PLEASE NOTE: These timelines are illustrative only, and should be considered as general guidance from past performance of LGIP studies for a wide variety of projects. Different projects may require studies of very different levels of complexity. Queue activity may require restudies. To the extent possible, BPA follows the timelines for studies set forth in the LGIP, and fulfills its procedural obligations in regard to notifications of any needs to extend these timelines. The site permitting and NEPA processes may add an unpredictable period before an LGIA can be tendered.

NEPA Compliance
- Complexity of BPA review contingent upon BPA action. Varies from Categorical Exclusion to full EIS; many projects covered by Tiered ROD process. Fully funded by Customer; required deposits will be discussed at the Scoping Meeting. Duration largely contingent on Customer’s diligent pursuit of site certification and/or permitting.

Validation/Cure process.
- Request is acknowledged at once.
- Cures, if needed, may take 4 to 8 weeks.
- Scoping meeting is scheduled when the Request is Validated.

Feasibility (FES) study.
- Preliminary evaluation of the feasibility of the proposed interconnection to the Transmission System; alternatives considered. Powerflow studies primarily test thermal impacts.
- 45 days (may be extended). FES may be skipped by mutual agreement. Review meeting.

Interconnection System Impact (ISIS) study.
- Site Control must be demonstrated. Evaluates the impact of the proposed interconnection on the reliability of the Transmission System. Single POI. Includes transient and stability analyses. Specifies the scope of the necessary interconnection facilities and any upgrades to the transmission system. Defines any necessary Remedial Action Schemes and the associated C & C equipment. 90 days (may be extended). Review meeting.

NEA-Compliant decision document MUST be complete before the LGIA is tendered.

Engineering & Procurement (E & P) Agreement
- Optional pre-funding to permit engineering design and ordering of long-lead items. Not offered until completion of FAS, Final PRD, and internal BPA Workplan scheduling processes have been completed. Typical E & P deposit: +/- $500,000; subsequent modifications up to +/- $20 million (e.g costs of Transformer, tower steel, breakers etc etc.). No groundbreaking or construction.

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