

State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations

Public Utilities Commission

Minutes of Open Meeting Held January 21, 2010

Attendees: Chairman Elia Germani, Commissioner Mary Bray, Commissioner Paul Roberti, Patricia Lucarelli, Cindy Wilson-Frias, Sharon Colby Camara, Alan Nault, Nick Ucci and Luly Massaro.

Chairman Germani called the open meeting to order at 10:00 A.M. in the first-floor hearing room of the Public Utilities Commission. A quorum was present.

Minutes of Open Meetings held on December 10, 2009, December 22, 2009 and December 23, 2009 - Chairman Germani entertained a motion to approve the minutes and Commissioner Bray moved to approve the minutes. Commissioner Roberti seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**

Competitive Telecommunications Service Providers

The following companies filed revisions to their existing tariffs. The Division has reviewed the tariff filings and recommends that they be allowed to go into effect without suspension:

2618 – AT&T Corp. – (tariff filings 1/7/10)

2426 – TCG Rhode Island (tariff filing 1/7/10)

2486 – MCImetro Access Transmission Services (tariff filing 1/4/10)

2262(A6) – SBC Long Distance, LLC (tariff filing 1/6/10)

After review, the Commission followed the Division's recommendation that the tariff filing go into effect without suspension.

3992 – Verizon Rhode Island – Verizon submitted an Interconnection Agreement Amendment executed and entered with McGraw Communications, Inc. The Division has reviewed the ICA and recommends approval. After review, Commissioner Bray moved to approve the ICA Amendment as filed. Commissioner Roberti seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**

4137 – Pascoag Utility District – Pascoag filed on December 29, 2009 a tariff advice filing to modify the manner in which it recovers its costs associated with the provision of street lighting service from those customers in the village of Pascoag who are resident of the Pascoag Utility District. The Division filed a memo summarizing its review and recommending approval of Pascoag's tariff advice. After review, Chairman Germani entertained a motion to approve the tariff advice. Commissioner Roberti seconded the motion with reservation that approval is based on Pascoag's unique municipal structure and should not set precedence. He commended Pascoag for having averted expenses that would have otherwise caused its ratepayers. Commissioner Bray concurred and seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**

4139 – Rules and Regulations Governing Utility-Scale Offshore Wind Project Proceeding Pursuant to RIGL 39-26.1-8 - The Commission initiated this docket to

promulgate rules and regulations governing utility-scale offshore wind project proceedings. The proposed rules set procedure and filing requirements for applications. A hearing to accept public comments is schedule February 10, 2010 and the written comment will be accepted until Mach 1, 2010.

The open meeting adjourned at 10:07 A.M.