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**C. Applications:** (continued)

**1. Tier 1 Application Timeline.**

* + - 1. **Notice of receipt.** Notice of receipt of an application and application fee shall be sent by the Company to the interconnection customer within five business days;
      2. **Notice of complete application**

(i) The Company shall notify the interconnection customer if the application is complete or incomplete, and if incomplete specifying any deficiencies, within ten business days after the notice of the receipt of application; and

(ii) When the Company sends a notice of incomplete application to an interconnection customer, the interconnection customer shall provide a complete application to the Company within fifteen business days of the notice. If the interconnection customer fails to complete the application, the application expires at the end of the incomplete application period.

c) **Approval or denial.** Within twenty business days after a complete application notice is sent to an interconnection customer, the Company shall approve, approve with conditions, or deny the application with written justification. The Company shall include, in the same package as the notice of approval, an executable interconnection agreement, the dollar amount due to complete the interconnection, notice of steps the customer must take to receive any renewable production incentive payments, and any other information likely to expedite the remainder of the interconnection process. If delays result from unforeseen circumstances, customer variance requests, or other incentive program approval requirements, the customer shall be promptly notified; and

d) **Initial Operation.** An interconnection customer must interconnect and operate the generating facility within one year from the date of approval of the application, or the application expires, unless the Company, in its sole discretion, grants an extension in writing.

**2. Tier 2 Application Timeline.**

1. **Notice of receipt.** Notice of receipt of an application and application fee shall be sent by the Company to the interconnection customer within five business days;
2. **Notice of complete application**

(i) The Company shall notify the interconnection customer if the application is complete or incomplete, and if incomplete specifying any deficiencies, within ten business days after the notice of the receipt of application; and

(ii) When the Company sends a notice of incomplete application to an interconnection customer, the interconnection customer shall provide a complete application to the Company within fifteen business days of the notice. The Company may, but is not required to, grant an extension in writing. If the interconnection customer fails to complete the application, the application expires at the end of the incomplete application period.