

Energy: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Proposal to Revise *pro forma* Small Generator Interconnection Agreement



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The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission ("FERC") is proposing revisions to the *pro forma* Small Generator Interconnection Agreement ("SGIA"). See Dock No. RM16-8-000.

FERC notes that the *pro forma* SGIA establishes the terms and conditions under which public utilities must provide interconnection services to small generating facilities of no larger than 20 megawatts.

The proposed revisions are stated to reflect the need for such generators to "ride through" and stay connected during abnormal frequency and voltage events. They would require newly interconnecting small generator facilities to ride through abnormal frequency and voltage events and not disconnect during such events.

FERC states it is using its authority under Sections 206 of the Federal Power Act to ensure that rates, terms and conditions of jurisdictional service remain just and reasonable and not unduly discriminatory or preferential. Language in the preamble to the proposed revisions states that small generating facilities should now have ride through requirements comparable to large generating facilities.

Footnote 5 of the proposal states:

Article 9 of the Large Generator Interconnection Agreement, together with Reliability Standard PRC-024-2 (Generator Frequency and Voltage Protective Rely Settings) (effective July 1, 2016), generally require generating facilities larger than 20 MW to ride through frequency and voltage disturbances.

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