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Resources

AN ACT

To require the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission to reform the interconnection queue process for the prioritization and approval of certain projects, and for other purposes.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Guaranteeing Reli-
3 ability through the Interconnection of Dispatchable Power
4 Act” or the “GRID Power Act”.

5 **SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.**

6 In this Act:

7 (1) BULK-POWER SYSTEM.—The term “bulk-
8 power system” has the meaning given the term in
9 section 215(a) of the Federal Power Act (16 U.S.C.
10 824o(a)).

11 (2) COMMISSION.—The term “Commission”
12 means the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

13 (3) DISPATCHABLE POWER.—The term
14 “dispatchable power” means an electric energy gen-
15 eration resource capable of providing known and
16 forecastable electric supply in time intervals nec-
17 essary to ensure grid reliability.

18 (4) GRID RELIABILITY.—The term “grid reli-
19 ability” means the ability of the electric grid to de-
20 liver an adequate, secure, and stable flow of elec-
21 tricity in the quantity and with the quality de-
22 manded by users, taking into account the ability of
23 the bulk-power system to withstand sudden disturb-
24 ances.

25 (5) GRID RESILIENCE.—The term “grid resil-
26 ience” means the ability of the electric grid to adapt

1 to changing physical conditions and withstand and
2 rapidly recover from significant disturbances, includ-
3 ing natural disasters, cyber-attacks, and other un-
4 foreseen events.

5 (6) INDEPENDENT SYSTEM OPERATOR.—The
6 term “Independent System Operator” has the mean-
7 ing given the term in section 3 of the Federal Power
8 Act (16 U.S.C. 796).

9 (7) REGIONAL TRANSMISSION ORGANIZATION.—
10 The term “Regional Transmission Organization”
11 has the meaning given the term in section 3 of the
12 Federal Power Act (16 U.S.C. 796).

13 (8) RESOURCE ADEQUACY.—The term “re-
14 source adequacy” means the ability of the electric
15 system to meet the aggregate electrical demand and
16 energy requirements of end-use customers at all
17 times, accounting for scheduled and reasonably ex-
18 pected unscheduled outages of bulk-power system
19 components.

20 (9) TRANSMISSION PROVIDER.—The term
21 “transmission provider” means—

22 (A) a public utility (as defined in section
23 201(e) of the Federal Power Act (16 U.S.C.
24 824(e))) that owns, operates, or controls 1 or
25 more transmission facilities;

(B) an Independent System Operator; and

(C) a Regional Transmission Organization.

**SEC. 3. RULEMAKING TO IMPROVE INTERCONNECTION
QUEUE FLEXIBILITY.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 90 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Commission shall initiate a rulemaking—

(1) to address the inefficiencies and ineffectiveness of existing procedures for processing interconnection requests to ensure that new dispatchable power projects that improve grid reliability and resource adequacy can interconnect to the electric grid quickly, cost-effectively, and reliably; and

(2) to amend the pro forma Large Generator Interconnection Procedures and, as appropriate, the pro forma Large Generator Interconnection Agreement, promulgated pursuant to section 35.28(f) of title 18, Code of Federal Regulations (or successor regulations)—

(A) to authorize transmission providers to submit proposals to the Commission to adjust the interconnection queue of the transmission provider to prioritize new dispatchable power projects that will improve grid reliability and resource adequacy by assigning those projects

1 higher positions in the interconnection queue;
2 and

3 (B) to require transmission providers—

4 (i) to provide in any proposal de-
5 scribed in subparagraph (A)—

6 (I) a demonstration of need for
7 prioritization of the relevant projects;
8 and

9 (II) a description of how the
10 prioritization of those projects will im-
11 prove grid reliability or grid resilience;

12 (ii) to provide a process for public
13 comment and stakeholder engagement be-
14 fore a proposal described in subparagraph
15 (A) is submitted to the Commission; and

16 (iii) to provide regular reporting to
17 the Commission on the state of grid reli-
18 ability and grid resilience, including report-
19 ing on any actions taken pursuant to this
20 Act.

21 (b) COMMISSION APPROVAL.—To ensure timely re-
22 sponses to grid reliability concerns, not later than 60 days
23 after a proposal is submitted pursuant to subsection
24 (a)(2), the Commission shall—

25 (1) review the proposal; and

(c) DEADLINE FOR FINAL RULE.—Not later than 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Commission shall promulgate final regulations to complete the rulemaking initiated under subsection (a).

(d) PERIODIC REVIEW.—Not less frequently than once every 5 years, the Commission shall review and, if necessary, update the regulations promulgated under this section to ensure that those regulations remain effective and relevant to evolving grid reliability and grid resilience challenges.

Passed the House of Representatives September 18,
2025.

Attest: KEVIN F. MCCUMBER,
Clerk.