



**INTERCONNECTION
FACILITIES STUDY
REPORT**

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SUMMARY

INTRODUCTION

This Interconnection Facilities Study (IFS) for Interconnection Request GEN-2019-018 is for a 15.56 MW generating facility located in Rice, KS. The Interconnection Request was studied in the DISIS-2018-002/DISIS-2019-001 Impact Study for ER/NR. The Interconnection Customer's requested in-service date is June 1, 2021.

The interconnecting Transmission Owner, Midwest Energy Inc. (MIDW), 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 (TOIF), Non-Shared Network Upgrades, Shared Network Upgrades, Contingent Network Upgrades, and Affected System Upgrades that are required for full interconnection service are completed.

The primary objective of the IFS is to identify necessary Transmission Owner Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades, other direct assigned upgrades, cost estimates, and associated upgrade lead times needed to grant the requested Interconnection Service.

PHASE(S) OF INTERCONNECTION SERVICE

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

COMPENSATION FOR AMOUNTS ADVANCED FOR NETWORK UPGRADE(S)

FERC Order ER20-1687-000 eliminated the use of Attachment Z2 revenue crediting as an option for compensation. The Incremental Long Term Congestion Right (ILTCR) process will be the sole process to compensate upgrade sponsors as of July 1st, 2020.

INTERCONNECTION CUSTOMER INTERCONNECTION FACILITIES

The Generating Facility is proposed to consist of one (1) 16.875 kVA Gas Turbine Generator for a total generating nameplate capacity of 15.56 MW.

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

- 12.47 kV underground cable collection circuits;
- A half mile underground 12.47 kV line to connect the Interconnection Customer's facilities to the Transmission Owner's Saxman substation at the Point of Change of Ownership;
- Equipment at the Interconnection Customer's facility necessary to maintain a composite power delivery at continuous rated power output at the high-side of the generator substation at a power factor within the range of 95% lagging and 95% leading in accordance with FERC Order 827. The Interconnection Customer will be required to provide documentation and design specifications demonstrating how the requirements are met; and,
- All necessary relay, protection, control and communication systems required to protect Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities and Generating Facility and coordinate with Transmission Owner's relay, protection, control, and communication systems.

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 and **Table 2** list 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: Transmission Owner Interconnection Facilities (TOIF)

Transmission Owner Interconnection Facilities (TOIF)	Total Cost Estimate (\$)	Allocated Percent (%)	Allocated Cost Estimate (\$)
<p><u>Transmission Owner’s Saxman 115kV Substation GEN-2019-018 Interconnection (TOIF) (MIDW) (UID 156785):</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • one (1) 115kV disconnect switch, • one (1) 115kV circuit switcher, • one (1) 115KV - 12.47 KV/ 12/16/20 MVA (ONAN/ONAF/ONAF)step-up transformer, • one (1) 115kV gang operated switch, • one (1) 15kV circuit breaker and disconnect switches, • interconnection metering and instrument transformers, • two (2) relay and control panels, • bus, steel, and associated hardware, • steel underground riser structure and associated hardware required for support of Interconnection Customer’s 12.47kV interconnection cable foundations, • below grade conduits and grounding, • Engineering Labor, and • Construction Labor <p><u>Estimated Lead Time: 0 Months</u></p>	\$898,528	100.00%	\$898,528
Total	\$898,528		\$898,528

Table 2: Non-Shared Network Upgrade(s)

Non-Shared Network Upgrades Description	ILTCR	Total Cost Estimate (\$)	Allocated Percent (%)	Allocated Cost Estimate (\$)
<u>Transmission Owner's Saxman 115kV Substation GEN-2019-018 Interconnection (Non-shared NU) (MIDW) (UID 156786): Facilitate the interconnection of GEN-2019-018</u> <u>Estimated Lead Time: 0 Months</u>	Ineligible	\$0	100%	\$0
Total		\$0		\$0

SHARED NETWORK UPGRADE(S)

The Interconnection Customer’s share of costs for Shared Network Upgrades is estimated in **Table 3** below.

Table 3: Interconnection Customer Shared Network Upgrade(s)

Shared Network Upgrades Description	ILTCR	Total Cost Estimate (\$)	Allocated Percent (%)	Allocated Cost Estimate (\$)
<u>NA</u>				
Total		\$0		\$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.

CONTINGENT NETWORK UPGRADE(S)

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

Table 4: Interconnection Customer Contingent Network Upgrade(s)

Contingent Network Upgrade(s) Description	Current Cost Assignment	Estimated In-Service Date
NA		

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

AFFECTED SYSTEM UPGRADE(S)

To facilitate interconnection, the Affected System Transmission Owner will be required to perform the facilities study work as shown below necessary for the acceptance of the Interconnection Customer’s Interconnection Facilities. **Table 5** displays the current impact study costs provided by either MISO or AECI as part of the Affected System Impact review. The Affected System facilities study could provide revised costs and will provide each Interconnection Customer’s allocation responsibilities for the upgrades.

Table 5: Interconnection Customer Affected System Upgrade(s)

Affected System Upgrades Description	Total Cost Estimate (\$)	Allocated Percent (%)	Allocated Cost Estimate (\$)
<u>NA</u>			
Total	\$0		\$0

CONCLUSION

After all Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades have been placed into service, Interconnection Service for 15.56 MW can be granted. Full Interconnection Service will be delayed until the TOIF, Non-Shared NU, Shared NU, Contingent NU, Affected System Upgrades that are required for full interconnection service are completed. The Interconnection Customer's estimated cost responsibility for full interconnection service is summarized in the table below.

Table 6: Cost Summary

Description	Allocated Cost Estimate
Transmission Owner Interconnection Facilities Upgrade(s)	\$898,528
Non-Shared Network Upgrade(s)	\$0
Shared Network Upgrade(s)	\$0
Affected System Upgrade(s)	\$0
Total	\$898,528

Use the following link for Quarterly Updates on upgrades from this report: <https://spp.org/spp-documents-filings/?id=18641>

A draft Generator Interconnection Agreement 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 Open Access Transmission Tariff (OATT).

APPENDICES

**A: TRANSMISSION OWNER'S INTERCONNECTION FACILITIES STUDY
REPORT AND NETWORK UPGRADES REPORT(S)**

A Transmission Owner's Facility Study Report was not provided for GEN-2019-018 as Interconnection Facilities were estimated, constructed, and energized under the IGIA, and all costs for the Interconnection Facilities have been settled with the Interconnection Customer as required in the IGIA.