NYS Public Service Commission
Standardized Interconnection Requirements

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- Available on the Department Web Site (www.dps.state.ny.us/distgen.htm)
- Included is a Listing of “Type Tested and Approved Equipment”
- Utilities Have Included Requirements in Their Tariff Filings
Impetus To Standardize Requirements

- Previous Utility Interconnection Requirements Geared Towards Large Generating Plants
- Manufacturers Wanted to Pre-Certify Units to Eliminate Multiplicity of Verification Tests
- Customers Faced Uncertainty as to Contract Requirements for Each Utility
Highlights of Requirements

- Standard Application Process and Forms
- Standard Contracts
- Mandatory Review Deadlines
- Type Testing Process/Approved Equipment
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• Utility Must Justify All Requirements
• Fees and Charges
  – $350 Application Fee
  – No Application Fee if 15 kVA or Less
Benefits

• Utilities:
  – Reduction in Customer Disputes
  – Reduced Technical Oversight

• Equipment Manufacturers:
  – Certainty in Specifications
  – Ability to Standardize Manufactured Units

• Applicants:
  – Standardized Contract
  – Streamlined Application Process
Farm Waste Generating Systems

- Net-metered farm waste systems will be processed under the Commission’s requirements
- Inclusive of systems greater than 300 kVA up to limit for net-metering eligibility
Proposed Revisions

- Increase Capacity Limit to 2 MW
- Eliminate Exclusion of Network Systems
- Utilize UL 1741 for Equipment Certification
Next Steps

• Proposed Revisions Posted at
  www.dps.state.ny.us/distgen.htm
• Comment Period Ends February 9
• Comments can be Submitted to:
  Jaclyn Brilling, Secretary
  NYS Public Service Commission
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