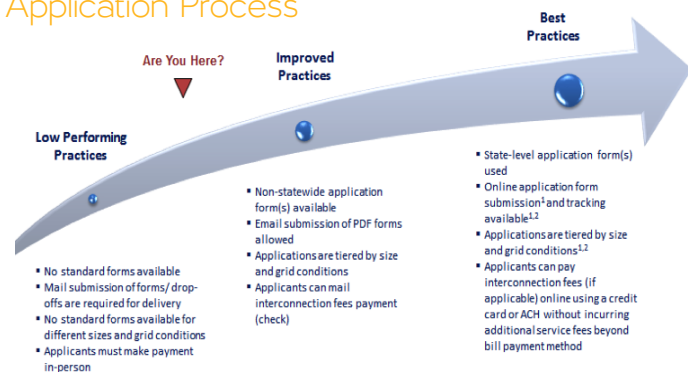


Five Aspects to Measuring Benchmarks for the Utility Interconnection Process

West Monroe Partners has engaged with utilities and additional solar stakeholders, including contractors and installers, through a targeted distribution of surveys created to capture information about current state interconnection practices. The stakeholder feedback contained pain points and observed best practices related to the application process, information access, process time, inspection and net metering coordination. This guide is designed to help utilities evaluate where operations are currently situated among the spectrum of best practices and to offer specific solutions for how to improve the interconnection process.

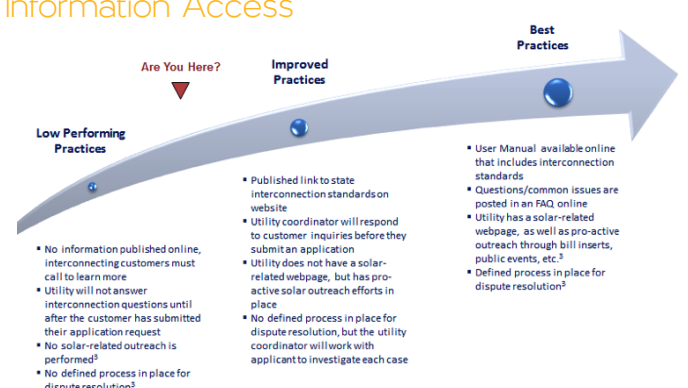
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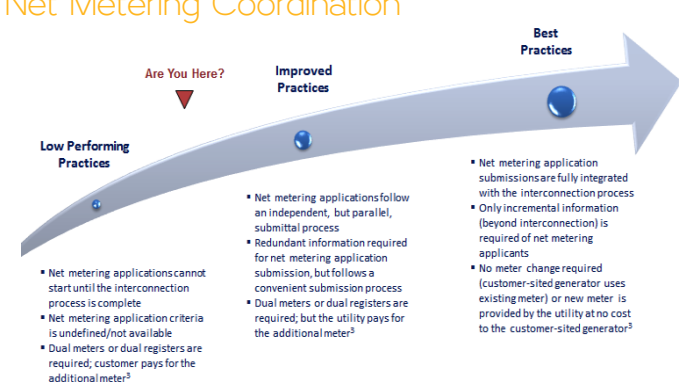
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Inspection



Net Metering Coordination



Assisting Utilities in Advancing Solar Adoption

1. 2013 IREC Interconnection Model Procedures
 2. FERC Order 792 2013 Revision
 3. Utility Solar Roadmap criteria