STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN RE: APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATION AS ELIGIBLE RENEWABLE ENERGY RESOURCE FILED BY ABSALONA HILL ROAD SOLAR, LLC – NEW GENERATION	:	**DOCKET NO. 5009**

ORDER

WHEREAS, On February 4, 2020, Absalona Hill Road Solar, LLC[1] (Company) filed with the Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission (PUC) an application seeking certification for its Absalona Hill Road Solar, LLC Generation Unit, a 0.840 MW AC (0.9979 MW DC) solar energy Generation Unit located in Chepachet, Rhode Island, 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 2.6 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, After examination, the PUC is of the opinion that the application 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

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certification if any material information provided by the Company proves to be false or misleading.

Accordingly, it is hereby

(23792) ORDERED:

1) The Absalona Hill Road Solar, LLC Generation Unit meets the requirements for eligibility as a New, Solar Renewable Energy Resource with its 0.840 MW AC, (0.9979 MW DC) Grid-Connected Generation Unit having a Commercial Operation Date not yet reached and located within the NEPOOL control area in Chepachet, Rhode Island.

2) The Company provide the PUC with written documentation verifying Commercial Operation and the Company provide evidence of the Generation Unit's NEPOOL GIS Asset Identification Number designation, when assigned by NEPOOL following achievement of Commercial Operation.

3) Following receipt from the Company of acceptable written documentation supporting the Generation Unit's Commercial Operation Date, PUC staff is hereby authorized to assign a unique Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission Eligible Renewable Energy Resource Facility Certification Number for the Company's Generation Unit.

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) 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.

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 MARCH 17, 2020 PURSUANT TO AN OPEN MEETING DECISION. WRITTEN ORDER ISSUED MARCH 17, 2020.

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

Margaret E. Curran, Chairperson

*Marion S. Gold, Commissioner

Abigail Anthony, Commissioner

*Commissioner Gold concurs with this decision but is unavailable for signature.

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 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.