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

PETITION OF TESLA, INC. & SUNRUN, INC. FOR DECLARATORY JUDGMENT PURSUANT TO R.I. GEN. LAWS §39-26.4 et seq., THE NET METERING ACT

Docket No. 4743

## RESPONSE OF TESLA, INC. TO FIRST SET OF DATA REQUESTS DIRECTED TO TESLA, INC. AND SUNRUN INC. BY THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION (October 6, 2017)

- 1-1. Please provide diagrams to show the configuration and technical specifications of the system for which the Petition seeks to be ruled eligible for net metering.
  - 1-1. RESPONSE: Tesla's Powerwall Owner Manual is available at the following web link:

https://www.tesla.com/sites/default/files/pdfs/powerwall/powerwall 2 ac owners manual.pdf Tesla's Powerwall Technical Specifications are available at the following web link. Please refer to the "Technical Specs" section at the bottom of the page. https://www.tesla.com/powerwall

- 1-2. Please explain whether there will be any ongoing compliance to ensure that the installations remain configured to only charge from solar and not from the distribution grid. If not, please explain why ongoing inspections would not be necessary.
  - 1-2. RESPONSE: There is no need for ongoing compliance. NGRID already accounts for the full capacity of both the storage unit and the PV system in its interconnection process. Please also see response to Division data request 1-4
- 1-3. Please explain how the size of the solar system with storage would be sized in compliance with R.I. Gen. Laws §39-26.4-2(5).
  - 1-3. RESPONSE: Tesla does not intend to change the way it sizes its customers' solar net metering systems. Consistent with National Grid's position, it is Tesla' position that with respect to Net Metering eligibility, the solar+storage system capacity is equal the inverter nameplate or capacity rating of the solar PV unit (i.e the Solar Net Metered Resource) that is associated with, up to 25 kW. Adding a battery a solar PV system does not alter the size of that system. Please also see response to DPUC data request 1-5

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