

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS  
**PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**

IN RE: APPLICATION FOR STANDARD CERTIFICATION : DOCKET NO. 4558  
AS ELIGIBLE RENEWABLE ENERGY RESOURCE FILED :  
BY STEELS POND HYDRO, INC. – NEW GENERATION :

ORDER

WHEREAS, On March 24, 2015, Steels Pond Hydro, Inc.<sup>1</sup> (Company), filed with the PUC an application seeking certification for the first 0.300 MW of its Steels Pond Hydro Project Generation Unit, ultimately a 0.900 MW Repowered Small Hydro energy Generation Unit located in Antrim, New Hampshire, as an eligible New Renewable Energy Resource in accordance with the PUC's Rules and Regulations Governing the Implementation of a Renewable Energy Standard (RES Regulations) and R.I. Gen. Laws §39-26-1; and

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

WHEREAS, On June 3, June 17, and June 21, 2015, supplemental and clarifying information was provided to PUC Staff and their application review consultant in response to the application review consultant's May 21 and June 17, 2015 requests for said information; and

WHEREAS, Said supplemental and clarifying information included: photographs, tax records, and streamflow and generation data to confirm conditions satisfactory under the definition of a repowered generation unit; and

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<sup>1</sup> The authorized representative was identified as William P. Short, Consultant, PO Box 237173, New York, NY 10023-7173, Phone: (203)917-206-0001 Fax: (917) 206-0001 Email: w.shortiii@verizon.net.

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 renewable energy resource pursuant to 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

(21957) ORDERED:

1) The Steels Pond Hydro Project Generation Unit, meets the requirements for eligibility as a New, Small Hydro Renewable Energy Resource with its Repowered currently 0.300 MW (and ultimate 0.900 MW), Grid-Connected Generation Unit having a Commercial Operation Date of January 5, 2015 and located within the NEPOOL control area in Antrim, New Hampshire.

2) The Generation Unit's NEPOOL-GIS Identification Number is MSS909.

3) The Company's Generation Unit as identified above is hereby assigned unique certification number RI-4558-N15.

4) The facility's Renewable Energy Certificates (RECs) become Rhode Island-eligible effective on the first day 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.

5) Although the PUC will rely upon 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 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.

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


EFFECTIVE AT WARWICK, RHODE ISLAND ON JULY 1, 2015  
PURSUANT TO AN OPEN MEETING DECISION. WRITTEN ORDER ISSUED  
JULY 2, 2015.

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION



  
Margaret E. Curran, Chairperson

  
Paul J. Roberti, Commissioner

  
Herbert F. DeSimone, Jr., Commissioner

**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.