

**GOVERNMENT OF PUERTO RICO
PUERTO RICO PUBLIC SERVICE REGULATORY BOARD
PUERTO RICO ENERGY BUREAU**

IN RE: INTERCONNECTION REGULATIONS

CASE NO.: NEPR-MI-2019-0009
NEPR-MI-2018-0008

SUBJECT: Notice of Materials for Virtual Stakeholder Workshop and Request for Comments

RESOLUTION AND ORDER

I. Introduction

On July 13, 2026, the Energy Bureau of the Puerto Rico Public Service Regulatory Board ("Energy Bureau") issued a Resolution and Order ("July 13 Resolution") containing a Draft Distributed Generation and Microgrid Interconnection Regulation ("Revised Preliminary Draft"). Through the July 13 Resolution, the Energy Bureau invited all stakeholders and interested persons to provide their comments and feedback on the Revised Preliminary Draft Regulation on or before August 14, 2024 and scheduled two Virtual Stakeholder Workshops for August 25, 2026 and September 21, 2026 to evaluate and address stakeholders' comments on Revised Preliminary Draft and seek consensus and solutions that are aligned with public policy.

On September 15, 2026, the Energy Bureau issued a Resolution and Order ("September 15 Resolution") containing the agenda for the September 21, 2026 Virtual Stakeholder Workshop. Through the September 15 Resolution, the Energy Bureau indicated that it would provide updated draft language for the Interconnection Regulation on the topics of interconnection requirements for systems less than 25 kW, cost allocation of electric system upgrades, and Meter Socket Adapters.

In accordance with the September 15 Resolution, the Energy Bureau hereby provides draft language for the three topics attached to this Resolution and Order. Redlines are provided where the text has changed from the Revised Preliminary Draft.

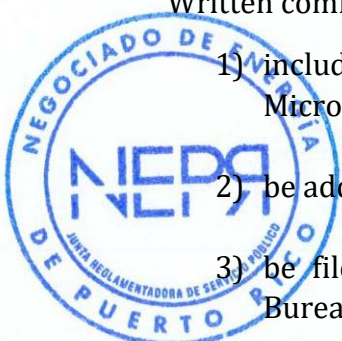
The Energy Bureau finds that the topic of cost allocation of electric system upgrades for systems greater than 25 kW would benefit from further stakeholder discussion at the September 21, 2026 Virtual Stakeholder Workshop prior to making any modifications. Therefore the Energy Bureau does not provide updated language for such systems in this Resolution and Order.

II. Request for Comments

The Energy Bureau invites PREPA, LUMA, stakeholders, and any other persons or groups interested to provide their comments on the draft language for the Interconnection Regulation on the topics of interconnection requirements for systems less than 25 kW, cost allocation of electric system upgrades for systems less than 25 kW, and Meter Socket Adapters as included as attachments to this Resolution and Order **on or before October 5, 2026**.

Written comments should be submitted as follows:

- 1) include in their title the following: "Comments on Distributed Generation and Microgrid Interconnection Regulation - Case No. NEPR-MI-2019-0009";
- 2) be addressed to the attention of Edison Avilés Deliz, Chairman;
- 3) be filed by electronic mail at: comentarios@jrsp.pr.gov; or through the Energy Bureau's electronic filing tool at: <https://radicacion.energia.pr.gov/>; or by postal mail

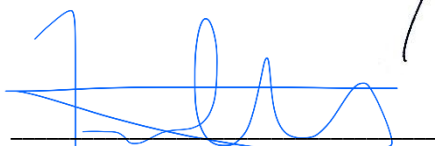
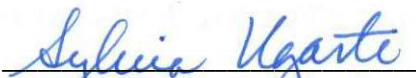


addressed to the Puerto Rico Energy Bureau's Clerk's Office at World Plaza Building, 268 Muñoz Rivera Ave., Plaza Level Suite 202, San Juan, PR 00918-1925; or in person at the Energy Bureau's Clerk's Office, at the referenced address.

Be it notified and published.



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CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the majority of the members of the Puerto Rico Energy Bureau has so agreed on September 16, 2026. I also certify that on September 16, 2026 a copy of this Order was notified by electronic mail to the following: mvalle@gmlex.net; alexis.rivera@prepa.pr.gov; rcruzfranqui@gmlex.net; nzayas@gmlex.net; RegulatoryPREBorders@lumapr.com; katuska.bolanos-lugo@us.dlapiper.com; Laura.rozas@us.dlapiper.com; agustin.irizarry@upr.edu; javrua@sesapr.org; hrivera@jrsp.pr.gov; contratistas@jrsp.pr.gov; aconer.pr@gmail.com; John.jordan@nationalpfg.com; pjcleanenergy@gmail.com; cfl@mcvpr.com; mqs@mcvpr.com; gcordero@crmjv.com; azayas@azeng.net; mmonbouquette@enphaseenergy.com; rbelur@enphaseenergy.com; mrosenfeldt@enphaseenergy.com; gferrer@enphaseenergy.com; kkoch@tesla.com; Andrew.Cote@generac.com; rmoody@cleanpower.com; axel.vargas.montanez@gmail.com; Rgarcia.accuracy@gmail.com. I also certify that today, September 16, 2026, I have proceeded with the filing of the Order issued by the Puerto Rico Energy Bureau.

For the record, I sign this in San Juan, Puerto Rico, today September 16, 2026.


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Clerk

DRAFT PROPOSED LANGUAGE FOR METER SOCKET ADAPTERS

Definitions

- (37) “Meter Socket Adapter” or “MSA”— means a device installed in the existing primary meter socket behind the utility meter at an Interconnection Customer’s premises for the purpose of interconnecting a Distributed Generation System, Energy Storage, standby generation, transfer equipment, electric vehicle supply equipment, or other load and energy-management applications. A Meter Socket Adapter is equipment owned by the Interconnection Customer and is not part of the Electric Power System.

SECTION 8.03 Meter Socket Adapters

A. Purpose and applicability

- (1) In accordance with Section 2 of Joint Resolution 5-2026, this Section sets forth requirements for customer-owned Meter Socket Adapters installed in single-phase services rated two hundred (200) amperes or less, and to other service or meter-socket configurations where the Meter Socket Adapter is NRTL listed for that configuration.

B. General Requirements

- (1) No later than thirty (30) Business Days after the effective date of this Regulation, the EPS Operator shall publish and maintain on the DG Portal: (a) the minimum product and technical requirements for Meter Socket Adapters, which shall not exceed the criteria in Section 8.03.B.2; (b) the installation procedures required by Section 8.03.C; (c) the list of Meter Socket Adapter models approved for use in Puerto Rico; and (d) a dedicated electronic mail address and submission instructions for Meter Socket Installation requests. The EPS Operator shall review and update the list of approved Meter Socket Adapter models at least annually
- (2) The EPS Operator shall facilitate the installation of a Meter Socket Adapter, if the device:
- (i) is qualified to be connected to the supply side of the service disconnect pursuant to the applicable provisions of the National Electric Code in force;
 - (ii) is approved or listed by a nationally recognized testing laboratory and is rated appropriately for the meter socket into which it is intended to be installed;



- (iii) is certified to meet all applicable standards, as determined by a nationally recognized testing laboratory approved by the Energy Bureau; and,
 - (iv) does not prevent access to the sealed meter socket compartment or the pull section of the service section of the electric meter or switchboard, as applicable;
- (3) Any existing Customer generation or Energy Storage sources on the property that are interconnected with the EPS Operator service must be identified on the application for the installation of a Meter Socket Adapter and submitted drawings;
- (4) Subject to exceptions approved by the EPS Operator, the main breaker and meter socket are contained in the same electrical panel.
- (5) The EPS Operator shall approve or deny an application for the installation of a Meter Socket Adapter no later than twenty (20) Business Days after an Interconnection Customer submits such application.
- (6) The EPS Operator shall not reject Meter Socket Adapters for reasons other than justified safety concerns or demonstrated non-compliance with established national industry standards. The EPS Operator shall assess Meter Socket Adapters on an objective, consistent, and non-discriminatory basis, based solely on the criteria established in this Section and applicable national industry standards.
- (7) Any device rejection shall be in writing and shall state with specificity the factual and technical basis for the denial, including any testing evidence relied upon to demonstrate non-compliance with applicable safety criteria or standardized interoperability requirements. A denial may be appealed to the Energy Bureau under Section 13.02.
- (8) The EPS Operator shall not require testing beyond Nationally Recognized Testing Laboratory listing, except a verification that the Meter Socket Adapter does not impair Meter accuracy or Meter communications. The EPS Operator shall accept equivalent verification results obtained by a manufacturer or another electric utility for the same model, unless the EPS Operator identifies in writing a material difference between the metering and communications equipment used to obtain those verification results and its own.



C. Installation Requirements

- (1) The EPS Operator shall facilitate the installation of Meter Socket Adapters that meet the aforementioned safety criteria and standards Section 8.03.B.2.

- (2) Only EPS Operator personnel or its authorized agents shall perform installation, removal, or related services on the Meter Socket Adapter.
- (3) Only EPS Operator personnel or the EPS Operator's authorized agents are permitted to remove or reinstall an EPS Operator meter. No Interconnection Customer, their agents, or any non-EPS Operator third-party may access, or otherwise breach the seal surrounding the electric meter. If installation of the Meter Socket Adapter requires removal of the EPS Operator meter, removal and reinstallation of the meter must be performed by the EPS Operator or its authorized agents.
- (4) Any maintenance of a Meter Socket Adapter which requires its removal must involve an on-site, EPS Operator personnel or the EPS Operator's authorized agents who will first remove the EPS Operator's meter to allow a third party to perform maintenance on the Meter Socket Adapter.
- (5) Interconnection Customers will supply and retain the ownership of Meter Socket Adapters and associated equipment, exclusive of any EPS Operator-owned metering hardware.

D. Fees

- (1) All fees imposed under this Section, including any fee for an additional site visit, shall be based on the reasonable cost of providing the applicable service and shall be established in the TIR as approved by the Energy Bureau.
- (2) The Interconnection Customer, or authorized agent on the customer's behalf, shall pay the EPS Operator a one-time fee for the cost of providing support, including reasonable administration, time, and materials, for removal of the utility meter to enable installation, removal, or related service of a Meter Socket Adapter. Any additional support or services required or requested will be charged an additional one-time fee for each site visit.
- (3) If the installation of an approved Meter Socket Adapter requires relocation of the meter enclosure or replacement of the meter housing solely to accommodate the Meter Socket Adapter, the EPS Operator shall, upon request of the customer, provide an estimate of the associated costs. Such costs shall be the responsibility of the Interconnection Customer to the extent they are reasonably attributable to the installation of the Meter Socket Adapter and are not otherwise required to be borne by the EPS Operator under applicable law, regulation, or tariff.



DRAFT PROPOSED REVISIONS TO SIMPLIFIED INTERCONNECTION PROCESS

ARTICLE 3. DISTRIBUTED GENERATION SYSTEM SIMPLIFIED PROCESS

A. Eligibility

- (1) The Simplified Process is available to Interconnection Customers for inverter-based Distributed Generation Systems with ~~a Nameplate Rating of 50 kW or less, an Export Capacity of~~ 25 kW or less, and who submit the Simplified Interconnection Notification and Agreement.
- (2) A proposed Distributed Generation system is To be eligible for the Simplified Process the interconnection must pass the following screenonly if the following requirements are satisfied:
 - (i) Have a single Point of Common Coupling;
 - (ii) Have a Point of Common Coupling on a radial distribution circuit, or a spot network serving one customer;
 - (iii) Have no more than one service drop;
 - (iv) The system is inverter-based and uses Certified Equipment meeting the applicable standards identified in Section 8.02 of this Regulation and the TIR;-
 - (v) The Point of Common Coupling is located on the Distribution System at secondary voltage, including 120/240 V single-phase, 120/208 V three-phase, 277/480 V three-phase, or another secondary voltage expressly permitted by the TIR;
 - ~~(vi)~~(vi) Be certified in accordance with Article 8Section 8.02 of this Regulation; and
 - ~~(vi)~~(vii) Meet the technical requirements in Error! Reference source not found,Article 8 as well as the codes, standards, and certification requirements of Attachment X of the TIR. Alternatively, if the interconnection varies from those requirements, the EPS Operator may review the design and/or test the interconnection to ensure it is safe to operate.

B. Fees

- (1) The Simplified Interconnection Notification and Agreement shall be accompanied by the submittal of a nonrefundable of a Net Metering Notification Fee in an amount established in the TIR and approved by



the Energy Bureau of \$300 dollars, or an amount subsequently determined through the TIR as approved by the Energy Bureau.

(2) The Fee is intended to:

- (i) Provide a predictable, equitable mechanism for funding Distribution System modifications Upgrades reasonably necessary to accommodate the cumulative interconnection of multiple Distributed Generation Systems 25 kW or less on the same circuit, feeder, or Distribution System segment; and administrative costs.
- (ii) Avoid assigning the full cost of Distribution System modifications to any individual Interconnection Customer.

(3) The EPS Operator shall deposit all revenues collected from the Simplified Interconnection Fee into a Reserve Fund and shall allocate the Fee exclusively towards Distribution System Upgrades, administrative costs, and any supplemental studies triggered by the interconnection of Distributed Generation Systems 25 kW or less.

(4) The EPS Operator shall not assign the full cost of a Distribution System Upgrade to an individual Interconnection Customer solely because that customer's Distributed Generation System, either alone or in combination with other Distributed Generation Systems of 25 kW or less, causes or contributes to the need for the upgrade. Any allocation of such costs shall be consistent with applicable statutory requirements and the principles of reasonableness, proportionality, and benefit received.

(5) The Fee shall be reviewed by the EPS Operator and may be adjusted no more frequently than every twelve (12) months in the TIR as approved by the Energy Bureau, based on:

the actual aggregate cost of the Distribution System Upgrades attributable to Distributed Generation Systems 25 kW or less incurred by the EPS Operator during the preceding period; number and cost of any supplemental studies; and administrative costs.

- (i) the number of Customer interconnection applications for Distributed Generation Systems 25 kW or less received during the preceding period; and
- (ii) the balance, if any, remaining in the Reserve Fund.

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- (6) The EPS Operator shall report on the Fees collected and usage of such Fees as part of the Biannual Interconnection Report in accordance with Section 12.02.
- (7) The EPS Operator shall report on the total Simplified Interconnection Fees collected; Distribution System Upgrade costs paid from the Reserve Fund, by circuit or feeder; the number of interconnections completed for Distributed Generation Systems 25 kW or less; and the Fund's ending balance.

C. Interconnection Process

- ~~(2)~~(1) Interconnection Customer submits a Simplified Interconnection Notification and Agreement to the EPS Operator (Attachment *).
- (2) Receipt of the Simplified Interconnection Notification and Agreement and the applicable fee will start the process of enrollment in Basic Net Metering described in Section 9.02.
- (3) Upon certification by a professional engineer or expert electrician meeting the requirements of Act No. 114-2007, as amended, that the Distributed Generation System complies with the applicable requirements of Article 3.A, the system may begin operating in accordance with Act No. 114-2007.

C. Timeline

- (4) To ensure the reliability and safety of the EPS, the EPS Operator may conduct a post-interconnection review within fifteen (15) Business Days after receipt of the Simplified Interconnection Notification and Agreement to verify compliance with applicable safety and reliability requirements. If the EPS Operator identifies a specific safety or reliability concern, it shall notify the Interconnection Customer in writing of the basis for that determination and any corrective action required. Any restriction or suspension of export shall be limited to the extent authorized by applicable law and regulation and reasonably necessary to address the identified concern.
- ~~(4)~~(5) The EPS Operator shall review the Interconnection Notice and Agreement within fifteen (15) Business Days after notifying the Interconnection Customer it has received a complete Simplified Interconnection Notification and Agreement. If the interconnection passes the screens described in Article 3.A(2) and the EPS Operator does not identify a specific safety or reliability concern, the EPS Operator shall countersign the Simplified Interconnection Notification and Agreement and provide the executed interconnection agreement



to the Interconnection Customer when it provides the results of the screens.

D. Supplemental Studies

(1) The EPS Operator ~~at its discretion~~ may conduct a Supplemental Review as described in ~~Section 4.04.C provided that the Supplemental Review does not impede the review and approval of the Interconnection Notice and Agreement~~. Should the EPS Operator conduct a Supplemental Review, no Supplemental Study Fees (including deposits) will be charged to Interconnecting Customers utilizing the Simplified Process.

(2) Notwithstanding any other provisions of ~~Section 4.04~~, if after completion of the Supplemental Review, the EPS Operator determines that the interconnection requires system modifications, including but not limited to restrictions on the amount of power that can be transferred from the Distributed Generation System to the Electric Power System, then the EPS Operator will notify the Interconnecting Customer of the Supplemental Study results. Within five (5) Business Days, the Interconnection Customer must inform the EPS Operator if the Interconnection Customer elects to continue. If the Interconnection Customer makes such an election, the EPS Operator shall provide an Interconnection Agreement, ~~along with a non-binding good faith cost estimate~~ and construction schedule for such upgrades, to the Interconnection Customer within fifteen (15) Business Days after the EPS Operator receives such an election.

~~(i) In determining what costs of the system modifications are the responsibility of the Interconnecting Customer, the EPS Operator shall use the following criteria:~~

~~(3) The fact that the feeder exceeds its capacity [and requires system modifications] shall not constitute an obstacle for the interconnection of photovoltaic or renewable energy systems with a generation capacity that does not exceed 25 kilowatts. In such cases, the necessary improvements and/or changes to be made to the feeder shall be defrayed by the requesting company. (Act 114-2007, as amended)~~

~~(1) The costs related to the modifications or improvements, which may be required, will be determined in accordance with the principles of reasonableness, proportionality and benefit received, preventing such costs from being unfairly transferred to all the customers of the electricity system. (Joint Resolution 193)~~



(ii) ~~If the Interconnecting Customer disagrees with the cost allocation determined by the EPS Operator, the Interconnecting Customer may request an Administrative Review by the Energy Bureau as provided for in Section 13.02.~~

