## **Field Services**

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#### Who are we and what do we do?

#### **Field Services**

We are responsible for adhering to the APS Interconnection Requirements Manual (IRM) and Electric Service Requirements Manuel (ESRM) when performing the site inspection/meter installation for customers interconnecting a distributed energy resource (DER) to the APS grid.

Our goal is to ensure customers are interconnected to the APS grid without compromising the protection and safety of our customers, our employees and first responders.



#### **Electrical Hazards**

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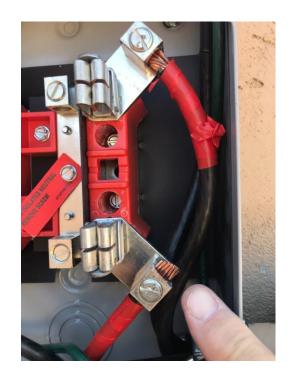


always look for them before they surprise you



#### **Hidden Dead Short**







## Don't leave a trap





## Most hazards cause damage







#### **De-Rates**

- City/County Inspector on site
- Virtual inspections
- Missing / incorrect parts
- Volume of de-rates
- Prior to installation

## **Meter Sets**





#### **Most Common Field Issues**



**Equipment Labeling** 

**Access Issues** 

Clear & Safe Workspace Zone



**Labeling Importance** 



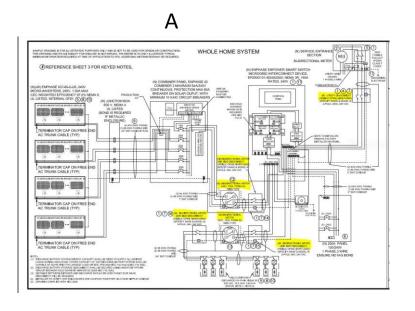


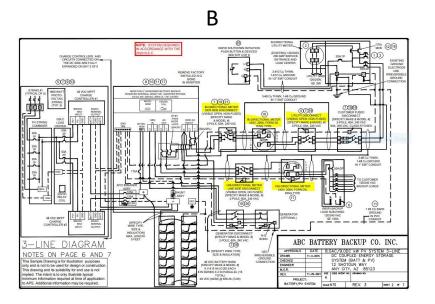
## **Production Meter Labeling**



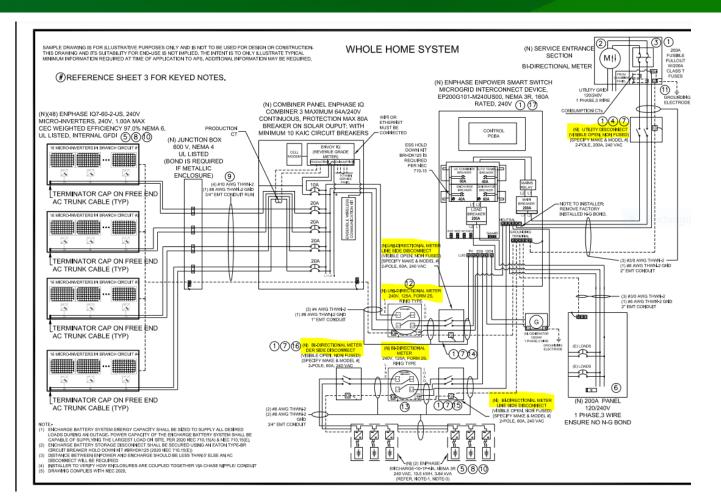


#### Examples of Systems and Labels – found on aps.com/dg

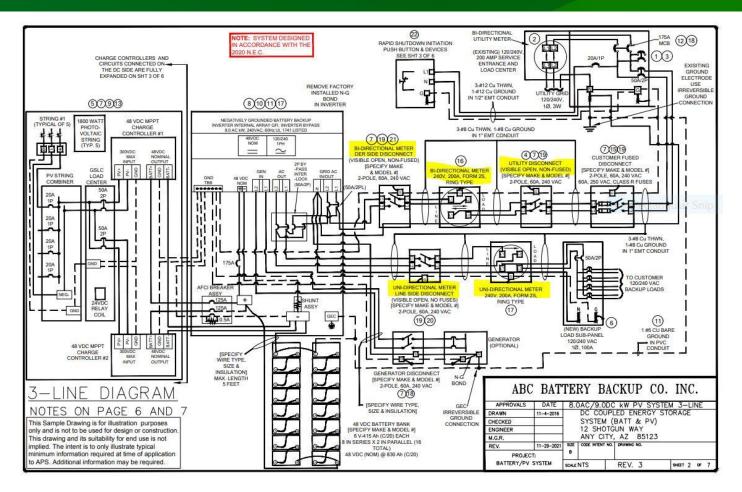








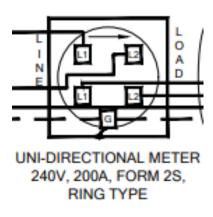






### **PV** Meter Wiring

APS owned meters are required for all generation resources interconnecting to the APS grid. The wiring configuration of the meters allow us to calculate the energy output of the generation system. The meter information is collected as delivered and received.



Photovoltaic (PV) generation is collected as delivered and should be connected to the top of the meter socket.



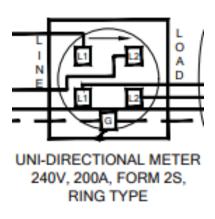
### **ESS Bi-Directional Meter Wiring**

BI-DIRECTIONAL METER 240V, 200A, FORM 2S, RING TYPE

The ESS generation is collected as delivered and should be connected to the top of the meter socket.



### **Backup Load Production Meter**

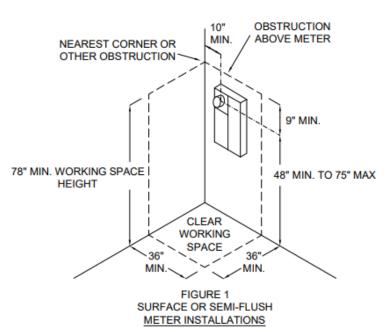


The connected load is **received** and should be connected to the **bottom** of the meter socket



#### **Clear Workspace**

Aps reserves the right to determine all meter and service locations



- The production meter(s) and utility
  disconnect(s) must be readily accessible
  without passing through restricted areas,
  gates or fences and should not be under
  covered structures such as a carport,
  breezeway, patio, porch, or other area that
  can be enclosed.
- APS prohibits water valves or hose bibs to be located within the working space of the equipment.
- APS requires a 36-inch radial clearance from the gas exhaust vent.



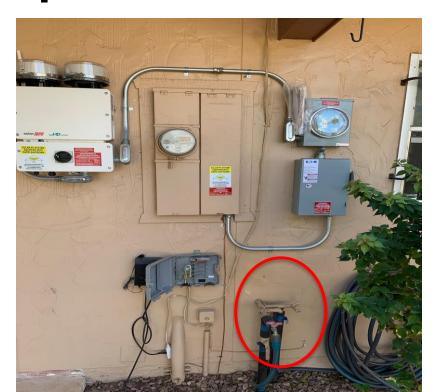
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#### **Considerations**

- Customer experience
- Multiple site visits
- Lost production
- Incomplete installations
- Missing/wrong parts
- Damaged equipment

# **Questions?**

