

Solar Energy Generating Systems Size Determination



Request Form

This form has been developed by Minnesota Department of Commerce, Energy Environmental Review and Analysis staff, pursuant to Minnesota Statute § 216E.021, to gather information that will assist the Department in determining whether a combination of proposed Solar Energy Generating Systems meets the definition of a large electric power generating plant and is subject of the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission's siting authority.

Instructions: Please answer each question as completely as possible. Maps and supporting information should be provided on separate pages and attached.

This form can be made available electronically, and can be completed and submitted as an electronic document.

Please complete the form, sign it, date it, and return the completed form to:

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A. Project Description

Please describe the project, including project name, purpose and need for the project, number of Solar Energy Generating Systems in the project, alternating current nameplate capacity for the individual Solar Energy Generating Systems identified, and combined alternating current nameplate capacity of the Solar Energy Generating Systems in the project.

B. Project Design and Location

Please provide the following information regarding the design and location of the proposed project:

- B.1** Please describe each proposed Solar Energy Generating System including: (1) solar generating equipment and associated facilities, (2) project boundary location(s) (county, township, and sections), (3) the area within the project boundary (acres), and (4) area within the project boundary that will be developed for the solar project (acres).
- B.2** Please describe the anticipated point of electrical interconnection for each Solar Energy Generating System. Describe the interconnection requests for each Solar Energy Generation System and the status of each request. Provide any project or queue interconnection numbers that have been assigned for each Solar Energy Generating system.
- B.3** Please provide a map of each Solar Energy Generating System showing the proposed facility boundary, the interconnection site, anticipated solar module layout, and associated facilities. "Associated facilities" includes access roads, operation and maintenance facilities, collector and feeder lines, and substations.

The map should be a USGS survey map or current aerial photography or similar. The map must include a scale.

C. Applicant Information

- C.1** Please provide the name, address, e-mail, and telephone number of the applicant and any authorized representative.

C.2 Please provide the name, address, e-mail, and telephone number of the person or persons who would prepare the application to the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission or to a Minnesota county or local unit of government, if such an application would be prepared by an agent or consultant of the applicant.

C.3 Please briefly describe the applicant's business entity including its ownership and financial structure.

C.4 Please provide the Minnesota Secretary of State organizational ID number for the applicant business entity, all subordinate entities, and all solar developer entities involved with the project.

C.5 Please identify and provide contact information for the person or persons who would be the permittees, if different than the applicant, if the Solar Energy Generating Systems were permitted by the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission, and, alternately, if they were permitted by a Minnesota county.

D. Project Characteristics

D.1 Please describe the entity responsible for constructing the project.

D.2 Please describe the entity responsible for operating and maintaining the project.

D.3 Please describe the ownership structure, sales agreement(s), interconnection(s), revenue sharing, common debt or equity financing, and any other shared characteristics of the project's Solar Energy Generating Systems. If the project includes multiple solar energy generating systems, please include a statement indicating whether these characteristics are "independent" or "shared."

D.4 Please identify any planned or existing Solar Energy Generating Systems in Minnesota in which the applicant, or a principal, partner, or affiliate of the applicant, has an ownership or other financial interest. Please describe the Solar Energy Generating Systems identified, including their location, alternating current nameplate capacity, and their interconnection requests.

D.5 Please identify any planned or existing Solar Energy Generating Systems in Minnesota which share any of the following with the proposed project: power purchase agreement, interconnection, sales, revenues, debt or equity financing, or other financial interest. Please describe the Solar Energy Generating Systems identified, including their location, alternating current nameplate capacity, and their interconnection requests.

E. Project Construction

- E.1** Please provide the anticipated schedule for completing each proposed Solar Energy Generating System, including dates for permitting, construction (start and end dates), and commercial operation.
- E.2** Please identify any additional Solar Energy Generating Systems in Minnesota in which the applicant (or a principal, partner, or affiliate of the applicant) has an ownership or other financial interest and plans to construct within 12 months of the proposed project's estimated completion date.

Signature:

Title:

Date: