MassACA.org Interconnection Service Agreements

Meeting Requirement 4(B)(i): an Executed Interconnection Service Agreement

The Interconnection Service Agreement (ISA) is the agreement for interconnection service entered into between the interconnecting Customer and a Distribution Company, as defined and provided in each Distribution Company's standards for interconnection of distributed generation.

The System of Assurance of Net Metering Eligibility accepts Traditional and Simplified Interconnection Service Agreements (ISAs) as part of Applications for Cap Allocation (ACA) to satisfy the requirement for an executed Interconnection Service Agreement outlined in Section(4)(B)(i) of Massachusetts Department of Public Utilities (D.P.U.) 23-20-C, Attachment C (October 15, 2026). Detailed guidance on the requirements for each ISA document as well as accompanying documentation that must be submitted alongside the ISA as part of the Application for Cap Allocation is included below.

Please be aware, per D.P.U. 23-20-C, Attachment C, "After submission of an ACA, except as provided in Section 5(B), no additional documentation may be Submitted to correct a deficiency in the application, even if the documentation was executed prior to the Submission date of the ACA." If a fully executed ISA, or there equivalent of as outlined below, is not provided, the ACA will be deemed Incomplete.

The System of Assurance of Net Metering Eligibility will update this guidance as needed if Distribution Companies change their Interconnection Service Agreements requirements and/or process.

Overview

All ISAs can be uploaded to the Interconnection Service Agreement/Site Control tab:



All additional required documentation can be uploaded to the ACA Documents tab:



Traditional

Systems greater than 15 kW AC

Traditional ISAs issued to the interconnecting customer after the Distribution Company completed both an impact and, if necessary, a detailed study satisfy the requirement of the System of Assurance of Net Metering Eligibility Section 4(B)(i).

- The Traditional ISAs must be fully executed, i.e., signed by both the interconnecting Distribution Company and the interconnecting customer (or party representing the interconnecting customer). The ISA must also be effective at the time the ACA is submitted to the Administrator for review.

Simplified

Systems between 10 kW AC and 15 kW AC

Simplified ISAs issued to the interconnecting customer's seeking net metering services for facilities with a capacity of 15 kW or less satisfy the requirement of the System of Assurance of Net Metering Eligibility Section 4(B)(i). Simplified ISAs, however, often include multiple documents which provide technical details of the proposed facility and confirm the ISA's executed status. All such documents which contribute to a Simplified ISA must be included as part of the ACA at the time the ACA is submitted to the Administrator for review. Documents which confirm a Simplified ISA is executed are summarized below, by utility.

Eversource

Eversource includes Eversource East (NSTAR) and Eversource West (WMECO) territories.

Standard/Expedited/Simplified Process

All applications using Eversource's Standard, Expedited, or Simplified Process must submit the following documentation:

1. Conditional Approval to Install email from Eversource, uploaded to Interconnection Service Agreement tab.
2. Any additional required documentation; refer to Additional Required Documents in the Additional Considerations section.

National Grid Massachusetts Electric Company, National Grid Nantucket Electric Company

Simplified Process

All applications using National Grid's Simplified Process must submit the following documentation:

1. Signed and countersigned Exhibit A (Simplified Interconnection Application), uploaded to Interconnection Service Agreement tab.
2. Signed Terms and Conditions (often on the same page as Exhibit A), uploaded to ACA Documents if separate from Exhibit A.
3. Any additional required documentation; refer to Additional Required Documents in the Additional Considerations section.

Unitil

Simplified Process

All applications using Unitil's Simplified Process must submit the following documentation:

1. Complete, signed, and countersigned Exhibit A (Simplified Process Interconnection Application) to the Interconnection Service Agreement tab. This includes:
    a. Service Agreement (Attachment 1)
    b. Terms and Conditions
    c. DOES NOT NEED TO INCLUDE Attachment 2 (Certificate of Completion)
2. Any additional required documentation; refer to Additional Required Documents in the Additional Considerations Section.

Additional Considerations

Facility Expansion

For any Facility expansion, upload a one-line diagram that demonstrates the total (existing plus new) Facility's capacity. If the existing Facility does not have a MassACA net metering cap allocated and the ISA only lists the new Facility's capacity, please upload either the Permission to Operate or ISA for the existing Facility.

Additional Required Documents

If any of the circumstances below apply, the following documents are required for review in addition to the ISA and can be uploaded to the ACA Documents tab.

1. If the ISA does not include the Facility's DC capacity, please upload a one-line diagram.
2. If an Energy Storage System (ESS) is included, upload a copy of the ISA and/or one-line diagram that details the battery power and capacity information (kW and kWh).