sdmay23-27: 115kV/34.5kV Solar Power Plant & Substation Design Project

Week 5 Report October 21 - October 28

Team Members

Madison Lakomek — Researcher Brooke Nelson — Researcher Ashton Randolph — Researcher Jacob Miller — Researcher Jenna Runge — Leader Madissen Lawrence — Meeting Minutes Taker Zachary Zimmerman — Researcher Omer Karar — Researcher

Summary of Progress this Report

The voltage drop spreadsheet was updated to include the new small array that we created. The string length and string wire size for the normal array were updated to ensure the total voltage drop is under 5%. A voltage drop calculation for the small array was created. The jumper length was measured for the small array using our CAD design and added to the voltage drop sheet to ensure it too was under 5%. We also checked the voltage drop excel sheet calculations by hand to ensure the equations used in the excel make sense. Finally, we met as a team with Ajjarapu to discuss how we came to each decision we've made this semester.

Pending Issues

We need to complete ground calculations and update the cost analysis with the new smaller array included into material cost.

Plans for Upcoming Reporting Period

This week we plan to meet to work on the CAD, meet with Ajjarapu, and meet with Black & Veatch. We also hope to get the material needed to complete the ground calculations and update the cost analysis.

Individual Contributions

Team Member	Contribution	Weekly Hours	Total Hours
Madison Lakomek	This week I worked on the proposed plan design document for our class assignment as well as filled out this weekly report.	2	0
Brooke Nelson	This week I worked on voltage drop calculations to ensure that our voltage drop array was accurate. I communicated with team members on the plan for next week.	2	0

Ashton Randolph	I filled out the weekly report and communicated with team members on process and plan for next week. The team completed the proposed plan design document.	2	0
Jacob Miller	Attended team meetings with Ajjarapu	1	0
Jenna Runge	meeting with Black and Veatch was canceled this week due to scheduling conflict. Instead, coordinated with B&V contacts about canceling Wednesday meeting and coordinated with the team to send updates instead. Attended Tuesday meeting with Ajjarapu and worked on updating / finalizing voltage drop calculations. Worked on the weekly design document.	3	0
Madissen Lawrence	Because we did not have a meeting I was not able to take meeting minutes. Other than that I attended the tuesday meeting, and worked on the team documentation (design doc and report)	2	0
Zachary Zimmerman	Spent time working on the key plan on the CAD designs and assisted in finalizing the voltage drop calculations. Helped complete the proposed plan design document.	2	
Omer Karar	Helped to complete the proposed plan design document	1	0

Gitlab Activity Summary

Nothing to report.