

Our Data Center Process

If you receive a data center inquiry, we are here to help.

We've built a best-in-class intake process designed to quickly understand the project's energy needs, create the right energy solution, and deliver reliable power. From the very first conversation through project execution, our team works side by side with customers to ensure a smooth, predictable, and successful energization. Below is a simple overview of that process.

- 1 Initiate Contact**
 - Reach out to our Data Center Lead.
 - Request a Point of Entry Form (completed by the data center or developer).
- 2 Intake & Evaluation**
 - Form is completed and returned to us.
 - We collect a \$100,000 deposit from the data center/developer to cover proposal development costs. Remaining funds will be refunded OR the data center/developer will be billed if the deposit doesn't cover our costs.
 - We conduct an initial evaluation (may take up to 6 months), including:
 - Engineering estimates
 - Load studies
 - Infrastructure upgrade needs
 - Preliminary cost proposal
- 3 Proposal Presentation**
 - We deliver a project proposal including:
 - Scope
 - Timeline
 - Estimated cost
- 4 Agreement & Design**
 - Customer agrees to proceed.
 - We begin detailed engineering and design.
 - Final project costs are developed.
- 5 Execution**
 - Contracts are executed.
 - Project construction begins.
 - Facility energization when supply and infrastructure is online.

Ready to Serve

We have a proven process in place to carefully validate every large load request, one that reflects national best practices and ensures reliability for all customers.

Our dedicated team of experts reviews every project in detail, bringing decades of planning and operational experience to make sure new growth is responsibly integrated into the grid.

We have served Michigan communities for 140 years, and will remain deeply committed to providing safe, reliable, and affordable energy to every customer we serve.

Reliability comes first. No new customer is connected unless our engineering studies confirm the system can handle the demand without impacting homes and small businesses.

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