

Agenda



Item	Schedule	Time
Welcome		
Process	9:00	15 min
Discussion of Near-Term issues in Decision Adoption Matrix	9:15	60 min
Break (time dependent)	10:15	10 min
IREC Presentation: Mid-Term issues	10:25	85 min
Next Steps	11:50	10 min
Adjourn	12:00	

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Process



- First workshop discussing specific topic
 - Introduce topic, discuss goals and general concepts, identify parties interested in drafting a proposal for rule language and encourage collaboration amongst aligned parties to avoid multiple competing drafts
- Staff to prepare meeting summary and circulate to Service List
 - September 14 Meeting Summary
- Interested stakeholders collaborate on proposal following workshop
- Proposal circulated among <u>service list</u> one week (or more) prior to second workshop
- Second workshop discuss proposal and provide feedback
- Opportunity for counter-proposal, or further refinement of initial proposal following second workshop (circulate both one week prior to next meeting)
- Develop Final Report
 - Document consensus or competing rule language proposals
 - Include supporting justification for consensus and/or competing proposals
 - Final Report should include sufficient record for Commission decision



Near-Term Issues Discussion





Presentation

- IREC Midhat Mafazy and Brian Lydic
 - Decision Adoption Matrix Mid-Term issues

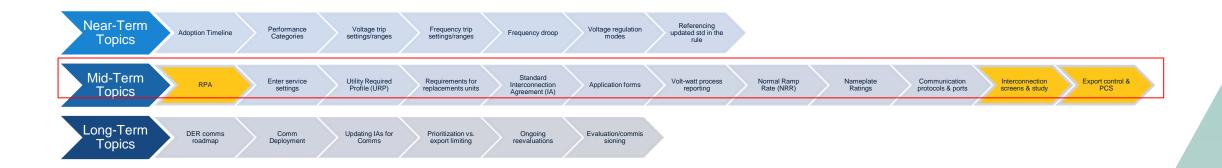




Background/supporting slides for the Mid-Term Topics (9/28/22)



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Focus of today is on Mid-Term Topics.

Feel free to use the Matrix to follow along.

This slide deck is designed to complement the Matrix by providing background/visuals as needed.

Highlighted are items that can overlap with the other working group (process and screens)



Reference Point of Applicability (RPA)

Why RPA matters

• 1547 defines RPA so that it is clear at what physical location the requirement of the std needs to be met for testing, evaluation, and commissioning

What are the possible RPA locations

- PCC
- PoC
- A point between PCC and PoC
- Multiple RPAs for different DER units

More on why this matters, some examples

- Where the PoC is designated at the RPA location, then the utility can rely on equipment certification for most DER assessment
- Where the PCC is the RPA, then certified equipment may not address the entire evaluation a more detailed system assessment may be needed for commissioning

This designation is likely to affect DER units under 500kVA (or those with export controls limiting export to 500kVA). It is important for utility and applicant to agree on RPA location upfront



RPA – Evaluation and Commissioning

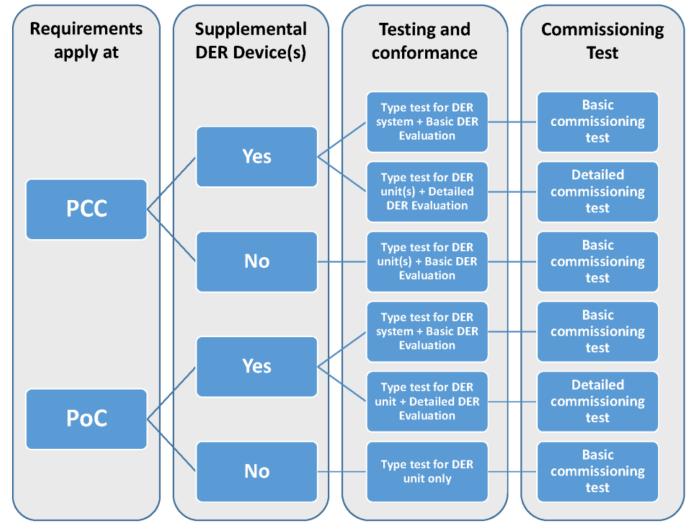




Figure F.1 of IEEE 1547-2018 (Interconnection test specifications and requirements concept)

RPA – Evaluation and Commissioning

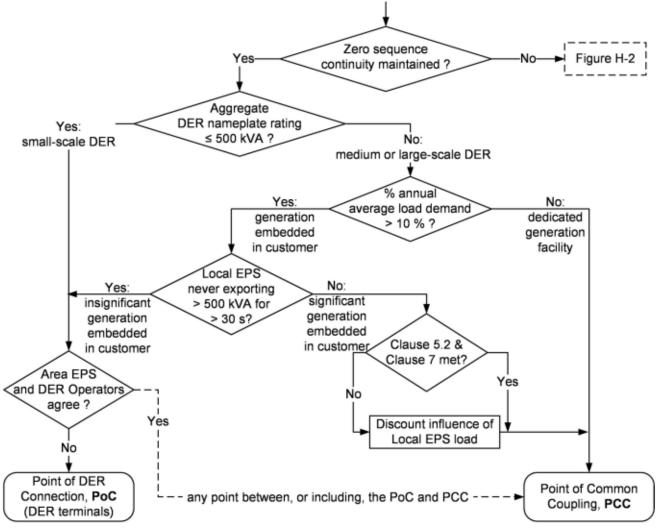




Figure H.1 of IEEE 1547-2018 (Decision tree for local EPS where zero sequence continuity maintained)

RPA – Evaluation and Commissioning

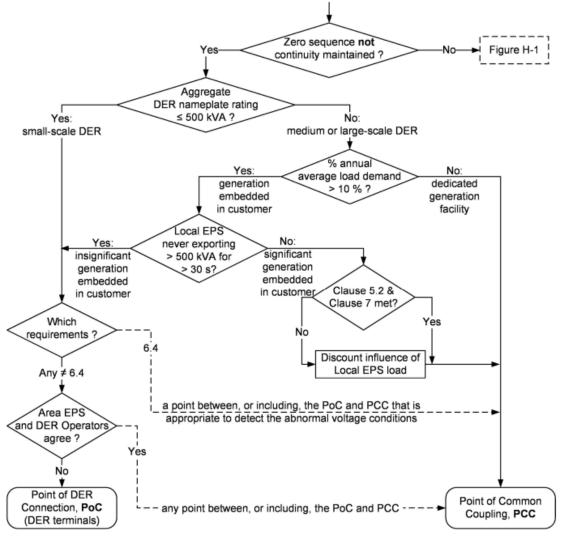




Figure H.1 of IEEE 1547-2018 (Decision tree for local EPS where zero sequence continuity is not maintained)

RPA process – What should be considered?

Process related improvements that allows for RPA designation by applicant

• RPA designation in Application Forms

Process related improvement that allows for RPA review/verification by utility

- Fast Track (initial reviews) Intended to coincide with review timelines
- Scoping meeting Involves discussion between parties



RPA process – What should be considered?

RPA de	Where is the desired RPA location? [Check one]
Tti /t uc	□ PoC
	□ PCC
	Another point between PoC and PCC (must be denoted in the one-
	line diagram)
	Different RPAs for different DER units (must be denoted in the one-
	line diagram)
	Is the RPA location the same as above for detection of abnormal voltage, faults
	and open-phase conditions?
	. Tyes
	No (detection location must be denoted in the one-line diagram)
	Why does this DER fit the chosen RPA? [Check all that apply]
	Zero-sequence continuity between PCC and PoC is maintained
	The DER aggregate Nameplate Rating is less than 500 kVA
	Annual average load demand is greater than 10% of the aggregate
	DER Nameplate Rating, and it is not capable of, or is prevented
	from, exporting more than 500 kVA for longer than 30 seconds.



RPA process – What should be considered?

RP

2.2 Reference Point of Applicability Review

The following process will occur concurrently with the Initial Review process in section 2.3. Within five Business Days after the Distribution Provider notifies the Interconnection Customer that the Interconnection Request is complete, the Distribution Provider shall review the Reference Point of Applicability denoted by the Interconnection Customer and determine if it is appropriate.

2.2.1 If it is determined that the Reference Point of Applicability is appropriate the Distribution Provider will notify the Interconnection Customer when it provides Initial Review results and proceed according to sections 2.3.2 to 2.3.4 below.

2.2.2 If the Distribution Provider determines the Reference Point of Applicability is inappropriate, the Distribution Provider will notify the Interconnection Customer in writing, including an explanation as to why it requires correction. The Interconnection Customer shall resubmit the Interconnection Request with the corrected Reference Point of Applicability within five Business Days. During this time the Distribution Provider will proceed with Initial Review in 2.3. The Distribution Provider shall review the revised Interconnection Request within five Business Days to determine if the revised Reference Point of Applicability has been appropriately denoted. If correct, the Distribution Provider will proceed according to sections 2.3.2 to 2.3.4. If the Interconnection Customer does not provide the appropriate Reference Point of Applicability or a request for an extension of time within the deadline, the Interconnection Request will be deemed withdrawn.

[Note: Initial Review is renumbered to 2.3]

The purpose of the scoping meeting is to discuss the Interconnection Request, the Reference Point of Applicability, and review existing studies relevant to the Interconnection Request.



RPA Process

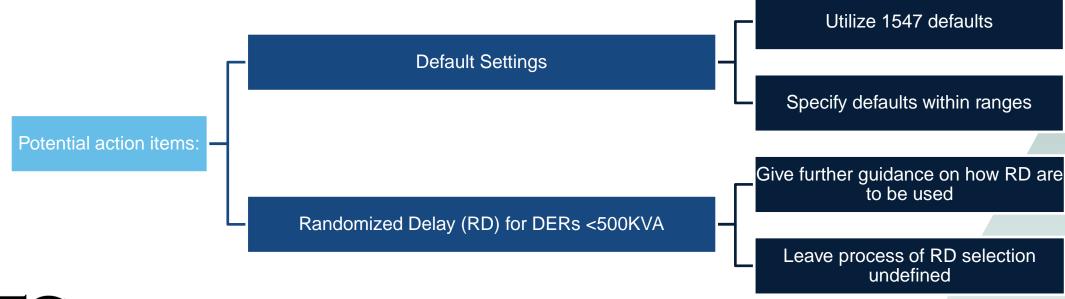
Require RPA to be noted in the application forms (use BATRIES as a starting point) Potential action items Specify elsewhere how the RPA information is processed Do not introduce new requirements related to RPA



Enter Service Settings

What is allowed in the standard

- Ramp rate can be adjusted over 1-1000 sec with default at 300 sec
- However, DERs <500kVA, individual DER units may use randomized time delay as an alternative to ramping

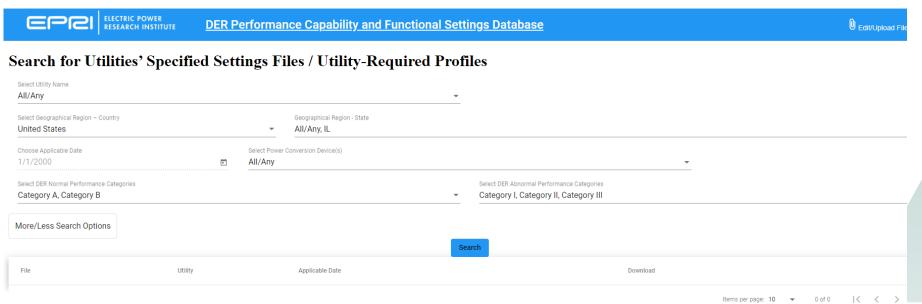




Utility Required Profile (URP)

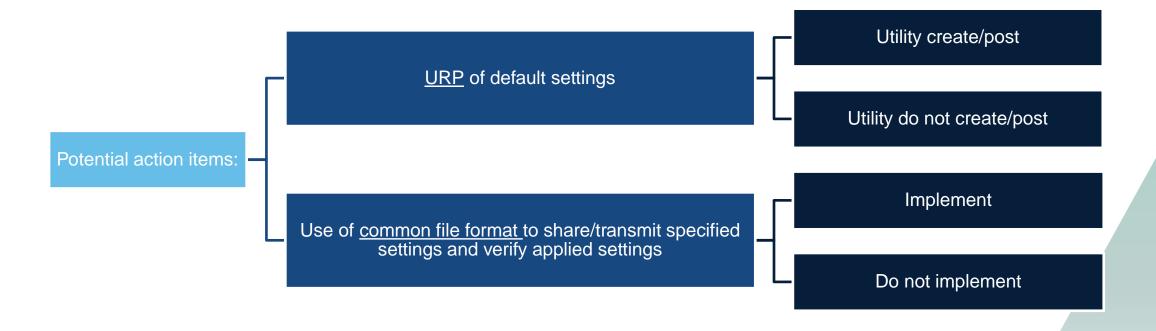
Communicating DER default settings:

- Finalize URP with all default settings and consider making that publicly available (post in the EPRI URP database)
- Implement the use of EPRI's Common File Format for DER settings Exchange and Storage





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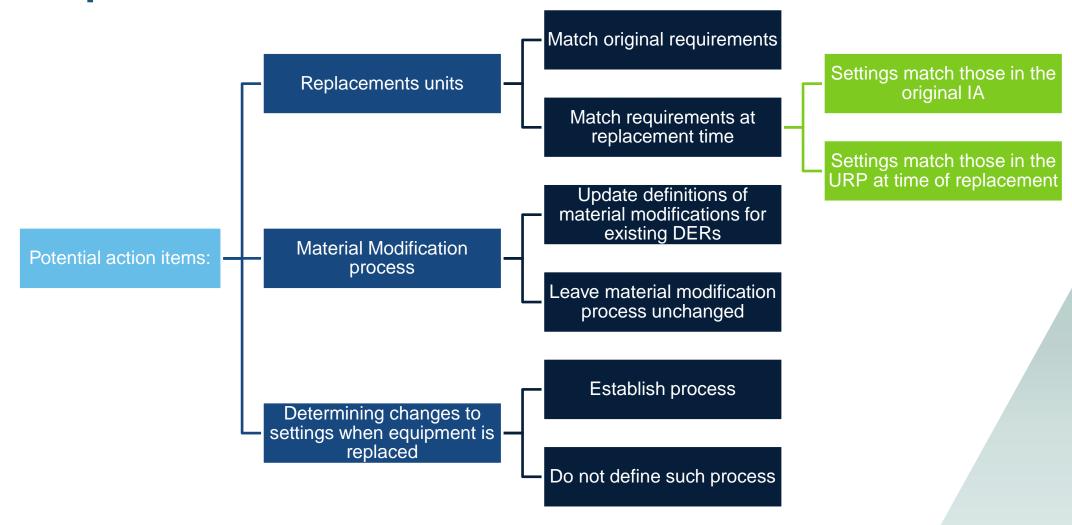
Replacement Units

For end-of-life, define whether the most recent technical requirements, certifications and settings must be followed. Allow for like-for-like. At minimum, allow:

- If through warranty replacement, or
- If Customer has spare parts on hand for future use

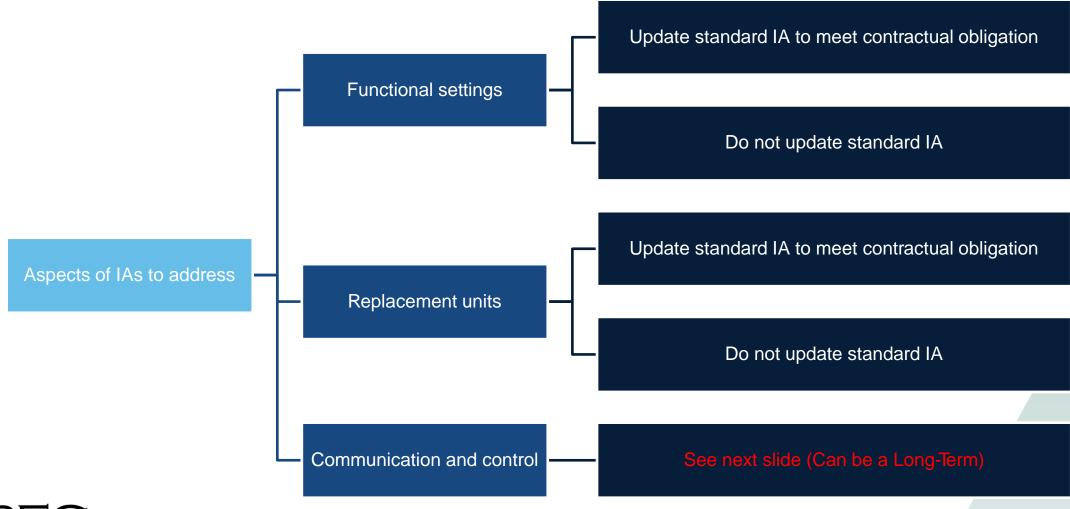


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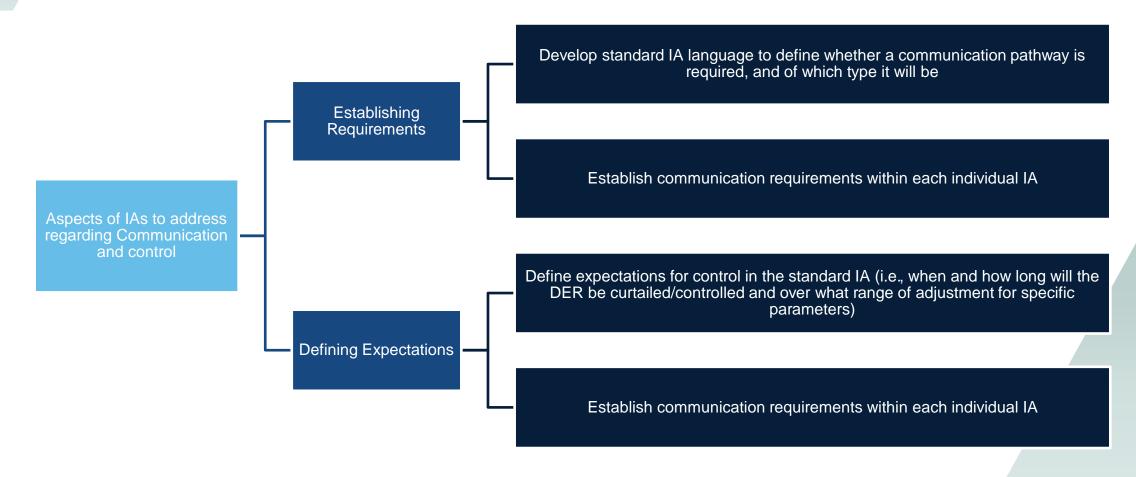


Interconnection Agreements (IA)





Interconnection Agreements (IA) – Can be Long-Term



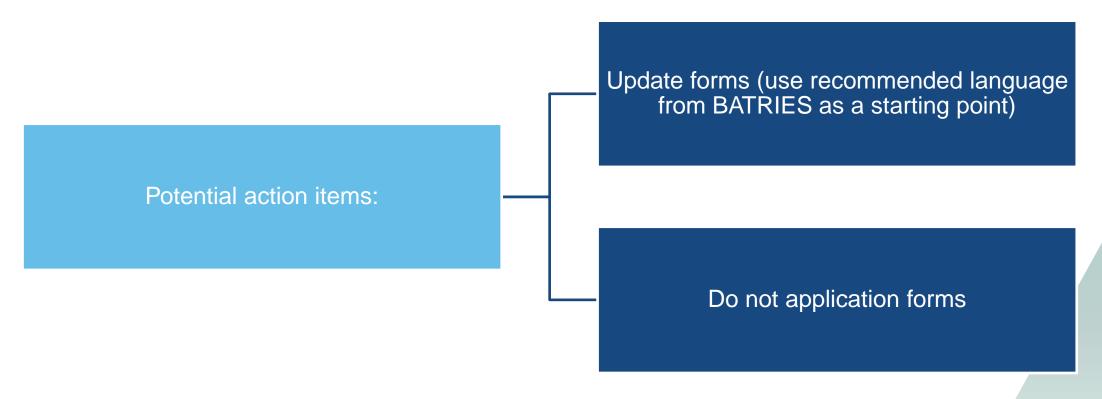


Forms (online portals) offer means to streamline applicant designation and utility review of information. The following items needs updating:

- RPA selection
- Enter service randomized delay
- Volt-watt implementation
- Limit active maximum power function implementation
- Frequency droop implementation
- Intentional islanding
- Emergency backup systems
- DER communication capabilities
- Export/import limiting
- Power Control Systems (PCS)
- Inverter fault current

BATRIES Addressed some of these, and provides
recommended language





See samples recommended language from BATRIES in next slides



VIII. <u>UL 1741 and PCS related:</u> The project team recommends the application forms ask whether or not a PCS is included in the DER system design. Note the blank section is a fill in response from the applicant.
Does the DER include a Power Control System? [yes / no] (If yes, indicate the Power Control System equipment and connections on the one-line diagram)
What is the PCS maximum open loop response time? What is the PCS average open loop response time?
When grid-connected, will the PCS employ any of the following? [Select all that apply] Unrestricted mode Export only mode Import only mode No exchange mode Export limiting from all sources Export limiting from ESS Import limiting to ESS



IX.	<u>IEEE 1547-2018 related:</u> The project team recommends application forms use the language below to streamline the review of IEEE 1547-2018 capabilities (such as RPA designation, execution of mode of parameter changes, prioritization of DER response).
Where	e is the desired RPA location? [Check one] PoC PCC Another point between PoC and PCC (must be denoted in the one-line diagram) Different RPAs for different DER units (must be denoted in the one-
Is the	line diagram) RPA location the same as above for detection of abnormal voltage, faults
	pen-phase conditions? Yes
Why c	 No (detection location must be denoted in the one-line diagram) loes this DER fit the chosen RPA? [Check all that apply] Zero-sequence continuity between PCC and PoC is maintained The DER aggregate Nameplate Rating is less than 500 kVA Annual average load demand is greater than 10% of the aggregate

DER Nameplate Rating, and it is not capable of, or is prevented from, exporting more than 500 kVA for longer than 30 seconds.



Does the DER utilize export limiting for the Limit Maximum Active Power function (Yes/No) Which equipment(s) achieves this functionality? Is the equipment certified for export limiting (PCS, or "plant controller" via 1547.1 test 5.13)?		
In addition to grid-connected mode, will the DER operate as an intentional local EPS island (also known as "microgrid" or "standby mode")?		
When grid-connected, does the DER employ any of the following? [Select all that apply] Scheduled Operation Export limiting or control Does the export limiting method limit on the basis of kVA or kW? Import limiting or control Does the import limiting method limit on the basis of kVA or kW? Active or reactive power functions not specified in IEEE 1547 (such as the Set Active Power function)		



Is the DER, or part of the DER, designated as emergency, legally required, or critical facility backup power? [yes / no] (If yes, denote the emergency generators and applicable portions of the DER in the submitted one-line diagram) How is the voltage-active power function implemented? [Check one] All DER units follow the same functional settings (same per-unit curve regardless of individual unit Nameplate Rating) Different DER units follow different functional settings (different perunit curves for individual unit Nameplate Ratings) ☐ Denote in one-line diagram the voltage-active power settings of each DFR unit A plant controller or other supplemental DER device manages output of the entire system (one per-unit curve based on total system Nameplate Rating) ☐ If selected, is the managing device certified for the voltageactive power function? [yes / no] Export limit is utilized (power control system manages export based on total system Nameplate Rating) ☐ If selected, is the managing device certified for the voltageactive power function? [yes / no]



Volt-watt process reporting - curtailments reports

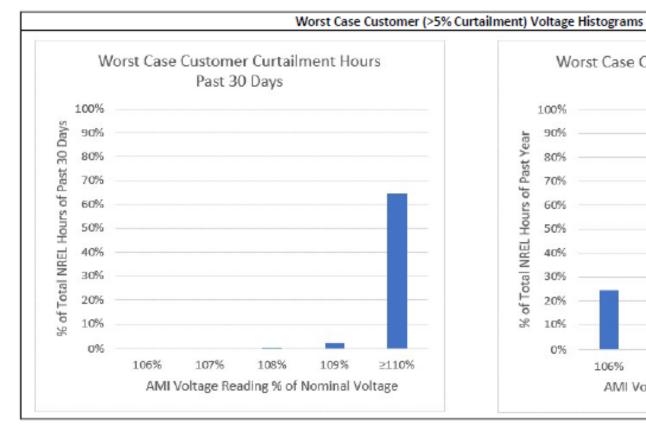
California Experience

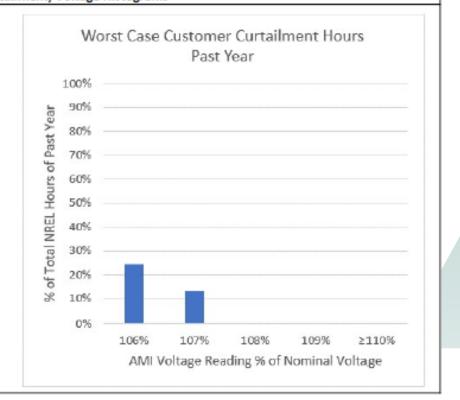
- California IOUs have been reporting on the power quality complaint process since February 2021
- For PV customers with volt-watt curtailment complaints, AMI data is used to note volt-watt triggering events
- Output potential is assumed to be 100% between 9am 3pm
- Overview as well as amounts/corrective action categories per issue are included; worst-case customer voltages



Summary Results for Utility (or Pending) Mitigations			
NREL Method 1 Estimation of	# of Customers with 1	# of Customers with 1	
Curtailment %	year Curtailment %	month Curtailment %	
≤ 2%	15	10	
> 2% ≤ 4%	0	1	
>4%	4	8	
Total	19	19	

Summary Results for Customer Issues			
NREL Method 1 Estimation of	# of Customers with 1	# of Customers with 1	
Curtailment %	year Curtailment %	month Curtailment %	
≤ 2%	16	15	
> 2% ≤ 4%	2	0	
>4%	0	3	
Total	18	18	







Per Customer Curtailment Calculations and Mitigations			
Customer ID	1 Year Curtailment %		Mitigation
1	0.2%	0.0%	CUSTOMER ISSUE
2	3.8%	0.0%	CUSTOMER ISSUE
3		7.4%	CUSTOMER ISSUE
4	0.0%	0.3%	CUSTOMER ISSUE
5	0.1%	0.1%	CUSTOMER ISSUE
6	0.8%	5.2%	CUSTOMER ISSUE
7	0.0%	0.1%	CUSTOMER ISSUE
8	0.8%	0.0%	CUSTOMER ISSUE
9	0.0%	0.1%	CUSTOMER ISSUE
10	0.0%	0.3%	CUSTOMER ISSUE
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12	0.4%	0.1%	CUSTOMER ISSUE
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14	0.1%	0.2%	CUSTOMER ISSUE
15	0.2%	0.4%	CUSTOMER ISSUE
16	2.1%	11.6%	CUSTOMER ISSUE
17			CUSTOMER ISSUE
18	0.0%	0.1%	CUSTOMER ISSUE
19	0.3%	1.0%	DIST - CHANGE SETTINGS
20	0.1%	0.0%	DIST - REPAIR EQUIPMENT
21	1.4%	8.6%	DIST - REPAIR EQUIPMENT
22	0.1%		DIST - REPAIR EQUIPMENT
23	0.3%	0.0%	DIST - REPAIR EQUIPMENT
24			DIST - TREE TRIMMING
25	1.8%	2.2%	PENDING
26	0.1%	1.1%	PENDING
27			PENDING
28	0.4%	4.3%	SEC/SVC - REPAIR
29			SEC/SVC - REPAIR
30	0.1%		SEC/SVC - REPAIR
31			SEC/SVC - REPAIR
32	5.8%		SEC/SVC - REPLACE
33			SEC/SVC - REPLACE
34			SEC/SVC - REPLACE
35			SUB/TRANS - CHANGE SETTINGS
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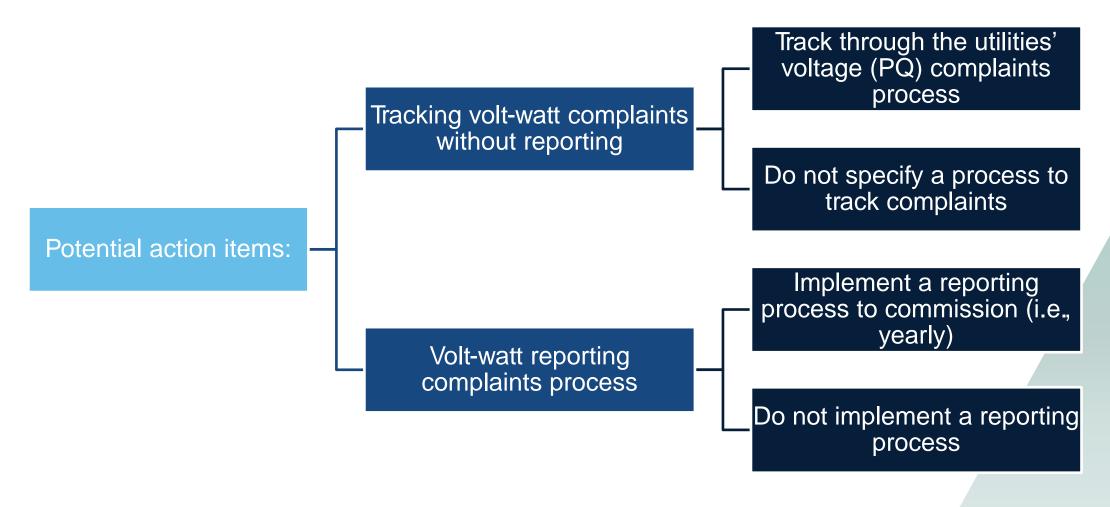
Volt-watt process reporting - curtailments reports

California Experience

- PG&E (largest IOU) reported only 9 customers with potential yearly curtailment >4%
- Worst yearly potential loss reported was 38.7% (failing distribution transformer)
- Next highest was 7.3%
- It appears true that volt-watt is unlikely to cause widespread curtailment, but individual customers can be highly impacted



Volt-watt process reporting - curtailments reports

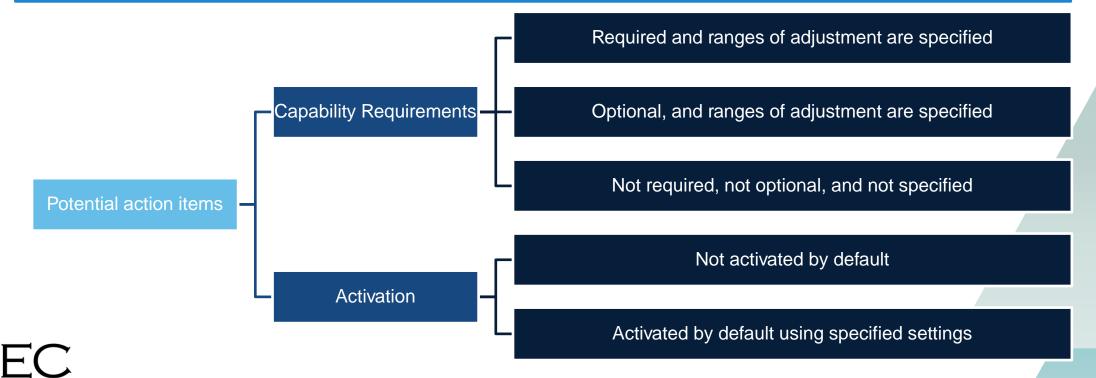




Normal Ramp Rate (NRR)

NRR is used when transitioning between output levels:

• Based on UL 1741 SA certification. Presently, testing only supports verification of ramp up (not ramp down)



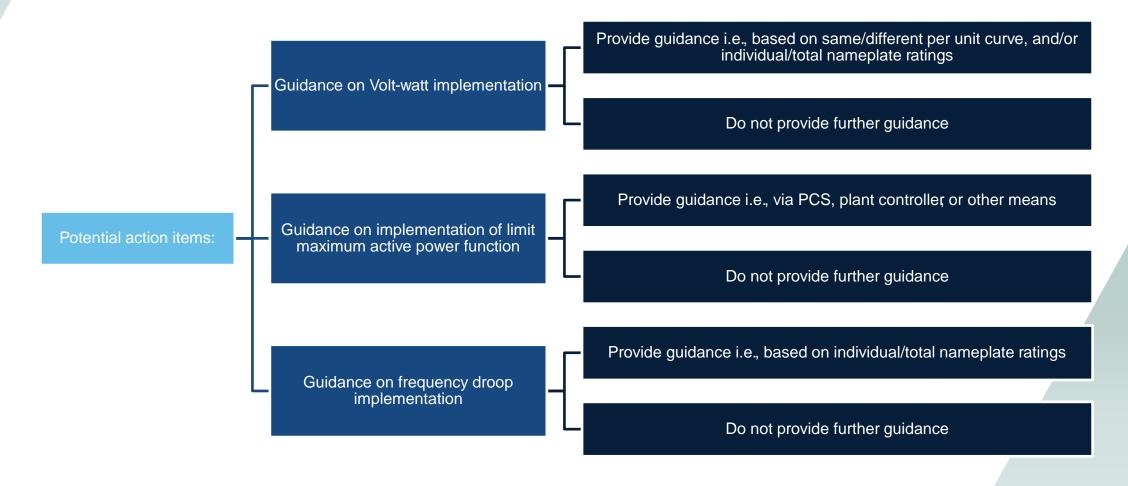
Nameplate Ratings

What to consider

- Consider addressing nameplate ratings issues related to volt-watt, limit maximum active power, and frequency droop
- Interconnection application forms may need to allow applicants to describe how the functions are achieved

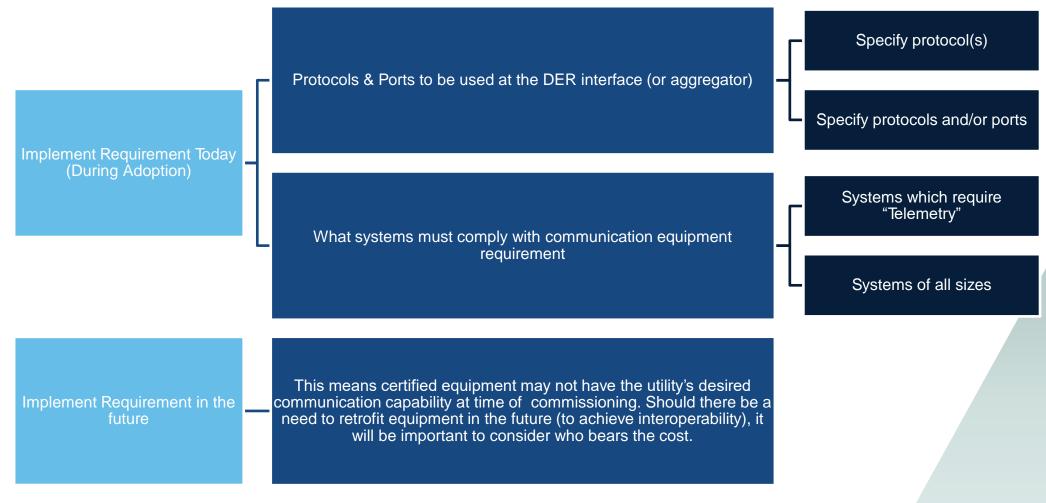


Nameplate Ratings





Communications – Protocols, Ports & Telemetry







Secondary Transformer Screen

The existing Shared secondary Tx Screen says

"If the proposed DER is to be interconnected on a single-phase shared secondary, the aggregate Export Capacity on the shared secondary, including the proposed DER, shall not exceed"

- ➤ Some states use "20 kW"
- ➤ Some states use "65 % of the transformer nameplate power rating"

The existing screen may not reflect voltage regulation (i.e., volt-var settings) activated by the DER. Assuming voltage regulation settings is activated by default settings:

- What is the likelihood of overvoltage occurring?
- Should the screen stay conservative as is?
- Should there be alternate methods for screening with voltage regulation?



Line Configuration Screen (LCS)

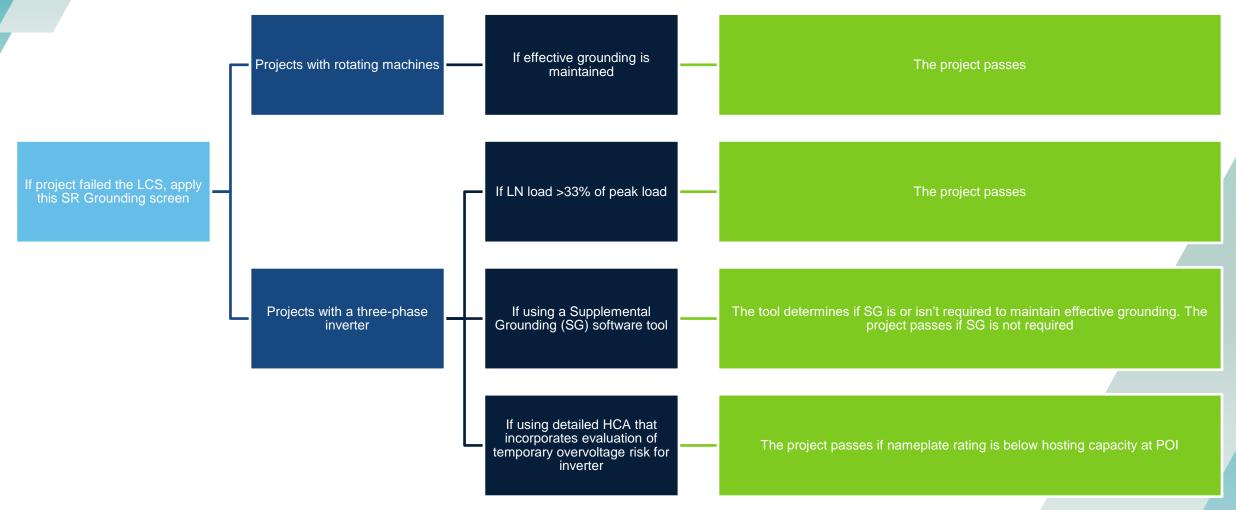
The existing LCS may not recognize the difference between inverters vs. rotating machines.

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(Primary Distribution Line Type	Type of Interconnection to Primary Distribution Line	Result/Criteria	distinctly.
in	Three-phase, three-wire	3 phase or single phase, phase to phase If ungrounded on primary or any type on secondary	Pass screen	
	Three-phase, four- wire	Effectively-grounded 3 phase or Single-phase, line- to-neutral-Single-phase line-to-neutral	Pass screen	
	Three-phase, four- wire (for any line that has sections or mixed three- wire and four-wire)	<u>All others</u>	Pass screen for inverter-based generation if aggregate generation rating is ≤ 100% feeder* minimum load, or ≤ 30% feeder* peak load (if minimum load data isn't available) Pass screen for rotating generation if aggregate generation rating ≤ 33% of feeder* minimum load, or ≤ 10% of feeder* peak load (if minimum load data isn't available) (*or line section)	



Grounding Review within Supplemental Review (SR)





Export Control & PCS - Certification for export controls in IX process

Export controls and PCS may be used for Some aspects of IEEE 1547 implementation: (RPA selection, volt-watt etc.), and may also be used for Tariff compliance

Export controls can be considered part of the interconnection system

Certification or compliance could be considered necessary in certain "fast track" or "simplified" processes

Interconnection Rules may need to include specific technical and certification requirements for export controls and PCS

More on this topic (including recommended language) is discussed in the other WG





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Next Steps



- Interested Stakeholders collaborate on proposal
 - Via email or,
 - Virtually
- Circulate proposal(s) to <u>service list</u> by October 21
- Next workshop in this workstream on October 25 9am-noon
 - Discussion of any proposal(s) received
 - Potential discussion of other topics
- Further refinement of initial proposal(s), and
- Development of proposal(s) for new topics
- Continuation cycle of proposals-workshops-refinements as needed
- Develop Final Report

Save the Date(s)



Workshop 2: Screens, Study Methods, and Modern Configurations

Date: October 6

• Time: 1:30 AM - 4:30 PM

Location: Zoom

Link to Meeting

o Dial-in: 1-971-247-1195

Meeting ID: 815 1290 4309

o Passcode: 5464541110

Workshop 2: Incorporating Updated Standards

Date: October 25

Time: 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Location: Zoom

Link to Meeting

o Dial-in: 1-971-247-1195

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Appendix – IREC Decision Matrix

The following slides include the IEEE 1547 Adoption: Decision Options Matrix. This was provided to the Working Group email list on September 15, 2022. The version circulated on 9/15 should be relied on in case of errors or omissions.

IEEE 1547 Adoption: Decision Options Matrix

IREC's Decision Option Matrix is intended to be a resource for Public Utilities Commissions, utility personnel, and other DER stakeholders interested in adopting and implementing IEEE 1547-2018 in their jurisdictions. The matrix includes an exhaustive list of Decision Options (DO's) that stakeholders should consider before implementing the updated standard. The DO's provide a step-by-step guidance to incorporating the updated standard into the interconnection rules and procedures. The DO's translate technical content within the standard, as well as related issues, into easily digestible decisions that impact DER interconnection reviews and operations (i.e., timeline, voltage regulations, interoperability). The matrix includes over thirty DO's, organized into three IEEE 1547-2018 adoption categories, namely:

- A. Near-term items (actions needed as first steps in the adoption process),
- B. Mid-term items (actions that should, for the most part, be taken before the implementation date), and
- C. Long-term items (actions that may be taken after the implementation date, may require formal roadmap, or may require ongoing reevaluations).

It may take more than six months for a working group to select the near-term DO's, including education, discussion and formalization of consensus. Further time will then be needed for the Commission to take related actions. This matrix can be used to help guide the schedule of working groups and select a feasible implementation date. Any jurisdictions going through IEEE 1547-2018 adoption can use this DO matrix. It's use should help streamline the adoption of IEEE 1547-2018 and provides a means to transparently communicate key decision points. Users can download the matrix and use the DO items to communicate and keep track of key decisions. Users may also tailor the matrix and its DO's to respective jurisdiction and preferences (i.e., color code individual DO based on whether such decision falls within interconnection rules and procedures vs. whether the DO's falls within a utility interconnection handbook/manual). IREC's publication Making the Grid Smarter: Primer on Adopting the New IEEE 1547™-2018 Standard for Distributed Energy Resources dives deeper on many of these topics, and references to relevant sections of the paper are given in brackets. Other references are mentioned as needed. Notably, The Toolkit and Guidance for the Interconnection of Energy Storage and Solar-Plus-Storage ("BATRIES Toolkit")¹ offers potential solutions for several DO's.

¹¹ https://energystorageinterconnection.org/

Topic	What to consider?	Decision Option (DO) Description	Utilize?
Adoption timeline	Consider equipment availability, the use of UL 1741 SA certification in the interim (if needed), and	DO 1a-1: Comply with IEEE 1547-2018 beginning [some date before	
	whether naming a date certain is necessary before certified equipment is widely available. Compliance	April 1, 2023].	
	requirements are usually based on the interconnection application submission date. Some projects have	DO 1a-2: Comply with IEEE 1547-2018 beginning ~April 1st, 2023	\boxtimes
	long interconnection review and lead times and may not be installed long after the application date. A	or a later date.	
	mechanism to require some of those projects with earlier application dates to be 1547-2018 compliant	DO 1a-3: Comply with IEEE 1547-2018 when the equipment is	\boxtimes
	once installed could be beneficial for grid support. Installed MW with 1547-2018 compliance could be	readily available (TBD by Commission action).	
	increased if compliance is based on installation date, but this may be challenging for developers from a	DO 1b-1: Base compliance date on application submission.	
	planning perspective, as they may have to specify equipment that is not yet certified for 1547-2018.	DO 1b-2: Base compliance date on installation (may be useful for	
	This issue may be mitigated if UL 1741 SA inverters are utilized, which can have similar features as	larger projects with long lead times).	
	those required by UL 1741 SB/1547-2018. Also consider how an interim adoption period will be	DO 1b-3: Differentiate compliance date mechanism between smaller	
	implemented, allowing for 1547-2018 compliance before the deadline. Widely available UL 1741 SB	and larger projects.	
	certified equipment is expected on the market by around April 1, 2023. More information is available	DO 1c-1: Allow interim compliance with IEEE 1547-2018 beginning	
	on IREC's research on equipment availability. ² [MTGS II]	April 1, 2022 immediately.	
		DO 1c-2: Define another interim compliance pathway.	
Abnormal operating	Consider input from transmission operators or regional reliability coordinator when assigning ride-	DO 2-1: IEEE 1547-2018 Category III Ride-Through capabilities	\boxtimes
performance category	through categories, plus local distribution utility protection practice. Since there can be conflict between	must be supported for inverter-based DER. Rotating DER must meet	
	distribution utility desires and bulk system reliability, 1547-2018 designates oversight of this selection	Category I Ride-Through capabilities, at minimum.	
	to the Authority Governing Interconnection Requirements – often the Public Utilities Commission.	DO 2-2: IEEE 1547-2018 Category II Ride-Through capabilities	
	[MTGS V.A]	must be supported for by inverter-based DER, at minimum. Rotating	
		DER must meet Category I Ride-Through capabilities, at minimum.	
Normal operating	The selection of A or B will impact the use of voltage regulation controls. Some DER types cannot	DO 3-1: Inverter-based DER shall meet reactive power requirements	
performance category	meet the full scale of reactive power support. Consider specifying category assignment based on	with of 1547-2018 Category B. Rotating DER must meet Category A	
	technology type. [MTGS V.A]	and may meet Category B.	
		DO 3-2: All DER types (Inverter-based and rotating) shall meet	
		reactive power requirements with 1547-2018 Category A.	
Alternative performance	If a technology that cannot meet the specified Abnormal or Normal Operating Performance Category, a	DO 4-1: Define process for how exceptions to these category	
category	defined process may be useful for determining that the technology can safely interconnect without	assignments are handled (e.g., for an inverter-based technology that	
	unduly impacting grid support requirements.	cannot meet Category III capabilities).	
		DO 4-2: Leave process undefined for how exceptions to these	\boxtimes
		category assignments are handled.	
		Comment: During the kickoff workshop, there was discussion to have	
		this Exception determined by mutual agreement	
Voltage trip settings &	Consider local distribution utility protection practices and make sure appropriate trip settings are	DO 5-1: Align default settings with 1547.	\boxtimes
ranges	selected. As desired, select default settings or settings within the adjustable range. Trip settings should	DO 5-2: Select other default settings within 1547 ranges of adjustment.	
	not hinder ride-through capability required at the transmission level.		

Topic	What to consider?	Decision Option (DO) Description	Utilize?
Frequency trip settings &	Ensure that the under/over frequency trip settings are coordinated between	DO 6-1: Align default settings with 1547.	×
ranges	the utility and transmission operator. As desired, select default settings or settings within the adjustable range. Trip settings should not hinder ride-through capability required at the transmission level.	DO 6-2: Select other default settings within 1547 ranges of adjustment.	
Frequency droop Settings ³	This capability is required for all DERs (with some limitations on Category	DO 7-1: Align default settings with 1547.	\boxtimes
	I types) during the under/over frequency conditions. Consider using default settings or adjust within ranges of allowable settings. Consider input from transmission operators or regional reliability coordinator. [MTGS V.A]	DO 7-2: Select other default settings within 1547 ranges of adjustment.	
Voltage regulation modes by	If desired, consider activating a non-unity power factor, volt-var, watt-var,	DO 8a-1: Adjustable constant power factor is activated.	
reactive power ⁴	or constant var function. See PNNL research on autonomously adjusting	DO 8a-2: Utilize volt-var without autonomously adjusting Vref.	\boxtimes
	V _{ref} ⁵ Also, consider statewide (or similar) default settings for such mode.	DO 8a-3: Utilize volt-var with autonomously adjusting Vref.	
	[MTGS V.B, VI]	DO 8a-4: Watt-var is activated.	
		DO 8a-5: Constant var ⁶ is activated.	
	Comment: Adding this reference to the PNNL study that imply DO 8a-3 is	DO 8b-1: Align default settings with 1547.	☒
	better. IREC is curious if utilities in OR would prefer 8a-3 instead of 8a-2.	DO 8b-2: Select other default settings within 1547 ranges of adjustment.	
		DO 8c-1: Specify process for selecting settings on site-by-site basis.	
		DO 8c-2: Leave process for selecting settings on site-by-site undefined.	
Voltage regulation modes by active power ⁷	If desired, consider statewide (or similar) activation of volt-watt function (with default setting). Notably, the utilization of volt-watt will require	DO 9-1: Volt-watt ⁸ is activated with default 1547 settings.	\boxtimes
active power	changes to the interconnection applications forms (online portals) to allow	DO 9-2: Volt-watt is activated with non-default settings.	
	an applicant to specify how volt-watt is implemented. [MTGS V.B, VI]	DO 9-3: Volt-watt is not activated.	
Interconnection rule	Update the interconnection rule to be inclusive of IEEE 1547-2018. To be clear which version of a standard applies and when it takes effect, it is	DO 10a-1: Change 1547 date and title in standards references.	
	recommended that standards be dated (and with edition number, if	DO 10a-2: Leave 1547 standard reference undated.	
	applicable), and that the implementation date is made clear either within the	DO 10b-1: Define timeline for adoption of new requirements in line with IEEE 1547-2018 per DO 1.	
	rule or by Commission order. In addition to implementing adoption of the standard within the rule, requirements or references to other standards that are now addressed by IEEE 1547 should be updated to be inclusive of	DO 10b-2: Leave timeline for adoption open dependent on, e.g., Commission order (in line with DO 1a-3).	
[3] Per IEEE 1547-2018, this function	1547's requirements. Note that this latter issue is reflected in DO 10c, and no alternatives are offered.	DO 10c-1: Update applicable power quality or other references (such as IEEE 519 or IEEE 1453 in SGIP's Supplemental Review Voltage and Power Quality Screen) to IEEE 1547-2018. Comment: This item is covered/linked to the other working group in OR (screens & processes) within the proposed Supplemental Review	X

Per IEEE 1547-2018, this function cannot be disabled.

^[4] The voltage support functions by reactive power (constant power factor, volt-var, watt-var, constant var) are mutually exclusive. By default, these functions are deactivated – meaning certified equipment will come out of the box to operate at unity power factor.

^[5] McDermott T.E., and S.R. Abate., Adaptive Voltage Regulation for Solar Power Inverters on Distribution Systems, In IEEE 46th Photovoltaic Specialists Conference (PVSC 2019), June 16-21, 2019, Chicago, IL, 0716-0723, IEEE, doi:10.1109/PVSC40753.2019.8981277

^[6] Note: constant var mode is only required for normal performance Category B.

The voltage support by active power (volt-watt) is deactivated by default – if desired, consider statewide (or similar) default setting for volt-watt.

^[8] Note: volt-watt mode is only required for normal performance Category B.

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Reference point of applicability (RPA)	Consider process related improvement that allows RPA designation by applicant and for utility to review. This may involve changes to application forms (such as online application portals), initial	DO 11-1: Require RPA to be noted in the application forms and use RPA recommended language from Appendix E and F of BATRIES Toolkit as a starting point.	
	reviews processes and provision to allow RPA review/discussion during scoping meeting. [MTGS IV]	DO 11-2: Specify elsewhere how the RPA information is processed.	
Enter service settings	It is important to consider whether non-default enter service	DO 11-3: Do not introduce new requirements related to the RPA.DO 12a-1: Utilize 1547 default settings for voltage range, frequency range, delay and duration.	
Enter service settings	settings are preferred for voltage and frequency ranges, delay time, and ramp rate. The standard allows for the duration of <i>enter service</i>	DO 12a-2: Specify default settings within the ranges allowed by 1547.	
	period (ramp rate) to be adjustable over 1-1000 second with a default time of 300 seconds. For DERs less than 500kVA,	DO 12b-1: Give further guidance on how randomized delay times are to be used for DER smaller than 500 kVA (consider application form addition).	
	individual DER units may use a randomized time delay with a default maximum interval at 300 seconds as an alternative to ramping. It is likely even the smallest inverter-based DER can utilize the enter service ramp. Enter Service ramp rate is also known as connect/reconnect or soft start ramp rate.	DO 12b-2: Leave process for randomized delay selection undefined for DER smaller than 500 kVA.	
Utility required profile (URP)	Finalize URP with all default settings and consider posting that in	DO 13a-1: Utility to create and post URP of default settings.	
	the EPRI URP database ⁹ (publicly available). Implement use of EPRI's Common File Format for DER Settings Exchange and	DO 13a-2: Do not create and post URP of default settings.	
	Storage. ¹⁰ [MTGS IV, VI]	DO 13b-1: Utility to implement use of common file format to transmit specified settings to customer and verify applied settings.	
		DO 13b-2: Do not implement common file format.	

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Requirements for replacement units	For end-of-life or other equipment replacements, define whether or	DO 14a-1: Allow replacement equipment to match the certification and	
	not the most recent technical requirements, certifications and	technical requirements of originally evaluated and installed equipment.	
	settings must be followed. It could be beneficial to ensure that	Require settings to match those specified in the	
	"legacy" interconnection equipment (such as an inverter) is	Interconnection/Operating Agreement.	
	upgraded to the most recent standards over time. However,	DO 14a-2: Require replacement equipment to conform to certification	
	warranty replacements are usually like-for-like and should be	and technical requirements of rule in effect at time of replacement.	
	accommodated. Additionally, DER owners may keep spare parts	Make exception for warranty work (and potentially for previously	
	on hand for future use to limit downtime during repair. Contractual	acquired equipment). Require settings to match those specified in the	
	obligations for notifying the utility of equipment changes and the	Interconnection/Operating Agreement.	
	requirements for updated equipment should be clear at the time of	DO 14a-3: Require replacement equipment to conform to certification	
	interconnection. Note that "material modification" guidelines	and technical requirements of rule in effect at time of replacement.	
	could be developed to ensure an easy transition to new equipment	Make exception for warranty work (and potentially for previously	
	and note under which circumstances further evaluation must be	acquired equipment). Require settings to match those specified by the	
	conducted by the utility. [MTGS VI]	utility or default URP at the time of replacement.	
		DO 14b-1: Update definitions of material modification for already	
		interconnected DERs. Establish when notification or further evaluation	
		(and related fees) must occur dependent on replacement type and	
		power specifications.	
		DO 14b-2: Leave material modification process unchanged or	
		undefined.	
		DO 14c-1: Establish process for determining changes to settings when	
		replacement equipment is updated.	
		DO 14c-2: Do not define process for determining changes to settings	
		when replacement equipment is update.	
Standard interconnection agreements	As required, include provisions for adhering to required functional	DO 15a-1: Update standard interconnection agreement to meet	
	settings and updating settings or equipment over time.	contractual obligations (operating requirements) regarding functional	
		settings.	
		DO 15a-2: Do not update standard interconnection agreement to meet	
		contractual obligations regarding functional settings.	
		DO 15b-1: Update standard interconnection agreement to meet	
		contractual obligations (operating requirements) regarding future	
		replacement equipment (see DO 14a).	
		DO 15b-2: Do not update standard interconnection agreement to meet	
		contractual obligations regarding replacement equipment.	

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Application forms	Update application forms (including online portals) for the following items: RPA selection	DO 16-1 : Update application forms (use recommended language from Appendix F of BATRIES Toolkit as a starting point).	
	Enter service randomized delay Volt-watt implementation Limit active maximum power function implementation Frequency droop implementation Intentional islanding Emergency backup systems DER communication capabilities Export/import limiting Power Control Systems (PCS) Inverter fault current	DO 16-2: Do not update application forms.	
Volt-watt process/reporting	Volt-watt can have impact on the DER customer's energy production. Curtailment is based on utility voltage that the customer has no control over. Consider a	DO 17a-1: Ensure volt-watt curtailment complaints are tracked through the utilities' voltage/power quality complaint process.	
	reporting process to understand if volt-watt curtailment becomes an issue for customers now or in the future. [MTGS V.B]	DO 17a-2: Do not specify a process to track volt-watt curtailment complaints.	
		DO 17b-1: Implement a reporting process to Commission to review volt-watt complaints on a regular basis (e.g., yearly).	
		DO 17b-2: Do not implement a reporting process.	
Normal ramp rate	The normal ramp rate is used when transitioning between power output levels over the normal course of operation. This capability is based on UL 1741 SA	DO 18a-1 : Normal ramp rate certification is required, and ranges of adjustment are specified.	
	certification (not UL 1741 SB). Consider whether the capability is may be utilized (if available). Though not required by IEEE 1547-2018, this feature may be	DO 18a-2: Normal ramp rate capability/certification is optional, and ranges of adjustment are specified.	
	useful to avoid rapid voltage changes, especially for energy storage technologies.	DO 18a-3: Normal ramp rate is not required.	
	Per CA Rule 21, the default value is 100% of maximum current output per second (with an adjustable range of between 1% to 100%). At the moment, testing only	DO 18b-1: Normal ramp rate is activated by default using specified settings.	
	supports verification of upward ramping (for increases in power), which PV systems can support. Storage systems could also support downward ramping (for decreases in power), but verification tests in UL 1741 SA do not yet evaluate this direction. This ramp rate could interfere with frequency support or matching load via a Power Control System, so prioritization or exceptions may be needed for implementation.	DO 18b-2: Normal ramp rate is not activated by default.	

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power, and freque	Consider addressing nameplate ratings issues related to volt-watt, limit maximum active power, and frequency droop. The interconnection application forms may need to allow applicants to describe how the functions are achieved.	DO 19a-1: Provide guidance on volt-watt implementation i.e., whether the DER unit(s) implement volt-watt based on the same or different per unit curves, and individual or total nameplate ratings (see BATRIES Toolkit Chapter VIII and IEEE 1547.2).	
		DO 19a-2 : Do not provide further guidance on volt-watt nameplate ratings designation.	
		DO 19b-1: Provide guidance on how limit maximum active power function is implemented i.e., via PCS, via plant controller, or other means (see BATRIES Toolkit Chapter VIII and IEEE 1547.2).	
		DO 19b-2 : Do not provide further guidance on how limit maximum active power is implemented.	
		DO 19c-1: Provide guidance on frequency droop implementation i.e., whether the DER unit(s) implement frequency droop based on individual or total nameplate ratings (see IEEE 1547.2).	
		DO 19c-2: Do not provide further guidance on how frequency droop is implemented.	
Communication protocols & ports	Consider specifying protocols and ports if known and of interest to utilities at this time. Requirements for having the necessary communications equipment (e.g., gateway with a	DO 20a-1 : Specify protocol(s) and/or ports to be used at the DER interface or aggregator.	
•	specific port) could cause DER to include "stranded" equipment that is never used if it is never connected to a communications system. On the other hand, having the equipment installed ensures that it is available to connect at a future date, if desired. See communications/control roadmap in the Long-Term topic. [MTGS V.C]	DO 20a-2: Specify protocol(s) and/or ports to be used at the DER interface or aggregator.	
		DO 20a-3: Do not specify protocols or ports at the DER interface or aggregator.	
		DO 20b-1: Specify that systems which require "telemetry" must comply with communication equipment requirements.	
		DO 20b-2: Specify that systems of all sizes must comply with communication equipment requirements.	
		DO 20b-3: Implement equipment requirements in the future when ready to implement 1547-standardized communications.	

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Interconnection screens and	The Fast Track ¹² , Supplemental Review (SR) and detailed study interconnection review	DO 21a-1: Update "shared secondary transformer screen" based on likelihood of	
study	processes should be updated to reflect IEEE 1547-2018. The existing Fast Track's:	overvoltage occurring with default voltage regulation settings.	_
	• "Shared secondary transformer screen" may not reflect voltage regulation (i.e., volt-	DO 21a-2: Keep screen conservative as is.	
	var settings) activated by the DER. The "Line configuration screen" may not recognize the difference between inverters	DO 21a-3: Determine alternative methods for screening overvoltage risk with	
	vs. rotating machines [MTGS V.D]	voltage regulation.	
	For projects that fail the existing "Line configuration screen" within Fast Track,	DO 21b-1: Update line configuration screen to treat inverters and rotating	
	SR may lack new or alternate ways to evaluate effective grounding or provide means	machines distinctly (see BATRIES Toolkit Chapter VIII).	
	to properly evaluate the need for supplemental grounding [MTGS V.D].	DO 21b-2: Use existing or alternative line configuration screens.	
	Similarly, screening for "inverter fault current" needs updating to reflect 1547.1 certification	DO 21c-1: Revise Supplemental Review to include new grounding review for	
	testing. Inverter manufacturers may have additional information supplied by 1547.1	three-phase inverters based on LN connected load (see BATRIES Toolkit	
	certification testing that indicate fault values (fault current test data). Where fault current	Chapter VIII).	
	values are made available through test certification, it should be understood and agreed if	DO 21c-2: Revise Supplemental Review to utilize a tool to determine	
	review practices (for screens and detailed study) can utilize such data.	supplemental grounding needs for inverters (see BATRIES Toolkit Chapter	
		VIII).	
		DO 21c-3: Use existing or alternative grounding review practices.	
		DO 21d-1: Review practices for provision of inverter fault current test data (see	
	In addition, best practices for rapid voltage change (RVC) and flicker evaluation should be	BATRIES Toolkit Chapter VIII).	
	developed. While DO 10c-1 would update the power quality references in the Supplemental	DO 21d-2: Rely on existing or undefined practices for determining inverter fault	
	Review Voltage and Power Quality Screen, the actual practices used to evaluate these issues	current values.	
	have previously been left undefined. It is likely that utilities across the US utilize varying	DO 21e-1: Review flicker, RVC and other power quality screening practices to	
	practices, some of which may be unnecessary or overly conservative. For instance, EPRI has	ensure they are in alignment with the standards as well as best practice.	
	found that it is largely unnecessary to perform flicker screening for PV systems. ¹³ It is	DO 21e-2: Leave power quality screening practices undefined and open to	
	advised that Public Utilities Commissions review these practices to ensure current learnings	interpretation.	
	and the requirements of IEEE 1547-2018 are taken into account appropriately. [MTGS V.D]		

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long-term) ex	While not strictly required for IEEE 1547 adoption, export controls and Power Control Systems (PCS) may be used for some aspects of IEEE 1547 implementation, including RPA selection, volt-watt	DO 22a-1: Include specific technical and certification requirements for export controls and PCS in the interconnection rule (see BATRIES Toolkit Chapter III).	
	implementation (see DO 18a-1) and limit maximum active power implementation (see DO 18b-1), in	DO 22a-2: Leave technical and certification requirements for export controls undefined.	
	addition to other interconnection or tariff-related reasons. These export controls can be considered part of the interconnection system, and certification or	DO 22b-1 : Add information on PCS and export limiting equipment to application forms (see BATRIES Chapter VIII).	
	compliance with certain requirements could be considered necessary in certain "fast track" or	DO 22b-2: Do not update application forms with export controls information.	
	"simplified" interconnection processes. [MTGS V.H, BATRIES Toolkit]	DO 22c-1: Implement other elements of BATRIES Toolkit export control recommendations (e.g., Chapters II, IV, VI, VII, IX).	
		DO 22c-2: Do not implement other BATRIES Toolkit elements at this time.	

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DER communications/	Identify goals and strategies for deploying IEEE 1547 standardized	DO 23-1: Establish a formal roadmap development process to take into account	
control roadmap	communications/control of DER over time. Consider timeline for	Commission's, stakeholders' and utilities' DER management goals.	
	utilization of monitoring data, changes to autonomous function settings,	DO 23-2 : Allow individual utilities to determine needed communications investments	
	scheduled function changes, and continuous direct control. Consider	based on internal DER management goals without external direction.	
	deployment for larger systems versus numerous small systems, and	DO 23-3: Avoid directive management of communications deployment.	
	utility communications infrastructure versus DER aggregator model. Will		
	communications infrastructure, DER equipment requirements and		
	protocols be harmonized to any degree amongst utilities? How can		
	investments in ADMS, DERMS or AMI be optimized to meet various		
	goals? Consider the linkage to grid modernization discussions. [MTGS		
	V.Cl		
Communications deployment	DER communications deployment is still nascent and best practices for	DO 24a: If not done previously, specify protocols and ports to be used at the DER	
	interconnection rules and technical requirements are still in development.	interface or aggregator.	
	The decision option list at right is a list of potential actions to consider,	DO 24b: Define equipment requirements for DER or aggregator, and whether or not	
	but is not intended to be exhaustive. Consider the need to change the	those apply to systems below the "telemetry" size threshold.	
	interconnection rule's "telemetry," "SCADA," or "monitoring" DER size	DO 24c: Create or reference a guide for utilization of communications protocol (e.g.,	
	threshold. What requirements apply to the DER site/equipment? What	California Common Smart Inverter Profile).	
	actions need to be taken to adopt a DER aggregator model? [MTGS V.C]	DO 24d: Update "telemetry" requirements to change size threshold.	
		DO 24e: Update "telemetry" and/or other communication requirements to reference	
		IEEE 1547 communications requirements.	
		DO 24f: Include certification/validation requirements for communications equipment	
		(e.g., California Common Smart Inverter Profile).	
		DO 24g: Define standard aggregator requirements and agreements.	
Interconnection agreement	As DER communications becomes deployed more widely, standard	DO 25a-1: Develop standard interconnection agreement language to define whether a	
updates for communications/	interconnection agreements should reflect such utilization. Control of the	communications pathway is required and of which type it will be (e.g., utility direct to	
control	reactive power, volt-watt, limit maximum active power, permit service	inverter, utility direct to gateway, or aggregator participation).	
	and other functions can affect energy production/delivery and have	DO 25a-2: Establish communication requirements within each individual	
	financial repercussions on the affected DER. It should be understood and	interconnection agreement.	
	agreed as to how these functions will be used. These aspects should be	DO 25b-1: Define expectations for control in the standard interconnection agreement	
	memorialized in the interconnection agreement. A standardized	(e.g., when and how long will the DER be curtailed or controlled and over what range of	
	agreement can be developed to help establish expectations and limits	adjustment for specific parameters).	
	while streamlining the interconnection process.	DO 25b-2: Establish expectations for control within each individual interconnection	
		agreement.	

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Prioritization vs. export limiting	Export limits can potentially interfere with DER systems providing full grid support capability. For example, a non-exporting storage system may not be able to fully increase power output in	DO 26-1: Create prioritization to be used for all export-limiting DER.	
	line with frequency droop requirements for underfrequency events if output would exceed local load. IEEE 1547-2018 does not address situations related to export limiting in its prioritization of DER responses in subclause 4.7. Since this can affect bulk grid reliability, seek input from	DO 26-2 : Allow utility and customer to agree on prioritizations for each individual interconnection application as needed.	
	transmission operators or regional reliability coordinator when assigning priority of functions. See discussion in IEEE 1547.2.	DO 26-3: Do not address prioritization for export-limited DER until national standards are established.	
Ongoing reevaluation of default settings	Investigate whether fielded functional settings (voltage regulation and voltage/frequency settings) are optimized. Address the following: Are voltage regulation settings and trip settings working well or should they be revised? Are volt-watt issues present that need to be addressed? Are new insights available that can be leveraged to improve grid integration?	DO 27a-1: Collect field data, perform modeling and present findings at regularly scheduled meetings once IEEE 1547-2018 compliant DER systems have had significant time in the field. Determine if default settings should be updated.	
		DO 27a-2: Do not review effectiveness of fielded DER settings. DO 27b-1: Regularly review nationally available research on voltage regulation deployment to determine if adjusted DER settings or voltage regulation practices may be desirable. DO 27b-2: Do not review DER voltage regulation research.	
Evaluation/ commissioning	IEEE 1547-2018 and 1547.1-2020 contain expanded guidance on how evaluation of DER systems should be performed and what commissioning tests are to be completed. The different options for type tests, DER evaluations and commissioning tests are dependent on the RPA of the	DO 28-1: Update interconnection rule to address different evaluation and commissioning concepts introduced by the standards.	
	DER system, whether or not it is fully certified and other factors. Interconnection rules often do not explicitly require specific commissioning tests or give direct guidance on how evaluations	DO 28-2 : Update utility handbooks to address evaluation and commissioning.	
	should be performed by the utility. Utility handbooks may address commissioning in more detail. [MTGS IV]	DO 28-3: Do not address evaluation or commissioning updates.	