Bulletin 2-28-1 Application of OESC to licensed generators Rule 2-000

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1) Background

Questions have been raised regarding the application of the OESC as it relates to generation facilities.

Rule 2-000 a) exempts electrical equipment and electrical installations used exclusively in the generation, transmission, or distribution of electrical power or energy intended for sale or distribution to the public, from the requirements of OESC, <u>UNLESS an</u> <u>authorization to connect from the Electrical Safety Authority (ESA) is required in accordance with Part V of the Ontario Energy Board Act.</u>

Appendix B note to Rule 2-000 a) further clarifies that where Codes issued by the Ontario Energy Board under Part V of the Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998, require a connection authorization, the OESC applies to electrical installations specified in Item a).

2) Application of OESC

As generation facilities are required to obtain an authorization to connect in order to be connected to the grid, they are not exempted from the scope of the OESC as per Rule 2-000 a). Electrical installations (as defined in the OESC) in generation facilities are required to follow all OESC requirements including but not limited to notifications, plans submission for review, ground potential rise (GPR) studies, etc.

Based on the OESC, after issuing a connection authorization for a facility, this facility will continue to be under the scope of the OESC. Any future modification, renovation or replacement of the electrical installation is required to comply with all the requirements of the OESC, including, filing a notification with ESA when required by Rule 2-004.

Note:

1. For distributors who are licensed to own or operate a distribution system under Part V of the Ontario Energy Board Act Section 2(4) of Ontario, Regulation 22/04 addresses where the distribution regulation applies. For more information, refer to "Guideline for distributed energy resources".