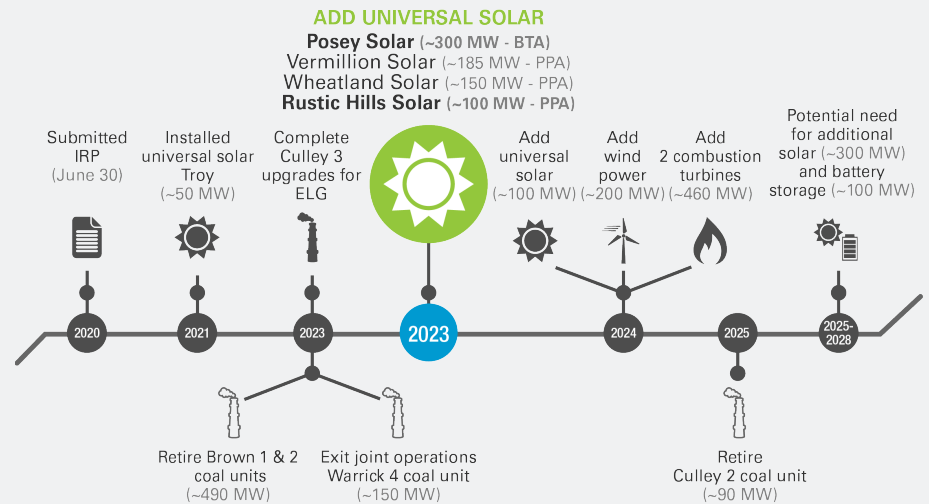




CenterPoint Energy seeks approval for 400 MWs of renewable energy serving SW Indiana

Renewables represent the next component of our Smart Energy Future® Plan

On February 23, 2021, CenterPoint Energy announced its Indiana-based electric and natural gas business, CenterPoint Energy Indiana South, is seeking approval from the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission (IURC) to enter into an agreement on the acquisition of a 300 megawatt (MW) solar array as part of the company's long-term electric generation transition plan announced in June 2020. CenterPoint Energy is also requesting approval to enter into a power purchase agreement (PPA) for an additional 100 MWs of solar energy.



The construction of the solar array (300 MW) and the additional energy obtained through the PPA (100 MW) aligns with CenterPoint Energy's Smart Energy Future® strategy and continues the addition of universal solar to its generation fleet. These projects support our goal to reduce operational emissions by 70 percent by 2035.

Posey County is selected for 300 MW solar array build

CenterPoint Energy is seeking to enter into an agreement with Capital Dynamics, the company that will build the 300 MW utility-owned project in Posey County, Ind. Arevon Energy Management and energy company Tenaska are co-developing the project. Following all required approvals, the solar array will be located on approximately 2,500 acres and will consist of more than 730,000 solar panels. The facility is expected to be fully operational in 2023, generating enough power to meet the needs of more than 50,000 households per year and helping large customers achieve their individual sustainability goals. Construction of the solar project with Capital Dynamics will begin upon the receipt of necessary authorization and permits from the IURC. A decision on CenterPoint Energy's request is expected in late 2021 or early 2022. The initial construction phase will require establishing a sub-station to interconnect with CenterPoint Energy's power grid.

During the proposed 14- to 18-month construction timeline, the project will provide approximately 250 full-time jobs. Additionally, \$47.8 million will be contributed to Posey County during construction, as well as \$1.2 million in property taxes per year during the solar array's operation.

CenterPoint Energy plans to purchase 100 MWs in additional generating capacity

CenterPoint Energy is also proposing to purchase additional solar power from Clenera, which is developing a solar project in SW Indiana, under a 25-year contract. Construction on this solar array will begin upon receipt of necessary authorization and permits, with a decision on CenterPoint Energy's request also expected in late 2021 or early 2022. Scheduled to be in service by 2023, CenterPoint Energy will contract 100 MW of the total 200-MW array, which will generate enough power to meet the needs of more than 18,500 homes per year.



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