

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

INVESTIGATION INTO ISSUES RELATED TO)
THE CHANGING DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM)
_____)

Docket No. 4600

REQUEST FOR STAKEHOLDER STATUS
BY
NEW ENERGY RI

By its attorneys, New Energy RI, hereby requests stakeholder status in this docket. New Energy RI is a coalition of entities engaged in Rhode Island's new energy economy. As of now, the coalition includes: Clean Economy Development, LLC; Green Development, LLC dba Wind Energy Development, LLC (WED); Heartwood Group, Inc.; ISM Solar Solutions, LLC; NPTRE - Newport Renewables; and Newport Solar. We anticipate additional coalition members and will inform the Commission as they are added. In support of this request, New Energy RI responds to the Commission's criteria as follows:

1. All members of New Energy RI are either developers of renewable energy projects in Rhode Island or have an interest in developing renewable energy projects or in having renewable energy projects developed or owning and operating renewable energy projects in this State.
2. Most members of New Energy RI employ people or intend to employ people or pay to have people employed in developing and/or owning and operating renewable energy projects in Rhode Island; others have other financial interest in renewable energy development.
3. All members of New Energy RI have authorized Handy Law, LLC to represent them in these proceedings, as evidenced by the attached authorization letters.

4. New Energy RI commits to actively participate in this stakeholder process in good faith and in the development of recommendations on issues considered in this docket.
5. The interests of New Energy RI will not be adequately represented by other parties to this proceeding for the following reasons, among others:
 - a. New Energy RI's members provide a range of unique experience, perspectives and insights on the business of developing renewable energy projects in Rhode Island.
 - b. The results of this proceeding will likely have unique impacts on each member of New Energy RI.
 - c. Members of New Energy RI actively participated in Docket 4568 and, as a result, can help provide continuity based on its particular advocacy in and understanding of that important context for this proceeding.
 - d. Members of New Energy RI have participated extensively in many other PUC dockets and other legislative and policy efforts that will inform their ability to make unique contributions in this stakeholder process.
 - e. New Energy RI's member WED presented the expert testimony of Karl R. Rábago in Docket 4568, which outlined his extensive experience with a methodology for the valuation of the impacts of distributed generation on our energy system and its customers, and New Energy RI intends to also engage Mr. Rábago's expertise in this proceeding.

WHEREFORE, New Energy RI asks that the Commission grant this request for stakeholder status.

Respectfully submitted,

NEW ENERGY RI

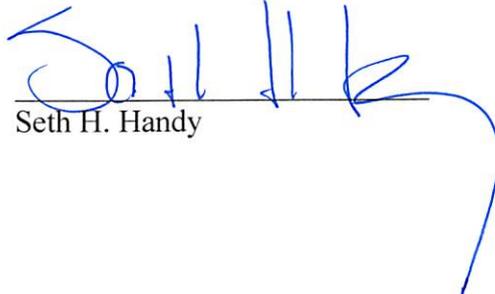
By their attorneys,



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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on April 1, 2016, I sent a true copy of the document by electronic mail to the PUC and the service list and filed the original pleading and 9 photocopies with the PUC.



Seth H. Handy



March 31, 2016

Luly E. Massaro, Clerk
RI Public Utilities Commission
89 Jefferson Blvd.
Warwick, RI 02888

Re: Docket No. 4600 - Investigation Into Issues Related to the Changing Electric Distribution System

Dear Ms. Massaro:

Please accept this letter as authorization that Handy Law, LLC represents Clean Economy Development, LLC with regard to all issues considered in Docket 4600 – Investigation Into Issue Related to the Changing Electric Distribution System. We are a renewable energy consulting business with 2 employees in RI. We appreciate the opportunity to participate in this very important stakeholder process.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Julian Dash'.

Name: Julian Dash
Title: Managing Partner



March 31, 2016

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Dear Ms. Massaro:

Please accept this letter as authorization that Handy Law, LLC represents Green Development, LLC d/b/a Wind Energy Development with regard to all issues considered in Docket 4600 – Investigation Into Issue Related to the Changing Electric Distribution System. We are a business that develops and constructs wind turbines with more than a dozen employees in RI. We appreciate the opportunity to participate in this very important stakeholder process.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Michelle Carpenter
Wind Energy Development
Chief Operating Officer



HEARTWOOD GROUP, INC.

165 Evergreen Street, Providence, RI 02906

401-861-1650

February 25, 2016

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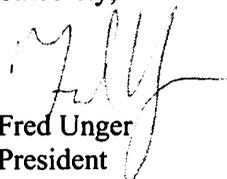
Re: Docket No. 4600 - Investigation Into Issues Related to the Changing Electric Distribution System

Dear Ms. Massaro:

Please accept this letter as authorization that Handy Law, LLC represents Heartwood Group, Inc. with regard to all issues considered in Docket 4600 – Investigation Into Issue Related to the Changing Electric Distribution System. We are a renewable energy project development company based in Providence, RI. We appreciate the opportunity to participate in this very important stakeholder process.

Thank you.

Sincerely,



Fred Unger
President



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Dear Ms. Massaro:

Please accept this letter as authorization that Handy Law, LLC represents ISM Solar Solutions, LLC with regard to all issues considered in Docket 4600 – Investigation Into Issue Related to the Changing Electric Distribution System. We are a solar development business with two employees in RI. We appreciate the opportunity to participate in this very important stakeholder process.

Thank you.

Sincerely,


Michael Lucini
Sr. Program Manager



March 31, 2016

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**Re: Docket No. 4600 - Investigation Into Issues Related to the Changing
Electric Distribution System**

Dear Ms. Massaro:

Please accept this letter as authorization that Handy Law, LLC represents Newport Renewables with regard to all issues considered in Docket 4600 – Investigation Into Issue Related to the Changing Electric Distribution System. We are a clean energy solutions business with eight employees in RI. We appreciate the opportunity to participate in this very important stakeholder process.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "NHL", written over a horizontal line.

Title:

MANAGING MEMBER



3/25/2015

376 Dry Bridge Rd.
North Kingstown, RI 02852

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89 Jefferson Blvd.
Warwick, RI 02888
Re: Docket No. 4600 - Investigation Into Issues Related to the Changing
Electric Distribution System

Dear Ms. Massaro,

Please accept this letter as authorization that Handy Law, LLC represents Newport Solar with regard to all issues considered in Docket 4600 – Investigation Into Issue Related to the Changing Electric Distribution System.

We are a solar design and installation business with ten full-time and three part-time employees in RI. We appreciate the opportunity to participate in this very important stakeholder process.

Thank you.

Sincerely,
Doug Sabetti

Title: President