



**INTERCONNECTION
FACILITIES STUDY
REPORT**

GEN-2021-006

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SUMMARY

INTRODUCTION

This Interconnection Facilities Study (IFS) for Interconnection Request GEN-2021-006 is for a 300 MW generating facility located in Labette County, KS. The Interconnection Request was studied in the DISIS-2021-001 Impact Study for ERIS/NRIS. The Interconnection Customer's requested in-service date is 2/1/2026.

The interconnecting Transmission Owner, Evergy (WERE), 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-hundred forty (140) 300 MW Power Electronics PCSK FP2445K 2445k inverters for a total generating nameplate capacity of 300 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:

- 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 345 kV/34.5 kV 97/129/161MVA (ONAN/ONAF/ONAF) step-up transformer to be owned and maintained by the Interconnection Customer at the Interconnection Customer's substation;
- An Approximately 370 foot overhead 345 kV line to connect the Interconnection Customer's substation to the Point of Interconnection ("POI") at the 345 kV bus at existing Transmission Owner substation ("Neosho 345kV substation") that is owned and maintained by Transmission Owner;
- 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 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 Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) Order 827. The Interconnection Customer may use inverter 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; and,
- All necessary relay, protection, control and communication systems required to protect Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities and Generating Facilities 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 (\$)
<u>Transmission Owner's Neosho 345kV substation in Labette County, KS GEN-2021-006 Interconnection (TOIF) (UID 157147): Interconnection upgrades and cost estimates needed to interconnect the following IC facility, GEN-2021-006 (300/Battery/Storage), into the Point of Interconnection (POI) at Neosho 345 kV Substation. Estimated Lead Time: 56 Months</u>	\$1,678,430	100.00%	\$1,678,430
Total	\$1,678,430		\$1,678,430

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 Neosho 345kV substation in Labette County, KS GEN-2021-006 Interconnection (Non-shared NU) (UID 157148): Interconnection upgrades and cost estimates needed to interconnect the following IC facility, GEN-2021-006 (300/Battery/Storage), into the Point of Interconnection (POI) at Neosho 345 kV Substation. Estimated Lead Time: 56 Months</u>	Ineligible	\$5,063,655	100.00%	\$5,063,655
Total		\$5,063,655		\$5,063,655

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>Transmission Owner’s PECULR 7 to PHILL 7 345 kV Ckt 1 Terminal Upgrade (UID 170646): Upgrade Terminal Equipment at PHILL 7 345 kV to achieve a minimum rating of 880 MVA. Estimated Lead Time: 36 Months</u>	Eligible	\$233,358	8.91%	\$20,797
Total		\$233,358		\$20,797

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
None	N/A	N/A

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 (\$)
AECI's NU01 Upgrade separately mounted bushing CTs on Morgan-Dadeville 161 kV line (at Morgan) to 2,000 amp rating. Estimated Lead Time: 36 Months	\$500,000	11.62%	\$58,083
AECI's NU02 Rebuild 26.5 mile long line from Morgan-Brookline 161 kV to 1192 ACSR, rated at 100C. Estimated Lead Time: 48 Months	\$20,352,000	11.58%	\$2,357,627
AECI's NU03 Rebuild 1.2 mile long line from Lamar City North-Lamar Rural South 69 kV to 336 ACSR, rated at 100C. Estimated Lead Time: 36 Months	\$ 1,000,000	9.57%	\$95,675
AECI's NU04 Rebuild 4.5 mile long line from Lamar-Jackson Street 69 kV to 795 ACSR, rated at 100C. Estimated Lead Time: 36 Months	\$3,456,000	14.44%	\$498,901
AECI's NU05 Rebuild 0.3 mile long line from Lamar City North-Jackson Street 69 kV to 336 ACSR, rated at 100C. Estimated Lead Time: 36 Months	\$500,000	9.82%	\$49,119
AECI's NU06 Rebuild 2.4 mile long line from Richland-Boston 69 kV (AECI owned portion) to 336 ACSR, rated at 100C. Estimated Lead Time: 36 Months	\$1,740,000	9.57%	\$166,475
Total	\$27,548,000		\$3,225,880

CONCLUSION

After all Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades have been placed into service, Interconnection Service for 300 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)	\$1,678,430
Non-Shared Network Upgrade(s)	\$5,063,655
Shared Network Upgrade(s)	\$20,797
Affected System Upgrade(s)	\$3,225,880
Total	\$9,988,762

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)**

See next page for the Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities Study Report and Network Upgrades Report(s).



Interconnection Facilities Study

**Costs associated with
DISIS-2021-001
GEN-2021-006
Rev. 2**

December 2025

Introduction

This report summarizes the scope of the Interconnection Facilities Analysis for Network Upgrade(s) to determine costs related to the addition of the SPP-GI DISIS-2021-001 Interconnection Request(s). Evergy, as a TO, is receiving an unprecedented amount of GI interconnect requests. The cost estimates and interconnect information supplied are based on current system configuration. There are many cases of multiple GI's requesting POIs at the same substation. Ongoing changes in Evergy's transmission system configuration could affect the required system upgrades and costs necessary to meet any particular GI interconnect request in the future.

Southwest Power Pool Generation Interconnection Request:

Per the SPP Generator Interconnection Procedures (GIP), SPP has requested that Evergy perform an Interconnection Facilities Study (IFS) for Network Upgrade(s) in accordance with the Scope of Interconnection Facilities Study GIP Section 8.10 and the Interconnection Facilities Study Procedures in accordance with GIP Section 8.11 for the following Interconnection Request(s):

Upgrade Type	UID	Upgrade Name	Lead Time	DISIS Cost Estimate
Interconnection	157147	Neosho 345kV Substation GEN-2021-006 Interconnection (TOIF) (EKC)	36	\$1,678,430
Interconnection	157148	Neosho 345kV Substation Interconnection Expansion (DISIS-2021-001)	36	\$5,063,655

Neosho 345kV Substation GEN-2021-006 Interconnection (TOIF) (EKC)

345kV Substation

TOIF costs for one 345kV line terminal at Neosho 345kV substation to accommodate GEN-2021-006 (310 MW of Solar). UID 156174

Total Cost

The total cost estimate for this TOIF is:

\$	0	Transmission Line
\$	1,673,409	Substation
\$	5,020	AFUDC
\$	0	Contingency
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\$	1,678,430	Total

This estimate is accurate to +/- twenty (20) percent, based on current prices, in accordance with Attachment A of Appendix 4 of the Interconnection Facilities Study Agreement. However, recent cost fluctuations in materials are very significant and the accuracy of this estimate at the time of actual settings cannot be assured.

Time Estimate

Time estimates are based on current version of the project schedule and some processes of each category run concurrently.

Engineering Time	36-48	Months
Procurement Time	36-48	Months
Construction Time	36-48	Months
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Total Project Length	36-48	Months

Neosho 345kV Substation Interconnection Expansion (DISIS-2021-001)

345kV Substation Interconnection Expansion

Network Upgrades for an interconnection expansion to accommodate GEN-2021-006 (310 MW of Solar). This estimate is the cost associated with building a new 345kV rung position, including one (1) breaker and two (2) switches, in the middle of the existing breaker and half at the Neosho 345kV Substation for the GEN-2021-006 line terminal. The new terminal will require an expansion of the substation to the west and a new control enclosure. The GI deadend would be just outside the fence, west of the terminal and in-line with the 345kV deadends, sitting both to the north and the south of the new position. Evergy would construct and own the conductor from the GI deadend outside the fence to the sub deadend inside the fence. Gen-tie could continue straight west for a minimum of 750' past the GI owned deadend and continue west or northwest from this point. UID 156175

Total Cost

The total cost estimate for this NU is:

\$	0	Transmission Line
\$	4,625,360	Substation
\$	15,145	AFUDC
\$	423,151	Contingency
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\$	5,063,655	Total

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Time Estimate

Time estimates are based on current version of the project schedule and some processes of each category run concurrently.

Engineering Time	48-56	Months
Procurement Time	48-56	Months
Construction Time	48-56	Months
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Total Project Length	48-56	Months

Figure 1 –Neosho 345kV Substation





Interconnection Facilities Study

**Costs associated with
DISIS-2021-001
Peculiar-Pleasant Hill 345kV Ckt 1
Terminal Upgrade to a minimum of 880
MVA
August 2025**

Introduction

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Upgrade Type	UID	Upgrade Name	DISIS Cost Estimate	DISIS Lead Time
Current Study	170646	Peculiar-Pleasant Hill 345kV Ckt 1 Terminal Upgrade to a minimum of 880 MVA	\$ 233,358.00	36 Months

Peculiar-Pleasant Hill 345kV Ckt 1 Terminal Upgrade to a minimum of 880 MVA

345kV Substation

Network Upgrades to upgrade the Peculiar-Pleasant Hill 345kV Ckt 1 Terminal Upgrade to a minimum of 880 MVA. This upgrade includes replacing both wavetraps at the Pleasant Hill 345kV substation. UID 170646

Total Cost

The total cost estimate for this Network Upgrade is:

\$	0	Transmission Line
\$	222,359	Substation
\$	699	AFUDC
\$	10,300	Contingency
\$	233,358	Total

This estimate is accurate to +/- twenty (20) percent, based on current prices, in accordance with Attachment A of Appendix 4 of the Interconnection Facilities Study Agreement. However, recent cost fluctuations in materials are very significant and the accuracy of this estimate at the time of actual settings cannot be assured.

Time Estimate

Time estimates are based on current version of the project schedule and some processes of each category run concurrently.

Engineering Time	12-18	Months
Procurement Time	24-36	Months
Construction Time	24-36	Months
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Total Project Length	24-36	Months

Figure 1 – Peculiar-Pleasant Hill 345kV Ckt 1

