FIT Program Update

January 12, 2011

Summary of changes to the FIT Rules, contract and standard definitions

Version 1.4

Version 1.4 includes the following changes outlined below.

	Change	Reason for Change
Rules Section 2.1 (v)	A new eligibility criteria has been added that requires Capacity Allocation Exempt (CAE) facilities to be deemed by the OPA as capable of connecting at the proposed Connection Point.	Capacity limits at many transformer stations have been reached. As a result, a rule change has been made to the FIT Program so that Capacity Allocation Exempt facilities will not proceed to contract if they are deemed by the OPA to be unable to connect. Capacity will be assessed at the time of the FIT application review.
List of constrained connection points	A list of transformer stations that are unable to accommodate additional connection capability, as determined by the asset owner.	To provide applicants greater clarity on where additional projects may not be able to connect, the OPA has posted on the FIT website a list of transformer stations that have been determined by the asset owner to have reached the limit for additional connections at this time. The list is intended to be updated on a regular basis as new stations reach limits, and also as stations receive the required upgrades that will allow additional projects to connect.
Section 3.2 (a)	Applicants with CAE projects are not permitted to apply for a CIA until the FIT contract has been executed.	This change is required to ensure that connection capability is allocated to projects consistent with the FIT application timestamp.