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PV WORKSHEET – STANDARD STRING ARRAY

·Solar photovoltaic (PV) systems have widely gained acceptance as an alternative energy source and installations range from the small array supplying a bus stop luminaire to a large array that covers acres. Since each installation comes with its own characteristics this worksheet has been provided for the installer to complete and submit to his/her electrical inspector for obtaining a permit. The entire PV system installation must comply with Article 690 of the 2014 National Electrical Code (NEC).

To obtain a permit please provide the following documentation to Scott County Planning & Development:

1. Pages 2, 3 and 4 of this document
2. Equipment spec/cut sheets for grounding/bonding fittings, modules, inverters, micro inverters, or optimizers (if these are not available complete page 4 of this document)
3. A one-line diagram of the PV system including service interconnection
4. A site plan showing the relative location of the array and the PV equipment on the property. Also provide location of service and distance from array.

A PV installer is allowed to construct the support system, mount the modules, inverters or optimizers, and connect the factory provided module wiring harness (plug and play). The remainder of the installation such as panelboards, raceways, boxes, fittings, breakers, and building wire shall be installed by a licensed electrical contractor.

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PV SYSTEM INFORMATION

	Y	N	TYPE OF ARRAY	Y	N
Roof Array?	☐	☐	Rapid Shutdown Required (690.12)?	☐	☐
Ground Array?	☐	☐	Guarding of Conductors Required (690.31A)?	☐	☐

PV SYSTEM OVERVIEW	
Maximum System Voltage	
#Modules/String	
#Strings in System	
Maximum Circuit Current	
Battery Storage? Y N	

LOAD SIDE CONNECTION[1]	
Service Voltage	
Service Panel Main Breaker	
Service Panel Bus Rating	
Service Conductor Size	
PV System OCPD2 Rating	

CALCULATIONS:

MAXIMUM SYSTEM VOLTAGE – 690.7(A);

(Voc) (module label) X Thermal Coefficient[3] X # of modules/string = V_{MAX}

MAXIMUM CIRCUIT CURRENT – 690.8(a)(1):

(Isc)(module label) X (Sum of the paralleled modules) X 125%=I_{MAX}

OVERCURRENT DEVICE RATING – 690.9(B):

(Imax) X 125% = OCPD[2]

[1]Supply side connections may be allowed by your utility and shall comply with 705.12(A)

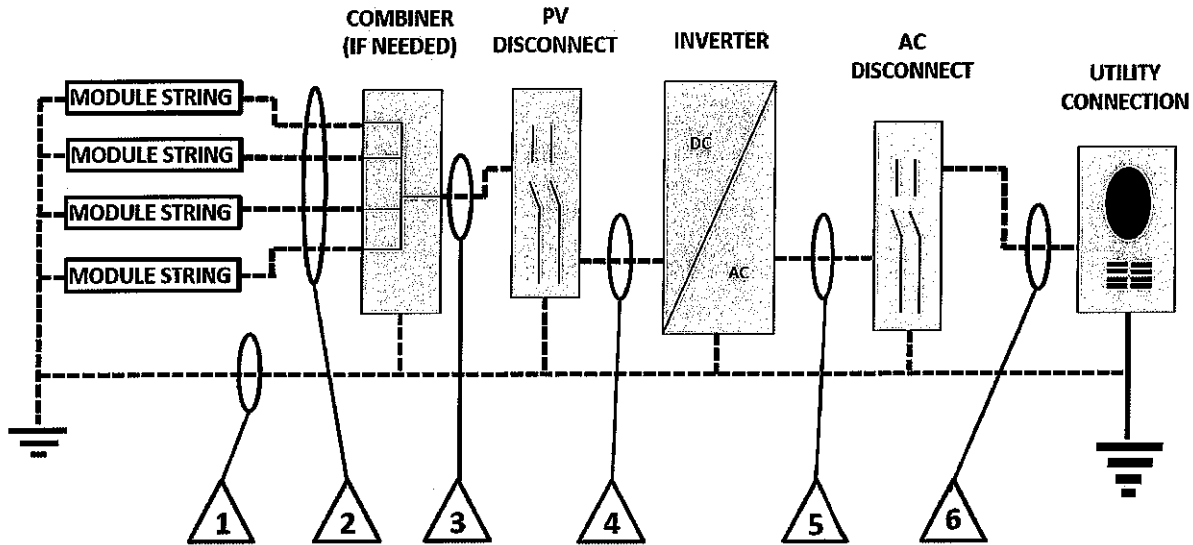[2]OCPD – Overcurrent Protective Device

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CONDUCTOR AND RACEWAY SCHEDULE

△	Conductor Type			Conductor AWG	Conduit Type	Conduit Size
1	Copper Grounding Electrode Conductor Copper Equipment Grounding Conductor				NA	NA
2	PV Source Conductors Use -2 PV Wire				NA	NA
3	THWN-2	XHHW-2	RHW-2			
4	THWN-2	XHHW-2	RHW-2			
5	THWN-2	XHHW-2	RHW-2			
6	THWN-2	XHHW-2	RHW-2			