

# INTERCONNECTION FACILITIES STUDY REPORT

GEN-2015-093 (IFS-2015-002-37)

## **REVISION HISTORY**

DATE OR VERSION NUMBER	AUTHOR	CHANGE DESCRIPTION
3/15/2017	SPP	Initial draft report issued.
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## **SUMMARY**

#### INTRODUCTION

This Interconnection Facilities Study (IFS) for Interconnection Request <u>GEN-2015-093/IFS-2015-002-37</u> is for a <u>250.00</u> MW generating facility located in <u>Caddo County, Oklahoma</u>. The Interconnection Request was studied in the <u>DISIS-2015-002</u> Impact Study for <u>Energy Resource Interconnection Service</u> (ERIS) and <u>Network Resource Interconnection Service</u> (NRIS). Prior to an executed IFS agreement, the Interconnection Customer requested to withdraw NRIS per Section 4.4.1 of the Southwest Power Pool (SPP) Generator Interconnection Procedures (GIP), therefore ERIS-only was analyzed for this request in the DISIS-2015-002-1 Impact Restudy and DISIS-2015-002-2 Impact Restudy. The Interconnection Customer's requested in-service date is <u>October 15<sup>th</sup>, 2022</u>.

The interconnecting Transmission Owner, <u>Oklahoma Gas and Electric Company (OKGE)</u>, performed a detailed IFS at the request of SPP. The full report is included in Appendix A. SPP has determined that full Interconnection Service will be available after the assigned Transmission Owner Interconnection Facilities, Non-Shared Network Upgrade(s), and Other Network Upgrades are completed.

The primary objective of the IFS is to identify necessary Transmission Owner Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrade(s), other direct assigned upgrade(s), and associated upgrade lead times needed to grant the requested Interconnection Service at the specified Point of Interconnection (POI).

## PHASE(S) OF INTERCONNECTION SERVICE

It is not expected that Interconnection Service will occur in phases. However, Interconnection Service will not be available until all Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrade(s) can be placed in service.

## CREDITS/COMPENSATION FOR AMOUNTS ADVANCED FOR NETWORK UPGRADE(S)

Interconnection Customer shall be entitled to compensation in accordance with Attachment Z2 of the SPP OATT for the cost of SPP Network Upgrades, including any tax gross-up or any other tax-related payments associated with the Network Upgrades, that are not otherwise refunded to the Interconnection Customer. Compensation shall be in the form of either revenue credits or incremental Long Term Congestion Rights (iLTCR).

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## INTERCONNECTION CUSTOMER INTERCONNECTION FACILITIES

The Generating Facility is proposed to consist of <u>one hundred-twenty-five (125) 2.0 MW General Electric (G.E.) wind generators</u> for a total generating nameplate capacity of <u>250.00 MW</u>.

The Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities to be designed, procured, constructed, installed, maintained, and owned by the Interconnection Customer at its sole expense include:

- 34.5 kV underground cable collection circuits;
- 34.5 kV to 345 kV transformation substation with associated 34.5 kV and 345 kV switchgear;
- One (1) 345/34.5kV 168/224/280 MVA step-up transformer to be owned and maintained by the Interconnection Customer at the Interconnection Customer's substation;
- A fifteen (15) mile overhead 345 kV line to connect the Interconnection Customer's substation to the Point of Interconnection (POI) at the 345 kV bus existing OKGE substation ("Gracemont") that is owned and maintained by OKGE;
- All transmission facilities required to connect the Interconnection Customer's substation to the POI;
- Equipment at the Interconnection Customer's substation necessary to maintain a power factor at the POI between 95% lagging and 95% leading, including approximately 16.6Mvars¹ of reactors to compensate for injection of reactive power into the transmission system under no/reduced generating conditions. The Interconnection Customer may use wind turbine manufacturing options for providing reactive power under no/reduced generation conditions. The Interconnection Customer will be required to provide documentation and design specifications demonstrating how the requirements are met.

The Interconnection Customer shall coordinate relay, protection, control, and communication system configurations and schemes with the Transmission Owner.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> This approximate minimum reactor amount is needed for the current configuration of the wind farm as studied in the DISIS-2015-002 Impact Study.

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# TRANSMISSION OWNER INTERCONNECTION FACILITIES AND NON-SHARED NETWORK UPGRADE(S)

To facilitate interconnection, the interconnecting Transmission Owner will perform work as shown below necessary for the acceptance of the Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities.

**Table 1** lists the Interconnection Customer's estimated cost responsibility for Transmission Owner Interconnection Facilities (TOIF) and Non-Shared Network Upgrade(s) and provides an estimated lead time for completion of construction. The estimated lead time begins when the Generator Interconnection Agreement has been fully executed.

Table 1: Interconnection Customer TOIF and Non-Shared Network Upgrade(s)

TOIF and Non-Shared Network Upgrades Description	Allocated Cost Estimate (\$)	Allocated Percent (%)	Total Cost Estimate (\$)	Estimated Lead Time
OKGE Gracemont Interconnection Substation: Transmission Owner Interconnection Facilities 345kV Substation work for one (1) new line terminal, line switch, dead end structure, line relaying, communications, revenue metering, line arrestor, and all associated equipment and facilities necessary to accept transmission line from Interconnection Customer's Generating Facility.	\$1,199,958	100%	\$1,199,958	9 Months
OKGE Gracemont Interconnection Substation - Non-Shared Network Upgrades install one (1) 3000A circuit breakers, control panel replacement, line relaying, disconnect switches, and all other associated work and materials.	\$1,145,042	100%	\$1,145,042	
Total	\$2,345,000	100%	\$2,345,000	

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## SHARED NETWORK UPGRADE(S)

The Interconnection Customer's share of costs for Shared Network Upgrades is estimated in **Table 2** below.

Table 2: Interconnection Customer Shared Network Upgrades

Shared Network Upgrades Description	Allocated Cost Estimate (\$)	Allocated Percent (%)	Total Cost Estimate (\$)
<u>Currently none</u>	\$0	N/A	\$0
Total	\$0	N/A	\$0

All studies have been conducted assuming that higher-queued Interconnection Request(s) and the associated Network Upgrade(s) will be placed into service. If higher-queued Interconnection Request(s) withdraw from the queue, suspend or terminate service, the Interconnection Customer's share of costs may be revised. Restudies, conducted at the customer's expense, will determine the Interconnection Customer's revised allocation of Shared Network Upgrades.

## OTHER NETWORK UPGRADE(S)

Certain Other Network Upgrades are currently not the cost responsibility of the Interconnection Customer but will be required for full Interconnection Service.

## 1) Currently none

Depending upon the status of higher- or equally-queued customers, the Interconnection Request's inservice date is at risk of being delayed or Interconnection Service is at risk of being reduced until the inservice date of these Other Network Upgrades.

#### **CONCLUSION**

After all Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades have been placed into service, Interconnection Service for 250.00 MW can be granted. Interconnection Service will be delayed until the Transmission Owner Interconnection Facilities and Non-Shared Network Upgrades are completed. The Interconnection Customer's estimated cost responsibility for Transmission Owner Interconnection Facilities and Non-Shared Network Upgrades is summarized in the table below.

Table 3: Cost Summary

Description	Allocated Cost Estimate
Transmission Owner Interconnection Facilities	\$1,199,958
Network Upgrades	\$1,145,042
Total	\$2,345,000

A draft GIA will be provided to the Interconnection Customer consistent with the final results of this IFS report. The Transmission Owner and Interconnection Customer will have 60 days to negotiate the terms of the GIA consistent with the SPP OATT.

## **APPENDICES**

Appendices 5

# A: TRANSMISSION OWNER'S INTERCONNECTION FACILITIES STUDY REPORT

See next page for the Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities Study Report.

Appendix A 6



## **FACILITY STUDY**

## for

## **Generation Interconnection Request 2015-093**

250 MW Wind Generating Facility In Caddo County Oklahoma

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## **Summary**

Pursuant to the tariff and at the request of the Southwest Power Pool (SPP), Oklahoma Gas and Electric (OG&E) performed the following Facility Study to satisfy the Facility Study Agreement executed by the requesting customer for SPP Generation Interconnection request Gen-2015-093. The request for interconnection was placed with SPP in accordance SPP's Open Access Transmission Tariff, which covers new generation interconnections on SPP's transmission system. The requirements for interconnection consist of adding one breaker and a line terminal to Gracemont substation. The total cost for OKGE to add one breaker and a terminal in Gracemont substation, the interconnection facility, is estimated at \$2,345,000.

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## **Introduction**

The Southwest Power Pool has requested a Facility Study for the purpose of interconnecting a wind generating facility within the service territory of OG&E Electric Services (OKGE) in Caddo County Oklahoma. The proposed 345kV point of interconnection is at Gracemont Substation in Caddo County Oklahoma. This substation is owned by OKGE.

The cost for adding a new 345kV terminal to Gracemont Substation, the required interconnection facility, is estimated at \$1,199,958.

Network Constraints in the Southwest Public Service (SPS), OKGE and Western Farmers Electric Cooperative (WFEC) systems may be verified with a transmission service request and associated studies.

#### **Interconnection Facilities**

The primary objective of this study is to identify attachment facilities. The requirements for interconnection consist of adding a new 345kV terminal in Gracemont Substation. This 345kV addition shall be constructed and maintained by OKGE. The Customer did not propose a route of its 345kV line to serve its 345kV facilities. It is assumed that obtaining all necessary right-of-way for the line into the new OKGE 345kV substation facilities will not be a significant expense.

The total cost for OKGE to add a new 345kV terminal in an existing EHV Substation, the interconnection facility, is estimated at \$1,199,958. This cost does not include building the 345kV line from the Customer substation into Gracemont substation. The Customer is responsible for this 345kV line up to the point of interconnection. This cost does not include the Customer's 345-34.5kV substation and the cost estimate should be determined by the Customer.

This Facility Study does not guarantee the availability of transmission service necessary to deliver the additional generation to any specific point inside or outside the Southwest Power Pool (SPP) transmission system. The transmission network facilities may not be adequate to deliver the additional generation output to the transmission system. If the customer requests firm transmission service under the SPP Open Access Transmission Tariff at a future date, Network Upgrades or other new construction may be required to provide the service requested under the SPP OATT.

The costs of interconnecting the facility to the OKGE transmission system are listed in Table 1.

## Short Circuit Fault Duty Evaluation

It is standard practice for OG&E to recommend replacing a circuit breaker when the current through the breaker for a fault exceeds 100% of its interrupting rating with re-closer de-rating applied, as determined by the ANSI/IEEE C37.5-1979, C37.010-1979 & C37.04-1979 breaker rating methods.

For this generator interconnection, no breakers were found to exceed their interrupting capability after the addition of the Customer's generation and related facilities. OG&E found no breakers that exceeded their interrupting capabilities on their system. Therefore, there is no short circuit upgrade costs associated with the Gen-2015-093 interconnection.

**Table 1: Required Interconnection Network Upgrade Facilities** 

Facility	ESTIMATED COST	
	(2020 DOLLARS)	
OKGE – <b>Interconnection Facilities</b> - Add a single		
345kV line terminal to an existing EHV Substation.	\$1,199,958	
Dead end structure, line switch, line relaying, revenue	\$1,199,930	
metering including CTs and PTs		
OKGE – <b>Network Upgrades</b> at an existing EHV	\$1,145,042	
sub, Install 1-345kV 3000A breaker, line relaying,		
disconnect switches, and associated equipment		
OKGE - Right-of-Way for 345kV terminal addition	No Additional ROW	
Total	\$2,345,000	

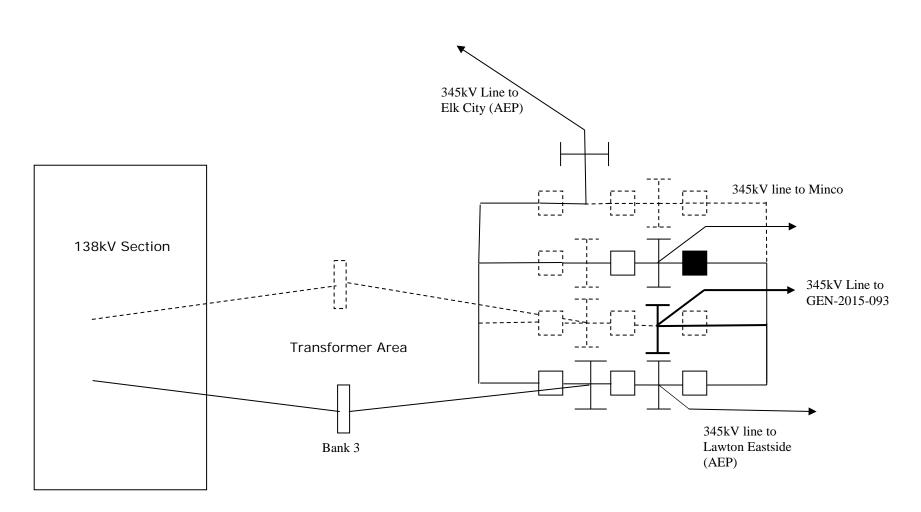
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## **Gracemont Substation**





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