

# The Grid Connect Process

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## GRID CONNECTION APPROVAL & METER INSTALLATION

1. Once you have decided to go ahead with installing a grid interactive generation unit it is required that you return the signed Country Energy “Grid Connect Application” form with the following material:
  - A single line diagram provided by the approved installer/electrician detailing the connection of the unit to the grid.
  - If the inverter make and model is not included in the “Approved Inverter List” available on the “Business Council of Sustainable Energy” website, a “Certificate of Suitability” which verifies that the inverter meets the requirements of the Department of Fair Trading should be provided to Country Energy. The Certificate should be provided with the unit at purchase.

The approved inverter list can be found by following the link below:

<http://www.bcse.org.au/cec/accreditation/approvedproducts/gridconnectinverters.html>

This information should be returned to:

Grid Connect Applications

Country Energy

PO Box 718

QUEANBEYAN NSW 2620

Email: [gridconnectionapplications@countryenergy.com.au](mailto:gridconnectionapplications@countryenergy.com.au)

Phone: 1800363749

Fax: 02 6214 9644

2. On receipt of this material, the proposal will be referred to our technical team for approval.
3. If approved, the Grid Connect Coordinator will notify the customer/installer of the approval. The Generation Unit details and copy of the single line diagram will be sent to relevant staff within Country Energy along with the customer and installer’s details.
4. The Accredited Service Provider (ASP) engaged by the installer/customer can then make arrangements to install the relevant metering. The list of level 2 ASP’s can be found by following the link below:

[http://www.fairtrading.nsw.gov.au/pdfs/Consumers/ASP\\_list\\_level2.pdf](http://www.fairtrading.nsw.gov.au/pdfs/Consumers/ASP_list_level2.pdf)

The **Certificate of Compliance – Electrical Work (CCEW)** and **Notification of Service Work (NOSW)** should be submitted to Country Energy’s new connections team (Fax 1800 677 382 / Email [electricalcontractor.forms@countryenergy.com.au](mailto:electricalcontractor.forms@countryenergy.com.au)).

Country Energy will then arrange for inspection and commission.

5. On completion of the inspection, the Regional Electrical Inspector will inform Country Energy of the changes made to the premise. Country Energy will then make the necessary arrangements to have the retailer advised.

General Enquiries in relation to grid connections should be directed to our Energy Answers team on 1800363749 or 1800ENERGY

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## CUSTOMER DETAILS – PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY:

Electricity Account Holders Full Name:

Country Energy Customer Number (If Applicable):

Country Energy Premise Number (If Applicable):

National Market Identifier (NMI) Number (Required):

Company / Business Name (If Applicable):

Street Address:

Town/City:

State:

Postcode:

Postal Address (If Different):

Town/City:

State:

Postcode:

Contact Phone Numbers:

Fax Number:

Email Address:

## DETAILS OF PROPOSED GENERATION EQUIPMENT:

Generator Type: (Solar PV, Solar Thermal, Wind, Hydro, Tidal, Biomass etc):

Generation Device Make / Model:

Total Panel / Generation Output (kilowatt-peak):

Inverter kW Rating (Where Applicable):

Inverter Make & Model (Where applicable):

Address for Installation:

Town/City:

State:

Postcode:

Date installation will be ready for inspection:

Any other details / notes:

Note that Country Energy must be advised if making any changes to the generation capacity, inverter type or wiring of the generation unit prior to installation. Failure to do so is in breach of network requirements and may result in disconnection of the unit from the grid without notice.

## OTHER PARTIES:

Supplier:

Contact Numbers:

Installer:

Contact Numbers:

Installer email address (for the purpose of approval notification):

Electrician:

Contact Numbers:

## A LINE DIAGRAM MUST BE ATTACHED FOR APPROVAL PURPOSES

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## TERMS OF AGREEMENT

The terms and conditions under Country Energy's Standard Form Customer Connection contract apply for small scale generation unit connection to Country Energy's distribution network.

## SIGNATURES

The signatures of each party appear below.

### CUSTOMER DETAILS – PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY:

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Signature(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Witness Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### COUNTRY ENERGY:

Representative Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## DISCLAIMER

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