



## **Solar Photovoltaic Forecast Methodology Summary of Changes from Version 1.0 to Version 2.0**

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The Solar Photovoltaic Forecast Methodology version 2.0 incorporates the following significant changes from version 1.0, as well minor editorial changes.

### **Section 2 GHG Reduction Project**

- Revised the project definition to include the installation and operation of a grid-connected solar PV system that produces electricity for use both on and off site, offsetting electricity generation from the electrical grid. **(Section 2.1)**
- Clarified what constitutes an “installation site”. **(Section 2.1)**
- Added the requirement that projects must fall within disadvantaged communities. **(Section 2.1)**

### **Section 3 Eligibility Rules**

- Expanded the project location to include regions beyond those that can be modeled with PVWatts® **(Section 3)**
- Updated the Performance Standard Test, adding the requirements that the PV system must be installed in a disadvantaged community and on an existing rooftop or at a commercial, public, industrial or agricultural premises where at least 70% of the expected power produced is intended to be consumed by the project within the disadvantaged community and less than 30% is exported to the grid. **(Section 3.3.1)**

### **Section 5 Quantification Guidance**

- Revised the baseline scenario to be the continued *operation* of existing electricity generation plans from the local utility. **(Section 5.1)**
- Revised project emissions to be the *generation* of solar energy. **(Section 5.2)**