

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN RE: APPLICATION FOR STANDARD CERTIFICATION : DOCKET NO. 4421
AS ELIGIBLE RENEWABLE ENERGY RESOURCE :
FILED BY STEPHEN J. FISK, GENERAL MANAGER, :
MINI-WATT HYDROELECTRIC :

ORDER

WHEREAS, On November 6, 2013, Mini-Watt Hydroelectric LLC (Company) filed an application with the Public Utilities Commission (PUC) seeking certification of the Orange #1 and Orange #2 hydroelectric generators (Mini-Watt Hydroelectric), a 0.455 MW small hydro energy generation unit located in Orange, Massachusetts, as a resource capable of producing as both an eligible New and Existing Renewable Energy Resource in accordance with the PUC's Rules and Regulations Governing the Implementation of a Renewable Energy Standard ("RES Rules") and R.I. Gen. Laws § 39-26-1¹; and

WHEREAS, Pursuant to § 6.0 and other relevant sections of the RES Regulations, a thirty day period for public comment was provided during which time no such comment was received; and

WHEREAS, On November 28, 2013 and December 5, 2013, supplemental and clarifying information was provided to PUC staff and their application review consultant in response to the application review consultant's November 26, 2013 and December 5, 2013 request for said information; and

¹ The authorized representative was identified as William P. Short III, Consultant, P.O. Box 237173, New York, New York 10023-7173, Phone:(917) 206-0001, Fax:(917) 206-0001 Email: w.shortiii@verizon.net.

WHEREAS, Said supplemental and clarifying information included: the new/existing calculation spreadsheet containing historical and post-improvement flow and generation data for the facility, as well as assurances that a discrepancy between the facility's capacity on the NEPOOL GIS website and that listed on the application will be resolved; and

WHEREAS, After examination, the PUC is of the opinion that the application, including said supplemental information, is proper, reasonable, and in compliance with the RES Regulations and hereby grants the Company certification as an eligible Existing and New Renewable Energy Resource pursuant to the R.I. Gen. Laws § 39-26-1; and

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

Accordingly, it is

(21296) ORDERED:

1) Sixty-three percent of the generation from the Orange #1 and Orange #2 (Mini-Watt Hydroelectric) Generation Unit meets the requirements for eligibility as an Existing Small Hydro Renewable Energy Resource with its 0.455 MW, Incremental Intermittent, Grid-Connected Generation Unit having an approximate Commercial Operation Date of January 1, 1940 and located within the NEPOOL Control Area in Orange, Massachusetts.

2) The designated Existing percentage of the Company's Generation Units as identified above is hereby assigned unique certification number RI-4421-E13.

3) Thirty-seven percent of the generation from the Orange #1 and Orange #2 (Mini-Watt Hydroelectric) Generation Unit meets the requirements for eligibility as a New Small Hydro Renewable Energy Resource with its 0.455 MW, Incremental Intermittent, Grid-Connected Generation Unit having an approximate Commercial Operation Date of January 1, 1940 and located within the NEPOOL Control Area in Orange, Massachusetts.

4) The designated New percentage of Company's Generation Units as identified above is hereby assigned unique certification number RI-4421-N13.

5) The Generation Units' NEPOOL-GIS Identification Numbers are MSS854 (Orange #1) and MSS855 (Orange #2).

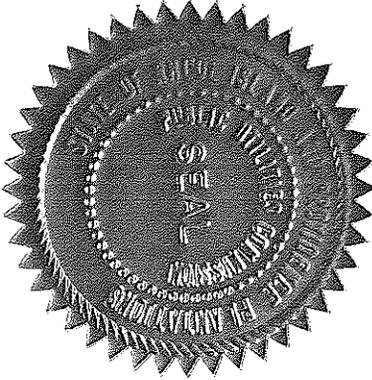
6) The facility's Renewable Energy Certificates (RECs) become Rhode Island-eligible effective on the first day on which the Rhode Island certification number is issued. All RECs associated with the production of eligible energy that are minted on or after the effective date are eligible for the RES.

7) Although the PUC will rely upon the NEPOOL GIS for verification of production of energy from the Company's Generation Units certified as eligible in this Order, the Company will provide information and access as necessary to the PUC, 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 PUC's discretion.

8) The Company shall notify the PUC in the event of a change in the facility's eligibility status.

EFFECTIVE AT WARWICK, RHODE ISLAND ON DECEMBER 20, 2013
PURSUANT TO AN OPEN MEETING DECISION. WRITTEN ORDER ISSUED
DECEMBER 24, 2013.

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION



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NOTICE OF RIGHT OF APPEAL: Pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws § 39-5-1, any person aggrieved by a decision or order of the PUC may, within seven days (7) from the date of the order, petition the Supreme Court for a Writ of Certiorari to review the legality and reasonableness of the decision or order.