

August 15, 2002

**GLACIER ELECTRIC DISTRIBUTION COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT
FOR INTERCONNECTION OF DISTRIBUTED GENERATION**

This Interconnection Agreement (“Agreement”) is made and entered into this ____ day of _____, 20____, Glacier Electric Cooperative, Inc., (“Cooperative”) a corporation organized under the laws of Montana, and _____ (“DG Owner/Operator”), each hereinafter sometimes referred to individually as “Party” or both referred to collectively as the “Parties”. In consideration of the mutual covenants set forth herein, the Parties agree as follows:

This agreement provides for the safe and orderly operation of the electrical facilities interconnecting the DG Owner/Operator’s facility at _____ and the electrical distribution facility owned by Glacier Electric Cooperative.

This Agreement does not supersede any requirements of any by-laws, applicable tariffs, rates, rules and regulations in place between the DG Owner/Operator and Glacier Electric Cooperative.

1. **Intent of Parties:** It is the intent of _____ (DG Owner/Operator) to interconnect an electric power generator to the Cooperative’s electrical distribution system.

It is the intent of Glacier Electric Cooperative to operate the distribution system to maintain a high level of service to their customers and to maintain a high level of power quality.

It is the intent of both parties to operate the facilities in a way that ensures the safety of the public and their employees.

2. **Operating authority:** The DG Owner/Operator is responsible for establishing operating procedures and standards within their organization. The operating authority for the DG Owner/Operator shall ensure that the Operator in Charge of the generator is competent in the operation of the electrical generation system and is aware of the provisions of any operating agreements and regulations relating to the safe operation of

electrical power systems.

The operating authority for _____ (the DG Owner/Operator) is _____.

3. **Operator in Charge:** The operator in charge is the person identified by name or job title responsible for the real time operation of all electrical facilities related to the interconnection and owned by their organization.

The operator in charge for _____ (the DG Owner/Operator) is _____.

4. **Suspension of Interconnection:** It is intended that the interconnection should not compromise Glacier Electric Cooperative's protection or operational requirements. The operation of the (the DG Owner/Operator) System and the quality of electric energy supplied by (the DG Owner/Operator) shall meet the standards as specified by the Cooperative. If the operation of the (the DG Owner/Operator) system or quality of electric energy supplied (in the case of power export) does not meet the standards as specified, then Glacier Electric Cooperative will notify (the DG Owner/Operator) to take reasonable and expedient corrective action. Glacier Electric Cooperative shall have the right to disconnect the (DG Owner/Operator's) System, until compliance is reasonably demonstrated. Notwithstanding, Glacier Electric Cooperative may in its sole discretion disconnect the (DG Owner/Operator's) generating plant from the Distribution Facility without notice if the operating of the Generating Plant imposes a threat, in the cooperative's sole judgement, to life and property.

5. **Maintenance Outages:** Maintenance outages will occasionally be required on the Glacier Electric Cooperative system, and the Cooperative will provide as much notice and planning as practical to minimize downtime. It is noted that in some emergency cases such notice may not be practical. Compensation will not be made for unavailability of Cooperative's facilities due to outages.

6. **Access:** Access is required at all times by Glacier Electric Cooperative to the (DG Owner/Operator's) plant site for maintenance, operating and meter reading. Glacier Electric Cooperative reserves the right, but not the obligation, to inspect the (DG Owner/Operator's) facilities.

7. **Liability and Indemnification:** (DG Owner/Operator) shall assume all liability for and shall indemnify Glacier Electric Cooperative for any claims, losses, costs, and expenses of any kind or character to the extent that they result from (DG Owner/Operator)'s negligence or other wrongful conduct in connection with the design, construction or operation of (DG Owner/Operator)'s facility.

8. **Term:** This document may be canceled by either party with not less than 30 days notice to the other party.

AGREED TO BY

DG Owner/Operator

Glacier Electric Cooperative

Name

Name

Title: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____

Date: _____