

Project Proposal #4

Solution to Address Flowgates 15Y-T2/15Y-T3 (Mickleton-Monroe) and 15Y-S10 (Gloucester-Cuthbert)

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Executive Summary

PJM is seeking solution alternatives to resolve potential reliability criteria violations identified in the 15 year reliability analysis. PECO Energy Company is proposing a solution that would alleviate a subset of these problems, specifically identified as flowgates 15Y-T2, 15Y-T3 and 15Y-S10. Flowgates 15Y-T2 and 15Y-T3 are Mickleton-Monroe 230 kV lines #1 and #2, and are listed as overloaded by 2022 under the generator deliverability test for the tower outage of the Gloucester-Deptford and Gloucester-Eagle Point 230 kV lines. Flowgate 15Y-S10 is the Gloucester-Cuthbert 230 kV line #2, and is listed as overloaded by 2029 under the generator deliverability test for the outage of Gloucester-Cuthbert 230 kV line #1. To alleviate these issues, PECO proposes a project to build a new 230 kV line from Eddystone substation in Pennsylvania to Mickleton substation in New Jersey. The estimated cost of the project is \$43.5M in addition to land acquisition and permitting costs. The estimated time needed for construction of the required facilities is five years, with actual project completion time dependent on the time needed for land acquisition and permitting. Eddystone substation is located in Eddystone, Pennsylvania and Mickleton substation is located in Mickleton, New Jersey. The total length of the new line would be approximately six miles and construction would be underground or submarine.

PECO Energy Company is requesting Designated Entity status for the project. PECO is an affiliate of Exelon Corporation. Exelon has submitted designated entity pre-qualification materials to PJM on behalf of its affiliates (PJM ID 13-04).

Company Evaluation

PECO Energy Company is headquartered in Philadelphia, PA. PECO is an affiliate of Exelon Corporation. Exelon's headquarters are located in Chicago, IL. For details regarding the qualifications, experience and financial standing of PECO Energy Company, please see the designated entity pre-qualification materials submitted by Exelon on behalf of its affiliates (PJM ID 13-04). These materials are posted on PJM's website.

Proposed Project Constructability

1. Component Scope

a. Greenfield Transmission Line Description

The proposed project would include construction of a new 230 kV AC transmission line. The line would be built to connect Eddystone and Mickleton substations. Eddystone substation is [redacted] in Eddystone, PA. Mickleton substation is located [redacted] in Mickleton, NJ. Eddystone is a PECO Energy substation and Mickleton is an Atlantic City Electric substation. A potential route for the new line is shown on Diagram 1. [redacted] The right-of-way for the new transmission line would need to be acquired. Aerial construction would be preferable, as it is less expensive and can allow for higher facility ratings. However, crossing the Delaware River may require construction of towers in the water, since the river is wider in the vicinity of Eddystone substation. This could add to the cost and construction time required to complete the project due to additional permitting requirements. On the New Jersey side of the Delaware River, there are some areas that are more densely populated where aerial right-of-way may be more difficult to obtain. Therefore, although it is possible that some of the new line could be aerial, this proposal assumes all underground or submarine construction, consisting of a single 5000 kcmil cable per phase. The estimated ratings of the new facility would be 765 MVA normal and 975 MVA emergency.

b. Greenfield Substation Description

The proposed new transmission line would connect two existing substations. Thus, a greenfield substation would not be needed.

c. Transmission Facilities to be Constructed by Others

The proposed new transmission line would connect to Eddystone substation, [redacted] in Eddystone, PA. There is a

230 kV straight bus at the substation and the new line would connect to one section of the bus through a new circuit breaker. To reduce the risk of overloading the new line or nearby transmission facilities under certain circumstances, an inductor would be installed in series with the new line at Eddystone substation. PECO owns Eddystone substation, and thus would be responsible for installing the terminal equipment needed to attach the new line to the existing bus. A single line diagram of the proposed connection at Eddystone substation is shown in Diagram 2.

The other end of the new line would connect to Mickleton substation, which is located [redacted] in Mickleton, New Jersey. Mickleton is an Atlantic City Electric substation where several 230 kV lines attach to an existing 230 kV ring bus. To accommodate connection of the new line at Mickleton, a new circuit breaker would be added to one section of the existing ring bus. A single line diagram of the proposed connection at Mickleton substation is shown in Diagram 3.

d. Environmental, Permitting and Land Acquisition

PECO Energy Company will consult with all applicable regulatory agencies as required when constructing new transmission facilities. PECO will ensure that necessary documentation is supplied and procedures are followed throughout the duration of the project. This would include studies and permitting for constructability and construction methods, site access and equipment staging, river crossing, environmental impacts, and development of mitigation plans to address any impacts if determined to be necessary. Specific environmental studies will be needed to identify the presence of wetlands and any endangered plant, fish or animal species. Any construction that impacts wetlands would require a permit from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and possibly the U.S. Coast Guard.

The proposed project would require the acquisition of right-ofway on which to construct the new transmission line. Aerial construction would be preferable, and at least some portion of the new line could be aerial. However, the new line would cross the Delaware River at a wider section of the river and there are some residential areas in New Jersey along the proposed route. This may require construction of towers in the water and additional permitting issues that could add to the cost and construction time required to complete the project. Therefore, this proposal assumes all underground or submarine construction of the new line.

[redacted]
Diagram 1
(potential route for new line)
[redacted]
Diagram 2
(connection of new line at Eddystone substation)
[redacted]
Diagram 3

(connection of new line at Mickleton substation)

2. Project Component Cost Estimates

An itemized cost estimate for the proposed project is as follows:

Build new 230 kV transmission line Install series inductor at Eddystone substation Attach new line at Eddystone substation Attach new line at Mickleton substation Total

\$43.5M

The new transmission line would be a total of six miles in length, all underground and submarine construction, with a single 5000 kcmil conductor per phase. The ratings of the new line would be 765 MVA normal and 975 MVA emergency. The new transmission line would be attached to an existing bus section at Eddystone substation through a new circuit breaker. A current limiting inductor would also be installed at Eddystone in series with the new line. The other end of the new transmission line would be attached at Mickleton substation. A new 230 kV circuit breaker would be installed on the existing ring bus at Mickleton to accommodate connection of the new line.

The estimate includes engineering and design, material and labor. The cost of land acquisition and permitting for the new transmission line is not included.

3. Schedule

The proposed project would include construction of a new 230 kV transmission line connecting Eddystone substation in Pennsylvania to Mickleton substation in New Jersey. An estimate for the time required to construct the transmission line is five years. The proposed project would also include the addition of a series inductor at Eddystone substation and work required to connect the new line to both Eddystone and Mickleton substations. It is anticipated that this work would be done concurrently with construction of the new transmission line. Therefore, an estimate for the total time required to construct the facilities included in the proposed project is five years. This includes engineering and design, but does not include the time

required for land acquisition and permitting. However, it is expected that much of the work associated with land acquisition and permitting would be done in parallel with the engineering and design work.

4. On-going Transmission Facility Items

a. Operational Plan

PECO Energy Company is a registered member of Reliability First Corporation and a transmission owner within the PJM Regional Transmission Organization. PECO operates a control center within its territory 24/7 with system operators who maintain both PJM and NERC certification. A state-of-the-art Energy Management System provides SCADA control and monitoring of all of PECO's transmission facilities. PECO also maintains a fully functional back-up control center in the event the primary location must be evacuated.

b. Maintenance Plan

PECO Energy Company owns and maintains over 1,100 miles of transmission lines and over 90 transmission substations throughout its territory. Maintenance on these facilities is performed by both experienced in-house crews and experienced contract crews operating under the direction of in-house personnel. PECO implements a comprehensive preventive maintenance program that meets all regulatory and industry standards. This includes a maintenance template for all transmission facilities that documents necessary program tasks and frequencies. PECO has in-house equipment and personnel and also maintains relationships with outside vendors and other utilities to enable quick restoration in the event of an outage.

5. Assumptions

The proposed project includes the construction of a new 230 kV transmission line, installation of a series inductor and work at either end of the new line to connect into existing substations. The estimates provided for cost and construction time are based on generic facilities and typical projects. However, each project is unique and actual cost

and construction times may vary from the estimates. In addition, land acquisition and permitting have not been included in the estimates, but much of this work would be performed in parallel with the engineering and design work.

Although Diagram 1 shows a potential route for the new transmission line, there may be other routes that could be chosen as alternatives. Final determination of a route can be made after the proposed project is selected as a solution to the identified problems.