



SolarAPP+ Contractor Input Training: Appendix of Input Examples relating to CCCs

Current Carrying Conductors (CCC) Overview: Microinverters

All Inverters

1. The adjacent table includes the input for the number of AC current carrying conductors and DC current carrying conductors based on the inverter brand manufacturer and the expected system design.
2. It is possible that your system would not follow these expected designs. If so, be prepared to defend the selection with the SolarAPP+ team and likely the inspector out in the field.

Inverter MFG	DC CCC (per series string)	AC CCC (per branch)
ABB	2	3
Delta Electronics	2	3
Enphase Energy Inc.		2
LG Electronics Inc.		2
SMA America	2	3
SolarEdge Technologies Ltd.	2	3
Tesla Inc.	2	2

Current Carrying Conductors (CCC) Overview: Microinverters

Microinverters

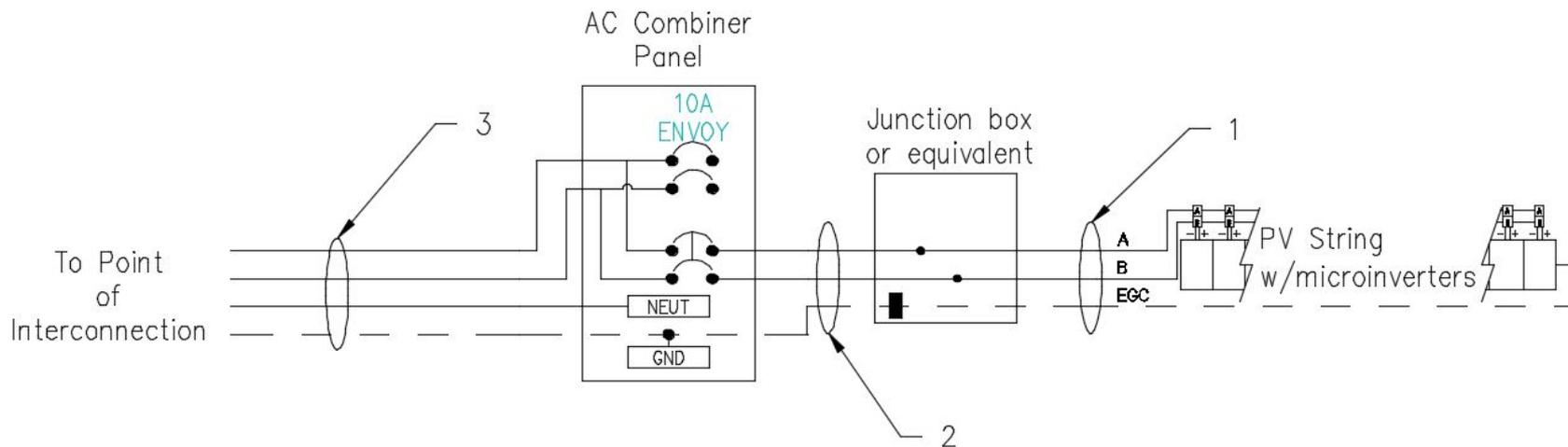
For Enphase, AC current carrying conductors (CCC) refers to the AC output conductors of microinverter branch circuits. The SolarAPP+ is using this value to calculate conduit and wire size.

- Each branch circuit will have (2) CCC. This value will increase with each subsequent branch circuit of microinverters. A system with 2 branches of microinverters will have (4) CCC.
- The output of the combiner box to the point of interconnection will have (3) CCC by default in SolarAPP+.

See the following examples of Enphase microinverters and related CCCs.

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Microinverters: Example 1



Wire call outs and respective CCC

1= 2 CCC

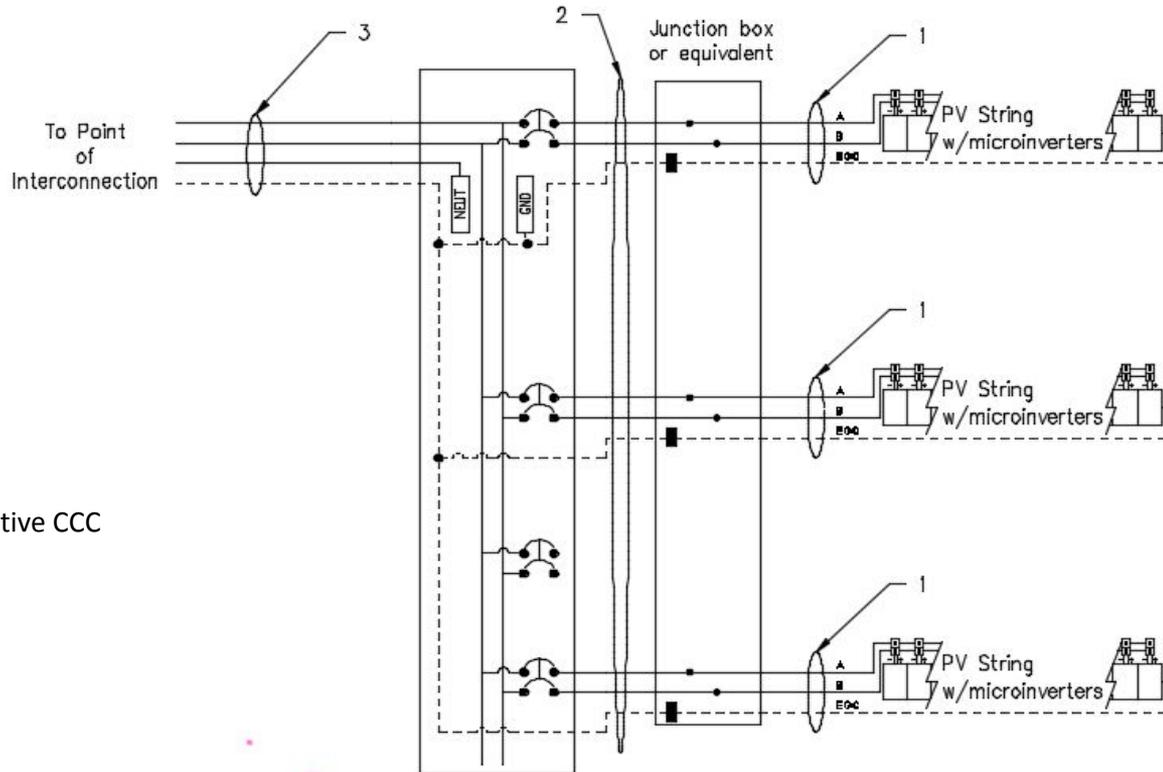
2= 2 CCC

3= 3 CCC

EGC not a CCC

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Microinverters: Example 2



Wire call outs and respective CCC

1= 2 CCC

2= 6 CCC

3= 3 CCC

EGC not a CCC

Current Carrying Conductors (CCC) Overview: Microinverters

Microinverters: Inputs

Max number of AC CCC in raceway, a function of how many branch strings are on the roof x 2

Max number of micro/AC modules in a branch = Branch of (x) (largest series branch)

Circuit Requirements: Inverter Output AC

Input the maximum number of AC current carrying THWN-2 conductors in raceway

What is the maximum number of Microinverters/AC Modules in a single branch?

Is one microinverter used per module?

Will all individual microinverter or AC Module branch circuits be protected by a 20A OCPD? (Answering "No" will make SolarAPP use a 15A OCPD whenever the branch circuit continuous current is sufficiently low).

Is the maximum quantity of microinverters or AC Modules in a series string rated for a maximum branch circuit continuous inverter output of 16.5 A?

Will NM cable be used for inverter output circuits? (Note: If you install NM cable, it must be installed according to the Code.)

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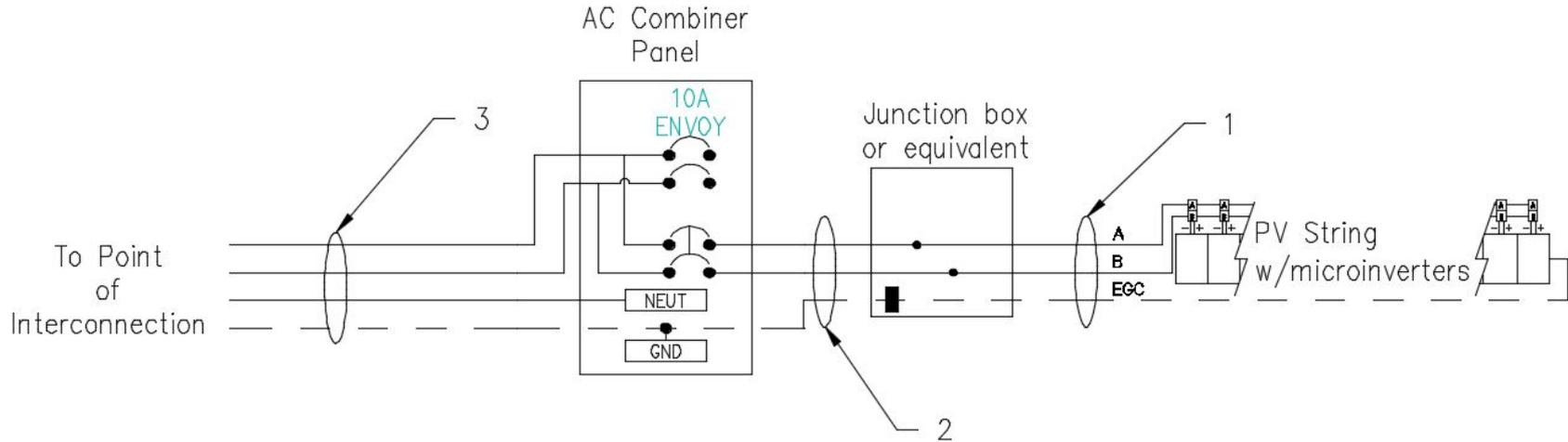
String Inverter w/DC

For Solaredge, DC current carrying conductors (CCC) refers to the DC output conductors of series string.

- Each series string will have (2) CCC.
- A system with parallel strings (2 series strings combined in parallel) will have (2) CCC.
- If using a junction box or equivalent: transition from PV wire to THWN
- The output of the AC combiner box to the point of interconnection will have (3) CCC by default in SolarAPP+.

Current Carrying Conductors (CCC) Overview: String Inverter w/DC

String Inverter w/DC: Example 1



Wire call outs and respective CCC

1= 2 CCC

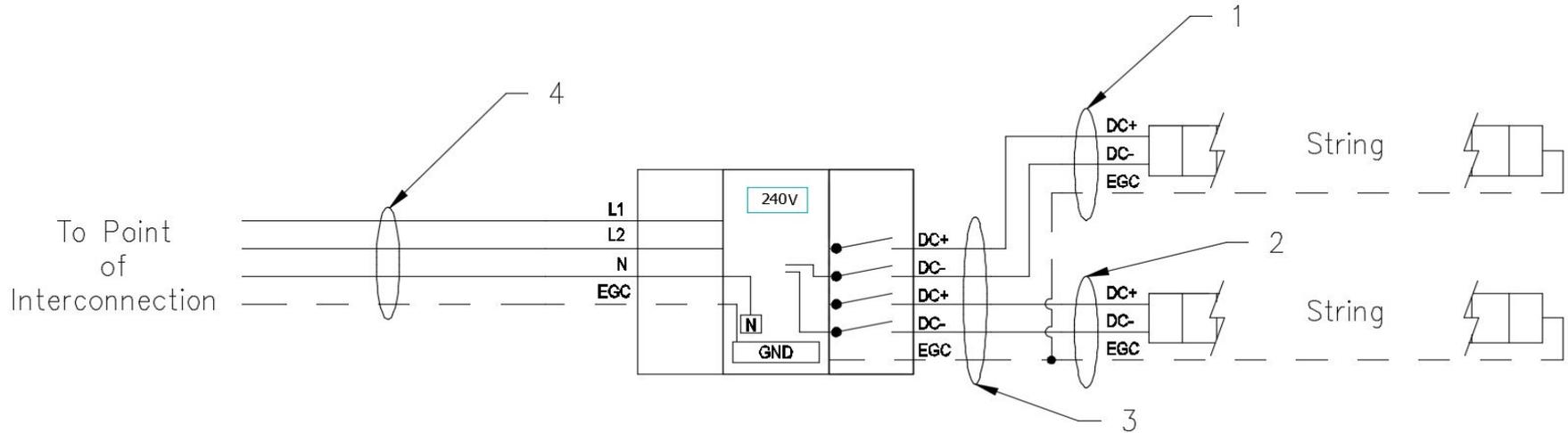
2= 2 CCC

3= 3 CCC

EGC not a CCC

Current Carrying Conductors (CCC) Overview: String Inverter w/DC

String Inverter w/DC: Example 2



Wire call outs and respective CCC

1= 2 CCC

2= 2 CCC

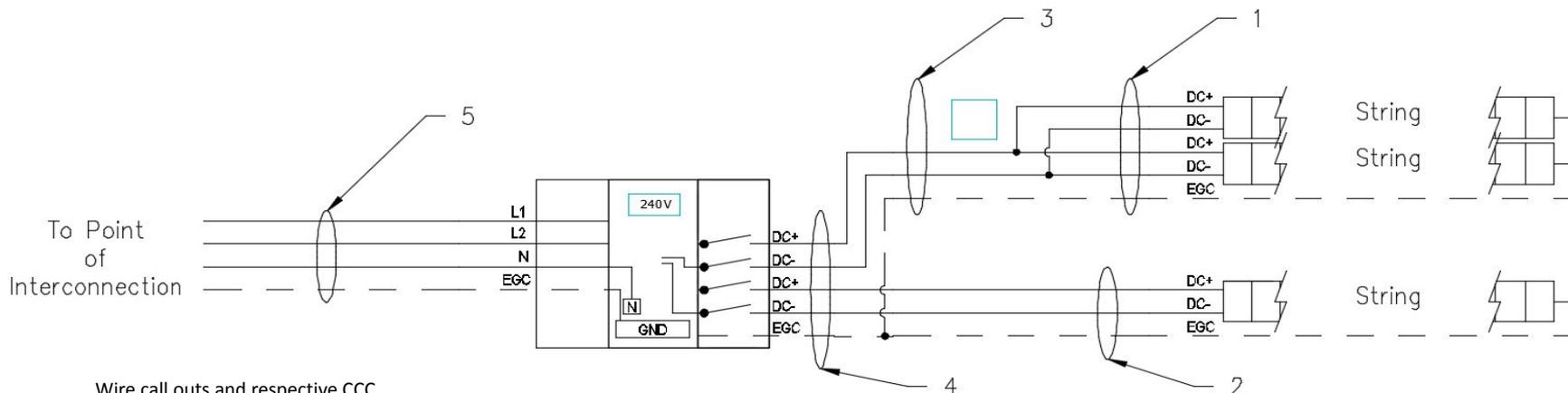
3= 4 CCC

4= 3 CCC

EGC not a CCC

Current Carrying Conductors (CCC) Overview: String Inverter w/DC

String Inverter w/DC: Example 3



Wire call outs and respective CCC

1= 4 CCC

2= 2 CCC

3= 2 CCC

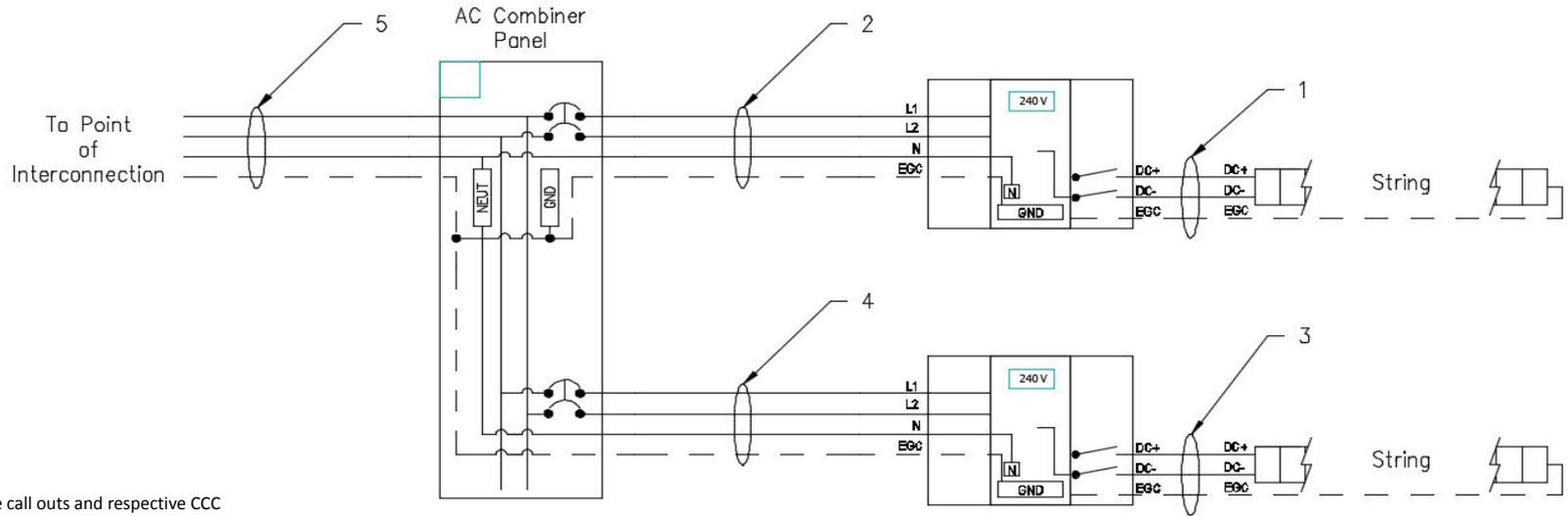
4= 4 CCC

5= 3 CCC

EGC not a CCC

Current Carrying Conductors (CCC) Overview: String Inverter w/DC

String Inverter w/DC: Example 4



Wire call outs and respective CCC

1= 2 CCC

2= 3 CCC

3= 2 CCC

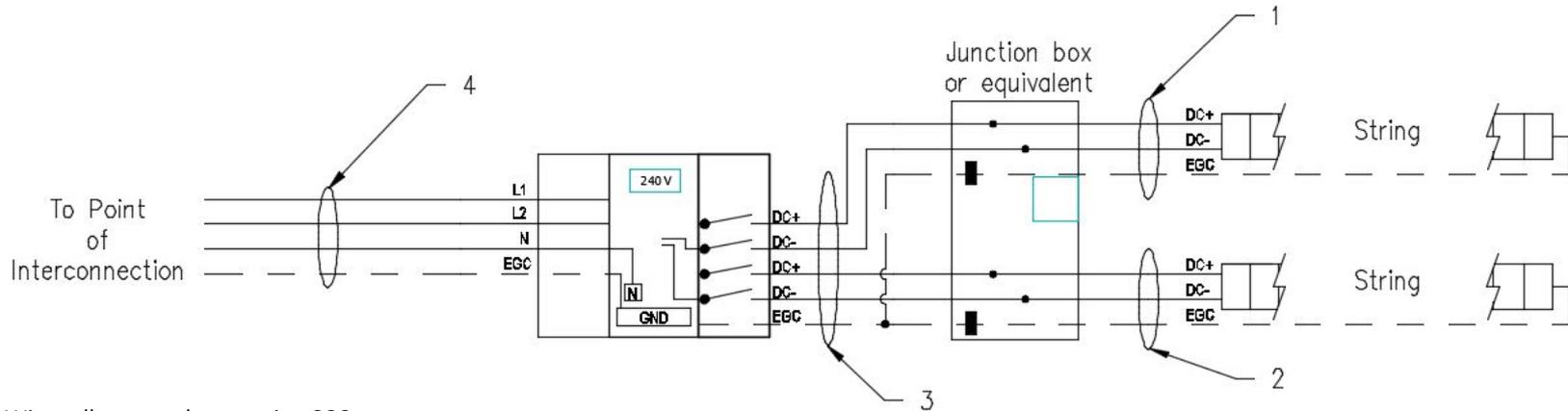
4= 3 CCC

5= SolarAPP+ will automatically default to 3 CCC

EGC not a CCC

Current Carrying Conductors (CCC) Overview: String Inverter w/DC

String Inverter w/DC: Example 5



Wire call outs and respective CCC

1= 2 CCC

2= 2 CCC

3= 4 CCC

4= 3 CCC

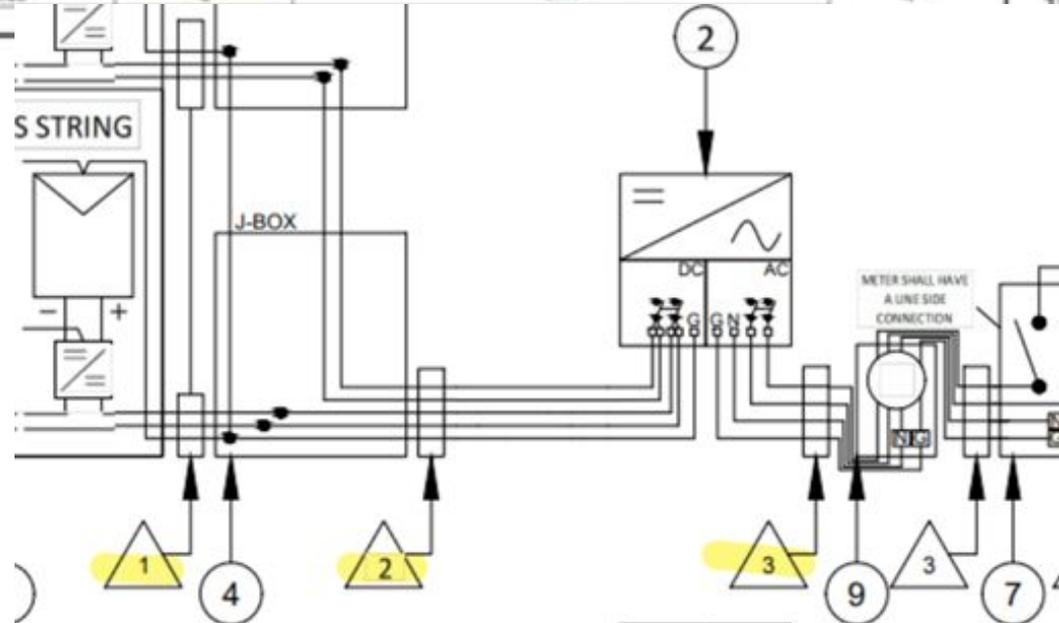
At junction box PV wire transitions to THWN

EGC not a CCC

Current Carrying Conductors (CCC) Overview: String Inverter w/DC

String Inverter w/DC: Example 6

△ CONDUIT AND CONDUCTOR SCHEDULE (PER NEC 690.8(B), TABLE 310.15(B)(2)(a), TABLE 250.122)						
TAG	CONDUCTOR TYPE	CONDUCTOR SIZE	# OF CONDUCTORS	CONDUIT TYPE	MIN. CONDUIT SIZE	
1	OPTIMIZER CABLE	#10	2	IN FREE AIR	N/A	
	BARE COPPER (EGC)	#6	1	IN FREE AIR		
2	THWN-2	#10	4	MC THROUGH ATTIC WHERE POSSIBLE, OTHERWISE EMT RUN ON ROOF	3/4"	
	THWN-2 / EGC	#10	1	MC THROUGH ATTIC WHERE POSSIBLE, OTHERWISE EMT RUN ON ROOF		
3	THWN-2	#8	3	EMT	3/4"	
	THWN-2 / EGC	#10	1	EMT		



There are (0) PV wire in raceway, (4) THWN-2 DC conductor in raceway, and (3) THWN-2 AC conductor in raceway.

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String Inverters w/DC-DC Converters: Inputs

Circuit Requirements: Inverter Input DC

Input the maximum number of DC current carrying PV wire or USE-2 conductors in raceway

Max number of DC CCC in raceway
PV wire



Input the maximum number of DC current carrying THWN-2 conductors in raceway

Max number of DC CCC in raceway
THWN wire



Are any series strings combined in parallel, with a maximum of 2 strings in parallel?

If 2 series strings combined
in parallel = Yes



What is the maximum quantity of modules in a DC series string?

Max number in a series string =
Branch of (x)
(largest series string)



Does the quantity of series connected DC-DC converters exceed the manufacturers instructions to ensure a maximum string voltage of less than 600V?