

Grid Connection and Congestion Management Act Section-by-Section

Adds new section 224 to the Federal Power Act (FPA) to offer a new generator interconnection option called “basic access service for energy-only delivery.”

Subsection (a) Definitions defines this basic access service for energy-only delivery.

Subsections (b) Unjust and Unreasonable Practices and **(c) Tariff Filings** require Regional Transmission Organizations (RTOs) and Independent System Operators (ISOs) to submit open access transmission tariff (OATT) filings to implement basic access service for energy-only delivery.

Subsection (d) Evaluation of Request outlines how transmission providers will evaluate a request for basic access service for energy-only delivery.

- The request evaluation will consist of numerous analyses, including steady state, short circuit, stability studies, and facilities studies and corresponding generator interconnection procedures. The evaluation will not assess the deliverability to market of power from the generating facility.
- RTOs and ISOs will evaluate the request for service no later than 1 year after the request was submitted.

Subsection (e) Interconnection Rights provides for interconnection rights for basic access service for energy-only delivery that are subject to operating limits, curtailment provisions, and terms of the interconnection agreement.

Subsection (f) Conditions of Service requires that basic access for energy-only delivery allow for congestion-related curtailment and that construction and cost responsibility for service will be limited to facilities identified above.

Subsection (g) Transition Path describes how an interconnection customer receiving basic access service for energy-only delivery may transition to other interconnection services like network resource interconnection service.

Subsections (h) Independent Study Election and (i) Study Timelines describes options relating to study processes and the relevant generator interconnection study deadlines.

Subsection (j) Commission Action on Tariff Proposals sets deadlines for Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) action on tariff proposals.

Subsection (k) Commission Establishment of Pro Forma Tariff requires FERC to issue a final rule within 18 months of the enactment of this section to revise the pro forma OATT to integrate the requirements of basic access service for energy-only delivery.

Subsection (l) Complaints sets forth timelines on action on FPA section 206 complaints relating to new section 224 of the FPA and

Subsection (m) Severability includes a severability provision.