applying to interconnect a Generating Facility to DCPUD’s electric system pursuant to this chapter.

“Application” means the written notice provided by the Applicant to DCPUD that initiates the interconnection process.

“Certificate of completion” means the attached certificate furnished by DCPUD and completed by the Applicant or Generator and the electrical inspector having jurisdiction over the installation of the facilities indicating completion of installation and inspection of the interconnection.

“Electric system” means all electrical wires, equipment, and other facilities owned or provided by DCPUD that are used to transmit electricity to customers.

“Generating Facility” means a source of electricity owned by the Applicant or Generator that is located on the Applicant’s side of the point of common coupling, and all facilities ancillary and appurtenant thereto, including interconnection facilities, which the Applicant requests to interconnect to DCPUD’s electric system.

“Generator” means the entity that owns and/or operates the Generating Facility interconnected to DCPUD’s electric system.

“Initial operation” means the first time the Generating Facility is in parallel operation with the electric system.

“In-service date” means the date on which the Generating Facility and any related facilities are complete and ready for service, even if the Generating Facility is not placed in service on or by that date.

“Interconnection” means the physical connection of a Generating Facility to the electric system so that parallel operation may occur.

“Interconnection facilities” means the electrical wires, switches and other equipment used to interconnect a Generating Facility to the electric system.

“Maximum generating capacity” means the maximum amount of energy that the generator is capable of producing on an instantaneous basis.

“Interconnection agreement” means the standardized terms and conditions that govern the interconnection of generating facilities pursuant to these standards. The model interconnection agreement may be modified to accommodate terms and conditions specific to individual interconnections, subject to the conditions set forth in these rules.

“Net metering” means measuring the difference between the electricity supplied by DCPUD and the electricity generated by a Generating Facility that is fed back to DCPUD over the applicable billing period.

“Network distribution system (grid or spot)” means electrical service from a distribution system consisting of two or more primary circuits from one or more substations or transmission supply points arranged such that they collectively feed secondary circuits serving one (a spot network) or more (a grid network) DCPUD customers.

“Parallel operation” or “operate in parallel” means the synchronous operation of a Generating Facility while interconnected with DCPUD’s electric system.

“Point of common coupling” or “PCC” means the point where the Generating Facility’s local electric power system connects to DCPUD’s electric system, such as the electric power revenue meter or at the location of the equipment designated to interrupt, separate or disconnect the connection between the Generating Facility and DCPUD.

“DCPUD” means Public Utility District No. 1 of Douglas County, which owns and operates the electrical distribution system, onto which the Applicant seeks to interconnect a Generating Facility.

#### **Chapter 4 Technical Standards for Interconnection**

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(1) General interconnection requirements.

- (a) Any Generating Facility desiring to interconnect with DCPUD’s electric system or modify an existing interconnection must meet all minimum technical specifications applicable, in their most current approved version, as set forth in this chapter.
- (b) A generator 100 kW or smaller must comply with all requirements from Table 1 that are applicable to the interconnection of that generating facility.
- (c) Any single or aggregated generating facility with a capacity greater than 50 kW shall require a three-phase interconnection.
- (d) The specifications and requirements in this section are intended to mitigate possible adverse impacts caused by the Generating Facility on DCPUD equipment and personnel and on other customers of DCPUD. They are not intended to address protection of the Generating Facility itself, Generating Facility personnel, or its internal load. It is the responsibility of the Generating Facility to comply with the requirements of all appropriate standards, codes, statutes and authorities to protect its own facilities, personnel, and loads.
- (e) The specifications and requirements in this section shall apply generally to the non-utility-owned electric generation equipment (or any other facilities or equipment not owned by DCPUD) to which this standard and agreement(s) apply throughout the period encompassing the Generator’s installation, testing and commissioning, operation, maintenance, decommissioning and removal of said equipment. DCPUD may verify compliance at any time, with reasonable notice.

**Table 1. 100 kW or Smaller.**

	Single-Phase		Three-Phase	
	*Capacity			
<u>Feature</u>	≤ 50 kW Inverter based	≤ 50 kW Non- inverter based	≤ 100 kW Inverter based	≤ 100 kW Non- inverter based
IEEE 1547 compliant	√	√	√	√
UL 1741 listed	√		√	
Interrupting devices (capable of interrupting maximum available fault current)	√ [8]	√	√ [8]	√
Interconnection disconnect device (manual, lockable, visible, accessible)	[1]	√	√	√
System Protection		√ [3][4][6]		√ [3][4][5][6]
Over-voltage trip	√ [8]	√	√ [8]	√
Under-voltage trip	√ [8]	√	√ [8]	√
Over/Under frequency trip	√ [8]	√	√ [8]	√
Automatic synchronizing check		√		√
Ground over-voltage or over-current trip for PUD system faults.				√ [2]
Power factor		√ [7]		√ [7]

Notes:

√ – Required feature (blank = not required)

\* Capacity of single or aggregate generation

[1] – PUD may choose to waive this requirement

[2] – May be required by PUD; selection based on grounding system

[3] – No single point of failure shall lead to loss of protection.

[4] – All protective devices shall fully meet the requirements of ANSI C37.90

[5] – PUD will specify the transformer connection.

[6] – It is the customers’ responsibility to ensure that their system is effectively grounded as defined by IEEE Std. 142 at the point of common coupling .

[7] – Variance may be allowed based upon specific requirements per PUD review. Charges may be incurred for losses.

[8] - UL 1741 listed equipment provides required protection.

- (f) The Generator shall comply with the requirements in subsections (f)(i), (f)(ii) and (f)(iii). However, at its sole discretion, DCPUD may approve alternatives that satisfy the intent of, and/or may excuse compliance with, any specific elements of these requirements except local, state and federal building codes.
  - (i) Code and standards. Applicant shall conform to all applicable codes and standards for safe and reliable operation. Among these are the National Electric Code (NEC), National Electric Safety Code (NESC), the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE), American National Standards Institute (ANSI), and Underwriters Laboratories (UL) standards, and local, state and federal building codes. The Generator shall be responsible to obtain all applicable permit(s) for the equipment installations on its property.
  - (ii) Safety. All safety and operating procedures for joint use equipment shall be in compliance with the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) Standard 29, CFR 1910.269, the NEC, Washington Administrative Code (WAC) rules, the Washington Industrial Safety and Health Administration (DOSH) Standard, and equipment manufacturer's safety and operating manuals.
  - (iii) Power Quality. Installations will be in compliance with all applicable standards including IEEE Standard 519-1992 Harmonic Limits.
- (g) Momentary Paralleling of Standby Generators. Protective relays to isolate the customer owned generation for faults in DCPUD's distribution system are not required if the paralleling operation is automatic and is designed to take place for less than one hundred milliseconds. Parallel operation of the customer owned generation with the DCPUD distribution system shall be prevented when the DCPUD line is dead or out of phase with the customer owned generation. The applicant must submit the control scheme for automatic paralleling for review and acceptance by DCPUD before the generating facility will be allowed to interconnect.

(2) Specific interconnection requirements.

- (a) Applicant shall furnish and install on Applicant's side of the meter, a UL-approved safety disconnect switch which shall be capable of fully disconnecting the Applicant's Generating Facility from DCPUD's electric system. The disconnect switch shall be located adjacent to DCPUD meters and shall be of the visible break type in a metal enclosure which can be secured by a DCPUD padlock. The disconnect switch shall be accessible to DCPUD personnel at all times.
- (b) The requirement in subsection (2)(a) above may be waived by DCPUD if: (i) Applicant provides interconnection equipment that Applicant can demonstrate, to the satisfaction of DCPUD, performs physical disconnection of the generating equipment supply internally; and (ii) Applicant agrees that its service may be disconnected entirely if generating equipment must be physically disconnected for any reason.
- (c) DCPUD shall have the right to disconnect the Generating Facility at the disconnect switch under the following circumstances: when necessary to maintain safe electrical

operating conditions; if the Generating Facility does not meet required standards, or these rules; if the Generating Facility at any time adversely affects or endangers any person, the property of any person, DCPUD's operation of its electric system or the quality of DCPUD's service to other customers; or failure of the owner of record, as filed with DCPUD, to notify DCPUD of a sale or transfer of the Generator, interconnecting facilities or the premises on which the Generator is located.

- (d) Nominal voltage and phase configuration of Applicant's Generating Facility must be compatible to DCPUD system at the point of common coupling.
  - (e) Applicant must provide evidence that its generation will never result in reverse current flow through DCPUD's network protectors. All instances of interconnection to secondary spot distribution networks shall require review and written pre-approval by DCPUD. Interconnection to distribution secondary grid networks is not allowed. Closed transition transfer switches are not allowed in secondary network distribution systems.
- (3) Specifications applicable to all inverter-based interconnections. Any inverter-based Generating Facility desiring to interconnect with DCPUD's electric system or modify an existing interconnection must meet the technical specifications, in their most current approved version, as set forth below. The version of the technical specifications approved by DCPUD is specified in Chapter 10. A more recent approved version may supersede specifications on the list below.
- (a) IEEE Standard 1547, Standard for Interconnecting Distributed Resources with Electric Power Systems, for systems 10 MVA or less.
  - (b) UL Standard 1741, Inverters, Converters, and Controllers for Use in Independent Power Systems. Equipment must be UL listed.
  - (c) IEEE Standard 929, IEEE Recommended Practice for Utility Interface of Photovoltaic (PV) Systems.
- (4) Requirements applicable to all non-inverter-based interconnections. Non-inverter based interconnection requests may require more detailed review, testing, and approval by DCPUD, at Applicant cost, of the equipment proposed to be installed to ensure compliance with applicable technical specifications, in their most current approved version, including:
- (a) IEEE Standard 1547, Standard for Interconnecting Distributed Resources with Electric Power Systems, for systems 10 MVA or less.
  - (b) ANSI Standard C37.90, IEEE Standard for Relays and Relay Systems Associated with Electric Power Apparatus.
  - (c) Applicants proposing such interconnection may also be required to submit a power factor mitigation plan and/or other studies or plans as appropriate for DCPUD review and approval.



## **Chapter 5 Application for Interconnection**

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- (1) When an Applicant requests interconnection from DCPUD, the Applicant shall be responsible for conforming to the rules and regulations that are in effect and on file with DCPUD. The Applicant seeking to interconnect a Generating Facility under these rules must fill out and submit a signed application form. Information must be accurate, complete, and approved by DCPUD prior to installing the Generating Facility.
- (2) Application Fees. DCPUD requires a non-refundable interconnection application fee according to facility size as follows:
  - (a) 0-25 kW – \$100.00
  - (b) 26-100 kW – \$200.00 + \$10 /kW over 25 kW (maximum \$950)
- (3) Non-Discrimination. All generation interconnection applications pursuant to this chapter will be processed by DCPUD in a non-discriminatory manner.
- (4) Application evaluation. All generation interconnection requests pursuant to this chapter will be reviewed by DCPUD for compliance with these rules. If DCPUD in its sole discretion finds that the application does not comply with these rules, DCPUD may reject the application. If DCPUD rejects the application it shall provide the Applicant with written notification stating its reasons for rejecting the application.

## **Chapter 6 Interconnection Agreement and Costs**

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- (1) Once an application is accepted by DCPUD as complete, DCPUD shall determine if any additional engineering, safety, reliability or other studies are required.
- (2) If DCPUD determines that additional studies are required, DCPUD will provide to the applicant a Study Agreement. The Study Agreement shall include a description of the studies and a good faith estimate of the cost to perform the studies. The applicant or Generator shall have thirty (30) business days to return the completed Study Agreement along with any deposit required by DCPUD against the estimated costs.
- (3) Upon completion of the studies, DCPUD shall provide the applicant with the results of the studies, including any additional interim agreements, such as construction agreements, that may be necessary and a cost estimate to complete the interconnection. If the studies determine that the interconnection is denied pursuant to RCW 80.60, DCPUD shall provide notice of denial to the applicant and the reasons for the denial.
- (4) DCPUD shall provide an Interconnection Agreement to the applicant to be completed and executed by the applicant within thirty (30) days. Along with the completed Interconnection Agreement, the applicant shall also make a deposit required by DCPUD against the estimated costs to complete the interconnection.

(5) Failure to return completed agreements and required deposits within the time frames specified in subsections (2) and (4) of this section may result in termination of application process by the PUD. Terms and conditions for termination of the Interconnection Agreement shall be contained within such agreement.

## **Chapter 7 General Terms and Conditions of Interconnection**

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The general terms and conditions listed in this section shall apply to all generating facilities interconnecting to DCPUD.

- (1) Any electrical Generating Facility with a maximum electrical generating capacity of 100 kW or less must comply with these rules to be eligible to interconnect and operate in parallel with DCPUD's electric system. The rules under this chapter shall apply to all interconnecting generating facilities that are intended to operate in parallel with DCPUD's electric system irrespective of whether the Applicant intends to generate energy to serve all or a part of the Applicant's load; or to sell the output.
- (2) In order to ensure system safety and reliability of interconnected operations, all interconnected generating facilities shall be constructed and operated by Generator in accordance with this chapter and all other applicable federal, state, and local laws and regulations.
- (3) Prior to initial operation, all Generators must submit a completed certificate of completion to DCPUD; execute agreements contained in Appendix C, and any other agreement(s) reasonably required by these rules for the disposition of the Generating Facility's electric power output. The interconnection agreement between DCPUD and Generator outlines the interconnection standards, cost allocation and billing agreements, and on-going maintenance and operation requirements.
- (4) Applicant or Generator shall promptly furnish DCPUD with copies of such plans, specifications, records, and other information relating to the Generating Facility or the ownership, operation, use, or maintenance of the Generating Facility, as may be reasonably requested by DCPUD from time to time.
- (5) For the purposes of public and working personnel safety, any non-approved generation interconnections discovered will be immediately disconnected from DCPUD system.
- (6) To ensure reliable service to all DCPUD customers and to minimize possible problems for other customers, DCPUD will review the need for a dedicated-to-single-customer distribution transformer. If DCPUD requires a dedicated distribution transformer, the Applicant or Generator shall pay for all costs of the new transformer and related facilities.
- (7) Metering.
  - (a) Net Metering for fuel cells, facilities that produce electricity and used and useful thermal energy from a common fuel source, or facilities that use water, wind, solar energy, or

biogas from animal waste as a fuel as set forth in RCW 80.60: DCPUD shall install, own and maintain a kilowatt-hour meter, or meters as the installation may determine, capable of registering the bi-directional flow of electricity at the point of common coupling at a level of accuracy that meets all applicable standards, regulations and statutes. The meter(s) may measure such parameters as time of delivery, power factor, voltage and such other parameters as DCPUD shall specify. The Applicant shall provide space for metering equipment. It will be the Applicant's responsibility to provide the current transformer enclosure (if required), meter socket(s) and junction box after the Applicant has submitted drawings and equipment specifications for DCPUD approval. DCPUD may approve other generating sources for net metering but is not required to do so.

- (b) Production Metering: DCPUD will require separate metering for production. This meter will record all generation produced and the energy produced will be purchased separately from any net metering or customer usage metering. All costs associated with the installation of production metering will be paid by the Applicant.
- (8) Common labeling furnished or approved by DCPUD and in accordance with NEC requirements must be posted on meter base, disconnects, and transformers informing working personnel that generation is operating at or is located on the premises.
- (9) No additional insurance will be necessary for a net metered facility that is a qualifying generating facility under chapter 80.60 RCW. A qualifying facility under RCW 80.60 is one that is 100 kW or less; and that uses water, wind, solar energy, or biogas from animal waste as a fuel, fuel cells, or that produces electricity and used and useful thermal energy from a common fuel source. For other generating facilities permitted under these standards but not a qualifying facility under chapter 80.60 RCW, additional insurance, limitations of liability and indemnification may be required by DCPUD.
- (10) Prior to any future modification or expansion of the Generating Facility, the Generator will obtain DCPUD review and approval. DCPUD reserves the right to require the Generator, at the Generator's expense, to provide corrections or additions to existing electrical devices in the event of modification of government or industry regulations and standards.
- (11) For the overall safety and protection of DCPUD system, RCW 80.60 currently limits interconnection of generation for net metering to 0.50% of DCPUD's peak demand during 1996. Additionally, interconnection of generating facilities to individual distribution feeders will be limited to 10% of the feeder's peak capacity.
- (12) It is the responsibility of the Generator to protect its facilities, loads and equipment and comply with the requirements of all appropriate standards, codes, statutes and authorities.
- (13) Charges by DCPUD to the Applicant or Generator in addition to the application fee, if any, will be cost-based and applied as appropriate. Such costs may include, but are not limited to, transformers, production meters, and DCPUD testing, qualification, and approval of non UL 1741 listed equipment. The Generator shall be responsible for any costs associated with any

future upgrade or modification to its interconnected system required by modifications in DCPUD's electric system.

- (14) This chapter does not govern the settlement, purchase or delivery of any power generated by Applicant's Generating Facility. The purchase or delivery of power, including net metering of electricity pursuant to Chapter 80.60. RCW, and other services that the Applicant may require will be covered by separate agreement or pursuant to the terms, conditions and rates as may be from time to time approved by DCPUD. Any such agreement shall be complete prior to initial operation and filed with DCPUD.
- (15) Generator may disconnect the Generating Facility at any time; provided that the Generator provides reasonable advance notice to DCPUD.
- (16) Generator shall notify DCPUD prior to the sale or transfer of the Generating Facility, the interconnection facilities or the premises upon which the facilities are located. The Applicant or Generator shall not assign its rights or obligations under any agreement entered into pursuant to these rules without the prior written consent of DCPUD, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld.

## **Chapter 8 Certificate of Completion**

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All generating facilities must obtain an electrical permit and pass electrical inspection before they can be connected or operated in parallel with DCPUD's electric system. Generator shall provide written certification to DCPUD that the Generating Facility has been installed and inspected in compliance with the local building and/or electrical codes.

## **Chapter 9 Required filings – Exceptions**

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- (1) DCPUD shall maintain on file for inspection at its place of business, the charges, terms and conditions for interconnections pursuant to these rules. Such filing includes forms of the following documents and contracts:
  - (a) Application
  - (b) Interconnection agreement
  - (c) Certificate of Completion
  - (d) Customer Checklist

## **Chapter 10 Adoption by Reference**

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In this chapter, DCPUD adopts by reference all or portions of regulations and standards identified below. The publications, effective date, references within this chapter, and availability of the resources are as follows:

- (1) The National Electric Code is published by the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA).

- (a) The National Electric Code is a copyrighted document. Copies are available from the NFPA at 1 Batterymarch Park, Quincy, Massachusetts, 02169 or at internet address <http://www.nfpa.org>.
- (2) National Electrical Safety Code (NESC).
  - (a) Copies of the National Electrical Safety Code are available from the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers at <http://standards.ieee.org/nesc>.
- (3) Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE) Standard 1547, Standard for Interconnecting Distributed Resources with Electric Power Systems.
  - (a) Copies of IEEE Standard 1547 are available from the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers at <http://www.ieee.org/web/standards/home>.
- (4) Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE) Standard 929, Recommended Practice for Utility Interface of Photovoltaic (PV) Systems.
  - (a) Copies of IEEE Standard 929 are available from the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers at <http://www.ieee.org/web/standards/home>.
- (5) American National Standards Institute (ANSI) Standard C37.90, IEEE Standard for Relays and Relay Systems Associated with Electric Power Apparatus.
  - (a) Copies of IEEE Standard C37.90 are available from the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers at <http://www.ieee.org/web/standards/home>.
- (6) Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE) Standard 519, Recommended Practices and Requirements for Harmonic Control in Electrical Power Systems.
  - (a) Copies of IEEE Standard 519 are available from the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers at <http://www.ieee.org/web/standards/home>.
- (7) Underwriters Laboratories (UL), including UL Standard 1741, Inverters, Converters, and Controllers for Use in Independent Power Systems.
  - (a) UL Standard 1741 is available from Underwriters Laboratory at <http://www.ul.com>.
- (8) Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) Standard at 29 CFR 1910.269.
  - (a) Copies of Title 29 Code of Federal Regulations are available from the U.S. Government Online Bookstore, <http://bookstore.gpo.gov/>, and from various third-party vendors.
- (9) Washington Division of Occupational Safety and Health (DOSHS) Standard, chapter 296-155 WAC.

- (a) The DOSH Standard is available from the Washington Department of Labor and Industries at P.O. Box 44000, Olympia, WA 98504-4000, or at internet address <http://www.lni.wa.gov>.

## **Chapter 11 Interconnection of Facilities Greater than 100 kW**

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- (1) Sections 1 through 10 of this document shall not apply to the interconnection of facilities greater than 100 kW. Applications for interconnection of facilities greater than 100 kW will be addressed on a case-by-case basis.
- (2) The following principles shall be considered by the PUD when evaluating applications for such interconnections:
  - (a) All interconnection customers shall be treated in a non-discriminatory and non-preferential manner.
  - (b) DCPUD shall review all interconnections to maintain safe, adequate and reliable electric service to its retail electric customers.
  - (c) DCPUD shall evaluate the cumulative effect on circuits and load pockets.
  - (d) Interconnection customers shall bear the costs of interconnection, operation and maintenance.
  - (e) Interconnection service does not include retail electric or other services.
  - (f) DCPUD shall establish, and amend as necessary to maintain the safe and reliable operation of its system, operating, system design, and maintenance requirements.
  - (g) Any requirements should not restrict DCPUD from developing timelines that allow DCPUD and interconnection customer to engage in discussions regarding study results and design options.
  - (h) Technical requirements for all interconnections shall comply with IEEE, NESC, NEC and other safety and reliability standards.

# APPENDIX A

## Application for Interconnecting a Generating Facility

This Application is considered complete when it provides all applicable and correct information required below. Additional information to evaluate the Application may be required.

### Processing Fee

A non-refundable processing fee of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ must accompany this Application.

### Interconnection Customer

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone (Day): \_\_\_\_\_ (Evening): \_\_\_\_\_

Fax: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

### Contact (if different from Interconnection Customer)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone (Day): \_\_\_\_\_ (Evening): \_\_\_\_\_

Fax: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Owner of the facility (include % ownership by any electric DCPUD): \_\_\_\_\_

### Generating Facility Information

Location (if different from above): \_\_\_\_\_

Electric Service Company: \_\_\_\_\_

Account Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Inverter Manufacturer: \_\_\_\_\_ Model \_\_\_\_\_

Nameplate Rating: \_\_\_\_\_ (kW) \_\_\_\_\_ (kVA) \_\_\_\_\_ (AC Volts)

Single Phase \_\_\_\_\_ Three Phase \_\_\_\_\_

System Design Capacity: \_\_\_\_\_ (kW) \_\_\_\_\_ (kVA)

Prime Mover: Photovoltaic \_\_\_ Reciprocating Engine \_\_\_ Fuel Cell \_\_\_ Turbine \_\_\_ Other \_\_\_

Energy Source: Solar \_\_\_ Wind \_\_\_ Hydro \_\_\_ Diesel \_\_\_ Natural Gas \_\_\_ Fuel Oil \_\_\_

Other (describe) \_\_\_\_\_

Is the equipment UL1741 Listed? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

If Yes, attach manufacturer's cut-sheet showing UL1741 listing

Estimated Installation Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Estimated In-Service Date: \_\_\_\_\_

List components of the Generating Facility equipment package that are currently certified:

Equipment Type	Certifying Entity
1. _____	_____
2. _____	_____
3. _____	_____
4. _____	_____
5. _____	_____

Interconnection Customer Signature

I hereby certify that, to the best of my knowledge, the information provided in this Application is true. I agree to abide by the Terms and Conditions for Interconnecting an Inverter-Based Small Generating Facility No Larger than 100 kW and return the Certificate of Completion when the Small Generating Facility has been installed.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Contingent Approval to Interconnect the Generating Facility

(For Company use only)

Interconnection of the Generating Facility is approved contingent upon the Terms and Conditions for Interconnecting an Inverter-Based Generating Facility No Larger than 100 kW and return of the Certificate of Completion.

Company Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Application ID number: \_\_\_\_\_

Company waives inspection/witness test? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_



## APPENDIX B

### Generating Facility Certificate of Completion

Is the Generating Facility owner-installed? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Interconnection Customer:

\_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Location of the Generating Facility (if different from above):

\_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone (Day): \_\_\_\_\_ (Evening): \_\_\_\_\_

Fax: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Electrician: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone (Day): \_\_\_\_\_ (Evening): \_\_\_\_\_

Fax: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

License number: \_\_\_\_\_

Date Approval to Install Facility granted by DCPUD: \_\_\_\_\_

Application ID number: \_\_\_\_\_

Inspection:

The Generating Facility has been installed and inspected in compliance with the local building/ electrical code of \_\_\_\_\_

Signed (Local electrical wiring inspector, or attach signed electrical inspection):

\_\_\_\_\_

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## APPENDIX C

### Net Energy Metering Interconnection Agreement

#### **Customer Owned Fuel Cell, Solar, Wind, Biogas, Combined Heat and Power or Hydropower Electric Generating Facilities of 100 Kilowatts or Less**

This Net Energy Metering Interconnection Agreement is executed in duplicate this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 200\_\_ between \_\_\_\_\_ (hereinafter referred to as "Customer"), and PUD No. 1 of Douglas County. Both parties, who may be herein further referred to collectively as "Parties" and individually as "Party", agree as follows:

#### 1 CUSTOMER ELECTRIC GENERATING FACILITY

- A. Customer has elected, in accordance with RCW 80.60 et seq., to operate either a net energy metered fuel cell, facility that produces electricity and used and useful thermal energy from a common fuel source, or a facility that uses water, wind, solar energy, or biogas from animal waste as a fuel as set forth in chapter 80.60 RCW with a generating capacity of not more than one hundred (100) kilowatts, in parallel with DCPUD's transmission and distribution facilities. The customer's electric generating facility (Generating Facility) is intended to offset either part or all of the Customer's electrical requirements.
- B. PUD No. 1 of Douglas County will not provide wheeling for Customer as generation from the net metering electrical Generating Facility will only be applied to consumption at the location of said electrical Generating Facility.
- C. Customer's Application for Net Metered Electrical Generation, including the location of the electrical generating installation facility and details on the electrical generating unit(s) is hereby incorporated into this agreement as Attachment A.
- D. The installation is identified by DCPUD with the following designators: Customer Account No. \_\_\_\_\_, Service No. \_\_\_\_\_.
- E. A separate agreement shall be entered into for each Customer's electrical service location(s).
- F. The electrical generating system facility used by the Customer shall be located on the Customer's premises. It shall include all equipment necessary to meet applicable safety, power quality, and Interconnection requirements established by the National Electrical Code (Articles 690 and 705), National Electrical Safety Code, the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers, Underwriters Laboratories, and DCPUD's Net Metering Interconnection Standards.
- G. DCPUD shall have the sole authority to determine which Interconnection requirements set forth herein are applicable to Customer's proposed Generating Facility.

## 2 PAYMENT FOR NET ENERGY

- A. DCPUD shall measure the electricity produced and consumed by the Customer during each billing period, in accordance with normal metering practices.
- B. If the electricity supplied by DCPUD exceeds the electricity generated by the Customer during the billing period, or any portion thereof, then the Customer shall be billed for the net electricity supplied by DCPUD together with the appropriate customer charge paid by other customers of DCPUD in the same rate class.
- C. If the electricity generated by the Customer during the billing period, or any portion thereof, exceeds the Customer's electricity usage, then the Customer shall be:
  - 1. billed for the appropriate customer service charge as other customers of DCPUD in the same rate class; and
  - 2. credited for the net excess kilowatt-hours generated during the billing period, with this kilowatt-hour credit appearing on Customer's bill for the following billing period.
- D. On March 31<sup>st</sup> of each calendar year, any remaining unused kilowatt-hour credit accumulated by the Customer during the previous year shall be granted to DCPUD, without any compensation to the Customer.
- E. Customer shall pay any amount owing for electric service provided by DCPUD in accordance with applicable rates and policies. Nothing in this Section 2 shall limit's rights under applicable Rate Schedules, City Ordinances, Customer Service Policies, and General Provisions.

## 3 INTERRUPTION OR REDUCTION OF DELIVERIES

- A. DCPUD may require Customer to interrupt or reduce deliveries as follows:
  - 1. when necessary in order to construct, install, maintain, repair, replace, remove, investigate, or inspect any of its equipment or part of its system; or
  - 2. if it determines that curtailment, interruption, or reduction is necessary because of emergencies, force or compliance with prudent electrical practices.
- B. Whenever possible, DCPUD shall give Customer reasonable notice of the possibility that interruption or reduction of deliveries may be required.
- C. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, if at any time DCPUD determines that either:
  - a. the Generating Facility may endanger DCPUD personnel, or
  - b. the continued operation of Customer's Generating Facility may endanger the integrity of DCPUD's electric system,

then DCPUD shall have the right to temporarily or permanently disconnect Customer's Generating Facility from DCPUD's electric system. Customer's Generating Facility shall remain disconnected until such time as DCPUD is satisfied that the condition(s) referenced in (a) of (b) of this section 3.C have been corrected.

#### 4 INTERCONNECTION

- A. Customer shall deliver the excess energy to DCPUD at DCPUD's meter.
- B. Customer shall pay for designing, installing, inspecting, operating, and maintaining the electric Generating Facility in accordance with all applicable laws and regulations and shall comply with DCPUD's Interconnection Standards set forth in Attachment B, which is attached hereto.
- C. Customer shall pay for DCPUD's standard watt-hour meter electrical hook-up, if not already present.
- D. Customer shall not commence parallel operation of the Generating Facility until written approval of the Interconnection facilities has been given by DCPUD. Such approval shall not be unreasonably withheld. DCPUD shall have the right to have representatives present at the initial testing of Customer's protective apparatus. Customer shall notify DCPUD when testing is to take place.

#### 5 MAINTENANCE AND PERMITS

Customer shall:

- 1. maintain the electric Generating Facility and Interconnection facilities in a safe and prudent manner and in conformance with all applicable laws and regulations including, but not limited to, DCPUD's Interconnection Standards, and
- 2. obtain any governmental authorizations and permits required for the construction and operation of the electric Generating Facility and Interconnection facilities, including electrical permit(s).
- 3. reimburse DCPUD for any and all losses, damages, claims, penalties, or liability it incurs as a result of Customer's failure to obtain or maintain any governmental authorizations and permits required for construction and operation of Customer's Generating Facility or failure to maintain Customer's Generating Facility as required in (1) of this Section 5.

#### 6 ACCESS TO PREMISES

DCPUD may enter Customer's premises or property to:

- 1. inspect, with prior notice, at all reasonable hours, Customer's Generating Facility's protective devices;
- 2. read meter; and

3. disconnect at DCPUD's meter or transformer, without notice, the generating facilities if, in DCPUD's opinion, a hazardous condition exists and such immediate action is necessary to protect persons, or DCPUD's facilities, or property of others from damage or interference caused by Customer's electric generating facilities, or lack of properly operating protective devices or inability to inspect the same.

DCPUD inspection or other action shall not constitute approval by DCPUD. The customer remains solely responsible for the safe and adequate operation of its facilities.

## 7 INDEMNITY AND LIABILITY

- A. The Customer assumes the risk of all damages, loss, cost and expense and agrees to indemnify DCPUD, its successors and assigns, and its respective directors, officers, employees and agents, from and against any and all claims, losses, costs, liabilities, damages and expenses including, but not limited to, reasonable attorney fees, resulting from or in Interconnection with performance of the agreement or which may occur or be sustained by DCPUD on account of any claim or action brought against DCPUD for any reason including by not limited to loss to the electrical system of the Customer caused by or arising out of an electrical disturbance.
- B. Such indemnity, protection, and hold harmless includes any demand, claim, suit or judgment for damages, death or bodily injury to all persons, including officers, employees or agents, and subcontractors of either Party hereto including payment made under or in Interconnection with any Worker's Compensation Law or under any plan for employees' disability and death benefits or property loss which may be caused or contributed to by the Interconnection, maintenance, operation, use, presence, or removal of Customer's equipment. The only exception will be liability occasioned by the sole negligence or willful misconduct of DCPUD or its employees acting within the scope of their employment and liability occasioned by a partial negligence of DCPUD or its employees acting within the scope of their employment to the extent that such partial liability is fixed by a court of competent jurisdiction.
- C. The provisions of this section shall not be construed to relieve any insurer of its obligations to pay any insurance claims in accordance with the provisions of any insurance policy.
- D. DCPUD shall have no liability, ownership interest, control or responsibility for the Customer's Electric Generating Facility or its Interconnection with DCPUD's electric system, regardless of what DCPUD knows or should know about the Customer's Electric Generating Facility or its Interconnection.
- E. Customer recognizes that it is waiving immunity under Washington Industrial Insurance law, Title 51 RCW, and further agrees that this indemnification clause has been mutually negotiated. This indemnification shall extend to and include attorney's fees and the costs of establishing the right of indemnification hereunder in favor of DCPUD.

## 8 INDEPENDENT CONTRACTORS

The Parties hereto are independent contractors and shall not be deemed to be partners, joint ventures, employees, franchisees or franchisers, servants or agents of each other for any purpose whatsoever under or in Interconnection with this Agreement.

## 9 GOVERNING LAW, VENUE, AND ATTORNEY'S FEES

The validity, performance and all matters relating to the effect of this Agreement and any amendment hereto shall be governed by the laws (without reference to choice of law) of the State of Washington or any regulatory agency of competent jurisdiction. The sole and exclusive venue of any legal action in regard to this Agreement shall be the Superior Court of Douglas County, Washington.

If litigation arises out of this Agreement, the substantially prevailing party shall be entitled to recover all reasonable legal expenses including, but not limited to, attorney fees, expert witness fees, and travel and lodging expenses at trial and the appellate court level.

## 10 FUTURE MODIFICATION OR EXPANSION

Any future modification or expansion of the Customer owned Generating Facility will require an engineering review and approval by DCPUD. DCPUD reserves the right to require the Customer, at Customer's expense, to provide modifications or additions to existing electrical devices including, but not limited to protection device and meters, in the event of changes to government or industry regulation and/or standards.

## 11 AMENDMENTS, MODIFICATIONS OR WAIVER

Any amendments or modifications to this Agreement shall be in writing and agreed to by both Parties. The failure of any Party at any time or times to require performance of any provision hereof shall in no manner affect the right at a later time to enforce the same. No waiver by any Party of the breach of any term or covenant contained in this Agreement, whether by conduct or otherwise, shall be deemed to be construed as a further or continuing waiver of any such breach or waiver of the breach of any other term or covenant unless such waiver is in writing.

## 12 ASSIGNMENT

The Customer shall not assign its rights under this Agreement without the express written consent of DCPUD. DCPUD may impose reasonable conditions on any such assignment to ensure that all of Customer's obligations under this Agreement are met and that none of Customer's obligations under this Agreement are transferred to DCPUD as a result of default, bankruptcy, or any other cause.

## 13 APPENDICES

The Agreement includes the following appendices attached and incorporated by reference:

Appendix A: Application for Interconnecting a Generating Facility

Appendix B: Generating Facility Certificate of Completion

Attachment D: Power Purchase Agreement, for Power Generating Facilities (100 Kilowatts or less)

14 NOTICES

All written notices shall be directed as follows:

Customer:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
City, State & Zip

DCPUD:

PUD No. 1 of Douglas County

\_\_\_\_\_  
1151 Valley Mall Park Way

Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
East Wenatchee, WA 98802

City, State & Zip

Customer notices to DCPUD, pursuant to this Section 15, shall refer to the Service Address set forth in Appendix A, Application for Interconnecting a Generating Facility.

15 TERM OF AGREEMENT

This Agreement shall be in effect when signed by the Customer and DCPUD and shall remain in effect thereafter month to month unless terminated by either Party on thirty (30) days' prior written notice.

16 SIGNATURES

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties hereto have caused two originals of this Agreement to be executed by their duly authorized representatives.

This Agreement is effective as of the last date set forth below.

Dated this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_

PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1  
OF DOUGLAS COUNTY, WASHINGTON

By \_\_\_\_\_  
"Customer"

By \_\_\_\_\_  
"District"

## APPENDIX E

### Customer Checklist for DCPUD Interconnection

- Submit an application to DCPUD
  - ✓ Interconnection inverter must be UL 1741 Listed
  - ✓ Electrical schematic drawing must be included
  - ✓ Include provisions for a lockable visible disconnect if required by DCPUD or local jurisdiction.
- Send to: Douglas County PUD, Attn: Distribution Engineering Supervisor, 1151 Valley Mall Parkway, East Wenatchee, WA 98802
- Receive written design approval from DCPUD
- Get an electrical permit from Washington State Labor & Industries located at 519 Grant Road, East Wenatchee, WA. Follow the National Electric Code (NEC) as required.
- Complete the installation.
- Get inspections from a state electrical inspector and DCPUD (call DCPUD for inspection at 884-7191, ext. 2227)
- If net metered, DCPUD approves, or installs new, bi-directional meter.
- If production metered, DCPUD approves, or installs new production meter.
- Submit Certificate of Completion to DCPUD
- Start generating power

Questions?

Call Douglas County PUD Distribution Engineering at (509) 884-7191, ext 2227.