

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN RE: APPLICATION FOR STANDARD CERTIFICATION DOCKET NO. 3947
AS ELIGIBLE RENEWABLE ENERGY RESOURCE FILED
BY CONSERVATION SERVICES GROUP AS THE AUTHORIZED
REPRESENTATIVE FOR CASELLA WASTE SYSTEMS, NEW GENERATION

ORDER

WHEREAS, Effective January 1, 2006, the Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission ("Commission") adopted Rules and Regulations Governing the Implementation of a Renewable Energy Standard (RES Regulations) including requirements for applicants seeking certification as an Eligible Renewable Energy Resource under the RES Regulations¹ pursuant to the Renewable Energy Act, Section 39-26-1 et. seq. of the General Laws of Rhode Island; and

WHEREAS, On April 25, 2008, Casella Waste Systems ("Company", Authorized Representative: Stephanie Hamilton, Contracts Administrator, Conservation Services Group, 40 Washington St. Westborough, MA 01581, (T) 508-836-9500 x 13285; (F) 508-836-3181 Stephanie.Hamilton@csgrp.com) filed with the Commission an application seeking certification for its Clinton Generation Unit, a 4.8 MW biomass (landfill methane gas) energy Generation Unit located in Morrisonville, NY, as an eligible New Renewable Energy Resource under the State of Rhode Island RES Regulations; and

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Section 6.0 and other relevant Sections of the RES Regulations, a thirty (30) day period for public comment was provided during which time no comments were received, and

WHEREAS, After examination, the Commission is of the opinion that the application is proper, reasonable and in compliance with the RES Regulations, and

¹ State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations Public Utilities Commission Rules and Regulations Governing the Implementation of a Renewable Energy Standard – Date of Public Notice: September 23, 2005, Date of Public Hearing: October 12, 2005, Effective Date: January 1, 2006.

hereby grants the Company certification as an eligible renewable energy resource pursuant to the Renewable Energy Act, Section 39-26-1 et. seq. of the General Laws of Rhode Island; and

WHEREAS, The Commission's determination in this docket is based on the information submitted by the Company, and the Commission may reverse its ruling or revoke the Applicant's certification if any material information provided by the Applicant proves to be false or misleading.

Accordingly, it is

(19363) ORDERED:

1) That the Clinton Generation Unit, meets the requirements for eligibility as a New, Eligible Biomass Renewable Energy Resource with its 4.8 MW, Grid-Connected Generation Unit having a Commercial Operation Date of September, 2008 and located within a Control Area adjacent to NEPOOL in Morrisonville, NY.

2) That, as a Generation Unit which has not yet achieved Commercial Operation, eligibility is granted with a conditional requirement that the Company provide the Commission with written documentation verifying Commercial Operation and that the Company provide the Generation Unit's NEPOOL-GIS Asset Identification Number when assigned by NEPOOL following achievement of Commercial Operation.

3) That, following receipt from the Company of acceptable written documentation supporting the Generation Unit's Commercial Operation Date and provision of the NEPOOL-GIS asset identification number, Commission Staff is hereby authorized to assign a unique Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission Eligible Renewable Energy Resource Facility Certification Number for the Company's Generation Unit.

4) That, as a Generation Unit located in a control area adjacent to NEPOOL, eligibility is granted only to the extent that the energy produced by the Generation Unit is

actually delivered into NEPOOL for consumption by New England customers where delivery of such energy from the Generation Unit into NEPOOL is verified in accordance with Sections 5.1(ii) and 5.1(iii) of the RES regulations.

5) That, although the Commission will rely upon the documentation specified in Sections 5.1(ii) and 5.1(iii) of the RES Regulations and the NEPOOL GIS for verification of production of energy from the Company's Generation Unit certified as eligible in this Order, the Company will provide information and access as necessary to the Commission, or persons acting at its behest, to conduct audits or site visits to assist in verification of continued eligibility for and compliance with RI RES Certification at any time at the Commission's discretion. Such continuing verification shall include a quarterly affidavit and supporting documentation of use of eligible fuels.

6) That the Company shall notify the Commission in the event of a change in the facility's eligibility status.

DATED AND EFFECTIVE AT WARWICK, RHODE ISLAND ON JULY 30, 2008 PURSUANT TO AN OPEN MEETING DECISION. WRITTEN ORDER ISSUED AUGUST 6, 2008.

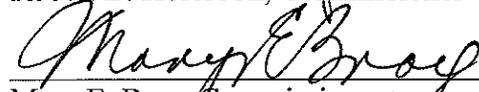
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