STATE OF RHODE ISLAND PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN RE: ISSUANCE OF AN ADVISORY OPINION TO THE ENERGY FACILITY SITING BOARD REGARDING REVOLUTION WIND, LLC'S APPLICATION TO CONSTRUCT AND ALTER MAJOR ENERGY FACILITIES - DOCKET NO. 5151

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws §§ 39-1-11, 42-98-9(d) and 42-98-10, the Public Utilities Commission (PUC) is conducting a hearing on **Monday**, **July 26**, **2021 at 9:30 A.M.** at the PUC's office, Hearing Room A, 89 Jefferson Boulevard, Warwick, Rhode Island. The hearing may continue thereafter from time to time as required. The hearing will be streamed live at https://video.ibm.com/channel/WqQyXw296dg.

On December 30, 2020, Revolution Wind, LLC (Applicant) filed with the Energy Facility Siting Board (Siting Board) an application to construct and operate the facilities associated with the Revolution Wind Project (Project), an offshore wind farm which is projected to deliver approximately 704 MW of renewable energy to Rhode Island and Connecticut. On April 26, 2021, the Siting Board issued a Notice of Designation to the PUC to render an Advisory Opinion as to the need and cost-justification for the proposed Project. The Advisory Opinion to the Siting Board is due by August 26, 2021. The PUC's Advisory Opinion is not a final decision on the proposed Project.

At this hearing, the PUC will examine the propriety of the need and cost analysis recommendation submitted to the PUC by the parties, including the Division of Planning, the Office of Energy Resources and the Division of Public Utilities and Carriers regarding the need and cost justification for the Applicant's proposed Project. The PUC will accept public comment at the start of the hearing. Due to the specific PUC mandate under the Energy Facility Siting Act, speakers should limit their comments to the PUC to the need and cost-justification for the proposed Project.

The docket and related information may be examined at the PUC's office. The filing can also be accessed at http://www.ripuc.ri.gov/eventsactions/docket/5151page.html. Reference is made to R.I. Gen. Laws §§ 39-1, 39-3 and 42-35.

The PUC is accessible to the handicapped. Individuals requesting interpreter services for the hearing impaired must notify the Commission Clerk's office at 780-2107, seventy-two hours in advance of hearing date.

Luly E. Massaro, Commission Clerk July 16, 2021