## STATE OF RHODE ISLAND PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN RE: APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATION AS : DOCKET NO. 5130

ELIGIBLE RENEWABLE ENERGY RESOURCE FILED BY WALLINGFORD RENEWABLE ENERGY, LLC –

NEW GENERATION :

## **ORDER**

On March 1, 2021, Wallingford Renewable Energy, LLC<sup>1</sup> (Company) filed with the Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission (PUC) an application seeking certification for its Wallingford II Generation Unit, a 4.99 MW AC (6.81 MW DC) solar energy Generation Unit located in Wallingford, Connecticut, 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 the PUC from July 20, 2021 to July 22, 2021 regarding the primary contact, the GIS identification number, verification of initial operation, and clarification of the relation between the Generation Owner and the Authorizing Agent.

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.<sup>2</sup> The PUC's determination in this docket is based on the information submitted by the Company

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The authorized representative was identified as Timothy Garcia, NextEra Energy, 700 Universe Blvd, A1A, Juno Beach, FL 33408. Phone: (516) 691-2152. Email: <a href="mailto:timothy.garcia@nexteraenergy.com">timothy.garcia@nexteraenergy.com</a>.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> 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 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

## (24106) ORDERED:

- 1) The Wallingford II Generation Unit meets the requirements for eligibility as a New, Solar Renewable Energy Resource with its 4.99 MW AC (6.81 MW DC), Grid-Connected Generation Unit having a Commercial Operation Date January 8, 2021 and located within the NEPOOL control area in Wallingford, Connecticut.
  - 2) Eligibility as a New, Solar Renewable Energy Resource is granted.
  - 3) The Generation Unit's NEPOOL-GIS Identification Number is MSS69658.
- 4) The Company's Generation Unit as identified above is hereby assigned unique certification number RI-5130-N21.
- 5) The facility's Renewable Energy Certificates (RECs) become Rhode Islandeligible 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.
- 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 on its behalf, 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.

EFFECTIVE AT WARWICK, RHODE ISLAND ON AUGUST 11, 2021
PURSUANT TO AN OPEN MEETING DECISION. WRITTEN ORDER ISSUED
AUGUST 13, 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.