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# **Application Process**

### I. Accessing the Application

The application forms can be accessed through the El Paso Electric Distributed Generation Site:

https://www.epelectric.com/renewables-tech/distributed-generation





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### II. Application Sections

The application form includes the following sections:

- 1. General Information
- 2. Service Location
- 3. Mailing Address
- 4. Contractor Information
- 5. Generation Information
- 6. Battery Storage
- 7. Comments
- 8. One line Diagram Attachment
- 9. Submit the Form
- You cannot submit the application if it's missing any of the required information.
- After each section is successfully completed with the minimum required information, the section will display a check mark highlighting the section is complete.
- If the section is missing any required information, and you attempt to submit the form, you will see a red "x" indicating the section is incomplete.

Required fields for each section will include a red asterisk (\*) after the field name.



Fields with a drop-down arrow have pre-defined answers to select from.



Premise Type \*

Non-Residential

Residential





# General Information

1. If you are a Contractor completing the application on behalf of a Customer, please select Yes. If you are the Customer completing the application on your behalf, please select No.

| Are vou a contractor completing the application on behalf of a customer? * |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|--|---|--|--|--|--|--|--|
|  |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No   |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Yes  |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | _ |  |  |  |  |  |  |

2. For Contractors Only: The Preparer Name field is only required for Contractors submitting the application on behalf of a Customer. Please include the first name and last name of the person completing the application.

Preparer Name\*

- 3. Facility Ownership Status:
- If purchasing or financing the system, select Customer-Owned System.
- If the system is being leased from a third-party vendor\contractor, select Facility Leased System.

Facility Ownership Status \*

Interconnection Facility Customer-Owned

Interconnection Facility Leased System

- 4. Existing Premise with Service:
  - If the application is for an address that has electric service with El Paso Electric (EPE), select Yes.
  - If the application is for an address without electric service, select No.

This application is for an existing premise with service? \*

| No  |  |  |  |
|-----|--|--|--|
| Yes |  |  |  |



SEARCH

5. If the Application is for an existing premise with service, enter the EPE Account Number and corresponding Zip Code. Then select "SEARCH" to validate the account information.

Enter the information below to search your information in our system or select no in the previous question to enter the information yourself.

Account Number \*

Zip Code \*

**Note:** The Account Number and Zip Code must match EPE's records. Please refer to the El Paso Electric billing statement for the Account Number and corresponding Zip Code.

### Service Location

6. With a valid Account Number, the application will identify your Premise Type accordingly.

Select the appropriate Premise Type when manually entering information:

- For a business or any other institution, select Non-Residential.
- For a home, select Residential.

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| Non-Residential |  |
|-----------------|--|
| Residential     |  |

7. With a valid Account Number, the application will also populate the Customer's Name and Address with the information on file.

For applications without existing electric service, please provide the Customer's information on each required field.

Note: The Account Number is not a required field if you are submitting the application for an address that does not have electric service.

| Customer First Name* | Customer Last Name * | Account Number | Account Number |  |  |
|----------------------|----------------------|----------------|----------------|--|--|
|                      |                      |                |                |  |  |
|                      |                      |                |                |  |  |
| ervice Address *     |                      |                |                |  |  |
|                      |                      |                |                |  |  |
|                      |                      |                |                |  |  |
|                      | State *              |                |                |  |  |
| City *               |                      | Zip Code *     |                |  |  |
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Phone Number \*

Customer Email Address

This is the phone number El Paso Electric will use to contact you regarding any questions with your application. Providing an email address will expedite the application process. Applications will be sent to the email address provided for electronic signatures. If you do not wish to provide an email address applications will be manually mailed to the service address for signature. Not providing an email address will delay the application process.

Confirm Customer Email Address

**Note:** Please <u>verify</u> and enter the Customer's email address twice. The email address will be used to send notifications to the Customer and to request electronic signatures on for the application.

### **Mailing Address**

8. With a valid Account Number, the application will also populate the Customer's Mailing Address with the information on file.

For applications without existing electric service, please provide the Customer's information on each required field.

# Mailing Address

Mailing Address \*

State \*

City \*

Zip Code \*



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### **Contractor Information**

9. Provide the Contractor's contact information.

# **Contractor Information**

Contractor Company Name \*

Contractor Company Phone Number \*

Contractor Company Email Address \*

Add multiple emails address separated by commas if additional people needs to be copied on communications regarding this application

Note: The Contractor Company Email Address will be used for all electronic notifications for the status of the application.

### **Generator Information**

10. The following required fields ask for equipment data and technical details for the system.

For Inverter Information:

- When using Microinverters, add one entry and specify the amount under Number of Inverters.
- When using multiple <u>Centralized Inverters</u>, add an entry for each model and indicate the amount under **Number** of Inverters.

#### Example 1: When using Microinverters

# Inverters Information

|   | Manufacturer | Model | Certifying<br>Entity | Total System<br>Size (AC) | Nameplate<br>Rating kVa | Number of<br>Inverters |
|---|--------------|-------|----------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|
| 0 | Enphase      | IQ7   | UL 1741              | 4.80                      | 4.80                    | 20                     |



### Example 2a: When using Multiple Centralized Inverters

# Inverters Information

|   | Manufacturer | Model    | Certifying<br>Entity | Total System<br>Size (AC) | Nameplate<br>Rating kVa | Number of<br>Inverters |
|---|--------------|----------|----------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|
| 0 | Solar Edge 🗙 | SE10000H | UL 1741              | 20                        | 20                      | 2                      |

### Example 2b: When using Multiple Centralized Inverters (different models)

# Inverters Information

|   | Manufacturer | Model    | Certifying<br>Entity | Total System<br>Size (AC) | Nameplate<br>Rating kVa | Number of<br>Inverters |
|---|--------------|----------|----------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|
| 0 | Solar Edge   | SE5000H  | UL 1741              | 5                         | 5                       | 1                      |
| 0 | Solar Edge   | SE10000H | UL 1741              | 10                        | 10                      | 1                      |



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# Solar Panels

|         | Manufacturer                   | Model                | Certifying Entity | Total System Size<br>(DC) | Number of Panels |
|---------|--------------------------------|----------------------|-------------------|---------------------------|------------------|
|         |                                |                      |                   |                           |                  |
| ADD     |                                |                      |                   |                           |                  |
| Fuel So | purce *                        |                      | Type *            |                           | •                |
| Voltag  | e Rating *                     |                      | Ampere Ra         | ting *                    |                  |
| Numb    | er of Phases *                 |                      | •                 |                           |                  |
| Click   | ere to review the Net Metering | g Options available. |                   |                           |                  |
| kWh     | Annual Estimated Gener         | ration *             |                   |                           |                  |
| kWh     | Annual Consumption             |                      |                   |                           |                  |

This is the account consumption history for the past 12 months.

Note: With a valid Account Number and if 12-month consumption history is available, the Customer's recent consumption will be displayed.

- The kWh Annual Generation of the system cannot be greater than 100% of the Annual Consumption to qualify for the most economical net metering rate in Texas.
- The kWh Annual Generation of the system cannot be greater than 120% of the Annual Consumption to qualify for the most economical net metering rate in New Mexico.



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### **Battery Information**

11. Select **Yes** to provide the Battery's technical details in the following section. If no battery storage is being installed, select **No** to bypass this section

# **Battery Storage**

Are you using a battery storage? \*

Yes

Number of Batteries\*

Battery Manufacturer\*

Battery Model\*

Battery Chemistry\*

Max Storage Capacity (KW)\*

Storage Voltage (V)\*

Energy Storage Capacity (KWH)\*



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### Comments

12. Use this section to provide any additional information or considerations for the application.

# Comments

Comments

### **One Line Diagram**

13. Upload a one-line diagram no more than 10 megabytes in size. The diagram will be reviewed against the application. If there are any discrepancies, the application will be delayed.

Please attach a PDF version of the One Line Diagram for the interconnection to successfully submit your application.\* Click here to review a the guidelines an example of the minimum information required on the one-line diagram.



Note: The application may not be submitted without uploading system one-line diagram. Files over 10 megabytes in size will not be received.

### Submit the Form

14. Once all the sections are highlighted as completed, the application is ready to be submitted.

General Information ⊘ Service Location 🥝 Mailing Address 🤗 Contractor Information 🥝 Generator Information 🥝 Battery Storage ⊘ Comments 🥝



15. Please complete the security Captcha and click "SUBMIT".



SUBMIT

### **Confirmation Page**

16. After successfully submitting an application, a confirmation page will be displayed. To help facilitate the interconnection process, you may pay the application fee online by clicking "SUBMIT PAYMENT".

# Success - Your application was received.

Your application number is

Please submit the processing fee to finalize your application.

After the payment is received the Customer will receive an email to sign the agreement electronically.

Once the agreement is electronically signed, El Paso Electric will begin processing your request to interconnect your renewable energy system.

Thank You.

SUBMIT PAYMENT



### **Online Payments**

For faster processing, you may submit an online payment using an Electronic Check, Debit or Credit Card.

To help facilitate the interconnection process, you may pay the application fee online using Forte, our third party vendor. Please note, a service fee will be applied and El Paso Electric does not receive any portion of this fee. The maximum payment amount per transaction is \$1,000.00.

Please choose from the following payment options: Electronic Check ATM Debit card with a PULSE, STAR, NYCE or ACCEL logo or DISCOVER, MASTERCARD or VISA Credit card or Check Card.

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|---------|--|------------------|---|----------------------------------|--|
|         | CREDIT CARD                                      | ECHECK           |   |                                  |  |
|         | Credit Card Number:*<br>XXXX XXXX XXXX XXXX XXXX |                  |   |                                  |  |
| <b></b> | Card Expire Month & Year:*<br>MM/YYYY            |                  | ₿ | Card Verification Value:*<br>CVV |  |



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- **Email Notifications** 
  - 1. After successfully submitting the application, a confirmation email will be sent to both the customer and contractor. A link to submit an online payment for the application fee will be provided on this email as well.

Email Notification to Customer and Contractor Application Received

Dear Customer,

Your Interconnection application has been received. Contractors submitting an application on behalf of a customer please click here to submit your payment.

Customer Information:

Customer Name: Address: Application reference number:

Click here to review the progress and status of your application at any time.

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**Note**: If an online payment was successfully submitted, clicking the link will provide a message advising payment has been received for the application. An email with payment confirmation will be sent once payment is received.

2. Once payment is received, an email with payment confirmation will be sent.

Email Notification to Customer and Contractor Application Received

Dear Customer, The payment of your application has been processed successfully.

Customer Information: Customer Name: | Address: Application reference number: Application Fee: Service Fee: Total Amount: Payment Reference:

Click here to review the progress and status of your application at any time.



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3. During the application review, El Paso Electric may place the application on hold. An email will be sent highlighting the reason(s) for this hold. Please note, if an application is ON HOLD for over 180 days, a new application will be required.

Email Notification to Customer and Contractor Application Received

Dear Customer,

Your Interconnection application has been reviewed, however some revisions are needed before the application may be processed.

List of revisions needed

You may submit revisions to via e-mail to smallrenewables@epelectric.com

Customer Information:

Customer Name: Address: Application reference number:

Click here to review the progress and status of your application at any time.

4. Once the application packet is complete and accurate, we will send the customer an email with the link to review and sign the application.

mail Notification to Customer Electronic Signature Required

Dear Customer,

Please follow the instructions below to review your interconnection agreement and indicate your acceptance of the agreement by electronically signing the highlighted areas.

Customer Information:

Customer Name:

Address:

Application reference number:

Instructions:

- 1. Please click here to begin reviewing your interconnection agreement.
- 2. Agree to sign electronically: Review the consumer disclosure and select the checkbox "I agree to use Electronic Records and Signatures". Click CONTINUE to begin the signing process.



5. After receiving signed documents, the application will be processed and sent for Technical Review. An email notification will be sent to advise the application is under review.

# Email Notification to Customer and Contractor Application Received

This email is to inform you that your Interconnection Application has been received and is currently under review.

# **Customer Information:**

**Business Name:** 

**Customer Name:** 

Address:

City, State & Zip Code:

6. If the one line diagram requires any corrections or if a transformer upgrade is required, an email notification will be sent to the contractor.





7. If Technical Review is approved, an e-mail is sent to the customer and contractor notifying them of approval of the plans.

# Email Notification to Customer and Contractor

#### Application Reviewed

Your Interconnection Application has been reviewed and you may proceed with system installation.

Once the system is installed and has passed City/County inspection, please send an email to smallrenewables@epelectric.com requesting El Paso Electric field inspection.

Approval of the system installation must meet El Paso Electric requirements, prior to installation of the meter.

Please note that El Paso Electric must have access to meter socket to perform field inspection. If there is no free access to the meter socket, please inform us when requesting field inspection.

#### **Customer Information:**

**Note:** Upon receiving the approval email and City/Local entity inspection is approved, the customer or contractor may request a field inspection by sending an e-mail to: smallrenewables@epelectric.com

### **Application Status**

1. Most email notifications include the following link where you can check the progress and status of the application. You can click on the link at any time to review the current status of the application.

E Customer Information: Customer Name: Address: Application reference number:

Click here to review the progress and status of your application at any time.



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2. When the link to review the Status is clicked, a new page will be displayed. Please review the Status Bar below as this is the chronological order of steps each application flows through.

| ~     | Application Submitted                               |  |  |  |  |  |
|-------|---|--|--|--|--|--|
| ~     | Application Paid                                    |  |  |  |  |  |
| ~     | Application Under Review                            |  |  |  |  |  |
| ~     | Application On Hold                                 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 6     | Pending Electronic Signature                        |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0     | Application Approved - Pending Design Plan Approval |  |  |  |  |  |
| The A | pplication has been approved.                       |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0     | Design Plans Under Review                           |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0     | Pending Request for Meter Set                       |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0     | Final Inspection and Meter Set Pending              |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0     | Meter has been installed                            |  |  |  |  |  |
|       |   |  |  |  |  |  |

#### Note:

- Green = Step has been completed
- Yellow = Current step the application is on
- **Gray** = Steps pending to be completed.