

Midwest ISO - Southwest Power Pool

Generation Interconnection Queuing

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Existing Queues

- First-come first-served queues with significant number of requests
- RTO coordinates all interconnection studies
- Competition exists in single area creating a backlog in processing
- Small and Large Generators recognized
- Milestones defined
- Working with affected adjacent systems

Existing Queues

- Cost responsibility based on queue position
- No energy or network resources
- Optional Upgrades extend processing
- Transmission Service separate from Interconnection processing
- Transmission Expansion Planning input
- Pro Forma Inter. Operating Agreement (IOA)

Queue Issues

- RFP's create numerous requests in queue
- Modifications to requests
- Aggregate (cluster) study proposal being investigated for process improvement
- Transition provision: changing policy may benefit existing customer under study
- Third-Party involvement in studies
- IOA must be compatible for all types of generators