STATE OF RHODE ISLAND PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN RE: APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATION AS : DOCKET NO. 5089

ELIGIBLE NEW RENEWABLE ENERGY RESOURCE : FILED BY HOLIDAY HILL COMMUNITY WIND, LLC :

ORDER

On November 17, 2020, Holiday Hill Community Wind, LLC¹ (Company) filed with the Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission (PUC) an application seeking certification for its Holiday Hill Community Wind Generation Unit, a 5 MW wind energy Generation Unit located in Russell, MA, 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.

The Company provided supplemental and clarifying information to PUC staff and their application review consultant from December 30, 2020 through January 20, 2021 in response to the application review consultant's requests for said information from December 24, 2020 through January 20, 2021. The supplemental and clarifying information included: a) clarification regarding metering arrangements to ensure qualification for Rhode Island's Renewable Energy Standard program, b) clarification regarding facility owner and operator, and c) clarification regarding authorized representative.

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

¹ The authorized representative was identified as Richard C. Butt, 30 Danforth Street, Suite 206, Portland, ME 04101. Phone: (207) 352-0500. Email: <u>Richard.butt@greenbackercapital.com</u>.

as an Eligible New Renewable Energy Resource pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws § 39-26-1.² 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

(23993) ORDERED:

- 1) The Holiday Hill Community Wind Generation Unit meets the requirements for eligibility as a New Renewable Energy Resource with its 5.0 MW Grid-Connected wind Generation Unit having a Commercial Operation Date of December 25, 2019 and located within the NEPOOL control area in Russell, Massachusetts.
 - 2) The Generation Unit's NEPOOL-GIS Identification Number is MSS68467.
- 3) The Company's Generation Unit as identified above is hereby assigned unique certification number RI-5089-N21.
- 4) The facility's Renewable Energy Certificates (RECs) become Rhode Islandeligible effective on the first day when 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 on its behalf, to conduct audits or site visits to assist in verification of

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² 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.

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 FEBRUARY 11, 2021
PURSUANT TO AN OPEN MEETING DECISION ON FEBRUARY 11, 2021.
WRITTEN ORDER ISSUED FEBRUARY 16, 2021.

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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.