

3 AAC 50.940 is repealed and readopted to read:

3 AAC 50.940. Interconnection of eligible consumer generation systems.

(a) By (6 months after regulation take effect), each electric utility required by 3 AAC 50.900 to provide net metering services shall submit a tariff revision to incorporate interconnection rules for eligible consumer generation systems. The interconnection rules must

(1) address any requirements for liability insurance coverage, provided such coverage is readily available and of a reasonable cost to the consumer;

(2) address the installation of an external disconnect switch, unless the utility determines additional disconnection capability is not necessary. Consumers must be offered the option to:

(A) install an external disconnect switch in a location readily accessible by utility personnel, as determined by the utility; or

(B) agree to allow the utility to disconnect the consumer's non-utility generation and the consumer's load when disconnection is necessary, as defined in the utility's tariff;

(3) set forth rules regarding the allocation of costs for the installation of the external disconnection switch in accordance with the following requirements:

(A) the utility may require the consumer to pay for the installed cost of the external disconnect switch and necessary wiring if the location determined under (2)(A) of this section is

(i) within five feet of the consumer's meter base;

(ii) at the consumer's main structure; or

(iii) at a location otherwise agreed to between the utility and the consumer;

(B) the utility may require the consumer to pay for the installed cost of the external disconnect switch but the utility must pay for necessary wiring if the installed location of the external disconnect switch is any other location than prescribed in (3)(A) of this section;

(4) include an application form for interconnection of eligible consumer generation systems that is no more than two pages;

(5) be based on national standards, as applicable, establishing

(A) the criteria and requirements for interconnection of non-utility generation with electric power systems, such as the IEEE 1547 series;

(B) requirements for inverters, converters, controllers, and interconnection system equipment for use by non-utility generation, such as UL 1741;

(b) Upon approval of an application for interconnection of an eligible consumer generator by the utility, the rights and obligations of the consumer and utility are governed by the provisions of 3 AAC 50.900 - 3 AAC 50.949 and not the provisions of 3 AAC 50.750 – 3 AAC 50.820. (Eff. 6/16/2010, Register 194; am ___/___/____, Register _____)

Authority:	AS 42.05.141	AS 42.05.291	AS 42.05.321
	AS 42.05.151	AS 42.05.311	AS 42.05.411

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3 AAC 50.949 is amended to read:

(26) "external disconnect switch" means a visible-break, lockable device used to isolate a consumer generation system from the utility electric system. (Eff. 6/16/2010, Register 194; am ___/___/_____, Register _____)

Authority: AS 42.05.141 AS 42.05.151