

## **Nicor Gas General Renewable Gas Interconnection Service (Rate 82 Interconnection Process Document)\***

This process document describes the process to interconnect under Rate 82.

Nicor Gas's Rate 82 interconnection service is available to any party meeting eligibility and Renewable Gas Quality criteria who enters into a Renewable Gas Interconnection Service Agreement with Nicor Gas ("Company") for an interconnection to deliver Renewable Gas to the Company's system.

Additional details and eligibility requirements regarding Rate 82 are available [here](#).

### **Assessment and Review Process**

**Step 1:** Interested Renewable Gas Producers must first submit an interconnection assessment request to the Company in the form provided by the Company ("Initial Assessment Request"). As part of the Initial Assessment Request, Producers must review each of the eligibility requirements in Rate 82 and provide information about the location, type of facility, proposed gas quality specifications, and estimated hourly and annual production. The Company will review and evaluate the Initial Assessment Request, including the Company's capability/feasibility to receive the Renewable Gas. If a feasible location is identified, the Company may provide (at no cost to Producer) a high-level estimate (+50%/-30%) of costs necessary to interconnect the RGP Facility to the Company's facilities.

**Step 2:** Based on the Company's evaluation of the Initial Assessment Request, should Producer determine to continue with the assessment, Producer may request that the Company perform a preliminary engineering study pursuant to a separate agreement ("Preliminary Engineering Study"). The Preliminary Engineering Study is a more detailed engineering assessment to develop preliminary cost estimates for the design and construction of the interconnect facilities, including costs for engineering, survey, land acquisition, site development, environmental studies, regulatory, permitting, material, equipment, construction labor, and inspection. The Preliminary Engineering Study, to be paid for by Producer (costs typically range from \$50,000 to \$150,000), generally requires two to four months to complete. Deliverables of the Preliminary Engineering Study will be as set forth in the agreement and shall include a preliminary cost estimate (+30%/-20%) for interconnection and a design basis for the interconnect facilities. In some cases, with approval by the Company, the Preliminary Engineering Study may be completed as part of Step 3.

**Step 3:** Following completion of the Preliminary Engineering Study, if applicable, Producer will advise the Company within 6 months of whether Producer elects to proceed with the RGP Facility project and may in such case request from the Company the proforma Renewable Gas Interconnection Service Agreement solely for informational purposes (the Company's providing a copy of the form of Renewable Gas Interconnection Service Agreement is solely for informational and potential discussion purposes and shall not constitute an offer from the Company). Producer must also provide the Company with project-specific information as requested from the Company to ensure compliance with program implementation and reporting requirements. The Company shall review such information and contact Producer regarding next steps if appropriate.

For program inquiries, please email: [RenewableGas@southernco.com](mailto:RenewableGas@southernco.com)

\* Note: Capitalized terms used herein, unless otherwise defined, have the meanings ascribed in Rate 82.

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