

Net Energy Metering

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Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) Jurisdictional Issues

- Based on Order No. 2003, FERC has jurisdiction over an interconnection when the Interconnection Customer plans to:
 - Interconnect to the transmission system; or
 - Interconnect to the distribution system to engage in a sale for resale in interstate commerce.



- FERC does not have authority over the physical interconnection of:
 - A net metering project;
 - An interconnection request at a non-OATT point on the distribution system; or
 - A QF selling directly to the Transmission Owner under a state's avoidable cost rate.
- However, even though FERC does not have jurisdiction over the physical interconnection it does have jurisdiction over any wholesale sales, including excess sales by a net metering project or a QF.



- Several states have adopted net energy metering legislation or regulations proposing changes to net metering. Specifically,
 - Maryland: The eligible customer-generator's proposed electric generating system may not exceed 200 percent of the eligible customer-generator's baseline annual usage.
 - Delaware: The eligible customer-generator's proposed electric generating system may not exceed 110 percent of the eligible customer-generator's baseline annual usage.
 - Pennsylvania: The proposed legislation proposes that the eligible customergenerator's proposed electric generating system may not exceed 110 percent of the eligible customer-generator's baseline annual usage.



Other Issues Raised by Delaware Legislation

- The Delaware law also provides for:
 - Aggregate net metering
 - Virtual net metering
 - Community energy facility



What Does this Mean to PJM and the PJM TOs?

- If there is excess output at the end of the annual billing period, that
 excess is considered a wholesale sale subject to FERC jurisdiction
 and the generator would have to come in to the PJM queue.
- Regardless, these net energy metering projects will also have impacts to settlements, operations and planning.
- PJM has met with TOs to consider developing a process to handle generators who proposes a net energy metering unit in excess of its load needs.