Interconnection Checklist

PRE-APPROVAL FOR INTERCONNECTION TO THE GRID IS REQUIRED.
Please study the complete **Interconnect Packet** before continuing.

1. Download the **Interconnect Packet** at http://www.opalco.com/energy-services/renewable-generation/ or pick up a packet at an OPALCO office.

2. The **Interconnect Packet** includes the following documents:
   1) Member Service Policy 14
   2) Interconnection Standards
   3) Interconnect Application (includes pre-approval request and incentive agreements)
   4) Agreement for Interconnection
   5) MORE Committee Policy 1
   6) Washington State Department of Revenue Renewable Energy System Cost Recovery Certification Form
   7) Washington State Department of Revenue Renewable Energy System Cost Recovery Annual Incentive Payment Application

3. With your installer, complete the Interconnect Application.
4. Submit the signed Interconnect Application and Agreement for Interconnection forms along with the $100 application fee to the OPALCO Energy Services Department.
5. The Energy Services department will review the application with the Engineering department and notify you and your installer of its approval.
6. Once the application has been approved you will need to make an appointment with the Energy Services department for the pre-approval site/system inspection. Please plan for one (1) week for ferry served islands and two (2) weeks for non-ferry served islands. Weather and OPALCO personnel workloads are to be considered.
7. Based on the site/system inspection, the Energy Services department will notify you of system approval and Engineering will issue you an estimate for any OPALCO related costs (referred to as a "contribution in aid of construction") such as the cost of the Automated Metering Infrastructure (AMI) production meter and other provided equipment and services needed. Plan to pay this invoice before requesting the final inspection.
8. After your system has been installed and approved by the Washington State Electrical Inspector (Labor & Industries), you or your installer will contact the Energy Services department with your permit number and approval date.

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9. The Energy Services department will schedule the final site/system inspection with the Engineering department. You do not need to be present but again plan for one (1) week for ferry served islands and two (2) weeks for non-ferry served islands. Weather and OPALCO personnel workloads are considered.
10. The Energy Services department will notify you and/or your installer of the final approval of the site/system.
11. The Energy Services department will submit the service order for the meter technician to install the AMI production meter and the utility distribution meter (bi-directional meter).
12. The Energy Services department will notify you when your meters have been installed.
13. If you plan to participate in the MORE Production Incentive Program, be sure to indicate that on the Interconnect Application and review the MORE Committee Policy #1.
14. If you plan to participate in the Washington State Renewable Energy System Cost Recovery Program apply to the State of Washington Department of Revenue for certification of your system. A link to the State's website is available on our website.
15. Annually submit a state Renewable Energy System Cost Recovery Annual Incentive Payment Application (see above) to OPALCO Energy Service Department before August 1st of each year.
16. OPALCO will issue checks for both the MORE production incentive and the Washington State production incentive after August 1st of each year once all the paperwork is complete.

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