

Section 24 COGENERATION AND SMALL POWER PRODUCTION

Cooperative is a member of Corn Belt Power Cooperative and Northwest Iowa Power Cooperative, generation and transmission cooperatives ("G&T" or "Corn Belt" or "NIPCO") and obtains all of its wholesale power from these G&Ts. The Cooperative and Corn Belt, and the Cooperative and NIPCO have filed Joint Implementation Plans with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission ("FERC") which provides for coordinated implementation of the obligations of Corn Belt and Cooperative, and NIPCO and Cooperative relative to qualifying facilities (QF). Pursuant to said Plan, Cooperative agrees to provide to any qualifying facility (QF) in its service territory supplementary, backup, maintenance, and interruptible power and Corn Belt or NIPCO agrees to purchase energy and capacity from said facility within the respective G&T's service territory, all in accordance with the requirements of the Public Utilities Regulatory Policies Act ("PURPA"). Those provisions of this tariff relating to sales to the qualifying facility shall apply to Cooperative and those provisions regarding purchases from the qualifying facility shall apply to Corn Belt or NIPCO. Accordingly, any qualifying facility seeking services pursuant to this tariff should coordinate their efforts with both Corn Belt or NIPCO and Cooperative. The Cooperative also notes that Corn Belt and NIPCO obtains its wholesale power from Basin Electric Power Cooperative, and coordination with said entity may also be necessary.

24.1 Availability

This section shall apply to any member-owner within the Cooperative's assigned service area with a qualifying facility who meets the definitions under the rules of the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1978, as a qualifying alternate energy production facility, or a qualifying small hydro facility ("QF" or "Qualifying Facility"). A member-owner with electric generating equipment shall not connect its service in parallel with the Cooperative or G&T's system without the prior written consent of the Cooperative or G&T. Failure of the member-owner to comply with the Cooperative's or G&T's requirements for parallel generation shall be justification for discontinuance of such parallel operation in such a manner as to the least inconvenience the member-owner until such time as full compliance has been accomplished. Each of these types of facilities shall comply with all of the Cooperative's or G&T's requirements and general rules for service, as well as the specific provisions of this section.

24.2 Definitions

Unless otherwise defined herein, terms used shall have the same meaning as defined in 199 IAC 45.1.

“Avoided Costs” means the incremental costs to the Cooperative/G&T of electric energy or capacity or both which, but for the purchase from the qualifying facility or qualifying facilities, the Cooperative/G&T would generate itself or purchase from another source. The Cooperative purchases all of its power requirements from its wholesale power suppliers, G&T. As reflected in the Joint PURPA Implementation Plan filed with FERC by Cooperative and Corn Belt and NIPCO, the Cooperative’s avoided costs shall equal those of Corn Belt or NIPCO and Corn Belt or NIPCO shall be responsible for calculating the Cooperative’s Avoided Costs.

24.3 Requirements for Interconnection

All facilities shall meet certain requirements to be eligible for interconnection pursuant to the terms and conditions of this section. The Cooperative shall assist the applicant in determining the appropriate level of review process required for the interconnection. The Cooperative has developed four levels of review process. The appropriate level generally depends upon the size and type of generator and the type of interconnection requested. The levels of review are described in the Attached Appendix A. For purposes of determining the appropriate level of review and the appropriate metering and other interconnection requirements, the nameplate capacity of all Qualifying Facilities located on the same premises and having common ownership shall be aggregated.

24.3.1 Application for Interconnection

The applicant shall submit an application to the Cooperative, using either the Application form attached as Appendix B (Level 1 Application) or the Application form attached as Appendix D (Application form for Levels 2, 3, and 4), depending upon the Level of review required.

24.3.2 Acceptable Interconnection Standards

Permission to interconnect with the Cooperative or G&T’s electric system is contingent upon the following conditions:

- A. The member-owner shall comply with acceptable standards for interconnection, safety, and operating reliability. Acceptable standards include the most current revisions of the following, as adopted in the Iowa Administrative Code section 199-15.10(1) in order to be eligible for interconnection to the Cooperative or G&T electric system:
 1. Standards for Interconnecting Distributed Resources with Electric Power Systems, ANSI/IEEE Standard 1547-2003. For guidance in applying IEEE Standard 1547, the Cooperative may refer to:
 - 1) IEEE Recommended Practices and Requirements for Harmonic Control in Electrical Power Systems - IEEE Standard 519-1992; and,
 - 2) IEC/TR3 61000-3-7 Assessment of emission limits for fluctuating loads in MV and HV power systems.
 2. Iowa Electrical Safety Code, as defined in 199—Chapter 25.
 3. National Electrical Code, ANSI/NFPA 70-2008.
- B. The member-owner's facility shall meet the standards for interconnection as set forth in the Model Interconnection Agreements and the attachments thereto. Said Model Agreements are attached hereto as Appendices B and E.
- C. The member-owner shall agree to indemnify and defend the Cooperative and G&T and their representatives against liability for any injuries or damages caused by the operation of the member-owner's equipment or by any failure of the member-owner to maintain such equipment in satisfactory or safe operating condition. The member-owner will arrange for and maintain liability insurance with limits of not less than those set forth in the attached appendices, with the insurance requirements varying depending upon the size of the interconnecting generator. Failure to maintain required insurance or proof of financial responsibility shall be cause for disconnection. The Cooperative and G&T shall be named as additional insureds, to the extent specified in the attached appendices.
- D. The member-owner shall reimburse the Cooperative or G&T for costs incurred by the Cooperative or G&T for all costs of connection, switching, metering, transmission, distribution, safety provisions and administrative costs incurred by the Cooperative or G&T directly related to the installation and maintenance of the physical facilities

necessary to permit interconnected operations with a qualifying facility, to the extent the costs are in excess of the corresponding costs which the Cooperative or G&T would have incurred if it had not engaged in interconnected operations, but instead generated an equivalent amount of electric energy itself or purchased an equivalent amount of electric energy or capacity from other sources. Interconnection costs do not include any costs included in the calculation of avoided costs.

- E. The member-owner shall agree to discontinue sales to Cooperative/G&T when, due to operational circumstances, purchases from the member-owner will result in G&T costs greater than those which G&T would incur if it did not make such purchases, but instead generated an equivalent amount of energy, provided, however, that G&T shall notify the member-owner within a reasonable amount of time to allow the member-owner to cease the delivery of energy.
- F. The Applicant and the Cooperative shall execute the applicable Model Interconnection Agreement prior to interconnection. In the event the Applicant desires to sell any excess output from its facility to the G&T, a separate power purchase agreement shall be required for all interconnections except Level 1. For Level 1 interconnections, the terms of purchase are set out on Attachment 2 to the Level 1 Standard Application Form and Interconnection Agreement.
- G. The member-owner shall permit Cooperative or G&T representatives to enter upon member-owner's property at all reasonable times for the purpose of inspecting or testing member-owner's equipment, facilities or apparatus and the accuracy of the Cooperative or G&T's metering equipment, but such inspections shall not relieve the member-owner of the obligation to maintain the member-owner's facilities in satisfactory operating conditions. The Cooperative or G&T may charge the direct expense of such inspection or testing of the member-owner's equipment, facilities or apparatus to the member-owner, unless the member-owner can demonstrate that inspecting and testing was not necessary. The member-owner shall adopt a program of inspection of the generator and its appurtenances and the interconnection equipment in order to determine necessity for replacement and repair.
- H. The member-owner shall be responsible for the costs of installation and maintenance of any necessary power factor correction capacitors. Member-owners with a distributed generation facility larger than or equal to 1 MVA shall design their distributed generation facilities to

maintain a power factor at the point of interconnection between .95 lagging and .95 leading at all times. Member-owners with a distributed generation facility smaller than 1 MVA shall design their distributed generation facility to maintain a power factor at the point of interconnection between .90 lagging and .90 leading at all times.

- I. The member-owner's electric generating equipment shall be designed; operated and maintained in such a manner that it does not adversely affect the Cooperative's or G&T's system or their service to their other members.

24.4 Rates for Purchased Power

25.4.1 Rates for purchases by the member-owner from the Cooperative

The member-owner shall purchase electric power and energy from the Cooperative at the Cooperative's applicable price or rate, depending upon the member-owner's operations and requirements. The Cooperative has separate price or rate schedule established for various classes of members and reserves the right to create a separate price or rate schedule for co-generators and small power producers based upon the unique characteristics of such member-owners when an adequate historical analysis of the account's usage and generator characteristics becomes available. All member-owners with generators 150 kW or greater who elect to self-generate shall be subject to the member standby rate.

24.4.2 Rates for purchases from member-owner

General PURPA purchase rates:

Payment for purchases from the member-owner pursuant to this tariff provision shall be as follows:

QFs with design capacity of less than 50 kW

The rate(s) for purchases from qualifying facility (as defined above) and with a design capacity of less than 50 kilowatts are available by contacting the Cooperative. These rates will be consistent with 18 CFR 292.304.

QFs with design capacity of 50 kW or greater but less than 150 kW

The rate(s) for purchases from qualifying facility (as defined above) and with a design capacity of 50 kilowatts or greater but less than 150 kW are

available by contacting the Cooperative. These rates will be consistent with 18 CFR 292.304.

QFs with a design capability of 150 kW and greater

The rate(s) for purchases from qualifying facilities (as defined above) and with a design capacity of 150 kilowatts or greater are available on a negotiated case-by-case basis with the G&T.

Net Metering Option:

The Cooperative has developed a net metering option for facilities with an installed design capability at any one geographic location of less than 50 kW and which is intended to serve only the electrical requirements of the owner of the net metering facility. Such facilities will be referred to in this tariff individually as "Net Metering Facility." The availability of the net metering rate option is subject to a total system wide cap of 2000 kW, which is the value of the nameplate capacity of the sum of all small renewable QF facilities located on the Cooperative's distribution system and is subject to change by the Cooperative's Board of Directors. The net metering terms will be as set forth in Attachment 2 of the Level 1 Standard Application Form and Interconnection Agreement (Appendix B) or the Separate Power Purchase Agreement for other Levels of interconnection.

Subtraction of electric heat metering is not allowed under the net metering option.

Small Renewable Alternate Energy Rate/Consumer Wind Energy Purchase Rate/ Distributed Generation Purchase Rate:

Member-owners with their own generation may be eligible for special incentive rates made available through the Cooperative/G&T. These rates are in lieu of the PURPA Avoided Cost Rate and the rates are available by contacting the Cooperative. A QF electing this rate must meet the eligibility criteria as set forth in the applicable rate schedule and must complete the associated application forms.

24.4.3 Wheeling Charges

Cooperative/G&T may provide a wheeling service to a facility interconnected to its electric delivery system. Any charges for the wheeling of power will be determined by the Cooperative/G&T and in accordance with any applicable regulations. In addition, Cooperative/G&T

reserve(s) the right to refuse to wheel power where its existing facilities do not have adequate capacity and the member-owner refuses to pay the costs to upgrade those facilities. If a qualifying facility agrees, the Cooperative/G&T which would otherwise be obligated to purchase electricity from such facility may transmit the electricity to any other electric utility. Any electric utility to which such electricity is transmitted shall purchase such electricity as if the facility were supplying electricity directly to such electric utility. The rate for purchase by the electric utility to which such electricity is transmitted shall be adjusted downward according to the mutual agreement of the transmitting and receiving utilities, to reflect any wheeling line losses and shall not include any charges for transmission.

Appendix A - Levels of Review

Level 1

Level 1 Application and Agreement shall be used for all interconnection requests to connect a distributed generation facility when:

- a. The Applicant has filed a Level 1 application; and
- b. The distributed generation facility has a nameplate capacity rating of less than 50 kVA; and
- c. The distributed generation facility is inverter-based; and
- d. The member-owner interconnection equipment proposed for the distributed generation facility is lab-certified; and
- e. No construction of facilities by the cooperative or G&T shall be required to accommodate the distributed generation facility.

To remain in Level 1, the following screens must be met:

- For interconnection to a radial distribution circuit, the total of all DG connected may not exceed 15% of the maximum load normally supplied by the circuit; and
- For interconnection on a single-phase shared secondary line, the aggregate generation capacity on the line will not exceed 20 kVA; and
- When the DG facility is single-phase and proposes to interconnect on a center tap neutral of a 240 volt service, its addition may not create an imbalance between the 2 sides of the 240 volt service of more than 20% of nameplate rating of the service transformer; and
- Utility shall not be required to construct any facilities on its own system to accommodate the DG facility's interconnection; and
- For interconnection to a spot network, DG will use protective equipment to ensure power imported from utility to the network will remain above 1% of the network's maximum load over the last year.

Level 2

Level 2 Application and Agreement shall be used for evaluating interconnection requests when:

- a. The Applicant has filed a Level 2 application; and
- b. The nameplate capacity rating is 50 kVA or greater, but less than 150 kVA; and
- c. The interconnection equipment proposed for the distributed generation facility is lab-certified; and
- d. The proposed interconnection is to a radial distribution circuit or a spot network limited to serving one member-owner; and

- e. No construction of facilities by the Cooperative or G&T shall be required to accommodate the distributed generation facility, other than minor modifications as maybe permitted by the Cooperative.

To remain in Level 2, the following screens must be met:

- For interconnection to a radial distribution circuit, the total of all DG connected may not exceed 15% of the maximum load normally supplied by the circuit; and
- The proposed DG, in aggregation with other DG on the distribution circuit, may not contribute more than 10% to the circuit's maximum fault current at the point on the primary line nearest the point of interconnection; and
- The proposed DG, in aggregation with other DG on the circuit, shall not cause any electric utility distribution devices to be exposed to fault currents exceeding 90% of their short-circuit interrupting capability; and
- When a DG facility is to be connected to a 3-phase, 3 wire primary line, a 3-phase or single phase generator shall be connected phase-to-phase; and
- When a DG facility is to be connected to a 3-phase, 4 wire primary line, a 3-phase or single phase generator shall be connected line-to-neutral and shall be properly grounded; and
- For interconnection on a single-phase shared secondary line, the aggregate generation capacity on the line will not exceed 20 kVA; and
- When the DG facility is single-phase and proposes to interconnect on a center tap neutral of a 240 volt service, its addition may not create an imbalance between the 2 sides of the 240 volt service of more than 20% of nameplate rating of the service transformer; and
- A DG facility, in aggregate with other DG facilities interconnected to the distribution side of a substation transformer feeding the circuit where the facility proposed to interconnect, may not exceed 10 MVA in an area where there are transient stability limitations; and
- Utility shall not be required to construct any facilities on its own system to accommodate the DG facility's interconnection, except minor modifications following agreed upon additional review; and
- For interconnection to a spot network, DG will use protective equipment to ensure power imported from utility to the network will remain above 1% of the network's maximum load over the last year.

Level 3

Level 3 Application and Agreement shall be used for evaluating interconnection requests to area networks and radial distribution circuits where power will not be exported based on the following criteria.

- a. For interconnection requests to the load side of an area network, the following criteria shall be satisfied to qualify for a Level 3 expedited review:
 - (1) The Applicant has filed a Level 3 application; and
 - (2) The nameplate capacity rating of the distributed generation facility is 50 kVA or less; and
 - (3) The proposed distributed generation facility uses a lab-certified inverter-based equipment package; and
 - (4) The distributed generation facility will use reverse power relays or other protection functions that prevent the export of power into the area network; and
 - (5) The aggregate of all generation on the area network does not exceed the lower of five percent of an area network's maximum load or 50 kVA; and
 - (6) No construction of facilities by the Cooperative or G&T shall be required to accommodate the distributed generation facility.
- b. For interconnection requests to a radial distribution circuit, the following criteria shall be satisfied to qualify for a Level 3 expedited review:
 - (1) The Applicant has filed a Level 3 application; and
 - (2) The aggregated total of the nameplate capacity ratings of all of the generators on the circuit, including the proposed distributed generation facility, is less than 150 kVA; and
 - (3) The distributed generation facility will use reverse power relays or other protection functions that prevent power flow onto the electric distribution system; and
 - (4) The distributed generation facility is not served by a shared transformer; and
 - (5) No construction of facilities by the Cooperative or G&T on their own systems shall be required to accommodate the distributed generation facility.

To remain in Level 3, the following screens must be met:

- Utilize the same screens as are applicable for Level 2 interconnections; except for the one prohibiting the total DG connected to a radial distribution circuit from exceeding 15% of the maximum load normally supplied by the circuit.

Level 4

Level 4 Application and Agreement shall be used for evaluating interconnection requests when:

- a. The Applicant has filed a Level 4 application; and
- b. The nameplate capacity rating of the small generation facility is 10 MVA or less; and
- c. Not all of the interconnection equipment or distributed generation facilities being used for the application are lab-certified, or
- d. Applicant is unable to comply with level 1 through 3 screens.

Appendix B – Level 1 standard application form and distributed generation interconnection agreement

LEVEL 1:
STANDARD APPLICATION FORM AND INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT

Interconnection Request Application Form and
Conditional Agreement to Interconnect
(For Lab-Certified Inverter-Based Distributed Generation Facilities less than 50
kVA)

AN APPLICATION FEE BASED UPON THE COOPERATIVE'S FEE SCHEDULE
MUST BE SUBMITTED WITH THE APPLICATION

Interconnection Applicant Contact Information

Name: _____
Mailing Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____
Telephone (Daytime): _____ (Evening): _____
Facsimile Number: _____ E-Mail Address: _____

Alternate Contact Information (if different from Applicant)

Name: _____
Mailing Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____
Telephone (Daytime): _____ (Evening): _____
Facsimile Number: _____ E-Mail Address: _____

Equipment Contractor

Name: _____
Mailing Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____
Telephone (Daytime): _____ (Evening): _____
Facsimile Number: _____ E-Mail Address: _____
License number (if applicable): _____
Active License? (if applicable) Yes ___ No ___

Electric Tariff

Filed with Iowa Utilities Board

Electrical Contractor (if Different from Equipment Contractor):

Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Telephone (Daytime): _____ (Evening): _____

Facsimile Number: _____ E-Mail Address: _____

License number: _____

Active License? Yes ___ No ___

Intent of Generation

Please explain the intended use of the generation to be produced by the facility:

- Offset Load (Unit will operate in parallel, but will not export power to Cooperative or G&T) (If this option is selected, neither the Cooperative nor the G&T will purchase any portion of the generation facility output and Attachment 2 is not applicable)

- Self-Use and Sales to the G&T (Unit will operate in parallel and may export and sell excess power to G&T pursuant to the Cooperative's and G&T's Joint PURPA Implementation Plan under the terms set forth in Attachment 2, which attachment must be executed by Cooperative and G&T). [Cooperative and G&T have developed a net metering option for certain facilities as described in Attachment 2.]

- Sell all output to the G&T pursuant to the following special rate (Specify applicable rate):

- Back-up Generation (Units that temporarily operate in parallel with the electric distribution system for more than 100 milliseconds)
(Note: Back-up units that do not operate in parallel for more than 100 milliseconds do not need an interconnection agreement.)(Under this option, the Cooperative will not purchase any portion of the generation facility output and Attachment 2 is not applicable)

- Other: (Please Explain):

Electric Tariff

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Note: The Cooperative is a member of Corn Belt Power Cooperative and Northwest Iowa Power Cooperative (G&T's) and the Cooperative and each G&T individually are parties to Joint PURPA Implementation Plans filed with FERC pursuant to which any purchase from a Qualifying Facility is to be made by the respective G&T rather than Cooperative.

Distributed Generation Facility ("Facility") Information

Facility Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____
Cooperative serving Facility site: _____
Account Number of Facility site (existing Cooperative member-owners): _____
Inverter Manufacturer: _____ Model: _____

Is the inverter lab-certified as that term is defined in Iowa Utilities Board Chapter 45 rules on Electric Interconnection of Distributed Generation (199 IAC 45.1)?
Yes ___ No ___

(If yes, attach manufacturer's technical specifications and label information from a nationally recognized testing laboratory.)

Generation Facility Nameplate Rating: _____ (kW) _____ (kVA) _____ (AC Volts)

Energy Source: Wind ___ Solar ___ Biomass ___ Hydro ___
Diesel ___ Natural Gas ___ Fuel Oil ___
Other: _____

Energy Converter Type: Wind Turbine ___ Photovoltaic Cell ___
Fuel Cell ___ Reciprocating Engine ___
Other: _____

Commissioning Test Date: _____

(If the Commissioning Test Date changes, the interconnection member-owner must inform the Cooperative as soon as it is aware of the changed date.)

Electric Tariff

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Disconnect Switch: Identify type and location of disconnect switch:

Is the generation facility a qualifying facility as defined under Public Utilities Regulatory Policy Act (18 CFR Part 292, Subpart B)?

Yes ___ No ___

Insurance Disclosure

The attached terms and conditions contain provisions related to liability and indemnification and should be carefully considered by the interconnection member-owner. **The interconnection member-owner shall carry general liability insurance coverage, such as, but not limited to, homeowner's insurance.**

Other Facility Information

One-Line Diagram – A basic drawing of an electric circuit in which one or more conductors are represented by a single line and each electrical device and major component of the installation, from the generator to the point of interconnection, are noted by symbols.

One-Line Diagram attached: ___ Yes

Plot Plan – A map showing the distributed generation facility's location in relation to streets, alleys, or other geographic markers.

Plot Plan attached: ___ Yes

Applicant Signature

I hereby certify that: (1) I have read and understand the terms and conditions, which are attached hereto by reference; (2) I hereby agree to comply with the attached terms and conditions; and (3) to the best of my knowledge, all of the information provided in this application request form is complete and true.

Applicant Signature: _____

Title: _____ Date: _____

Electric Tariff

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This Application Form and Interconnection Agreement is comprised of: 1) the Level 1 Standard Application Form and Interconnection Agreement; 2) the Attachment 1 setting forth the Terms and Conditions for Interconnection; 3) the Attachment 2 setting forth the terms for purchases by the G&T from the distributed generation facility, when applicable; and 4) the Certificate of Completion

NOTE: If the Certificate of Completion is not completed and returned to the Cooperative within 12 months following the Cooperative's dated conditional agreement to interconnect below, this Application Form and Interconnection Agreement will automatically terminate and be of no further force and effect.

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Conditional Agreement to Interconnect Distributed Generation Facility

Receipt of the application fee, if any, is acknowledged and, by its signature below, the Cooperative has determined the interconnection request is complete. Interconnection of the distributed generation facility is conditionally approved contingent upon the attached terms and conditions of this Agreement, the return of the attached Certificate of Completion, duly executed verification of electrical inspection and successful witness test. Note that to the extent the Interconnection Applicant wishes G&T to purchase any output from the interconnected generation facility, attachment 2 shall be applicable and the same shall be executed by the Interconnection Applicant, Cooperative, & G&T.

Cooperative Signature: _____ Date: _____

Name: _____ Title: _____

ATTACHMENT 1

Level 1: Standard Interconnection Agreement

Terms and Conditions for Interconnection

- 1) Construction of the Distributed Generation Facility. The interconnection member-owner may proceed to construct (including operational testing not to exceed two hours) the distributed generation facility, once the conditional Agreement to interconnect a distributed generation facility has been signed by the Cooperative.
- 2) Final Interconnection and Operation. The interconnection member-owner may operate the distributed generation facility and interconnect with the Cooperative's electric distribution system after all of the following have occurred:
 - a. Electrical Inspection: Upon completing construction, the interconnection member-owner shall cause the distributed generation facility to be inspected by the local electrical inspection authority who shall establish that the distributed generation facility meets local code requirements.
 - b. Certificate of Completion: The interconnection member-owner shall provide the Cooperative with a copy of the Certificate of Completion with all relevant and necessary information fully completed by the interconnection member-owner, as well as an inspection form from the local electrical inspection authority demonstrating that the distributed generation facility passed inspection.
 - c. The Cooperative has completed its witness test as per the following:
 - i. The interconnection member-owner shall provide the Cooperative at least 15 business days' notice of the planned commissioning test for the distributed generation facility. Within 10 business days after the commissioning test, the Cooperative may, upon reasonable notice and at a mutually convenient time, conduct a witness test of the distributed generation facility to ensure that all equipment has been appropriately installed and operating as designed and in accordance with the requirements of IEEE 1547.
 - ii. If the Cooperative does not perform the witness test within the 10 business days after the commissioning test or such other time as is mutually agreed to by the Parties, the witness test is deemed waived, unless the Cooperative

cannot do so for good cause. In these cases, upon Cooperative's request, the interconnection member-owner shall agree to another date for the test within 10 business days after the original scheduled date.

- 3) IEEE 1547. The distributed generation facility shall be installed, operated and tested in accordance with the requirements of The Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers, Inc. (IEEE), 3 Park Avenue New York, NY 10016-5997, Standard 1547 (2003) "Standard for Interconnecting Distributed Resources with Electric Power Systems," as well as any applicable federal, state, or local laws, regulations, codes, ordinances, orders, or similar directives of any government or other authority having jurisdiction.
- 4) Access. The Cooperative must have access to the isolation device or disconnect switch and metering equipment of the distributed generation facility at all times. When practical, the Cooperative shall provide notice to the member-owner prior to using its right of access.
- 5) Metering. Any required metering shall be installed pursuant to the Cooperative's metering rules filed with the Iowa Utilities Board under subrule 199 IAC 20.2(5).
- 6) Disconnection. The Cooperative may disconnect the distributed generation facility upon any of the following conditions, but must reconnect the distributed generation facility once the condition is cured:
 - a. For scheduled outages, provided that the distributed generation facility is treated in the same manner as Cooperative's load member-owners;
 - b. For unscheduled outages or emergency conditions;
 - c. If the distributed generation facility does not operate in the manner consistent with this Agreement or the applicable requirements of 199 IAC Chapters 15 or the Cooperative's tariff;
 - d. Improper installation or failure to pass the witness test;
 - e. If the distributed generation facility is creating a safety, reliability or a power quality problem;
 - f. The interconnection equipment used by the distributed generation facility is de-listed by the Nationally Recognized Testing Laboratory that provided the listing at the time the interconnection was approved;
 - g. Unauthorized modification of the interconnection facilities or the distributed generation facility; or

- h. Unauthorized connection to the Cooperative's electric distribution system.
- 7) Indemnification. The interconnection member-owner shall indemnify and defend the Cooperative and the Cooperative's directors, officers, employees, and agents from all claims, damages and expenses, including reasonable attorney's fees, to the extent resulting from the interconnection member-owner's negligent installation, operation, modification, maintenance, or removal of its distributed generation facility or interconnection facilities, or the interconnection member-owner's willful misconduct or breach of this Agreement. The Cooperative shall indemnify and defend the interconnection member-owner and the interconnection member-owner's directors, officers, employees, and agents from all claims, damages, and expenses, including reasonable attorney's fees, to the extent resulting from the Cooperative's negligent installation, operation, modification, maintenance, or removal of its interconnection facilities or electric distribution system, or the Cooperative's willful misconduct or breach of this Agreement.
- 8) Insurance. The interconnection member-owner shall provide the Cooperative with proof that it has a current homeowner's insurance policy or other general liability policy. The interconnection member-owner agrees to provide the Cooperative with at least 30 calendar days' advance written notice of cancellation, reduction in limits, or non-renewal of any insurance policy required by this Agreement and may be required to show proof of insurance on an annual basis.
- 9) Limitation of Liability. Each Party's liability to the other Party for any loss, cost, claim, injury, liability, or expense, including reasonable attorney's fees, relating to or arising from any act or omission in its performance of this Agreement, shall be limited to the amount of direct damage actually incurred. In no event shall either Party be liable to the other Party for any indirect, incidental, special, consequential, or punitive damages of any kind whatsoever, provided that in no event shall death, bodily injury or third-party claims be construed as indirect or consequential damages.
- 10) Termination. This Agreement will remain in effect until terminated and may be terminated under the following conditions:
- a. By interconnection member-owner - The interconnection member-owner may terminate this interconnection agreement by providing written notice to the Cooperative. If the interconnection member-

owner ceases operation of the distributed generation facility, the interconnection member-owner must notify the Cooperative.

- b. By the Cooperative - The Cooperative may terminate this Agreement without liability to the interconnection member-owner if the interconnection member-owner fails to remedy a violation of terms of this Agreement within 30 calendar days after notice, or such other date as may be mutually agreed to in writing prior to the expiration of the 30 calendar day remedy period. The termination date may be no less than 30 calendar days after the interconnection member-owner receives notice of its violation from the Cooperative.

- 11) Modification of Distributed Generation Facility. The interconnection member-owner must receive written authorization from the Cooperative before making any changes to the distributed generation facility that could affect the Cooperative's electric distribution system. If the interconnection member-owner makes such modifications without the Cooperative's prior written authorization, the Cooperative shall have the right to disconnect the distributed generation facility.
- 12) Permanent Disconnection. In the event the Agreement is terminated, the Cooperative shall have the right to disconnect its facilities or direct the interconnection member-owner to disconnect its distributed generation facility.
- 13) Disputes. Each Party agrees to attempt to resolve all disputes regarding the provisions of this Agreement that cannot be resolved between the two Parties pursuant to the dispute resolution provisions found in Iowa Utilities Board Chapter 45 rules on Electric Interconnection of Distributed Generation Facilities (199 IAC 45.12). However, Cooperative's agreement to utilize the dispute resolution provisions of the Chapter 45 rules shall not be construed as an agreement concerning the applicability of the balance of said Chapter.
- 14) Governing Law, Regulatory Authority, and Rules. The validity, interpretation and enforcement of this Agreement and each of its provisions shall be governed by the laws of the State of Iowa. Nothing in this Agreement is intended to affect any other agreement between the Cooperative and the interconnection member-owner.

- 15) Survival Rights. This Agreement shall remain in effect after termination to the extent necessary to allow or require either Party to fulfill rights or obligations that arose under the Agreement.

- 16) Assignment/Transfer of Ownership of the Distributed Generation Facility. This Agreement shall terminate upon the transfer of ownership of the distributed generation facility to a new owner unless the transferring owner assigns the Agreement to the new owner, the new owner agrees in writing to the terms of this Agreement, and the transferring owner so notifies the Cooperative in writing prior to the transfer of ownership.

- 17) Definitions. Any term used herein and not defined shall have the same meaning as the defined terms used in Iowa Utilities Board Chapter 45 rules on Electric Interconnection of Distributed Generation Facilities (199 IAC 45.1). However, Cooperative's agreement to utilize the definitions found in the Chapter 45 rules shall not be construed as an agreement concerning the applicability of the balance of said Chapter.

- 18) Notice. The Parties may mutually agree to provide notices, demands, comments, or requests by electronic means such as e-mail. Absent agreement to electronic communication, or unless otherwise provided in this Agreement, any written notice, demand, or request required or authorized in connection with this Agreement shall be deemed properly given when receipt is confirmed after notices are delivered in person, delivered by recognized national courier service, or sent by first-class mail, postage prepaid, return receipt requested to the person specified below:

If Notice is to Interconnection Applicant:

Use the contact information provided in the interconnection member-owner's application. The interconnection member-owner is responsible for notifying the Cooperative of any change in the contact party information, including change of ownership.

If Notice is to Cooperative:

Use the contact information provided below. The Cooperative is responsible for notifying the interconnection member-owner of any change in the contact party information.

Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

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City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____
Telephone (Daytime): _____ (Evening): _____
Facsimile Number: _____ E-Mail Address: _____

- 19) Interruptions. The Cooperative is not responsible for any lost opportunity or other costs incurred by the interconnection member-owner as a result of an interruption of service.

- 20) Operator. The interconnection member-owner shall designate an operator who will be responsible for day-to-day operations of the distributed generation facility and available for communication on a 24 hour per day/7 day per week basis with Cooperative, G&T, the Local Balancing Authority, MISO and other applicable entities with jurisdiction over the operation of the Facility and Cooperative's System.

ATTACHMENT 2

Level 1: Standard Interconnection Agreement

Terms of G&T Purchases from Distribution Facility

1. Agreement to Purchase.

Cooperative is a member of Corn Belt Power Cooperative and Northwest Iowa Power Cooperative (G&Ts) and obtains all of its wholesale power from G&Ts. The Cooperative and each G&T individually have filed Joint Implementation Plans with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission ("FERC") which provides for coordinated implementation of the obligations of G&Ts and Cooperative relative to qualifying facilities. Pursuant to said Plan, Cooperative agrees to provide to any qualifying facility in its service territory supplementary, backup, maintenance, and interruptible power and G&T serving said qualifying facility agrees to purchase energy and capacity from said facility, all in accordance with the requirements of the Public Utilities Regulatory Policies Act ("PURPA"). In the event the Interconnecting Applicants selects the option of Self-Use and Sales to the G&T on the Application Form, then the G&T agrees to purchase from the Interconnection Applicant such excess energy and capacity as may be available for purchase from the Interconnection Applicant's facility and which Interconnection Applicant desires to sell to the G&T. The G&T acknowledges that Interconnection Applicant may utilize some of the energy Interconnection Applicant generates as it is being generated and the G&T understands that it will only purchase such excess as Interconnection Applicant delivers to Cooperative. In the event the Interconnecting Applicants selects the option of selling all output to the G&T under one of the special rate options on the Application Form, then the G&T agrees to purchase from the Interconnection Customer all energy and capacity from the Interconnection Applicant's facility.

2. Rates

Payment for purchases from the member-owner pursuant to this contract shall be as follows (Select One):

____ Qualifying Facility Generation Purchase Rate under PURPA.

____ Small Renewable Energy Purchase Rate.
(Member-owner retains Green Tags).

_____ Small Renewable Energy Purchase Rate.
(G & T retains the Green Tags).

3. Metering. The Cooperative or G&T will install metering equipment at the point of service to the QF Facility of one of the following types:
 - a. Metering capable of measuring and recording energy flows, on a kWh basis, from the Cooperative to the QF and from the QF to the Cooperative's facilities, with each directional energy flow recorded independently.
 - b. Metering capable of measuring power flows in each direction on a 15-minute or other real-time basis.

The Cooperative shall have the opportunity to collect all reasonable costs of metering necessary to allow for sales to the G&T from the Member-owner.

4. NET METERING OPTION:
(This option is only available to QF's with a nameplate capacity rating of less than 50 kW, and the individual availability is subject to an overall cap on the Cooperative's system of 2000 kW of nameplate capacity.)

Subtraction of electric heat metering shall not be available for member-owners who elect to utilize net metering, as the amount to be billed under the electric heat rate and the amount to be billed at the regular tariff rate will not be able to be calculated.

5. Calculation of Net Metering Bill. The QF shall be responsible for payment of any applicable service charge or other applicable charges as approved by the Cooperative's Board of Directors that are not collected on the basis of metered registration.

For charges collected on the basis of metered registration, the Cooperative shall, for each monthly billing period, determine the net meter registration of the QF by comparing the directional energy flow in each direction.

If the net meter registration shows that the deliveries of energy in kWh from the QF to the Cooperative exceed the deliveries of energy in kWh from the Cooperative to the QF, the net meter registration in kWh will not be carried forward to the next monthly billing period as a Net Metering Credit, expressed in kWh but paid monthly to the member-owner. If the QF has carried over a Net Metering Credit from one or more prior months, the net meter registration from the current month shall be added to the Net Metering Credit that exists from prior months.

If the net metering registration shows that deliveries of energy in kWh from the Cooperative to the QF exceed the deliveries of energy in kWh from the QF to the Cooperative, the QF shall pay the Cooperative for the net amount of energy delivered by the Cooperative after application of any Net Metering Credit carried forward from previous months at the rate applicable to its type or class of service.

The Cooperative shall be required to convert the net metering credit to cash monthly at the rate set forth in the applicable Corn Belt or NIPCO Rate Schedules depending on which G&T is serving the qualifying facility, as they may be amended from time to time. The rate shall be at least equal to Corn Belt's or NIPCO's avoided cost as defined in the PURPA regulations. A copy of the rate schedules is available upon request.

6. Disposition of Renewable Energy Credits in the Net Metering Scenario. The net metering arrangement provided to member-owner herein is for the purposes of promoting small-scale renewable generation facilities, such as the facility owned by member-owner. The parties agree that all kWh's delivered by the QF to the Cooperative shall be deemed to have been purchased by G&T at the point of delivery, even though the Cooperative shall have given the member-owner net metering credits as a cash payment for the same. In addition, such purchases shall include the purchase of any "green tags," renewable energy credits, or other environmental attributes associated with the purchase of renewable energy.
7. Term. The agreement to purchase as described in this attachment shall become effective on the date and year the Application Form and Interconnection Agreement is executed by both parties, and it shall remain in effect for an initial term of two years from and after the commencement of the initial period. This agreement shall thereafter continue for successive terms of one year each, for a maximum total period of eight years, unless terminated by either party providing the other not less than

three months' written notice of its desire to terminate this Agreement. In no event shall the agreement to purchase extend beyond the date of the Interconnection Agreement, and in the event the Interconnection Agreement is terminated, the agreement to purchase as described in this attachment shall also be terminated.

The undersigned parties agree to the terms and conditions of this Attachment 2.

Cooperative

By: _____
Date: _____

G & T

By: _____
Date: _____

Member-Owner

By: _____
Date: _____

Appendix C – Standard certificate of completion

CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION

(To be completed and returned to the Cooperative when installation is complete and final electric inspector approval has been obtained – Use contact information provided on the Cooperative’s web page for generator interconnection to obtain mailing address/fax number/e-mail address)

Interconnection Applicant Information

Name: _____
Mailing Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____
Telephone (Daytime): _____ (Evening): _____
Facsimile Number: _____ E-Mail Address: _____

Installer: _____ Check if owner-installed: ____

Name: _____
Mailing Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____
Telephone (Daytime): _____ (Evening): _____
Facsimile Number: _____ E-Mail Address: _____

Final Electric Inspection and Interconnection Applicant Signature

The distributed generation facility is complete and has been approved by the local electric inspector having jurisdiction. A signed copy of the electric inspector’s form indicating final approval is attached. The interconnection member-owner acknowledges that it shall not operate the distributed generation facility until receipt of the final acceptance and approval by the Cooperative as provided below.

Signed: _____ Date: _____
(Signature of interconnection member-owner)

Printed Name: _____

Check if copy of signed electric inspection form is attached: ____
Check if copy of as built documents is attached (projects larger than 10 kVA only): ____

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Acceptance and Final Approval for Interconnection (for cooperative use only)

The interconnection agreement is approved and the distributed generation facility is approved for interconnected operation upon the signing and return of this Certificate of Completion by Cooperative:

Electric Distribution Company waives Witness Test? (Initial)

Yes (____) No (____)

If not waived, date of successful Witness Test: _____ Passed: (Initial) (____)

Cooperative Signature: _____ Date: _____

Printed Name: _____ Title: _____

Appendix D – Levels 2 to 4: standard application form

LEVELS 2 TO 4:
STANDARD INTERCONNECTION REQUEST APPLICATION FORM
(For Distributed Generation Facilities 10 MVA or less)

Interconnection Applicant Contact Information

Name: _____
Mailing Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____
Telephone (Daytime): _____ (Evening): _____
Facsimile Number: _____ E-Mail Address: _____

Alternative Contact Information (if different from Applicant Contact Information)

Name: _____
Mailing Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____
Telephone (Daytime): _____ (Evening): _____
Facsimile Number: _____ E-Mail Address: _____

Facility Address (if different from above): _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____
Cooperative serving Facility site: _____
Account Number of Facility site (existing Cooperative member-owners): _____
Inverter Manufacturer: _____ Model: _____

Equipment Contractor

Name: _____
Mailing Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____
Telephone (Daytime): _____ (Evening): _____
Facsimile Number: _____ E-Mail Address: _____

Electrical Contractor (if different from Equipment Contractor)

Name: _____
Mailing Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____
Telephone (Daytime): _____ (Evening): _____

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Facsimile Number: _____ E-Mail Address: _____

License Number: _____

Service Information for Applicant Facility where generator will be Interconnected

Capacity: _____ (Amps) Voltage: _____ (Volts)

Type of Service: Single Phase Three Phase

If 3 Phase Transformer, Indicate Type:

Primary Winding Wye Delta

Secondary Winding Wye Delta

Transformer Size: _____ Impedance: _____

Intent of Generation

- Offset Load (Unit will operate in parallel, but will not export power to Cooperative or G&T)
- Self-Use and Sales to the G&T (Unit will operate in parallel and may export and sell excess power to Cooperative's system pursuant to the Cooperative's tariff and a separate power purchase agreement to be executed by QF and Corn Belt or NIPCO pursuant to Cooperative and Corn Belt's or NIPCO's Joint PURPA Implementation Plan)
- Sell all output to the G&T (Unit will operate in parallel and shall sell all output of the Qualifying Facility to the G&T)
- Wholesale Market Transaction (Unit will operate in parallel and participate in MISO or other wholesale power markets pursuant to separate requirements and agreements with MISO or other transmission providers, and applicable rules of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission)
- Back-up Generation (Units that temporarily operate in parallel with the electric distribution system for more than 100 milliseconds)
(Note: Back-up units that do not operate in parallel for more than 100 milliseconds do not need an interconnection agreement.)
- Other: (Please Explain):

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Note: The Cooperative is a member of Corn Belt Power Cooperative and Northwest Iowa Power Cooperative (G&T) and the Cooperative and each G&T individually are parties to a Joint PURPA Implementation Plan filed with FERC pursuant to which any purchase from a Qualifying Facility is to be made by the respective G&T rather than Cooperative.

Generator & Prime Mover Information

Energy Source (Hydro, Wind, Solar, Process Byproduct, Biomass, Oil, Natural Gas, Coal, etc.):

Energy Converter Type (Wind Turbine, Photovoltaic Cell, Fuel Cell, Steam Turbine, etc.):

Generator Size: _____ kW or _____ kVA Number of Units: _____

Total Capacity: _____ kW or _____ kVA and _____ (AC Volts)

Generator Type (Check one):

Induction Inverter Synchronous Other: _____

Requested Procedure Under Which to Evaluate Interconnection Request

Please indicate below which review procedure applies to the interconnection request. The review procedure used is subject to confirmation by the Cooperative. An application fee must be paid based upon the Cooperative's fee schedule.

- Level 2 – Lab-certified interconnection equipment with an aggregate electric nameplate capacity less than or equal to 150 kVA. Lab-certified is defined in Iowa Utilities Board Chapter 45 rules on Electric Interconnection of Distributed Generation Facilities (199 IAC 45.1).
- Level 3 – Distributed generation facility does not export power. Nameplate capacity rating is less than or equal to 50 kVA if connecting to area network or less than 150 kVA if connecting to a radial distribution feeder.
- Level 4 – Nameplate capacity rating is less than or equal to 10 MVA and the distributed generation facility does not qualify for a Level 1, Level 2, or

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Level 3 review, or the distributed generation facility has been reviewed but not approved under a Level 1, Level 2, or Level 3 review.

Note: Descriptions for interconnection review categories do not list all criteria that must be satisfied. For a complete list of criteria, please refer to Appendix A of the Cooperative's electric tariff.

Distributed Generation Facility Information:

Commissioning Test Date: _____

List interconnection components/systems to be used in the distributed generation facility that are lab-certified.

Component/System Listing	NRTL Providing Label & Listing
1. _____	_____
2. _____	_____
3. _____	_____
4. _____	_____
5. _____	_____

Please provide copies of manufacturer brochures or technical specifications.

Energy Production Equipment/Inverter Information:

___ Synchronous ___ Induction ___ Inverter ___ Other: _____

Rating: _____ kW Rating: _____ kVA

Rated Voltage: _____ Volts

Rated Current: _____ Amps

System Type Tested (Total System): ___ Yes ___ No; attach product literature

For Synchronous Machines:

Note: Contact Cooperative to determine if all the information requested in this section is required for the proposed distributed generation facility.

Manufacturer: _____

Model No.: _____ Version No.: _____

Submit copies of the Saturation Curve and the Vee Curve

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Salient Non-Salient

Torque: _____ lb-ft Rated RPM: _____ Field Amperes: _____ at rated generator voltage and current and _____ % PF over-excited

Type of Exciter: _____

Output Power of Exciter: _____

Type of Voltage Regulator: _____

Locked Rotor Current: _____ Amps Synchronous Speed: _____ RPM

Winding Connection: _____ Min. Operating Freq./Time: _____

Generator Connection: Delta Wye Wye Grounded

Direct-axis Synchronous Reactance: (Xd) _____ ohms

Direct-axis Transient Reactance: (X'd) _____ ohms

Direct-axis Sub-transient Reactance: (X''d) _____ ohms

Negative Sequence Reactance: _____ ohms

Zero Sequence Reactance: _____ ohms

Neutral Impedance or Grounding Resister (if any): _____ ohms

For Induction Machines:

Note: Contact Cooperative to determine if all the information requested in this section is required for the proposed distributed generation facility.

Manufacturer: _____

Model No.: _____ Version No.: _____

Locked Rotor Current: _____ Amps

Rotor Resistance (Rr): _____ ohms Exciting Current: _____ Amps

Rotor Reactance (Xr): _____ ohms Reactive Power Required: _____

Magnetizing Reactance (Xm): _____ ohms _____ VARs (No Load)

Stator Resistance (Rs): _____ ohms _____ VARs (Full Load)

Stator Reactance (Xs): _____ ohms

Short Circuit Reactance (X''d): _____ ohms

Phases: Single Three-Phase

Frame Size: _____ Design Letter: _____ Temp. Rise: _____ °C.

Reverse Power Relay Information (Level 3 Review Only):

Manufacturer: _____

Relay Type: _____ Model Number: _____

Reverse Power Setting: _____

Reverse Power Time Delay (if any): _____

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Inverter Information:

Manufacturer: _____ Model: _____

Type: Forced Commutated Line Commutated

Rated Output: _____ Watts _____ Volts

Efficiency: _____% Power Factor: _____%

Inverter UL1741 Listed: Yes No

DC Source/Prime Mover:

Rating: _____ kW Rating: _____ kVA

Rated Voltage: _____ Volts

Open Circuit Voltage (if applicable): _____ Volts

Rated Current: _____ Amps

Short Circuit Current (if applicable): _____ Amps

Other Facility Information:

One-Line Diagram – A basic drawing of an electric circuit in which one or more conductors are represented by a single line and each electrical device and major component of the installation, from the generator to the point of interconnection, are noted by symbols.

One-Line Diagram attached: Yes

Plot Plan – A map showing the distributed generation facility's location in relation to streets, alleys, or other geographic markers.

Plot Plan attached: Yes

Disconnect Switch: Identify type and location of disconnect switch:

Is the generating facility a Qualifying Facility as defined under the Public Utilities Regulatory Policies Act (18 CFR Part 292, Subpart B)?

Yes No

Applicant Signature:

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I hereby certify that all of the information provided in this Interconnection Request Application Form is true.

Applicant Signature: _____

Title: _____ Date: _____

An application fee is required before the application can be processed. Please verify that the appropriate fee is included with the application:

Amount: _____

Cooperative Acknowledgement:

Receipt of the application fee is acknowledged and this interconnection request is complete.

Cooperative Signature: _____ Date: _____

Printed Name: _____ Title: _____

Appendix E – Levels 2 to 4: standard distributed generation interconnection agreement

LEVELS 2 TO 4:
STANDARD INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT
(For Distributed Generation Facilities with a capacity of 10 MVA or less)

This agreement (“Agreement”) is made and entered into this ____ day of _____, by and between _____ (“interconnection member-owner”), as an individual person, or as a _____ organized and existing under the laws of the State of _____, and Iowa Lakes Electric Cooperative, (“Cooperative”), a cooperative corporation existing under the laws of the State of Iowa. Interconnection member-owner and Cooperative each may be referred to as a “Party,” or collectively as the “Parties.”

Recitals:

Whereas, interconnection member-owner is proposing to install or direct the installation of a distributed generation facility, or is proposing a generating capacity addition to an existing distributed generation facility, consistent with the interconnection request application form completed by interconnection member-owner on _____; and

Whereas, the interconnection member-owner will operate and maintain, or cause the operation and maintenance of, the distributed generation facility; and

Whereas, interconnection member-owner desires to interconnect the distributed generation facility with Cooperative’s electric distribution system.

Now, therefore, in consideration of the premises and mutual covenants set forth in this Agreement, the Parties covenant and agree as follows:

Article 1. Scope and Limitations of Agreement

- 1.1 This Agreement shall be used for all approved interconnection requests for distributed generation facilities that fall under Levels 2, 3, and 4 according to the procedures set forth in the Cooperative's tariff.
- 1.2 This Agreement governs the terms and conditions under which the distributed generation facility will interconnect to, and operate in parallel with, the Cooperative’s electric distribution system.

- 1.3 This Agreement does not constitute an agreement to purchase or deliver the interconnection member-owner's power. Any excess output sought to be sold by the QF to the utility shall be purchased by Corn Belt or NIPCO under a separate Power Purchase Agreement under the Joint PURPA Implementation Plan filed with FERC and such purchases shall be subject to any limitations as may be set forth elsewhere in the Cooperative's tariffs or rate schedules.
- 1.4 Nothing in this Agreement is intended to affect any other agreement between the Cooperative and the interconnection member-owner.
- 1.5 Terms used in this Agreement are defined in Attachment 1 hereto or in Iowa Utilities Board Chapter 45 rules on Electric Interconnection of Distributed Generation Facilities (199 IAC 45.1) unless otherwise noted.
- 1.6 Responsibilities of the Parties
 - 1.6.1 The Parties shall perform all obligations of this Agreement in accordance with all applicable laws, regulations, codes, ordinances, orders, or similar directives of any government or other authority having jurisdiction.
 - 1.6.2 The Cooperative shall construct, own, operate, and maintain its interconnection facilities in accordance with this Agreement.
 - 1.6.3 The interconnection member-owner shall construct, own, operate, and maintain its distributed generation facility and interconnection facilities in accordance with this Agreement.
 - 1.6.4 Each Party shall operate, maintain, repair, and inspect, and shall be fully responsible for, the facilities that it now or subsequently may own unless otherwise specified in the attachments to this Agreement. Each Party shall be responsible for the safe installation, maintenance, repair, and condition of its respective lines and appurtenances on its respective sides of the point of interconnection.
 - 1.6.5 The interconnection member-owner agrees to design, install, maintain, and operate its distributed generation facility so as to minimize the likelihood of causing an adverse system impact on the electric distribution system or any other electric system that is not

owned or operated by the Cooperative.

1.6.6 The interconnection member-owner shall designate an operator who will be responsible for day-to-day operations of the distributed generation facility and available for communication on a 24 hour per day/7 day per week basis with Cooperative, G&T, the Local Balancing Authority, MISO and other applicable entities with jurisdiction over the operation of the Facility and Cooperative's System.

1.7 Parallel Operation Obligations

Once the distributed generation facility has been authorized to commence parallel operation, the interconnection member-owner shall abide by all operating procedures established in IEEE Standard 1547 and any other applicable laws, statutes or guidelines, including those specified in Attachment 4 of this Agreement.

1.8 Metering

The interconnection member-owner shall be responsible for the cost to purchase, install, operate, maintain, test, repair, and replace metering and data acquisition equipment specified in Attachments 5 and 6 of this Agreement.

1.9 Reactive Power

1.9.1 Interconnection member-owners with a distributed generation facility larger than or equal to 1 MVA shall design their distributed generation facilities to maintain a power factor at the point of interconnection between .95 lagging and .95 leading at all times. Interconnection member-owners with a distributed generation facility smaller than 1 MVA shall design their distributed generation facility to maintain a power factor at the point of interconnection between .90 lagging and .90 leading at all times.

1.9.2 Any Cooperative requirements for meeting a specific voltage or specific reactive power schedule as a condition for interconnection shall be clearly specified in Attachment 4. Under no circumstance shall the Cooperative's additional requirements for voltage or reactive power schedules be outside of the agreed-upon operating parameters defined in Attachment 4.

1.9.3 If the interconnection member-owner does not operate the distributed generation facility within the power factor range specified in Attachment 4, or does not operate the distributed generation facility in accordance with a voltage or reactive power schedule specified in Attachment 4, the interconnection member-owner is in default, and the terms of Article 6.5 apply.

1.10 Standards of Operations

The interconnection member-owner must obtain all certifications, permits, licenses, and approvals necessary to construct, operate, and maintain the facility and to perform its obligations under this Agreement. The interconnection member-owner is responsible for coordinating and synchronizing the distributed generation facility with the Cooperative's system. The interconnection member-owner is responsible for any damage that is caused by the interconnection member-owner's failure to coordinate or synchronize the distributed generation facility with the electric distribution system. The interconnection member-owner agrees to be primarily liable for any damages resulting from the continued operation of the distributed generation facility after the Cooperative ceases to energize the line section to which the distributed generation facility is connected. In Attachment 4, the Cooperative shall specify the shortest reclose time setting for its protection equipment that could affect the distributed generation facility. The Cooperative shall notify the interconnection member-owner at least 10 business days prior to adopting a faster reclose time on any automatic protective equipment, such as a circuit breaker or line recloser, that might affect the distributed generation facility.

Article 2. Inspection, Testing, Authorization, and Right of Access

2.1 Equipment Testing and Inspection

The interconnection member-owner shall test and inspect its distributed generation facility including the interconnection equipment prior to interconnection in accordance with IEEE Standard 1547 (2003) and IEEE Standard 1547.1 (2005). The interconnection member-owner shall not operate its distributed generation facility in parallel with the Cooperative's electric distribution system without prior written authorization by the Cooperative as provided for in Articles 2.1.1-2.1.3.

- 2.1.1 The Cooperative shall perform a witness test after construction of the distributed generation facility is completed, but before parallel operation, unless the Cooperative specifically waives the witness test. The interconnection member-owner shall provide the Cooperative at least 15 business days' notice of the planned commissioning test for the distributed generation facility. If the Cooperative performs a witness test at a time that is not concurrent with the commissioning test, it shall contact the interconnection member-owner to schedule the witness test at a mutually agreeable time within 10 business days after the scheduled commissioning test designated on the application. If the Cooperative does not perform the witness test within 10 business days after the commissioning test, the witness test is deemed waived unless the Parties mutually agree to extend the date for scheduling the witness test, or unless the Cooperative cannot do so for good cause, in which case, the Parties shall agree to another date for scheduling the test within 10 business days after the original scheduled date. If the witness test is not acceptable to the Cooperative, the interconnection member-owner has 30 business days to address and resolve any deficiencies. This time period may be extended upon agreement in writing between the Cooperative and the interconnection member-owner. If the interconnection member-owner fails to address and resolve the deficiencies to the satisfaction of the Cooperative, the applicable cure provisions of Article 6.5 shall apply. The interconnection member-owner shall, if requested by the Cooperative, provide a copy of all documentation in its possession regarding testing conducted pursuant to IEEE Standard 1547.1.
- 2.1.2 If the interconnection member-owner conducts interim testing of the distributed generation facility prior to the witness test, the interconnection member-owner shall obtain permission from the Cooperative before each occurrence of operating the distributed generation facility in parallel with the electric distribution system. The Cooperative may, at its own expense, send qualified personnel to the distributed generation facility to observe such interim testing, but it cannot mandate that these tests be considered in the final witness test. The Cooperative is not required to observe the interim testing or precluded from requiring the tests be repeated at the final witness test.

- 2.1.3 After the distributed generation facility passes the witness test, the Cooperative shall affix an authorized signature to the certificate of completion and return it to the interconnection member-owner approving the interconnection and authorizing parallel operation. The authorization shall not be conditioned nor delayed.
- 2.2 Commercial Operation
- The interconnection member-owner shall not operate the distributed generation facility, except for interim testing as provided in Article 2.1, until such time as the certificate of completion is signed by all Parties.
- 2.3 Right of Access
- The Cooperative must have access to the isolation device or disconnect switch and metering equipment of the distributed generation facility at all times. When practical, the Cooperative shall provide notice to the member-owner prior to using its right of access.

Article 3. Effective Date, Term, Termination, and Disconnection

- 3.1 Effective Date
- This Agreement shall become effective upon execution by all Parties.
- 3.2 Term of Agreement
- This Agreement shall become effective on the effective date and shall remain in effect unless terminated in accordance with Article 3.3 of this Agreement.
- 3.3 Termination
- 3.3.1 The interconnection member-owner may terminate this Agreement at any time by giving the Cooperative 30 calendar days' prior written notice.
- 3.3.2 Either Party may terminate this Agreement after default pursuant to Article 6.5.
- 3.3.3 The Cooperative may terminate, upon 60 calendar days' prior written notice, for failure of the interconnection member-owner to complete construction of the distributed generation facility within 12 months after the in-service date as specified by the Parties in Attachment 2, which may be extended by mutual written agreement between the Parties prior to the expiration of the 12-month period.

- 3.3.4 The Cooperative may terminate this Agreement, upon 60 calendar days' prior written notice, if the interconnection member-owner has abandoned, cancelled, permanently disconnected or stopped development, construction, or operation of the distributed generation facility, or if the interconnection member-owner fails to operate the distributed generation facility in parallel with the Cooperative's electric distribution system for three consecutive years.
- 3.3.5 Upon termination of this Agreement, the distributed generation facility will be disconnected from the Cooperative's electric distribution system. Terminating this Agreement does not relieve either Party of its liabilities and obligations that are owed or continuing when the Agreement is terminated.
- 3.3.6 If the Agreement is terminated, the interconnection member-owner loses its position in the interconnection review order.
- 3.4 Temporary Disconnection
A Party may temporarily disconnect the distributed generation facility from the electric distribution system in the event one or more of the following conditions or events occurs:
- 3.4.1 Emergency conditions – shall mean any condition or situation: (1) that in the judgment of the Party making the claim is likely to endanger life or property; or (2) that the Cooperative determines is likely to cause an adverse system impact, or is likely to have a material adverse effect on the Cooperative's electric distribution system, interconnection facilities or other facilities, or is likely to interrupt or materially interfere with the provision of electric utility service to other member-owners; or (3) that is likely to cause a material adverse effect on the distributed generation facility or the interconnection equipment. Under emergency conditions, the Cooperative or the interconnection member-owner may suspend interconnection service and temporarily disconnect the distributed generation facility from the electric distribution system without giving notice to the other Party, provided that it gives notice as soon as practicable thereafter. The Cooperative must notify the interconnection member-owner when it becomes aware of any conditions that might affect the interconnection member-owner's operation of the distributed generation facility. The interconnection member-owner shall notify the Cooperative when it becomes aware

of any condition that might affect the Cooperative's electric distribution system. To the extent information is known, the notification shall describe the condition, the extent of the damage or deficiency, the expected effect on the operation of both Parties' facilities and operations, its anticipated duration, and the necessary corrective action.

- 3.4.2 Scheduled maintenance, construction, or repair – the Cooperative may interrupt interconnection service or curtail the output of the distributed generation facility and temporarily disconnect the distributed generation facility from the Cooperative's electric distribution system when necessary for scheduled maintenance, construction, or repairs on Cooperative's electric distribution system. To the extent possible, the Cooperative shall provide the interconnection member-owner with notice five business days before an interruption. The Cooperative shall coordinate the reduction or temporary disconnection with the interconnection member-owner; however, the interconnection member-owner is responsible for out-of-pocket costs incurred by the Cooperative for deferring or rescheduling maintenance, construction, or repair at the interconnection member-owner's request.
- 3.4.3 Forced outages – The Cooperative may suspend interconnection service to repair the Cooperative's electric distribution system. The Cooperative shall provide the interconnection member-owner with prior notice, if possible. If prior notice is not possible, the Cooperative shall, upon written request, provide the interconnection member-owner with written documentation, after the fact, explaining the circumstances of the disconnection.
- 3.4.4 Adverse system impact – the Cooperative must provide the interconnection member-owner with written notice of its intention to disconnect the distributed generation facility, if the Cooperative determines that operation of the distributed generation facility creates an adverse system impact. The documentation that supports the Cooperative's decision to disconnect must be provided to the interconnection member-owner. The Cooperative may disconnect the distributed generation facility if, after receipt of the notice, the interconnection member-owner fails to remedy the adverse system impact within 12 days, unless emergency conditions exist, in which case, the provisions of Article 3.4.1 apply. The Cooperative may continue to leave the generating facility disconnected until the adverse system impact is corrected to the satisfaction of both the Cooperative and the adversely-impacted member-owner.

- 3.4.5 Modification of the distributed generation facility – The interconnection member-owner must receive written authorization from the Cooperative prior to making any change to the distributed generation facility, other than a minor equipment modification. If the interconnection member-owner modifies its facility without the Cooperative's prior written authorization, the Cooperative has the right to disconnect the distributed generation facility until such time as the Cooperative concludes the modification poses no threat to the safety or reliability of its electric distribution system.
- 3.4.6 Unauthorized connection to the Cooperative's electric distribution system.
- 3.4.7 Failure of the distributed generation facility to operate in accordance with this Agreement or the applicable requirements of 199 IAC Chapter 15 or the Cooperative's electric tariff.
- 3.4.8 The Cooperative is not responsible for any lost opportunity or other costs incurred by interconnection member-owner as a result of an interruption of service under Article 3.

Article 4. Cost Responsibility for Interconnection Facilities and Distribution Upgrades

4.1 Interconnection Facilities

- 4.1.1 The interconnection member-owner shall pay for the cost of the interconnection facilities itemized in Attachment 3. The Cooperative shall identify the additional interconnection facilities necessary to interconnect the distributed generation facility with the Cooperative's electric distribution system, the cost of those facilities, and the time required to build and install those facilities, as well as an estimated date of completion of the building or installation of those facilities.
- 4.1.2 The interconnection member-owner is responsible for its expenses, including overheads, associated with owning, operating, maintaining, repairing, and replacing its interconnection equipment.

4.2 Distribution Upgrades

The Cooperative shall design, procure, construct, install, and own any distribution upgrades. The actual cost of the distribution upgrades, including overheads, shall be directly assigned to the interconnection member-owner whose distributed generation facility caused the need for the distribution upgrades.

Article 5. Billing, Payment, Milestones, and Financial Security

- 5.1 Billing and Payment Procedures and Final Accounting (Applies to additional reviews conducted under a Level 2 review and Level 4 reviews)
- 5.1.1 The Cooperative shall bill the interconnection member-owner for the design, engineering, construction, and procurement costs of Cooperative-provided interconnection facilities and distribution upgrades contemplated by this Agreement as set forth in Attachment 3. The billing shall occur on a monthly basis, or as otherwise agreed to between the Parties. The interconnection member-owner shall pay each billing invoice within 30 calendar days after receipt, or as otherwise agreed to between the Parties, if a balance due is showing after any member-owner deposit funds have been expended.
- 5.1.2 Within 90 calendar days after completing the construction and installation of the Cooperative's interconnection facilities and distribution upgrades described in Attachments 2 and 3 to this Agreement, the Cooperative shall provide the interconnection member-owner with a final accounting report of any difference between (1) the actual cost incurred to complete the construction and installation of the Cooperative's interconnection facilities and distribution upgrades; and (2) the interconnection member-owner's previous deposit and aggregate payments to the Cooperative for the interconnection facilities and distribution upgrades. If the interconnection member-owner's cost responsibility exceeds its previous deposit and aggregate payments, the Cooperative shall invoice the interconnection member-owner for the amount due and the interconnection member-owner shall make payment to the Cooperative within 30 calendar days. If the interconnection member-owner's previous deposit and aggregate payments exceed its cost responsibility under this Agreement, the Cooperative shall refund to the interconnection member-owner an amount equal to the difference within 30 calendar days after the final accounting report. Upon request from the interconnection member-owner, if the difference between the budget estimate and the actual cost exceeds 20%, the Cooperative will provide a written explanation for the difference.

- 5.1.3 If a Party disputes any portion of its payment obligation pursuant to this Article 5, the Party shall pay in a timely manner all non-disputed portions of its invoice, and the disputed amount shall be resolved pursuant to the dispute resolution provisions contained in Article 8. A Party disputing a portion of an Article 5 payment shall not be considered to be in default of its obligations under this Article.
- 5.2 Interconnection Applicant's Deposit

At least 20 business days prior to the commencement of the design, procurement, installation, or construction of the Cooperative's interconnection facilities and distribution upgrades, the interconnection member-owner shall provide the Cooperative with a deposit equal to 100% of the estimated, nonbinding cost to procure, install, or construct any such facilities. However, when the estimated date of completion of the building or installation of facilities exceeds three months from the date of payment of the deposit, pursuant to Article 4.1.1 of this Agreement, this deposit may be held by the Cooperative.

Article 6. Assignment, Limitation on Damages, Indemnity, Force Majeure, and Default

- 6.1 Assignment
- This Agreement may be assigned by either Party with the prior consent of the other Party. If the interconnection member-owner attempts to assign this Agreement, the assignee must agree to the terms of this Agreement in writing and such writing must be provided to the Cooperative. Any attempted assignment that violates this Article is void and ineffective. Assignment shall not relieve a Party of its obligations, nor shall a Party's obligations be enlarged, in whole or in part, by reason of the assignment. An assignee is responsible for meeting the same obligations as the assignor.
- 6.1.1 Either Party may assign this Agreement without the consent of the other Party to any affiliate (including mergers, consolidations, or transfers or a sale of a substantial portion of the Party's assets, between the Party and another entity), of the assigning Party that has an equal or greater credit rating and the legal authority and operational ability to satisfy the obligations of the assigning Party under this Agreement.
- 6.1.2 The interconnection member-owner can assign this Agreement, without the consent of the Cooperative, for collateral security

purposes to aid in providing financing for the distributed generation facility.

6.2 Limitation on Damages

Except for cases of gross negligence or willful misconduct, the liability of any Party to this Agreement shall be limited to direct actual damages, including death, bodily injury, third-party claims, and reasonable attorney's fees, and all other damages at law are waived. Under no circumstances, except for cases of gross negligence or willful misconduct, shall any Party or its directors, officers, employees, and agents, or any of them, be liable to another Party, whether in tort, contract or other basis in law or equity for any special, indirect, punitive, exemplary, or consequential damages, including lost profits, lost revenues, replacement power, cost of capital, or replacement equipment. This limitation on damages shall not affect any Party's rights to obtain equitable relief, including specific performance, as otherwise provided in this Agreement. The provisions of this Article 6.2 shall survive the termination or expiration of the Agreement.

6.3 Indemnity

6.3.1 This provision protects each Party from liability incurred as a result of carrying out the provisions of this Agreement. Liability under this provision is exempt from the general limitations on liability found in Article 6.2.

6.3.2 The interconnection member-owner shall indemnify and defend the Cooperative and the Cooperative's directors, officers, employees, and agents, from all claims, damages, and expenses, including reasonable attorney's fees, to the extent resulting from the interconnection member-owner's negligent installation, operation, modification, maintenance, or removal of its distributed generation facility or interconnection facilities, or the interconnection member-owner's willful misconduct or breach of this Agreement.

6.3.3 The Cooperative shall indemnify and defend the interconnection member-owner and the interconnection member-owner's directors, officers, employees, and agents from all claims, damages, and expenses, including reasonable attorney's fees, to the extent resulting from the Cooperative's negligent installation, operation, modification, maintenance, or removal of its interconnection facilities or electric distribution system, or the Cooperative's willful misconduct or breach of this Agreement.

- 6.3.4 Within five business days after receipt by an indemnified Party of any claim or notice that an action or administrative or legal proceeding or investigation as to which the indemnity provided for in this Article may apply has commenced, the indemnified Party shall notify the indemnifying Party of such fact. The failure to notify, or a delay in notification, shall not affect a Party's indemnification obligation unless that failure or delay is materially prejudicial to the indemnifying Party.
- 6.3.5 If an indemnified Party is entitled to indemnification under this Article as a result of a claim, and the indemnifying Party fails, after notice and reasonable opportunity to proceed under this Article, to assume the defense of such claim, that indemnified Party may, at the expense of the indemnifying Party, contest, settle, or consent to the entry of any judgment with respect to, or pay in full, the claim.
- 6.3.6 If an indemnifying Party is obligated to indemnify and hold any indemnified Party harmless under this Article, the amount owing to the indemnified person shall be the amount of the indemnified Party's actual loss, net of any insurance or other recovery by the indemnified Party.
- 6.4 Force Majeure
- 6.4.1 As used in this Article, a force majeure event shall mean any act of God, labor disturbance, act of the public enemy, war, acts of terrorism, insurrection, riot, fire, storm or flood, explosion, breakage, or accident to machinery or equipment through no direct, indirect, or contributory act of a Party, any order, regulation or restriction imposed by governmental, military or lawfully established civilian authorities (e.g., MISO), or any other cause beyond a Party's control. A force majeure event does not include an act of gross negligence or intentional wrongdoing by the Party claiming force majeure.
- 6.4.2 If a force majeure event prevents a Party from fulfilling any obligations under this Agreement, the Party affected by the force majeure event ("Affected Party") shall notify the other Party of the existence of the force majeure event as soon as reasonably possible. The notification will specify the circumstances of the force majeure event, its expected duration (if known), and the steps that the Affected Party is taking and will take to mitigate the effects of

the event on its performance (if known). If the initial notification is verbal, it must be followed up with a written notification promptly thereafter. The Affected Party shall keep the other Party informed on a periodic basis of developments relating to the force majeure event until the event ends. The Affected Party may suspend or modify its obligations under this Agreement without liability only to the extent that the effect of the force majeure event cannot be otherwise mitigated.

6.5 Default

- 6.5.1 No default shall exist when the failure to discharge an obligation results from a force majeure event as defined in this Agreement, or the result of an act or omission of the other Party.
- 6.5.2 A Party shall be in default ("Default") of this Agreement if it fails in any material respect to comply with, observe, or perform, or defaults in the performance of, any covenant or obligation under this Agreement and fails to cure the failure within 60 calendar days after receiving written notice from the other Party. Upon a default of this Agreement, the non-defaulting Party shall give written notice of the default to the defaulting Party. Except as provided in Article 6.5.3, the defaulting Party has 60 calendar days after receipt of the default notice to cure the default; provided, however, if the default cannot be cured within 60 calendar days, the defaulting Party shall commence the cure within 20 calendar days after original notice and complete the cure within six months from receipt of the default notice; and, if cured within that time, the default specified in the notice shall cease to exist.
- 6.5.3 If a Party has assigned this Agreement in a manner that is not specifically authorized by Article 6.1, fails to provide reasonable access pursuant to Article 2.3, and is in default of its obligations pursuant to Article 7, or if a Party is in default of its payment obligations pursuant to Article 5 of this Agreement, the defaulting Party has 30 days from receipt of the default notice to cure the default.
- 6.5.4 If a default is not cured as provided for in this Article, or if a default is not capable of being cured within the period provided for in this Article, the non-defaulting Party shall have the right to terminate this Agreement without liability by written notice, and be relieved of any further obligation under this Agreement and, whether or not that Party terminates this Agreement, to recover from the defaulting Party all amounts due under this Agreement, plus all other

damages and remedies to which it is entitled at law or in equity. The provisions of this Article shall survive termination of this Agreement.

Article 7. Insurance

- 7.1 For distributed generation facilities with a nameplate capacity less than 150 kVA, the interconnection member-owner shall carry general liability insurance coverage, such as, but not limited to, homeowner's insurance.
- 7.2 For distributed generation facilities with a nameplate capacity of 150 kVA or above; but less than 1 MVA, the interconnection member-owner shall carry sufficient coverage so that the maximum comprehensive/general liability coverage that is continuously maintained by the interconnection member-owner during the terms shall be not less than \$1,000,000 for each occurrence. The Cooperative, its officers, employees and agents shall be added as an additional insured on this policy.
- 7.3 For distributed generation facilities with a nameplate capacity of 1 MVA or above, the interconnection member-owner shall carry sufficient insurance coverage so that the maximum comprehensive/general liability coverage that is continuously maintained by the interconnection member-owner during the term shall be not less than \$2,000,000 for each occurrence, and an aggregate, if any, of at least \$4,000,000. The Cooperative, its officers, employees and agents shall be added as an additional insured on this policy.
- 7.4 The interconnection member-owner agrees to provide the Cooperative with at least 30 calendar days' advance written notice of cancellation, reduction in limits, or non-renewal of any insurance policy required by this Article.

Article 8. Dispute Resolution

- 8.1 Parties shall attempt to resolve all disputes regarding interconnection as provided in this Article in a good faith manner.
- 8.2 If there is a dispute between the Parties about an interpretation of the Agreement, the aggrieved Party shall issue a written notice to the other Party to the agreement that specifies the dispute and the Agreement articles that are disputed.
- 8.3 A meeting between the Parties shall be held within ten business days after receipt of the written notice. Persons with decision-making authority from

each Party shall attend the meeting. If the dispute involves technical issues, persons with sufficient technical expertise and familiarity with the issue in dispute from each Party shall also attend the meeting. If the Parties agree, the meeting may be conducted by teleconference.

- 8.4 After the first meeting, each Party may seek resolution through the Iowa Utilities Board Chapter 6 complaint procedures (199 IAC 6). Dispute resolution under these procedures will initially be conducted informally under 199 IAC 6.2 through 6.4 to minimize cost and delay. If any Party is dissatisfied with the outcome of the informal process, the Party may file a formal complaint with the Board under 199 IAC 6.5.
- 8.5 Pursuit of dispute resolution may not affect an interconnection request or an interconnection applicant's position in the Cooperative's interconnection review order.
- 8.6 If the Parties fail to resolve their dispute under the dispute resolution provisions of this Article, nothing in this Article shall affect any Party's rights to obtain equitable relief, including specific performance, as otherwise provided in this Agreement.

Article 9. Miscellaneous

9.1 Governing Law, Regulatory Authority, and Rules

The validity, interpretation and enforcement of this Agreement and each of its provisions shall be governed by the laws of the State of Iowa, without regard to its conflicts of law principles. This Agreement is subject to all applicable laws and regulations. Each Party expressly reserves the right to seek change in, appeal, or otherwise contest any laws, orders, or regulations of a governmental authority. The language in all parts of this Agreement shall in all cases be construed as a whole, according to its fair meaning, and not strictly for or against the Cooperative or interconnection member-owner, regardless of the involvement of either Party in drafting this Agreement.

9.2 Amendment

Modification of this Agreement shall be only by a written instrument duly executed by both Parties.

9.3 No Third-Party Beneficiaries

This Agreement is not intended to and does not create rights, remedies, or benefits of any character whatsoever in favor of any persons, corporations, associations, or entities other than the Parties, and the obligations in this Agreement assumed are solely for the use and benefit of the Parties, their successors in interest and, where permitted, their assigns.

9.4 Waiver

9.4.1 Except as otherwise provided in this Agreement, a Party's compliance with any obligation, covenant, agreement, or condition in this Agreement may be waived by the Party entitled to the benefits thereof only by a written instrument signed by the Party granting the waiver, but the waiver or failure to insist upon strict compliance with the obligation, covenant, agreement, or condition shall not operate as a waiver of, or estoppel with respect to, any subsequent or other failure.

9.4.2. Failure of any Party to enforce or insist upon compliance with any of the terms or conditions of this Agreement, or to give notice or declare this Agreement or the rights under this Agreement terminated, shall not constitute a waiver or relinquishment of any rights set out in this Agreement, but the same shall be and remain at all times in full force and effect, unless and only to the extent expressly set forth in a written document signed by that Party granting the waiver or relinquishing any such rights. Any waiver granted, or relinquishment of any right, by a Party shall not operate as a relinquishment of any other rights or a waiver of any other failure of the Party granted the waiver to comply with any obligation, covenant, agreement, or condition of this Agreement.

9.5 Entire Agreement

Except as provided in Article 9.1, this Agreement, including all attachments and the completed Standard Certificate of Completion, constitutes the entire Agreement between the Parties with reference to the subject matter of this Agreement, and supersedes all prior and contemporaneous understandings or agreements, oral or written, between the Parties with respect to the subject matter of this Agreement. There are no other agreements, representations, warranties, or covenants that constitute any part of the consideration for, or any condition to, either Party's compliance with its obligations under this Agreement.

9.6 Multiple Counterparts

This Agreement may be executed in two or more counterparts, each of which is deemed an original, but all constitute one and the same instrument.

9.7 No Partnership

This Agreement shall not be interpreted or construed to create an association, joint venture, agency relationship, or partnership between the Parties, or to impose any partnership obligation or partnership liability upon either Party. Neither Party shall have any right, power, or authority to enter into any agreement or undertaking for, or act on behalf of, or to act as or be an agent or representative of, or to otherwise bind, the other Party.

9.8 Severability

If any provision or portion of this Agreement shall for any reason be held or adjudged to be invalid or illegal or unenforceable by any court of competent jurisdiction or other governmental authority, (1) that portion or provision shall be deemed separate and independent, (2) the Parties shall negotiate in good faith to restore insofar as practicable the benefits to each Party that were affected by the ruling, and (3) the remainder of this Agreement shall remain in full force and effect.

9.9 Environmental Releases

Each Party shall notify the other Party of the release of any hazardous substances, any asbestos or lead abatement activities, or any type of remediation activities related to the distributed generation facility or the interconnection facilities, each of which may reasonably be expected to affect the other Party. The notifying Party shall (1) provide the notice as soon as practicable, provided that Party makes a good faith effort to provide the notice no later than 24 hours after that Party becomes aware of the occurrence, and (2) promptly furnish to the other Party copies of any publicly available reports filed with any governmental authorities addressing such events.

9.10 Subcontractors

Nothing in this Agreement shall prevent a Party from using the services of any subcontractor it deems appropriate to perform its obligations under this Agreement; provided, however, that each Party shall require its subcontractors to comply with all applicable terms and conditions of this Agreement in providing services and each Party shall remain primarily liable to the other Party for the performance of the subcontractor.

9.10.1 A subcontract relationship does not relieve any Party of any of its obligations under this Agreement. The hiring Party remains responsible to the other Party for the acts or omissions of its subcontractor. Any applicable obligation imposed by this Agreement upon the hiring Party shall be equally binding upon, and shall be construed as having application to, any subcontractor of the hiring Party.

9.10.2 The obligations under this Article cannot be limited in any way by any limitation of subcontractor's insurance.

Article 10. Notices

10.1 General

Unless otherwise provided in this Agreement, any written notice, demand, or request required or authorized in connection with this Agreement ("Notice") shall be deemed properly given if delivered in person, delivered by recognized national courier service, or sent by first-class mail, postage prepaid, to the person specified below:

If Notice is to Interconnection Applicant:

Interconnection Applicant: _____
Attention: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Phone: _____ Fax: _____ E-mail: _____

If Notice is to Cooperative:

Cooperative: _____
Attention: _____

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Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Phone: _____ Fax: _____ E-mail: _____

Alternative Forms of Notice:

Any notice or request required or permitted to be given by either Party to the other Party and not required by this Agreement to be in writing may be given by telephone, facsimile or e-mail to the telephone numbers and e-mail addresses set out above.

10.2 Billing and Payment

Billings and payments shall be sent to the contacts specified for Notices in Article 10.1 above, unless a different address is set out below:

If Billing or Payment is to Interconnection Applicant:

Interconnection Applicant: _____
Attention: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

If Billing or Payment is to Cooperative:

Cooperative: _____
Attention: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

10.3 Designated Operating Representative

The Parties shall also designate operating representatives to conduct the communications that may be necessary or convenient for the administration of this Agreement. This person will also serve as the point of contact with respect to operations and maintenance of the Party's facilities.

Interconnection Applicant's Operating Representative:

Name: _____
Attention: _____
Address: _____

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City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Fax: _____

E-mail: _____

Cooperative's Operating Representative:

Name: _____

Attention: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Fax: _____

E-mail: _____

10.4 Changes to the Notice Information

Either Party may change this notice information by giving five business days' written notice before the effective date of the change.

Article 11. Signatures

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have caused this Agreement to be executed by their respective duly authorized representatives.

For the Interconnection Applicant:

Name: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____

For the Cooperative:

Name: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____

ATTACHMENT 1

Levels 2 To 4: Standard Interconnection Agreement

Definitions

Adverse system impact – A negative effect that compromises the safety or reliability of the electric distribution system or materially affects the quality of service provided by the Cooperative to other member-owners.

AEP facility – An AEP facility as defined in 199 IAC 15 (Iowa Utilities Board Chapter 15 rules on Cogeneration and Small Power Production), used by an interconnection member-owner to generate electricity that operates in parallel with the electric distribution system. An AEP facility typically includes an electric generator and the interconnection equipment required to interconnect safely with the electric distribution system or local electric power system.

Applicable laws and regulations – All duly promulgated applicable federal, state and local laws, regulations, rules, ordinances, codes, decrees, judgments, directives, or judicial or administrative orders, permits and other duly authorized actions of any governmental authority, having jurisdiction over the Parties.

Commissioning test – Tests applied to a distributed generation facility by the Applicant after construction is completed to verify that the facility does not create adverse system impacts. At a minimum, the scope of the commissioning tests performed shall include the commissioning test specified IEEE Standard 1547 Section 5.4 “Commissioning tests.”

Distributed generation facility – A qualifying facility or an AEP facility.

Distribution upgrades – A required addition or modification to the Cooperative’s electric distribution system at or beyond the point of interconnection to accommodate the interconnection of a distributed generation facility. Distribution upgrades do not include interconnection facilities.

Electric distribution system – The facilities and equipment used to transmit electricity to ultimate usage points such as homes and industries from interchanges with higher voltage transmission networks that transport bulk power over longer distances. The voltage levels at which electric distribution systems operate differ among areas but generally carry less than 100 kilovolts of electricity. Electric distribution system has the same meaning as the term Area EPS, as defined in 3.1.6.1 of IEEE Standard 1547.

Facilities study – An engineering study conducted by the Cooperative to determine the required modifications to the Cooperative’s electric distribution system, including the cost and the time required to build and install the modifications, as necessary to accommodate an interconnection request.

Force majeure event – Any act of God, labor disturbance, act of the public enemy, war, acts of terrorism, insurrection, riot, fire, storm or flood, explosion, breakage, or accident to machinery or equipment through no direct, indirect, or contributory act of a Party, any order, regulation, or restriction imposed by governmental, military, or lawfully established civilian authorities (e.g., MISO), or any other cause beyond a Party’s control. A force majeure event does not include an act of gross negligence or intentional wrongdoing by the Party claiming force majeure.

Governmental authority – Any federal, state, local or other governmental regulatory or administrative agency, court, commission, department, board, other governmental subdivision, legislature, rulemaking board, tribunal, or other governmental authority having jurisdiction over the Parties, their respective facilities, or the respective services they provide, and exercising or entitled to exercise any administrative, executive, police, or taxing authority or power; provided, however, that this term does not include the interconnection member-owner, Cooperative, or any affiliate of either.

IEEE Standard 1547 – The Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers, Inc. (IEEE), 3 Park Avenue, New York NY 10016-5997, Standard 1547 (2003), “Standard for Interconnecting Distributed Resources with Electric Power Systems.”

IEEE Standard 1547.1 – The IEEE Standard 1547.1 (2005), “Conformance Test Procedures for Equipment Interconnecting Distributed Resources with Electric Power Systems.”

Interconnection agreement or Agreement – The agreement is between the interconnection member-owner and the Cooperative. The interconnection agreement governs the connection of the distributed generation facility to the Cooperative’s electric distribution system and the ongoing operation of the distributed generation facility after it is connected to the Cooperative’s electric distribution system.

Interconnection member-owner – The entity entering into this Agreement for the purpose of interconnecting a distributed generation facility to the Cooperative’s electric distribution system.

Interconnection equipment – A group of components or an integrated system connecting an electric generator with a local electric power system or an electric distribution system that includes all interface equipment, including switchgear, protective devices, inverters, or other interface devices. Interconnection equipment may be installed as part of an integrated equipment package that includes a generator or other electric source.

Interconnection facilities – Facilities and equipment required by the Cooperative to accommodate the interconnection of a distributed generation facility. Collectively, interconnection facilities include all facilities, and equipment between the distributed generation facility and the point of interconnection, including modification, additions, or upgrades that are necessary to physically and electrically interconnect the distributed generation facility to the electric distribution system. Interconnection facilities are sole use facilities and do not include distribution upgrades.

Interconnection request – An interconnection member-owner's request, on the required form, for the interconnection of a new distributed generation facility, or to increase the capacity or change the operating characteristics of an existing distributed generation facility that is interconnected with the Cooperative's electric distribution system.

Interconnection study – Any of the following studies, as determined to be appropriate by the Cooperative: the interconnection feasibility study, the interconnection system impact study, and the interconnection facilities study.

Parallel operation or Parallel – The state of operations that occurs when a distributed generation facility is connected electrically to the electric distribution system for longer than 100 milliseconds.

Point of interconnection – The point where the distributed generation facility is electrically connected to the electric distribution system. Point of interconnection has the same meaning as the term "point of common coupling" defined in 3.1.13 of IEEE Standard 1547.

Qualifying facility – A cogeneration facility or a small power production facility that is a qualifying facility under 18 CFR Part 292, Subpart B, used by an interconnection member-owner to generate electricity that operates in parallel with the electric distribution system. A qualifying facility typically includes an electric generator and the interconnection equipment required to interconnect safely with the electric distribution system or local electric power system.

Witness test – For lab-certified equipment, verification (either by an on-site observation or review of documents) by the Cooperative that the interconnection installation evaluation required by IEEE Standard 1547 Section 5.3 and the commissioning test required by IEEE Standard 1547 Section 5.4 have been adequately performed. For interconnection equipment that has not been lab-certified, the witness test shall also include verification by the Cooperative of the on-site design tests required by IEEE Standard 1547 Section 5.1 and verification by the Cooperative of production tests required by IEEE Standard 1547 Section 5.2. All tests verified by the Cooperative are to be performed in accordance with the test procedures specified by IEEE Standard 1547.1.

ATTACHMENT 2

Levels 2 To 4: Standard Interconnection Agreement

Construction Schedule, Proposed Equipment & Settings

This attachment is to be completed by the interconnection member-owner and shall include the following:

1. The construction schedule for the distributed generation facility.
2. A one-line diagram indicating the distributed generation facility, interconnection equipment, interconnection facilities, metering equipment, and distribution upgrades.
3. Component specifications for equipment identified in the one-line diagram.
4. Component settings.
5. Proposed sequence of operations.
6. A three-line diagram showing current potential circuits for protective relays.
7. Relay tripping and control schematic diagram.
8. A plot plan showing the distributed generation facility's location in relation to streets, alleys, address or other geographical markers.

ATTACHMENT 3

Levels 2 To 4: Standard Interconnection Agreement

Description, Costs and Time Required to
Build and Install the Cooperative's Interconnection Facilities

This attachment is to be completed by the Cooperative and shall include the following:

1. Required interconnection facilities, including any required metering.
2. An estimate of itemized costs charged by the Cooperative for interconnection, including overheads, based on results from prior studies.
3. An estimate for the time required to build and install the Cooperative's interconnection facilities based on results from prior studies and an estimate of the date upon which the facilities will be completed.

ATTACHMENT 4
Levels 2 To 4: Standard Interconnection Agreement

Operating Requirements for Distributed Generation Facilities Operating in
Parallel

The Cooperative shall list specific operating practices that apply to this distributed generation interconnection and the conditions under which each listed specific operating practice applies.

ATTACHMENT 5
Levels 2 To 4: Standard Interconnection Agreement

Monitoring and Control Requirements

This attachment is to be completed by the Cooperative and shall include the following:

1. The Cooperative's monitoring and control requirements must be specified, along with a reference to the Cooperative's written requirements and the documents from which these requirements are derived.
2. An internet link to the requirements documents.

ATTACHMENT 6
Levels 2 To 4: Standard Interconnection Agreement

Metering Requirements

This attachment is to be completed by the Cooperative and shall include the following:

1. The metering requirements for the distributed generation facility. For QF's with a capacity rating of 50 kW or greater but less than 150 kW, demand metering will be required. For facilities with a capacity rating of 150 kW or greater, WAPA will require SCADA and other communications facilities. The specific requirements will be included in the Agreements to be executed between the QF and the utility. Some of these requirements are detailed in the Requirements for Generation & Transmission Interconnections published by Corn Belt, which can be made available upon request.
2. Identification of the appropriate metering rules as set out in the Cooperative's tariff filed with the Iowa Utilities Board under subrule 199 IAC 20.2(5), and inspection and testing practices adopted under rule 199 IAC 20.6 that establish these requirements.
3. An internet link to these rules and practices.

ATTACHMENT 7

Levels 2 To 4: Standard Interconnection Agreement

As Built Documents

This attachment is to be completed by the interconnection member-owner and shall include the following:

When it returns the certificate of completion to the Cooperative, the interconnection member-owner shall provide the Cooperative with documents detailing the as-built status of the following:

1. A one-line diagram indicating the distributed generation facility, interconnection equipment, interconnection facilities, and metering equipment.
2. Component specifications for equipment identified in the one-line diagram.
3. Component settings.
4. Proposed sequence of operations.
5. A three-line diagram showing current potential circuits for protective relays.
6. Relay tripping and control schematic diagram.

Appendix F – Standard interconnection feasibility study agreement

INTERCONNECTION FEASIBILITY STUDY AGREEMENT

This agreement (“Agreement”) is made and entered into this ____ day of _____, by and between _____ (“interconnection member-owner”), as an individual person, or as a _____ organized and existing under the laws of the State of _____, and Iowa Lakes Electric Cooperative, (“Cooperative”), a cooperative corporation existing under the laws of the State of Iowa. Interconnection member-owner and Cooperative each may be referred to as a “Party,” or collectively as the “Parties.”

Recitals:

Whereas, interconnection member-owner is proposing to develop a distributed generation facility or modify an existing distributed generation facility consistent with the interconnection request application form submitted by interconnection member-owner on _____; and

Whereas, interconnection member-owner desires to interconnect the distributed generation facility with Cooperative’s electric distribution system; and

Whereas, interconnection member-owner has requested Cooperative to perform an interconnection feasibility study to assess the feasibility of interconnecting the proposed distributed generation facility to Cooperative’s electric distribution system;

Now, therefore, in consideration of and subject to the mutual covenants contained herein the Parties agree as follows:

1. All terms defined in Iowa Utilities Board Chapter 45 rules on Electric Interconnection of Distributed Generation Facilities (199 IAC 45.1) shall have the meanings indicated in that rule when used in this Agreement, unless otherwise specified. However, Cooperative's agreement to utilize the definitions found in the Chapter 45 rules shall not be construed as an agreement concerning the applicability of the balance of said Chapter.
2. Interconnection member-owner elects and Cooperative shall cause to be performed an interconnection feasibility study
3. The scope of the interconnection feasibility study shall be based upon the information set forth in the interconnection request application form and Attachment A to this Agreement.

4. The interconnection feasibility study shall be based on the technical information provided by interconnection member-owner in the interconnection request application form, as modified with the written agreement of the Parties. Cooperative has the right to request additional technical information from interconnection member-owner during the course of the interconnection feasibility study. If the interconnection member-owner modifies its interconnection request, the time to complete the interconnection feasibility study may be extended by the Cooperative.
5. In performing the study, Cooperative shall rely on existing studies of recent vintage to the extent practical. The interconnection member-owner will not be charged for such existing studies; however, interconnection member-owner is responsible for the cost of applying any existing study to the interconnection member-owner specific requirements and for any new study that the Cooperative performs.
6. The interconnection feasibility study report must provide the following information:
 - 6.1 Identification of any equipment short circuit capability limits exceeded as a result of the interconnection,
 - 6.2 Identification of any thermal overload or voltage limit violations resulting from the interconnection, and
 - 6.3 A description and nonbinding estimated cost of facilities required to interconnect the distributed generation facility to Cooperative's electric distribution system
7. Interconnection member-owner shall provide a study deposit equal to 100% of the estimated nonbinding study costs at least 20 business days prior to the date upon which the study commences.
8. The interconnection feasibility study shall be completed and the results shall be transmitted to interconnection member-owner within 60 business days after this Agreement is signed by the Parties or the complete study deposit is received by the Cooperative, whichever occurs later. If the interconnection member-owner's study request involves more than one point of interconnection and configuration, the time to complete the interconnection feasibility study may be extended by the Cooperative.
9. Study fees shall be based on actual costs and will be invoiced to interconnection member-owner after the study is transmitted to interconnection member-owner. The invoice must include an itemized listing of employee time and costs expended on the study.
10. Interconnection member-owner shall pay any actual study costs that exceed the deposit without interest within 30 calendar days on receipt of the invoice. Cooperative shall refund any excess deposit amount without interest within 30 calendar days after the invoice.

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In witness whereof, the Parties have caused this Agreement to be duly executed by their duly authorized officers or agents on the day and year first above written.

[Insert name of interconnection member-owner]

Signed: _____

Name (Printed): _____ Title: _____

Iowa Lakes Electric Cooperative

Signed: _____

Name (Printed): _____ Title: _____

ATTACHMENT A
Interconnection Feasibility Study Agreement

Assumptions Used in Conducting the Interconnection Feasibility Study

The interconnection feasibility study will be based upon the information in the interconnection request application form, agreed upon on _____:

1. Point of interconnection and configuration to be studied.

2. Alternative points of interconnection and configurations to be studied.

Note: 1 and 2 are to be completed by the interconnection member-owner. Any additional assumptions (explained below) may be provided by either the interconnection member-owner or the Cooperative.

Appendix G – Standard interconnection system impact study agreement

INTERCONNECTION SYSTEM IMPACT STUDY AGREEMENT

This agreement (“Agreement”) is made and entered into this ____ day of _____, by and between _____ (“interconnection member-owner”), as an individual person, or as a _____ organized and existing under the laws of the State of _____, and Iowa Lakes Electric Cooperative, (“Cooperative”), a cooperative corporation existing under the laws of the State of Iowa. Interconnection member-owner and Cooperative each may be referred to as a “Party,” or collectively as the “Parties.”

Recitals:

Whereas, interconnection member-owner is proposing to develop a distributed generation facility or modifying an existing distributed generation facility consistent with the interconnection request application form completed by interconnection member-owner on _____; and

Whereas, interconnection member-owner desires to interconnect the distributed generation facility to Cooperative’s electric distribution system; and

Whereas, Cooperative has completed an interconnection feasibility study and provided the results of said study to interconnection member-owner (this recital to be omitted if the Parties have agreed to forego the interconnection feasibility study); and

Whereas, interconnection member-owner has requested Cooperative to perform an interconnection system impact study to assess the impact of interconnecting the distributed generation facility to Cooperative’s electric distribution system;

Now, therefore, in consideration of and subject to the mutual covenants contained herein the Parties agree as follows:

1. All terms defined in Iowa Utilities Board Chapter 45 rules on Electric Interconnection of Distributed Generation Facilities (199 IAC 45.1) shall have the meanings indicated in that rule when used in this Agreement, unless otherwise specified. However, Cooperative's agreement to utilize the definitions found in the Chapter 45 rules shall not be construed as an agreement concerning the applicability of the balance of said Chapter.

2. Interconnection member-owner elects and Cooperative shall cause to be performed an interconnection system impact study.
3. The scope of the interconnection system impact study shall be based upon the information set forth in the interconnection request application form and in Attachment A to this Agreement.
4. The interconnection system impact study shall be based upon the interconnection feasibility study and the technical information provided by interconnection member-owner in the interconnection request application form. Cooperative reserves the right to request additional technical information from interconnection member-owner. If interconnection member-owner modifies its proposed point of interconnection, interconnection request, or the technical information provided therein is modified, the time to complete the interconnection system impact study may be extended.
5. The interconnection system impact study report shall provide the following information:
 - 5.1 The underlying assumptions of the study;
 - 5.2 The results of the analyses;
 - 5.3 A list of any potential impediments to providing the requested interconnection service;
 - 5.4 Required distribution upgrades; and
 - 5.5 A nonbinding estimate of cost and time to construct any required distribution upgrades.
6. Interconnection member-owner shall provide a study deposit equal to 100% of the estimated nonbinding study costs at least 20 business days prior to the date upon which the study commences.
7. The interconnection system impact study, if required, shall be completed and the results transmitted to interconnection member-owner within 60 business days after this Agreement is signed by the Parties or the complete study deposit is received by the Cooperative, whichever occurs later. If the interconnection member-owner's study request involves more than one point of interconnection and configuration, the time to complete the interconnection system impact study may be extended by the Cooperative.
8. Study fees shall be based on actual costs and shall be invoiced to interconnection member-owner after the study is transmitted to interconnection member-owner. The invoice shall include an itemized listing of employee time and costs expended on the study.
9. Interconnection member-owner shall pay any study costs that exceed the deposit within 30 calendar days after receipt of the invoice. Cooperative

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shall refund any excess deposit amount within 30 calendar days of the invoice.

In witness thereof, the Parties have caused this Agreement to be duly executed by their duly authorized officers or agents on the day and year first above written.

[Insert name of interconnection member-owner]

Signed: _____
Name (Printed): _____ Title: _____

Iowa Lakes Electric Cooperative

Signed: _____
Name (Printed): _____ Title: _____

ATTACHMENT A
Interconnection System Impact Study Agreement

Assumptions Used in Conducting the Interconnection System Impact Study

The interconnection system impact study shall be based upon the results of the interconnection feasibility study, subject to any modifications, and the following assumptions:

1. Point of interconnection and configuration to be studied.

2. Alternative points of interconnection and configurations to be studied.

Note: 1 and 2 are to be completed by the interconnection member-owner. Any additional assumptions (explained below) may be provided by either the interconnection member-owner or the Cooperative.

Appendix H – Standard interconnection facilities study agreement

INTERCONNECTION FACILITIES STUDY AGREEMENT

This agreement (“Agreement”) is made and entered into this ____ day of _____, by and between _____ (“interconnection member-owner”), as an individual person, or as a _____ organized and existing under the laws of the State of _____, and Iowa Lakes Electric Cooperative, (“Cooperative”), a cooperative corporation existing under the laws of the State of Iowa. Interconnection member-owner and Cooperative each may be referred to as a “Party,” or collectively as the “Parties.”

Recitals:

Whereas, interconnection member-owner is proposing to develop a distributed generation facility or modifying an existing distributed generation facility consistent with the interconnection request application form completed by interconnection member-owner on _____; and

Whereas, interconnection member-owner desires to interconnect the distributed generation facility with Cooperative’s electric distribution system; and

Whereas, Cooperative has completed an interconnection system impact study and provided the results of said study to interconnection member-owner; and

Whereas, interconnection member-owner has requested Cooperative to perform an interconnection facilities study to specify and estimate the cost of the equipment, engineering, procurement and construction work needed to interconnect the distributed generation facility;

Now, therefore, in consideration of and subject to the mutual covenants contained in this Agreement, the Parties agree as follows:

1. All terms defined in Iowa Utilities Board Chapter 45 rules on Electric Interconnection of Distributed Generation Facilities (199 IAC 45.1) shall have the meanings indicated in that rule when used in this Agreement, except as otherwise specified. However, Cooperative's agreement to utilize the definitions found in the Chapter 45 rules shall not be construed as an agreement concerning the applicability of the balance of said Chapter.

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2. Interconnection member-owner elects and Cooperative shall cause to be performed an interconnection facilities study.
3. The scope of the interconnection facilities study shall be determined by the information provided in Attachment A to this Agreement.
4. An interconnection facilities study report (1) shall provide a description, estimated cost of distribution upgrades, and a schedule for required facilities to interconnect the distributed generation facility to Cooperative's electric distribution system; and (2) shall address all issues identified in the interconnection system impact study (or identified in this study if the system impact study is combined herein).
5. Interconnection member-owner shall provide a study deposit of 100% of the estimated nonbinding study costs at least 20 business days prior to the date upon which the study commences.
6. In cases where no distribution upgrades are required, the interconnection facilities study shall be completed and the results shall be transmitted to interconnection member-owner within 20 business days after this Agreement is signed by the Parties. In cases where distribution upgrades are required, the interconnection facilities study shall be completed and the results shall be transmitted to interconnection member-owner within 45 business days after this Agreement is signed by the Parties or the complete study deposit is received by the Cooperative, whichever occurs later.
7. Study fees shall be based on actual costs and will be invoiced to interconnection member-owner after the study is transmitted to interconnection member-owner. The invoice shall include an itemized listing of employee time and costs expended on the study.
8. Interconnection member-owner shall pay any actual study costs that exceed the deposit within 30 calendar days on receipt of the invoice. Cooperative shall refund any excess deposit amount within 30 calendar days after the invoice.

In witness whereof, the Parties have caused this Agreement to be duly executed by their duly authorized officers or agents on the day and year first above written.

[Insert name of interconnection member-owner]

Signed: _____
Name (Printed): _____ Title: _____

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Signed: _____

Name (Printed): _____ Title: _____

ATTACHMENT A
Interconnection Facilities Study Agreement

Minimum Information that the Interconnection Applicant Must Provide with the
Interconnection Facilities Study Agreement

Provide location plan and simplified one-line diagram of the distributed generation facilities.

For staged projects, please indicate size and location of planned additional future generation.

On the one-line diagram, indicate the generation capacity attached at each metering location. (Maximum load on CT/PT).

On the one-line diagram, indicate the location of auxiliary power. (Minimum load on CT/PT) Amps.

One set of metering equipment is required for each generation connection to the Cooperative's electric distribution system.

Number of generation connections: _____

Will an alternate source of auxiliary power be available during CT/PT maintenance?

Yes _____ No _____

Will a transfer bus on the generation side of the metering require that each meter set be designed for the total distributed generation capacity? Yes _____ No _____ (Please indicate on the one-line diagram).

What type of control system or PLC will be located at the distributed generation facility? _____.

What protocol does the control system or PLC use?

_____.

Please provide a scale drawing of the site. Indicate the point of interconnection, distribution line, and property lines.

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Number of third-party easements required for Cooperative's interconnection facilities: _____
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To be Completed in Coordination with the Cooperative

Is the distributed generation facility located in Cooperative's service area?

Yes _____ No _____

If No, please provide name of local provider:

Please provide the following proposed schedule dates:

Begin construction date: _____

Generator step-up transformers receive back feed power date:

Commissioning testing date: _____

Witness testing date: _____

Commercial operation date: _____