### **Distributed Generation (DG) in ERCOT\***

Other regions may refer to these resources as Distributed Energy Resources (DERs). In some cases, Demand Response (DR) is also included.

	Registration	Compensation	Dispatchable	Unit Size	Technologies	2020 Totals
Unregistered Distributed Generation	Not registered with ERCOT	No (but customers may be compensated by their electric providers)	N/A	<ul> <li>Systems         typically less         than 1 MW         (connected to the grid         but may or may not         inject into the grid)</li> <li>Systems greater         than 1 MW         (connected to the grid         but do not inject into         the grid)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Rooftop solar</li> <li>Gas-fired generators</li> <li>Diesel generators</li> </ul>	Estimated at 1,120 MW; of that, 990 MW is rooftop solar  Exact number of projects unknown and some capacity may not be accounted for
Settlement- Only Distributed Generation (SODG)	Registered with ERCOT (systems that are 1 MW or greater and inject into the grid are required to register)	Yes (compensated for energy)	Self-dispatched	Each unit is typically less than 10 MW	<ul> <li>Utility-scale solar</li> <li>Commercial solar</li> <li>Gas-fired generators</li> <li>Diesel generators</li> </ul>	931 MW  Representing 292 projects
Distribution Generation Resources (DGR)	Registered with ERCOT	Yes (compensated for energy and/or Ancillary Services)	Dispatched by ERCOT	Each unit is typically less than 10 MW	<ul> <li>Currently all batteries</li> </ul>	123 MW operational; additional 237 MW in interconnection queue Representing 41 projects

\*Distribution level is <60 kV

# Demand Response (DR) in ERCOT

Load reduction in response to an economic or reliability signal

#### Operational DR

Paid and dispatched by ERCOT

- Load Resources providing Responsive Reserve Services (RRS)
- Emergency Response Service (ERS)

#### **Economic DR**

May be initiated by electricity provider or customer (i.e., smart thermostats under direct load control)

## Distributed Generation (DG) Unregistered Registered Typically < 1 MW Typically <10 MW Settlement-Distribution Only Distributed Generation Generation (SODG) Resources (DGR) Rooftop solar Compensated Compensated for energy for energy and Ancillary Services Fossil-fuel units (Natural gas-fired Utility-scale solar and diesel) Batteries Other Commercial solar technologies Small commercial solar

Fossil-fuel units (Natural gas-fired and diesel)

