



## 2020 Transition Incentive Program (TI) Initial Application Checklist Grid Supply Projects

**This checklist provides a list of the requirements for submitting a “grid supply” solar application in the Transition Incentive Program. A “grid supply” solar PV system is a merchant power generator interconnected to the New Jersey distribution system in compliance with the federal rules established for wholesale electricity suppliers managed by PJM Interconnection, LLC., the regional transmission operator.**

Grid supply project developers are encouraged to work with PJM and the relevant Electric Distribution Company (EDC) to determine feasibility, impact and other requirements prior to executing a contract for construction and submitting a Transition Incentive Application Packet.

For an application to be deemed complete and accepted in the Transition Incentive Program, the following requirements must be satisfied. All applications must be submitted in the online application portal.

- A **Site Map** that includes all features that may affect performance and construction of the solar system.
- A completed **TI Certification Form** with all the appropriate signatures. **All sections must be completed** and should match the information submitted in the online portal.
- Documentation of the determination by PJM or the EDC** confirming that the point of interconnection is located on the EDC’s distribution system serving NJ. The registrant must work with the EDC representative to obtain this written determination. Submit either a letter from the EDC or the executed Interconnection Service Agreement (ISA).
- Contract Requirement N.J.A.C. 14:8-10.4 e (i) (vi)** For grid supply projects applying under subsection (t), a binding legal document that provides reasonable assurance that the solar facility will be constructed.
- Milestone Reporting Form-** -This form is required to be submitted with the initial TI Application packet and quarterly thereafter until the Final As-Built packet is submitted. Quarterly reports must be submitted to the TI Processing Team within two weeks of the quarter ending on March 31, June 30, September 30 and December 31. Quarterly reports can be submitted via email to [njreinfo@njcleanenergy.com](mailto:njreinfo@njcleanenergy.com).
- A copy of the NJBPU Board Order granting conditional certification for a solar facility project to be constructed on land that meets the definition of a “properly closed sanitary landfill”, “brownfield” or “area of historic fill” pursuant to subsection (t) of the Solar Act.** To obtain full certification, the applicant must demonstrate to Board Staff that all NJDEP requirements have been satisfied and there are no outstanding requirements. Board Staff will issue full certification to the project upon the Applicant’s demonstration that all requirements for full certification have been satisfied.



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The size of the system may not be increased beyond the capacity conditionally certified in the Board Order. Decreases to the system size are permitted. Registrants must also notify the Program Manager of any plans to reduce the system size below the approved capacity and the change must be noted in the next submission of the Milestone Reporting Form. Please indicate the reduction in capacity on the form by checking the appropriate box and providing an explanation in the Comments section of the form.

“Construction Complete” (Commence Commercial Operations), as defined by the Program Manager for purposes of implementing the Transition Program, is the date of the EDC Permission to Operate (PTO).

Project developers must follow the Interconnection process required by PJM Interconnect LLC and facilitated by the EDC serving the location where the proposed project will be interconnected. Applicants must also obtain authorization to energize their interconnected system from their EDC or PJM Interconnect LLC and submit this documentation with the Final As-Built Packet (identified in proposed **N.J.A.C. 14:8-10** as post-construction certification package).

### **Project Types and Factors**

The Transition Incentive is structured as a factorized renewable energy certificate. The factors allow the Transition Incentive Program to provide differentiated financial incentives for different types of solar installation. Using the table below, the project type must be identified in the online portal to determine the appropriate factor for TREC eligibility. Applicants with projects for which more than one factor apply (e.g., a project that is partially roof mounted and partially ground mounted) may split their project and submit separate applications for each project type. Each project must have a distinct ANSI c-12 revenue grade meter dedicated to TREC creation. Each application will receive a distinct TI project number, acceptance date and expiration date and NJ Certification Number. Failure to split the project into two separate projects and applications would result in the lower factor applying to the entire project.

Applicants that submit separate applications for solar installations that have more than one factor are required to install a designated revenue grade meter for each system.



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<b>Project Type</b>	<b>Factor</b>
Subsection (t): landfill, brownfield, areas of historic fill.	1.00
Grid supply (subsection (r)) rooftop	1.00
Net-metered non-residential rooftop and canopy	1.00
Community Solar	0.85
Grid supply (subsection (r)) ground mount	0.60
Net-metered residential ground mount	0.60
Net-metered residential rooftop and canopy	0.60
Net-metered non-residential ground mount	0.60
Floating Solar	0.60

Upon satisfactory completion of all program requirements, the project will be issued a TREC Certification Number and instructions on how to register the solar PV generating system at PJM GATS.

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