

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

IN RE: APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATION AS	: DOCKET O. 4853
ELIGIBLE RENEWABLE ENERGY RESOURCE FILED	:
BY CERSOSIMO LUMBER COMPANY, INC.	:
– NEW GENERATION	:

ORDER

WHEREAS, On July 27, 2018, Cersosimo Lumber Company, Inc.¹ (Company) filed with the Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission (PUC) an application seeking certification for its Cersosimo Lumber Generation Unit, an 0.800 MW eligible biomass Generation Unit located in Brattleboro, Vermont, as an eligible New Renewable Energy Resource in accordance with the PUC's Rules and Regulations Governing the Implementation of a Renewable Energy Standard (Rules) and R.I. Gen. Laws § 39-26-1; and

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

WHEREAS, The application included a request that VEPP Inc., as aggregator of a number of Vermont Standard Offer Program projects (all of which are grid-connected),² be approved to serve as an independent verifier for verifying electrical generation output

¹ The authorized representative was identified as Jeff Hardy, 1103 Vernon Street Brattleboro, VT 05301; Phone: (802) 254-4508; Email: jhardy@cersosimo.com.

² Per VEPP Inc. communication, dated October 4, 2017, the Commission has confirmed that the entire output from this and related Vermont facilities is directly interconnected and delivered to the utility grid and distributed pro-rata to the Vermont utilities pursuant to the Vermont statute governing the Standard Offer Program.

and entering into the NEPOOL Generation Information System (GIS) the quantity of eligible energy produced by applicant's Generation Unit;³ and

WHEREAS, Supplemental and clarifying information was provided to PUC Staff and their application review consultant on November 19, 2018, in response to the application review consultant's requests for said information on September 18, 2018; and

WHEREAS, Said supplemental and clarifying information included: (a) clarification and documentation regarding the owner of the Generation Unit, (b) clarification regarding the nameplate capacity of the Generation Unit, (c) clarification regarding the maximum demonstrated capacity of the Generation Unit, and (d) clarification regarding the Facility Description contained in the Air Pollution Control Permit issued to the Company by the State of Vermont; and

WHEREAS, After examination, the PUC is of the opinion that the application and associated supplemental information is proper, reasonable, and in compliance with the Rules 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 hereby

(23344) ORDERED:

³ See Sections 3.3 and 6.8 (ii) and (iii) of Rhode Island's Renewable Energy Standard Rules and Regulations.

1) The Cersosimo Generation Unit meets the requirements for eligibility as a New, Eligible Biomass Renewable Energy Resource with its 0.800 MW, Grid-Connected Generation Unit having a Commercial Operation Date of December 23, 2012, and located within the NEPOOL control area in Brattleboro, Vermont.

2) The Generation Unit's NEPOOL-GIS Identification Number is NON107661.

3) The Company's Generation Unit as identified above is hereby assigned unique certification number RI-4853-N18.

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 Renewable Energy Standard.

5) As an Eligible Biomass Generation Unit, the Company shall provide a quarterly affidavit that provides all necessary information for PUC review in a format consistent with the template spreadsheet provided in conjunction with this Order, along with relevant documentation to verify the use of eligible fuels.

6) 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 Rhode Island Renewable Energy Standard Certification at any time at the PUC's discretion.

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

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