

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

<b>IN RE: PETITION OF THE EPISCOPAL</b>	:	
<b>DIOCESE OF RHODE ISLAND FOR</b>	:	
<b>DECLARATORY JUDGMENT ON</b>	:	<b>DOCKET NO. 4982</b>
<b>RHODE ISLAND GENERAL LAWS § 39-26.4,</b>	:	
<b>THE NET METERING ACT</b>	:	

**NOTICE TO SOLICIT COMMENTS**

Pursuant to the provisions of R.I. Gen. Laws § 42-35-8 and the Public Utilities Commission's (PUC) Rule of Practice and Procedure 1.10(c), on October 11, 2019, The Episcopal Diocese of Rhode Island (Petitioner) filed a Petition for Declaratory Judgment pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws § 42-35-8(c) and 810-RICR-00-00-1.11C (PUC Rules of Practice and Procedure) with respect to the eligibility for net metering of certain solar power generation systems paired with battery storage, pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws §§ 39-26.4-1 to 5 where: (1) the battery storage charges only from the solar power generation system; and (2) where the customer-host does not take electric supply service under a time-varying of time-of-use (TOU) rate; and (3) where the generator does not claim the right to capacity payments or the value of ancillary services. Petitioner's projects would be public entity net metering projects (also known as virtual net metering or remote net metering). Petitioner seeks a declaration that such systems qualify as Eligible Net Metering Systems under R.I. Gen. Laws § 39-26.4-2(5) to receive the full net-metering credit. Petitioner requested that the PUC consider capacity market participation in a separate docket.

The PUC hereby gives notice that it will accept written objections with a memorandum of law or comments in support of the Petition until 4:00 p.m. on **November 15, 2019**. All filings shall be made electronically to [luly.massaro@puc.ri.gov](mailto:luly.massaro@puc.ri.gov) and an original and nine (9) hard copies shall be provided to Luly Massaro, Public Utilities Commission, 89 Jefferson Boulevard, Warwick, RI 02888.

The Petition may be examined at the PUC's office. The filing can also be accessed at: <http://www.ripuc.org/eventsactions/docket/4982page.html>.

Luly E. Massaro, Commission Clerk  
November 2, 2019