

APS Sample Plan Review & Installer Guidelines Checklist
Interconnected Distributed Generation

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One Line & Three Line Electrical Drawing		Confirm	N/A
1.0	<u>General Requirements</u>		
1.1	One Line and Three Line are up-to-date.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
1.2	Drawings are professional, legible, and without color in accordance with APS sample diagrams.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
1.3	There is indication of the location of loads on both the One Line and Three Line.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
1.4	All Overcurrent Protective Devices (OCPDs) and phase current-carrying conductors are rated for system voltage and sized for 125% of the inverter(s) AC output current.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
1.5	All panels (AC combiner, load, etc.) are rated for system output current and to withstand the available fault current.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
1.6	If AC combiner panel(s) are installed to accommodate multiple static inverters tied into one back-fed OCPD, the AC combiner panel(s) are labeled per APS labeling requirements.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
1.7	Labels (equipment identification, directories, and hazard warnings) of each component are up-to-date and consistent throughout each drawing and in accordance with APS Interconnection Requirements and sample diagrams.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
1.8	All system AC equipment (Meter, Utility Disconnect, combiner panel, etc.) are properly labeled per NEC and Section 8.6 of the APS Interconnection Requirements.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
1.9	For center-fed panelboards and multi-ampacity busbars, the bus or conductor ampere rating complies with <i>NEC Article 705.12</i> .	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
1.10	The main breaker (or other OCPD) has been de-rated to meet NEC Requirements and has been properly labeled/identified as such in the field per APS labeling requirements.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
1.11	All AC equipment are rated appropriately (voltage and current rating).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
1.12	The existing Service Entrance Section (SES) is replaced with a new SES.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	a. The new SES is an All-in-One panel per the ESRM approved list.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	b. The new SES has the same rating (Ampacity) as the original SES.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	c. The new SES is able to withstand the available fault current.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
1.13	Fault current calculations are provided on the drawings indicating that the fault current at the Utility Disconnect(s) is limited to 10,000A. Use fault current values outlined in Section 800.2-1 of the ESRM.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	a. If fault current exceeds 10,000A, there is a current-limiting fuse upstream of the Utility Disconnect(s) that is series rated with the Utility Disconnect.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
1.14	The fuse make, model, and type are provided on the drawings.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
1.15	Voltage drop calculations are provided on the drawings indicating that the voltage drop from the inverter to SES is less than 3%.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
1.16	Transformer OCPD is in compliance with <i>NEC Article 450.3</i> .	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
1.17	The secondary conductor of the transformer is protected per <i>NEC Article 240.21(C)</i> .	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2.0	<u>Bi-Directional & Production Meters (“PV/Wind/ESS System Meter,” “Wind System Meter,” “Energy Storage System Meter,” etc.)</u>		
2.1	The Meter’s Voltage, Ampere Rating, form number, and socket type are correct per Section 300 of the APS ESRM. (Meter socket must be ring type).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2.2	A directional arrow is placed on drawing to identify the load/line side of the production meter.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2.3	The meter socket is rated to withstand the available fault current.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	a. If the meter socket is not rated to withstand the available fault current, verify it is series rated with the upstream fuse.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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2.4	For Meters that are Current Transformer (CT) rated, the following note has been added to the drawing: “Note: Send shop drawings to APS Metershop (submittals.metershop@apsc.com) for approval.”	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2.5	A Meter Disconnect for the CT rated meter is installed on the inverter side of the meter for source isolation.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2.6	The Meter Disconnect is installed within the same work space as the CT rated meter in accordance with Section 9.2(D) of the APS Interconnection Requirements.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2.7	The Production Meter enclosure is not used as a junction box, raceway, or wireway for wiring to other equipment. Refer to Section 9.2 of APS Interconnection Requirements.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2.8	The Production Meter is labeled per APS labeling requirements.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2.9	The Production Meter complies with Section 9.2 of APS Interconnections Requirements.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3.0	<u>PV/Wind/ES System Utility Disconnect</u>		
3.1	The Utility Disconnect make and model matches the manufacturer’s list of APS approved visible open Utility Disconnect(s).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3.2	The fixed jaws of the Utility Disconnect(s) are on the utility (line) side of the switch.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3.3	The Utility Disconnect(s) is rated to withstand the available fault current.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3.4	The Utility Disconnect(s) is labeled “Utility Disconnect” consistently throughout the drawings (i.e. One Line, Three Line, Site Plan) and abide by the APS Interconnection Requirements labeling standards.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3.5	All poles of the Utility Disconnect(s) are shown on the Three Line diagram.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3.6	The Utility Disconnect is directly adjacent to the SES. If not, justification and documentation on the chosen location of the disconnect/meter pair has been submitted to the APS Meter Shop and there is a note on the drawing stating that a placard will be placed at both the SES and Utility Disconnect(s) with explicit and concise instructions to the location of the other. See APS equipment labels for examples.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3.7	The Utility Disconnect(s) is readily accessible as defined per APS Interconnection Requirements.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3.8	The neutral conductor is depicted on the drawings. It is not fused or switched.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3.9	The Utility Disconnect(s) enclosure is not used as a junction box, raceway, or wireway for wiring to other equipment. Refer to Section 8.2(F) of APS Interconnection Requirements.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4.0	<u>PV/Wind/ES System Fused Disconnect</u>		
4.1	The fuse is rated and sized to system specifications.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4.2	Fuse make, model, and type are provided on the drawings indicating the fuses are current-limiting.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4.3	All poles of the Fused Disconnect are shown on the Three Line diagram.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5.0	<u>Grounding</u>		
5.1	Equipment Grounding Conductor (EGC) and equipment bonding jumpers are shown terminated inside every metallic electrical enclosure (Disconnect(s), Meter(s), Panel(s), etc.) per <i>NEC Article 250, Part IV – VII (NEC 2017)</i> .	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5.2	The EGC and bonding jumpers are sized per <i>NEC Table 250.122</i> .	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5.3	The AC Grounding Electrode Conductor (GEC) is sized per <i>NEC Table 250.66</i> .	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5.4	The neutral to ground bond is established at the SES and is sized per <i>NEC Table 250.102(C)(1)</i> .	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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6.0	<u>Supply Side Taps</u>		
6.1	There is Rigid Metal Conduit (RMC) between the SES and Service Disconnect branching from the tap point.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6.2	The tap conductor meets the minimum size of #2 CU, 90°C.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6.3	N-G Bond connections are re-established at every Service Disconnect.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6.4	The neutral bars in both the SES and Service Disconnect(s) are connected to the grounding electrode (i.e. per 2020 NEC Exhibit 250.34).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6.5	There is no EGC between the SES and Service Disconnect(s).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6.6	If the tap is performed in the SES, Customer shall provide APS the Letter of Compliance issued to the NRTL certified by OSHA (i.e. CSA, TUV, UL, etc.) as well as a photograph of the approval sticker affixed to the SES at the time the work is completed in the field.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6.7	The appropriate UL listed tap kit is used in accordance with the panel manufacturer’s instructions. Provide manufacturer letter to APS.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6.8	Connections between a separated meter base and service disconnect panelboard are made inside the junction box.		
6.9	The note/label: “Warning – A generation source is connected to the supply (Utility) side of the service disconnecting means. Follow proper lockout/tagout procedures to ensure the Service Disconnect is opened prior to performing work on this device” is attached to the SES.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7.0	<u>Load Side Taps</u>		
7.1	PV breaker supplied by the tap conductor does not exceed 120% of the busbar rating per NEC Article 705.12.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7.2	If the tap is performed in the SES, Customer shall provide APS the Letter of Compliance issued to the NRTL certified by OSHA (i.e. CSA, TUV, UL, etc.) as well as a photograph of the approval sticker affixed to the SES at the time the work is completed in the field.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7.3	Ensure that the tap does not interfere with any factory installed hardware or structure and that the UL listing has not been affected. <i>Note: Local AHJ to determine if the work violates not only NEC, but also UL regulations.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Generator and Battery Systems		Confirm	N/A
1.0	<u>Generator Systems</u>		
1.1	Transfer switches are listed for UL 1008/1008A or UL 98. Manufacturer specification sheet has been provided.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
1.2	The transfer switch is indicated on the One Line to be either open transition (break-before-make), or closed transition (make-before-break).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
1.3	If there is no UL 1008/1008A or UL 98 transfer switch or if the transfer switch operates in closed transition, a Utility Disconnect is identified.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
1.4	One Line details the transfer switch connections and how the on-site generator is grounded.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
1.5	The transfer switch make and model is provided on the drawing.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
1.6	Emergency or Standby Generators that operate in an open transition mode by means of an automatic transfer switch are labeled per APS ESRM Section 104.11-1.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2.0	<u>Battery Systems</u>		
2.1	The battery interconnection is in compliance with APS Energy Storage System Metering Isolation concept diagrams.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	a. If not, the energy storage drawing has been submitted to APS for engineering review.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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Site Plan		Confirm	N/A
1.0	Site Plan		
1.1	The Site Plan is up-to-date.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
1.2	The Site Plan explicitly and clearly indicates the location of each of the following: SES, Utility Bi-Directional Revenue Meter, Utility Disconnect, Fused Service Disconnect, Customer or third party disconnect(s), Production Meter, third party meter(s), Inverter(s), DC Disconnect, and North arrow.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2.0	Elevation Profile		
2.1	The heights for the Utility Disconnect and the Production Meter are in accordance with the APS Interconnection Requirements and APS ESRM.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2.2	The arrangements of each PV System AC equipment matches the equipment arrangement on the Site Plan.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3.0	APS Access/Work Space		
3.1	Site Plan drawing designates the following: “Note: Utility has 24-hr unrestricted and unobstructed access to all system components located at service entrance.”	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3.2	APS has access to the Service Entrance Section (SES). Diagrams show all gates and/or lockboxes.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3.3	APS has access to all Utility Disconnects and Production Meters.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3.4	The Site Plan drawing contains the following: “Note: Work space in front of AC Electrical System Components shall be in Accordance with APS and NEC Requirements.”	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3.5	There is a minimum of 36” by 36” clear working space (with the doors open) in front of all AC Components per APS Interconnection Requirements.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3.6	If AC Components are installed in an equipment room, APS has access to the room from outside the building. <i>Note: Refer to Section 301.9 of the APS ESRM.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3.7	All work spaces and escape passages are clear and unobstructed (free of debris).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Safety Inspection and Standard Requirements		Confirm	N/A
1.0	Field Inspection		
1.1	Field work shall be audited to verify that the requirements shown on the drawings have been followed.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
1.2	Appropriate electrical rated clothing and other PPE shall be worn by installer. No conductive articles such as jewelry or metal framed glasses should be worn. Refer to <i>NFPA Article 70E, 2018</i> .	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
1.3	Visually verify that metal surfaces are connected to Earth before touching and by taking measurement to known Earthed metallic surface (i.e. ground rod).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
1.4	The equipment shutdown has been identified in preparation for an emergency. Refer to <i>NFPA 70E and OSHA for electrical Safety-Related Work Practices</i> .	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
1.5	Check for proper terminations, good workmanship, and proper binding screws/splicing devices. Check lugs to verify that they are tight per manufacturer’s specifications (<i>NEC Articles 110.14 and 110.12</i>).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
1.6	Access door to electric cabinets and junction boxes are locked after work is complete, to avoid access by unauthorized personnel. Verify no electrical covers are missing (<i>NEC Articles 110.26, 110.27, and OSHA 1910.303(h)(2)(v)(D)</i>).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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2.0	Technical Equipment/Specifications		
2.1	If installer has provided and installed a leasing company/3 rd Party Production Meter, the meter is properly identified and labeled “Leasing Company PV [or Wind] Production Meter” <i>Note: 3rd party metering shall be installed on the generator/inverter side of APS’ Production Meter.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2.2	The inverter is capable of operating within Tolerable Service Voltage (Range B) as defined by ANSI C84.1-2011 (i.e. for a 120/240V System Range B is 220V – 254V).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2.3	The inverter is listed per UL Standard 1741/1741SA.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Other Comments/Notes
SAMPLE

NOTE: This checklist was developed to assist design/engineering groups create drawing sets for DG systems applying for interconnection to the APS Electrical System. APS has provided this checklist to be used as a tool to ensure APS’ minimum interconnection and general safety requirements are met (i.e. NEC). Completion of this checklist does not ensure drawings will be approved by APS. Refer to the APS Interconnection Requirements and APS Electric Service Requirements Manual for additional information. As a reminder, APS is not responsible for the design and installation of (3rd party) DG systems. Additionally, several items noted pertain to field validation/installation, workmanship, and safety. These items were provided to ensure safety/reliability of the DG system/premise wiring, Installer employees, our mutual customer, and the public.