

# Distribution Interconnection Information System (DIIS)

**Rule 21 Application User Guide** 

September 2017



- ➤ SDG&E has expanded the online Rule 21 application to capture all data from the paper application form
  - The Rule 21 application will be broken out into three steps:
    - 1. Identifying the Generating Facility's Location and Responsible Parties
    - 2. Description of the Generating Facilities
    - 3. Upload of documents
  - ► For questions on the Rule 21 process visit:

    <a href="https://www.sdge.com/business/electric-rule-21-resources">https://www.sdge.com/business/electric-rule-21-resources</a> or email <a href="mailto:DGInquiries@semprautilities.com">DGInquiries@semprautilities.com</a></a>



- Please indicate the type and fuel used as the "prime mover" or source of energy for the Generator
  - 1. Internal Combustion Engine Natural Gas
  - Internal Combustion Engine Diesel Fueled
  - 3. Internal Combustion Engine Other Fuel
  - Microturbine Natural Gas
  - Microturbine Other Fuel
  - Combustion Turbine Natural Gas
  - Combustion Turbine Other Fuel
  - 8. Steam Turbine
  - Photovoltaic Panels
  - 10. Solar-thermal engine
  - 11. Fuel Cell Natural Gas
  - 12. Fuel Cell Other Fuel
  - 13. Hydroelectric Turbine
  - Wind Turbine
  - 15. Energy Storage
  - Other
- 2. Please indicate the design of the Generator. Designate "Inverter" anytime an inverter is used as the interface between the Generator and the electric system regardless of the primary power production/storage device used.



#### **Step 1 Selecting Operation Type**



- Indicate the operating mode of the Generating Facility 1.
- 2. If operating mode is Parallel Operation, select agreement type from the following options:
  - A Generating Facility Interconnection Agreement (Form 142-05202) that provides for parallel operation of the Generating Facility, but does not provide for exporting power to SDG&E's Distribution System.
  - A Generating Facility Interconnection Agreement (Inadvertent Export) (Form 142-0544) that provides for parallel operation of the Generating Facility, and the occasional, inadvertent, non-compensated, export of power to SDG&E's Distribution System
  - A Generating Facility Interconnection Agreement (Continuous Export) (Form 142-0545) that provides for parallel operation of the Generating Facility, and, continuous export of power to SDG&E's Distribution System.
  - A Generating Facility Interconnection Agreement (Form 142-0543) that provides for parallel operation of the third party owned Generating Facility, but does not provide for exporting power to SDG&E's Distribution System.
  - A Generating Facility Interconnection Inadvertent Export Agreement (Form 142-0542) that provides for parallel operation of the third party owned Generating Facility and the occasional, inadvertent, non-compensated, export of power to SDG&E's Distribution System for one second or less.
  - A Customer Generation Agreement (Form 142-0541) that defines the relationship between the Customer whose name appears on SDG&E's electric service account (this agreement must be executed in addition to 4 or 5).

#### **Net Energy Metering Generating Facility**

If Applicant intends to operate the Generating Facility under one of SDG&E's Net Energy Metering tariffs, following a bidirectional metering installation, the meter and disconnect switch must be installed in a location acceptable to SDG&E. Access to the meter and disconnect switch located on Applicant's premises must be in accordance with SDG&E Electric Rule 16, Section A 11.

- A Net Energy Metering Agreement (Form 142-02760) that provides for parallel operation of a qualifying solar and/or wind Generating Facility, and exporting power to SDG&E's Distribution System under the terms of SDG&E's Net Energy Metering tariffs. This option is available only to Renewable Electrical Generating Facilities, as defined in SDG&E's Net Energy Metering tariffs.
- A Net Energy Metering Agreement: Fuel Cell (Form 142-02762) that provides for parallel operation of a qualifying fuel cell Generating Facility with a capacity of not more than 1,000 kW, and exporting power to SDG&E's Distribution System for credit under the terms of SDG&E's Net Energy Metering tariffs This option is available only to eligible Generating Facilities as defined in SDG&E's Net Energy Metering tariffs
- A Net Energy Metering Agreement: Multiple Tariff (Form 117-2160) that provides for parallel operation of a Generating Facility that consists of generators 1) eligible for service under applicable net energy metering tariffs exporting power to SDG&E's Distribution System under the terms of SDG&E's Net Energy Metering tariffs and 2) generators not eligible to receive the same tariff treatment under a Net Metering tariff. All Generating Facility Generators are electrically connected behind the same Point of Common Coupling. This option is available only to Renewable Electrical Generating Facilities, as defined in SDG&E's Net Energy Metering and other applicable tariffs
- Other, please describe

If the answer is operating mode option 1, "parallel operation," please supply all of the information requested for the Generating Facility. Be sure to supply adequate information including diagrams and written descriptions regarding the protective relays that will be used to detect foults or alsometimal operating conditions on SOGAE is bistribution. System. If the answer is operating mode option 2, immensionary parallel includes the surface of the surface of the surface of the surface operations and the surface of the surface of the surface of the surface of the surface operation operation of the surface of the surface operation operation operation operation operations regarding the switching device or scheme that will be used to limit the parallel operation period to one second or less. Please also describe the back up or protective device and controls that will trip the Generating Facility should the transfer switch or scheme of complete the transfer in one second or less. If the answer is operating mode option 3, "Isolated Operation," only relevant questions will be displayed. Be sure, however, to supply adequate information including diagrams and written descriptions regarding the isolating switching the isolating switching the isolating switching.

® Parallel Operation (PO): The Generating facility will interconnect and operate "in parallel" with SDG&E's Distribution

Momentary Parallel Operation (MP): The Generating facility will interconnect and operate on a "momentary parallel" basis with SDG&E's Distribution System for a duration of one (1) second or less through transfer switches or operating schemes specifically designed and engineered for such operation.

Isolated Operation (I): The Generating Facility will be "isolated" and prevented from becoming interconnected with SDG&E's Distribution System through a transfer switch or operating scheme specifically designed and engineered for

Select the Generating Facility Description\* 2





#### For Parallel Operation only, answer the following:

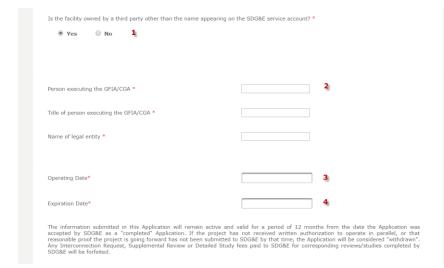
- 1. Indicate the maximum 3-phase fault current
- 2. Please provide an estimate of the maximum kW the Generating Facility is expected to export to SDG&E's Distribution System. If SDG&E determines that the amount of power to be exported is significant in relation to the capacity available on its Distribution System, it may request additional information, including time of delivery or seasonal kW/kWh estimates.
- Please indicate the protection option that will be used to prevent energy from being exported to SDG&E's Distribution System.

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power to SDG&E's	Rule 21, Section G.1.i for additional information as to how to answer this question. If the Generating Facility will <b>never</b> es Distribution System, a simpler, lower cost, protection scheme may be used to control the interface between the Generat E's Distribution System. Choose from the following four options: *
A reverse open an inter	e-power protection device will be installed to measure any export of power and trip the Generating Facility or tie breaker to isolate the Generating Facility if limits are exceeded.
	power protection device will be installed to measure the inflow of power and trip or reduce the output of the acility if limits are not maintained.
of power will	rating Facility Interconnection Facility equipment has been certified as Non-Islanding and the incidental exp be limited by the design of the interconnection. If this option is to be used, the continuous ampere rating of ntrance equipment (service panel rating) that is used by the host Customer facility must be stated in the spa ve.
	is Nameplate Rating of the Generating Facility will not exceed 50% of the host Customer facility's minimum d. If this option is to be used, the minimum load of the host Customer facility must be stated in the space ve.
Note: With the ar	noroval of SDG&F, a Producer that wishes to retain the option to export power from a Generating Facility to SDG&F's



#### **Step 1 Facility Ownership, Operating and Expiration Dates**

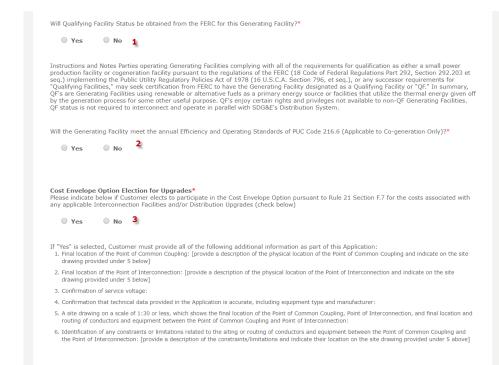
- Indicate if customer or third party owned
- If third party owned, enter person, title, and legal entity executing the Generation Facility Interconnection Agreement ("GFIA") or Customer Generation Agreement ("CGA")
- 3. Enter the date the Generating Facility is expected to begin operation
- 4. Enter the date the status of this Application is changed to "withdrawn" by SDG&E







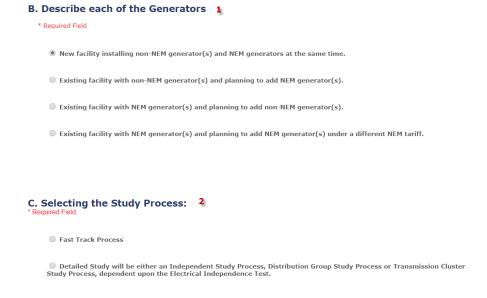
- Indicate if Qualifying Facility Status will be obtained from the FERC for this generating facility (Momentary Parallel and Isolated Operation only)
- Indicate if Generating Facility will meet the annual Efficiency and Operating Standards of PUC Code 216.6 (applicable to Cogeneration only)
- Indicate if Customer elects to participate in the Cost Envelope Option pursuant to Rule 21 Section F.7 for the costs associated with any applicable Interconnection Facilities and/or Distribution Upgrades





#### **Step 1 Describe Generator and Study Process**

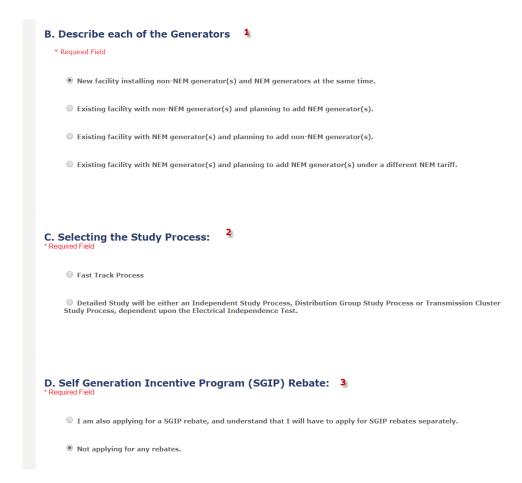
- Select the type of Generating facility
- 2. Select the Study Process



### **Step 1 Describe Generator and Study Process**



- Select the type of Generating facility
- 2. Select the Study Process
- 3. Select whether applying for SGIP or not



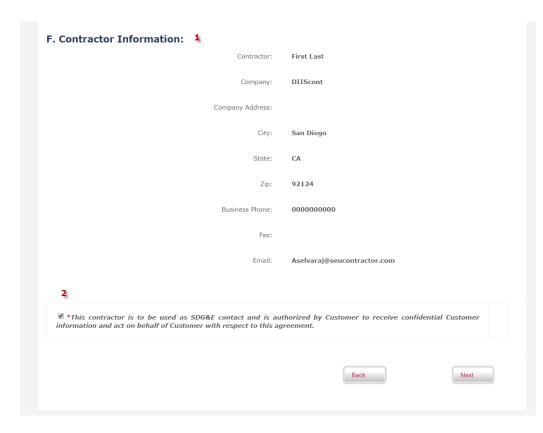


- Enter customer's 10 digit electric account number including leading zeroes
- Enter customer's 8 digit electric meter number including leading zeroes
- 3. Enter customer of record's first name. If business account, leave blank
- Enter customer of record's last name. If business account, enter business name
- Enter electric service address street number
- Enter electric service address street name
- Enter electric service address city
- 8. Enter electric service address zip code
- Enter customer of record's contact phone number
- 10. Enter customer of record's email address



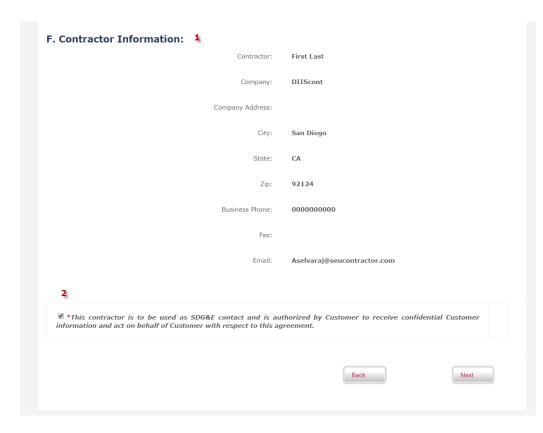


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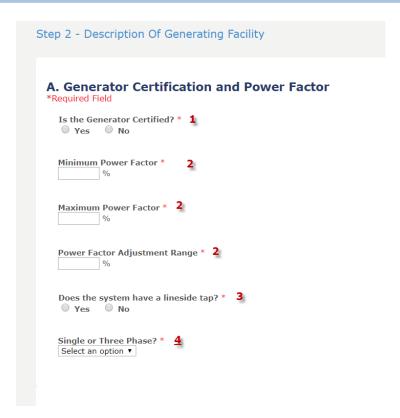
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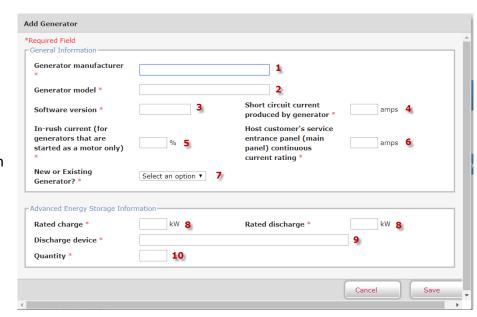
- Is the Generator Certified by a Nationally Recognized
  Testing Laboratory (NRTL) according to Rule 21? Answer
  "Yes" only if the Generator manufacturer can or has
  provided certification data. See SDG&E's Rule 21, Section L
  for additional information regarding Generator
  certification.
- 2. This value should be the nominal power factor rating designated by the manufacturer for the Generator. See SDG&E's Rule 21, Section H.2.i. for additional information. Where the power factor of the Generator is adjustable, please indicate the minimum and maximum operating values. See SDG&E's Rule 21, Section H.2.i.
- 3. SDG&E has special requirements for a lineside tap. Contact SDG&E at: DGInquiries@semprautilities.com.
- 4. Please select whether the system is single or three phase.





# **Step 2 Add Generators - Advanced Energy Storage**

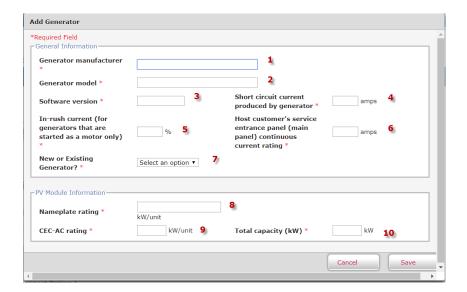
- 1. Enter the brand name of generator
- Enter the model name or number assigned by the manufacturer of the Generator
- If this Generator's control and or protective functions are dependent on a "software" program supplied by the manufacturer of the equipment, please provide the version or release number for the software that will be used.
- 4. Please indicate the current each Generator can supply to a three-phase fault across its output terminals. For single phase Generators, please supply the phase-to-phase fault current.
- 5. See SDG&E's Rule 21, Sections G.1.c and L.3.d for significance and additional information.
- Enter the host customer's service panel continuous current rating.
- 7. Select whether the Generator is new or existing
- 8. This is the charge and discharge capacity (kW) of the energy storage device. Typically the charge and discharge capacity (kW) is equal to the kW rating of the inverter.
- 9. List the discharge device
- 10. Enter quantity of advanced energy storage Generators





# **Step 2 Add Generators - Solar**

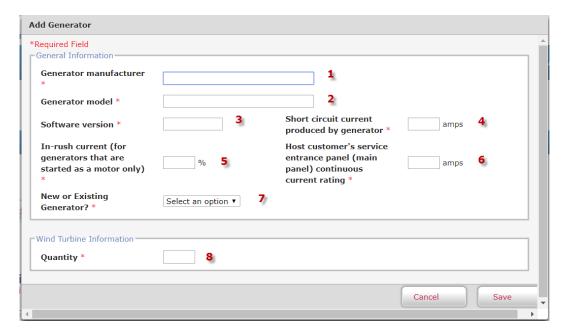
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- Enter the model name or number assigned by the manufacturer of the Generator
- 3. If this Generator's control and or protective functions are dependent on a "software" program supplied by the manufacturer of the equipment, please provide the version or release number for the software that will be used.
- Please indicate the current each Generator can supply to a three-phase fault across its output terminals. For single phase Generators, please supply the phase-to-phase fault current.
- 5. See SDG&E's Rule 21, Sections G.1.c and L.3.d for significance and additional information.
- Enter the host customer's service panel continuous current rating.
- 7. Select whether the Generator is new or existing
- 8. This is the capacity value normally supplied by the manufacturer and stamped on the Generator's nameplate. This is per unit.
- Proceed the California Energy Commission (CEC) AC-rating per panel
- 10. Enter the total capacity in kW of the system.





# **Step 2 Add Generators – Wind Turbines**

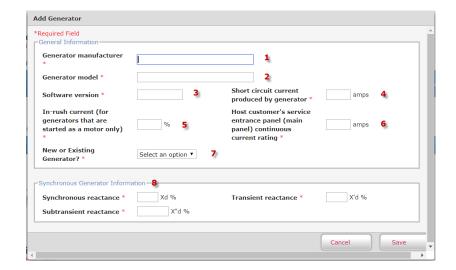
- 1. Enter the brand name of generator
- 2. Enter the model name or number assigned by the manufacturer of the Generator
- 3. If this Generator's control and or protective functions are dependent on a "software" program supplied by the manufacturer of the equipment, please provide the version or release number for the software that will be used.
- 4. Please indicate the current each Generator can supply to a three-phase fault across its output terminals. For single phase Generators, please supply the phase-to-phase fault current.
- See SDG&E's Rule 21, Sections G.1.c and L.3.d for significance and additional information.
- Enter the host customer's service panel continuous current rating.
- Select whether the Generator is new or existing
- 8. Enter the quantity of Wind Turbines





# **Step 2 Add Generators - Synchronous Generators**

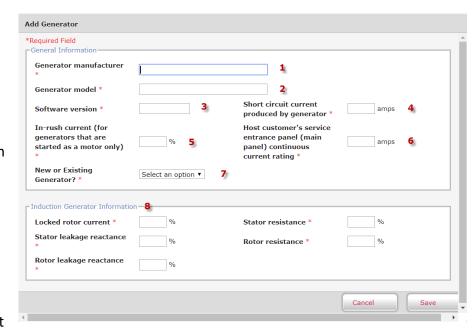
- 1. Enter the brand name of generator
- Enter the model name or number assigned by the manufacturer of the Generator
- If this Generator's control and or protective functions are dependent on a "software" program supplied by the manufacturer of the equipment, please provide the version or release number for the software that will be used.
- Please indicate the current each Generator can supply to a three-phase fault across its output terminals. For single phase Generators, please supply the phase-to-phase fault current.
- 5. See SDG&E's Rule 21, Sections G.1.c and L.3.d for significance and additional information.
- Enter the host customer's service panel continuous current rating.
- 7. Select whether the Generator is new or existing
- 8. Please provide the synchronous reactance, transient reactance, and subtransient reactance values supplied by the manufacturer. This information is necessary to determine the short circuit contribution of the Generator and as data in load flow and short circuit computer models of SDG&E's Distribution System. If the Generator's Gross Nameplate Capacity is 10 MW or greater, SDG&E may request additional data to better model the nature and behavior of the Generator with relation to its Distribution System.





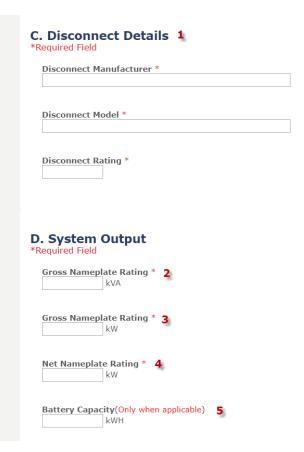
## **Step 2 Add Generators - Induction Generators**

- 1. Enter the brand name of generator
- Enter the model name or number assigned by the manufacturer of the Generator
- If this Generator's control and or protective functions are dependent on a "software" program supplied by the manufacturer of the equipment, please provide the version or release number for the software that will be used.
- Please indicate the current each Generator can supply to a three-phase fault across its output terminals. For single phase Generators, please supply the phase-to-phase fault current.
- 5. See SDG&E's Rule 21, Sections G.1.c and L.3.d for significance and additional information.
- Enter the host customer's service panel continuous current rating.
- 7. Select whether the Generator is new or existing
- 8. Please provide the "locked rotor current" value supplied by the manufacturer. If this value is not available, the stator resistance, stator leakage reactance, rotor resistance, rotor leakage reactance values supplied by the manufacturer may be used to determine the locked rotor current. If the Generator's Gross Nameplate Capacity is 10 MW or greater, SDG&E may request additional data to better model the nature and behavior of the Generator with relation to its Distribution System.



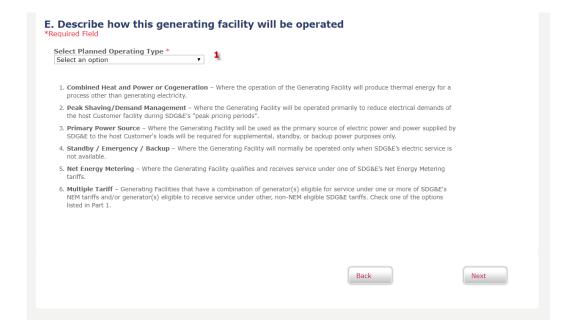


- For systems requiring an AC Disconnect only, please include the requested information about the AC Disconnect. If not applicable mark as NA.
- This is the capacity value normally supplied by the manufacturer and stamped on the Generator's "nameplate". This value is not required where the manufacturer provides only a "kW" rating. However, where both kVA and kW values are available, please indicate them. If not available, use kW rating.
- 3. This is the capacity value normally supplied by the manufacturer and stamped on the Generator's "nameplate". This value is not required where the manufacturer provides only a "kVA" rating. However, where both kVA and kW values are available, please indicate them. If not available, use kVA rating.
- 4. This capacity value is determined by subtracting the "auxiliary" or "station service" loads used to operate the Generator or Generating Facility. Applicants are not required to supply this value but, if it is not supplied, applicable standby charges may be based on the higher "gross" values.
- 5. This is the storage capacity (kWH) and charge and discharge capacity (kW) of the energy storage device. Typically the charge and discharge capacity (kW) is equal to the kW rating of the inverter.



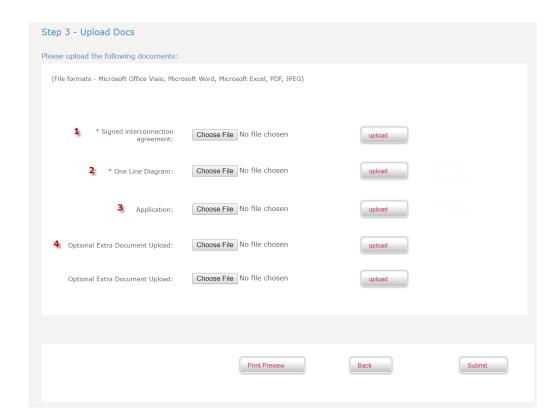


- Chose an operating type from the following options:
  - Combined Heat and Power or Cogeneration
  - Peak Shaving/Demand Management
  - Primary Power Source
  - 4. Standby / Emergency / Backup
  - Net Energy Metering
  - 6. Multiple Tariff
- For questions on the selections please contact
   DGInquiries@semprautilities.com
- When all information from Step 2 is entered accurately, press next





- To upload documents, click "Choose File" then select a file to upload.
- Click on upload once you have selected a file
- Please upload files one by following the instructions below
- The following documents are required
  - 1. Upload signed interconnection agreement
  - 2. Upload One-Line Diagram
- The following documents are optional
  - Upload a scanned paper version of the Rule
     application
  - 2. Upload additional documents
- Click Print Preview to get a PDF of entire application with all fields entered
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