Cordelio Power's Comments on BP/TC-26 Workshop of August 27 and 28, 2024

Generator Interconnection Withdrawal Penalties

Cordelio submits the following comments in response to the BP/TC-26 August workshops. Cordelio appreciates this opportunity to share feedback.

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Calculation of the Penalty Amount

Cordelio supports Alternative 3, as laid out in slide 145 of the August 27/28 BP/TC-26 workshop. Cordelio believes beginning penalties after Phase One Study has commenced, but before any Phase One Re-studies have commenced will encourage developers to submit projects that have achieved an appropriate level of development.

Exemptions to the Penalty.

Cordelio supports the following exemptions:

• The withdrawal does not have a material impact on the cost or timing of any Interconnection Requests in the same Cluster.

• The most recent Cluster Study or Cluster Re-Study Report identifies Network Upgrade costs assigned to the Interconnection Request that have increased by more than 25% compared to costs identified in the preceding Cluster Study Report or Cluster Re-Study Report.

• The Interconnection Facilities Study Report identifies Network Upgrade costs assigned to the Interconnection Request that have increased by more than 100% compared to costs identified in the preceding Cluster Study Report or Cluster Re-Study Report.

Cordelio believes this approach will protect developers from the harm created by dropouts while protecting Interconnection Customers from steep withdrawal penalties in circumstances where costs have increased significantly.

Funds Collected Through Withdrawal Penalties

Cordelio also encourages BPA to use withdrawal penalties to help Interconnection Customers who have been harmed by withdrawals.