

Call for Priority Attention of Electric Generation Permits and Interconnection to the National Electric System

Background

On October 17, 2025, the Ministry of Energy ("**SENER**") published in the Official Gazette of the Federation the Call for Priority Attention of Electric Generation Permits and Interconnection to the National Electric System (the "**Call**"), in compliance with Article 57 of the Regulation of the Planning and Energy Transition Law ("**RLPTE**") and Transitory Article Twenty-First of the Regulations of the Power Sector Law ("**RLSE**"). The Call is issued as an extraordinary binding planning mechanism applicable through 2030, in alignment with the Electric Sector Development Plan ("**PLADESE**").

Purpose and Scope

Purpose. The Call establishes a mechanism for priority attention to grant electric generation permits to projects that strengthen the reliability, continuity, quality, efficiency, security, and sustainability of the National Electric System ("**SEN**"), expedite administrative procedures, and ensure consistency with national planning.

Recipients. Individuals or legal entities interested in developing new projects with a capacity of ≥ 0.7 MW that require interconnection to the SEN and are aligned with the binding planning parameters set forth in the Technical Annex.

Exclusions. The Call does **NOT apply** to: (i) distributed generation, (ii) projects that do not require a permit under the Power Sector Law ("**LSE**"), (iii) self-consumption, (iv) cogeneration, or (v) mixed schemes.

Technical Parameters and Available Capacities

Total available capacity: 5,770 MW, distributed across six regions (Central, Eastern, Peninsular, Western, Northern, and Northeastern), exclusively for photovoltaic and wind technologies. Commercial Operation Entry ("**EOC**") must occur between 2027 and 2030, as specified in the Technical Annex.

Procedure and Procedural Deadlines

Procedural Calendar (Peremptory Deadlines)

The process comprises the following stages, each with preclusive and non-extendable deadlines:

- (i) Expression of Interest (October 20–24, 2025, through VUPE);
- (ii) CENACE payment determination (October 27, 2025);
- (iii) Payment of CENACE studies (October 28–31, 2025);
- (iv) Permit Application before the *National Energy Commission* ("**CNE**") (October 28–November 5, 2025, through OPE);
- (v) Review and Preventions (November 6–19, 2025);
- (vi) Works Acceptance (November 27–December 4, 2025);
- (vii) Technical Committee Approval (December 10, 2025);
- (viii) Publication and Notification of Results (December 11–12, 2025); and
- (ix) Withdrawal of Previous Procedures (December 15–19, 2025).

NOTE: The deadlines established in the Call prevail over those of the Generation Permits Provisions.

Nature of Deadlines

All deadlines are business days and strictly preclusive. No extensions or remedial filings are permitted.

General Substantive Requirements (See Annex with Checklist)

1) Expression of Interest (October 20–24): Electronic submission through the Strategic Projects Single Window (“**VUPE**”), including the Expression of Interest Form and CENACE Interconnection Studies Request. Applicants must verify technical alignment with the Technical Annex (transmission region, interconnection substation, technology, capacity, and year of EOC).

2) Interconnection Studies Payment (October 28–31): Payment obligations depend on the project’s status: full payment for new projects or those with expired studies; partial payment if current studies remain valid; and no additional payment when only a reevaluation is required.

3) Permit Application (October 28–November 5): The application must be submitted through the OPE of the CNE. It may be filed without a previous procedure, using the complete and duly signed official form, or with a previous procedure, including sworn statements under oath and updated documentation. The application must include a financial development schedule, environmental documentation, and a title deed or agreement evidencing ownership or lawful possession of the project site.

4) Preventions (November 12–19): The CNE may issue only one prevention per application. If the applicant fails to respond within the established period, the application will be dismissed.

5) Works Acceptance (November 27–December 4): Irrevocable act through which the applicant expressly accepts the interconnection, and reinforcement works and the costs determined by the CENACE. Failure to submit the acceptance constitutes withdrawal from the Call, and any subsequent non-compliance may result in the revocation of the permit.

Evaluation and Eligibility Criteria

The CNE will apply a binary verification checklist to confirm: (i) timely submission of the expression of interest; (ii) compliance with applicable regulations; (iii) payment of CENACE studies; (iv) alignment with the Technical Annex; and (v) express acceptance of interconnection and reinforcement works.

Failure to meet **any of these requirements** will result in **non-granting** of the permit under the Call.

Alignment with Binding Planning

The CNE will request from SENER and CENACE the technical, social, and environmental information necessary to validate each project. Projects that do not comply with the binding planning criteria will be deemed ineligible.

Tie-Breaking Criteria (Oversubscription)

If the applications exceed the available capacity, priority will be given to (i) projects that enhance the reliability, continuity, quality, and security of the SEN; (ii) projects with greater investment in the Social Management Plan ("**PGS**") consistent with the energy justice principle; and (iii) projects demonstrating technological innovation

Approval and Permit Issuance

The CNE Technical Committee will hold its session on December 10, 2025. The permit titles will be issued on December 11–12, 2025, by the Electricity Unit and the Technical Secretariat through the OPE.

Conditions and Obligations of the Permit Title

Minimum obligations include:

- (i) submission of the project's financing scheme within six months;
- (ii) accreditation of a guarantee to CENACE within ten days;
- (iii) obtaining social and environmental impact authorizations prior to construction;
- (iv) commencement of works within six months from such authorizations; and
- (v) prohibition of permit assignment prior to EOC.

Non-compliance may result in permit revocation or nullity.

Special Provisions

- (i) Temporary suspension of parallel procedures before CENACE;
- (ii) preservation of rights for unsuccessful applicants to initiate new procedures or participate in future calls; and
- (iii) invitation to migrate permits granted under the Electric Industry Law or the Public Electric Energy Service Law.

Conclusions and Recommendations

The Call establishes a special, expedited procedure with immediate legal effects, in which Works Acceptance constitutes an irrevocable act.

Recommendations

If there is interest in participating:

- (i) Review project alignment with the *Technical Annex* (region, substation, capacity, technology, and year of EOC);
- (ii) prepare technical, environmental, social, and ownership documentation;
- (iii) ensure liquidity for CENACE study payments and reinforcement costs; and
- (iv) structure the financial scheme according to the procedural deadlines.

Annex

Call Checklist

Phase	Date	Requirement	Responsible	Platform	Critical	Observations
1. Initial Registration	Oct 20–24	Submit Expression of Interest	Applicant	VUPE	 YES	Out of deadline = automatic exclusion
	Oct 20–24	Complete Expression Form + CENACE Interconnection Studies Request	Applicant	VUPE	 YES	Verify alignment with Technical Annex
	Oct 20–24	Verify correct transmission region	Applicant	VUPE	 YES	Must coincide with Technical Annex
	Oct 20–24	Verify interconnection substation	Applicant	VUPE	 YES	According to Technical Annex
	Oct 20–24	Verify technology type (photovoltaic/wind)	Applicant	VUPE	 YES	According to Technical Annex
	Oct 20–24	Verify voltage level	Applicant	VUPE	 YES	In kV according to Technical Annex
	Oct 20–24	Verify permitted capacity	Applicant	VUPE	 YES	≥0.7 MW and within established limit

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	Oct 20–24	Verify year of Commercial Operation Entry (EOC)	Applicant	VUPE	✓ YES	2027–2030 according to project
	Before Oct 22	Register in CNE OPE (if new user)	Applicant	OPE	⚠	Required for Phase 3
2. CENACE Payments	Oct 27	Receive notification of payment amount	CENACE	VUPE	–	CENACE determines amount
	Oct 28–31	Make payment according to project type	Applicant	VUPE	✓ YES	No payment = automatic exclusion
	Oct 28–31	New projects without studies: full payment (impact + installations)	Applicant	VUPE	✓ YES	Complete payment required
	Oct 28–31	Projects with indicative study: full payment (impact + installations)	Applicant	VUPE	✓ YES	Complete payment required
	Oct 28–31	Projects with impact study: payment for installations only	Applicant	VUPE	✓ YES	No additional impact cost
	Oct 28–31	Projects with installation study: no payment (reevaluation only)	Applicant	VUPE	✓ YES	Reevaluation only
	Oct 28–31	Projects with expired studies: full payment (impact + installations)	Applicant	VUPE	✓ YES	Required for revalidation
	Oct 28–31	Submit proof of payment	Applicant	VUPE	✓ YES	Documentary evidence

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3. Permit Application	Oct 28–Nov 5	Submit permit application	Applicant	CNE OPE	 YES	Requires prior registration
	Oct 28–Nov 5	Option 1: Without previous procedure – Complete application form (signed)	Applicant	CNE OPE	 YES	According to Generation Permits Provisions
	Oct 28–Nov 5	Option 2: With previous procedure – Submit “Applications with Previous Procedure Form”	Applicant	CNE OPE	 YES	Include previous CRE/CNE file numbers
	Oct 28–Nov 5	Include sworn statements: intention to participate, acceptance of previous assessment, and commitment to withdrawal if permit obtained	Applicant	CNE OPE	 YES	Under oath of truth
	Oct 28–Nov 5	Submit: financial development schedule; environmental impact acknowledgment/authorization; proof of property or possession (title, lease, usufruct, or equivalent)	Applicant	CNE OPE	 YES	Full supporting documentation
	Oct 28–Nov 5	Update previous documentation (if applicable)	Applicant	CNE OPE		Only if relevant
	Oct 28–Nov 5	Ensure all documents are in Spanish (simple translation accepted if necessary)	Applicant	CNE OPE	 YES	Mandatory format

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	Oct 28–Nov 5	Indicate capacities in MW (two decimals)	Applicant	CNE OPE	✓ YES	Numerical accuracy required
4. Preventions	Nov 6–11	Review compliance with requirements	CNE	CNE OPE	–	Internal review
	Nov 6–11	Monitor notifications in OPE	Applicant	CNE OPE	⚠	Daily monitoring required
	Nov 12–19	Respond to prevention (if issued)	Applicant	CNE OPE	✓ YES	Only ONE prevention allowed
	Nov 12–19	Submit complete information/documentation	Applicant	CNE OPE	✓ YES	Insufficient response = dismissal
5. Works Acceptance	Nov 26	Receive results of CENACE studies	CENACE	VUPE	–	Automatic notification
	Nov 26	Review interconnection/reinforcement works description	Applicant	VUPE	⚠	Detailed technical review
	Nov 26	Review estimated works cost	Applicant	VUPE	⚠	Verify accuracy and budget
	Nov 26	Review voltage level at interconnection point	Applicant	VUPE	⚠	Validate against project specs
	Nov 26	Review technical observations and operational restrictions	Applicant	VUPE	⚠	Critical to reliability assessment

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	Nov 27– Dec 4	Submit Works Acceptance Form	Applicant	VUPE	 YES	IRREVOCA BLE act
	Nov 27– Dec 4	Expressly accept works and total costs	Applicant	VUPE	 YES	Omission = automatic withdrawal
6. Approval	Dec 5–9	Review alignment with Binding Planning	CNE	Internal	–	With Technical Analysis Group
	Dec 10	CNE Technical Committee approval session	CNE	Internal	–	Formal approval
	Dec 11	Publication of results	CNE	VUPE/Web	–	Public listing
	Dec 11–12	Notification of approved permits	CNE	CNE OPE	–	Individual notice
	Dec 11–12	Review notifications	Applicant	CNE OPE	 YES	Confirm approval
7. Post-Approval	Dec 15–19	Submit withdrawal of previous applications	Applicant	CNE OPE	 YES	Required if previous procedures existed
	Dec 15–19	Save and retain permit title	Applicant	–	 YES	Official document
8. Compliance	Max 10 days post-notification	Submit guarantee to CENACE	Applicant	CENACE	 YES	Cash, CETES, or Letter of Credit
	Max 6 months	Submit financing scheme documentation	Applicant	CNE	 YES	From permit notification date

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	Variable	Obtain Energy Social Impact authorization	Applicant	SENER	 YES	Required before construction
	Variable	Obtain Environmental Impact authorization	Applicant	SEMAR NAT	 YES	Required before construction
	Max 6 months post-authorizations	Commence construction	Applicant	-	 YES	Within permitted timeframe
	Until EOC	Prohibition to assign permit	Applicant	-	 YES	Until Commercial Operation Entry
	According to project	Commercial Operation Entry (EOC)	Applicant	-	 YES	2027-2030 according to Technical Annex
	Post-EOC	Sign interconnection contract	Applicant	CENACE	 YES	As instructed by CENACE