



Implementing IEEE 1547 As A

Regional Interconnection Standard

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Low Cost, Safe, Interconnection is Key to Grid Modernization Using DG







Interconnection Practices Have Been a Barrier For DG

- Requirements vary from utility to utility
- Requirements not transparent
- Requirements not uniformly applied
- As a result, it has been difficult and costly for DG manufacturers and project implementers to comply



IEEE 1547 Interconnection Standards Will Help

- IEEE began work in 1999 to develop a consensus interconnection standard that could be used nationwide
- IEEE 1547 published in July of 2003
 - Technical requirements for systems < 10 MW
 - Test requirements
- IEEE 1547 developers identified additional standards needs and other issues
 - Series of 1547.X Standards
 - Federal/State Implementation (rules/procedures)

IEEE SCC21 1547 Series of Interconnection Standards

IEEE Std 1547[™] (2003) Standard for Interconnecting Distributed Resources with Electric Power Systems







IEEE 1547 Standards Take Us A Long Way, But ...

- No national mandate for implementation
- Utilities are not required to develop interconnection standards based on 1547
- Different ways of implementing IEEE 1547
- How do you ensure quality and consistency?
 - Incorporate or Mandate 1547 standards
 - Certification of Equipment based on 1547
 - Standardized Interconnection Rules/Procedures

States (in red) and Other Jurisdictions with Interconnection Mandates





IA, ME, MN, NJ, OR, PA and others are in process or being considered.

FERC, PJM, RTOs/ISOs, and others such as MADRI, are in process or considering interconnection.





PJM Small Generator Interconnection Initiative

- Two Major Goals
 - Standardize interconnection requirements, based on IEEE 1547, throughout PJM business domain
 - Ensure that testing programs are developed to verify compliance with IEEE 1547 requirements
- PJM initiative allows pre-certification
- Technical Support by DOE/NREL





- PJM is a regional transmission organization (RTO) playing a vital role in the US electric system -- over 80 GW load in PJM.
- PJM ensures the reliability of the largest centrally dispatched control area in North America - all or part of: Delaware, Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Maryland, Michigan, New Jersey, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, Virginia, West Virginia and the District of Columbia.











PJM/DOE/NREL Interconnection Strategy:Crawl – Walk - Run

- Develop common technical standard for small generators (<2 MW) for all PJM jurisdictional interconnections; Includes:
 - Approximately 14 transmission owners (TOs)
 - 13 states/45 million people
- Consider 10 MW technical standard after approval of < 2 MW technical standard
- Work with MADRI to get states to adopt new interconnection procedures based on PJM technical standard for 0–10 MW systems
- Coordinate with ongoing certification efforts





Pre-Existing PJM Process Presented Major Challenges



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Review of PJM Members pre-existing Interconnection Stds Revealed Issues

- Side-by-side comparisons difficult
- Not a lot of transparency many requirements were not well defined
- Some requirements were deemed unnecessary during PJM review
- Not a great deal of consistency with 1547
- Number of stds only partially comply with 1547
- PJM Small Generator Interconnection Working Group - proponents for improvement

Proposal to PJM: NREL Model 1547 Pre-certification & Certification Program for DG Interconnection Systems

DRAFT Design for Utility, State, etc.Certification Interconnection Program







PJM Working Group: Developed New

PJM Technical Standard; Over 11 Months; Based on IEEE

1547; allows pre-certification; widespread stakeholder inputs.





FERC Approved New PJM Technical Standard on March 8, 2005

PJM Standard based on IEEE 1547 – <u>all</u> PJM TOs and key stakeholders agreed -- few exceptions or additions to IEEE 1547

Exceptions or Additions to IEEE 1547

Grounding (4.1.2) – some companies require a wye- grounded transformer Networks (4.1.4.1-2) –	Harmonics (4.3.4) – In addition to IEEE 1547's harmonics requirement, DG units must meet limits specified in IEEE 519 Table 11 1
Allowed only by exception	Periodic Tests (5.5) – periodic
Monitoring (4.1.6) – some PJM	tests required in accordance
TOs may require monitoring &	with PJM pre-existing
tele-metering	practices.





Progress and Accomplishments

- PJM expanding 2 MW Std to new PJM 10 MW Std: April 4, 2005 PJM working group (WG) meeting consensus:
 - Radial distribution systems only
 - Very little change from 0 –2 MW PJM Std
 - "Looped systems" to be considered at next meeting
- MADRI has endorsed regional interconnection concept
 - Draft standard interconnection procedures prepared by NREL to be provided to states on May 1, 2005
- DOE/NREL contractor CTC held Certification Stakeholder meeting April 14, 2005
- Report on NREL Certification Model due May 2005





Benefit: Consistent Interconnection Requirements Throughout the PJM Region – Wholesale & Retail







Budget

FY 2005

- Subcontracts: \$50,000
- NREL Inhouse: \$200,000

FY 2006 to be determined





- PJM Finalizes its new 10 MW PJM Technical Standard
- MADRI establishes/endorses its own
 Interconnection Procedures Model
- PJM "Classic States" Develop their Interconnection Procedures Based on MADRI interconnection procedures
- Stakeholders Establish Certification Program
- PJM Harmonizes its Classic and Western States





Interactions and Collaborations

- PJM Interconnect, Inc.
- FERC
- Various States, e.g., utility commissions, energy offices, etc.
- Mid Atlantic Distributed Resources Initiative (MADRI) group
- Concurrent Technologies Corporation (CTC)





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