

HOW TO APPLY FOR A DISTRIBUTED GENERATION (DG) CONNECTION OF MORE THAN 10KW

Larger distributed generation sites have the potential to have more of an impact on the WEL network. Accordingly the process for facilitating this is more detailed:

- 1) Contact your retailer
 - You need an ICP and/or to notify your retailer so they can arrange to change your meter configuration
 - You also decide if you want to “sell” energy back to your retailer
- 2) Make an Initial Distributed Generation application
 - Fill out the Initial application form and submit it to us
 - Pay your application fee

10kW & less than 100kW	100kW & less than 1 MW	1MW or more
\$500.00+GST	\$1000.00+GST	\$5000.00+GST

- 3) Application status
 - Within 5 business days we will confirm if your initial application is complete
- 4) Application assessment
 - Within 30 business days of receiving your completed initial application we will
 - i. assess your application
 - ii. provide you with information relating to our network
 - iii. tell you about any issues
 - iv. let you know whether any network changes are needed
 - v. inform you whether there is likely to be any costs to you
 - vi. decide whether any investigation/study is needed
- 5) Initial application is resolved
 - Assuming all of the requirements for your project and our network are met
- 6) Make a final application
 - You have 12 months to make a final application after the initial application process is completed
- 7) Final application outcome
 - We will approve or decline your final application, subject to the information we have received from you and will provide comprehensive information if there are issues that don't enable the application to proceed
 - The time frames are

10kW & less than 100kW	100kW & less than 1 MW	1MW or more
45 business days	60 business days	80 business days

- 8) Make notice of intention to proceed
 - You have 30 business days to notify us of your intention to proceed
 - You will need to sign and return our connection contract
- 9) Return test forms
 - Note we may wish to install a smart box and/or attend testing.