

**State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations**

**Public Utilities Commission**

**Minutes of Open Meeting Held February 6, 2014**

**Attendees:** Chairperson Margaret Curran, Commissioner Paul Roberti, Commissioner Herbert DeSimone, Patricia Lucarelli, Cindy Wilson-Frias, Amy D'Alessandro, Sharon Colby Camara, Alan Nault and Luly Massaro.

**Chairperson Curran called the open meeting to order at 1:00 P.M. in the first-floor hearing room of the Public Utilities Commission. A quorum was present.**

**Minutes of Open Meetings held on December 6, 2013 and January 16, 2014 –** Commissioner DeSimone moved to accept the minutes. Commissioner Roberti seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**

**Competitive Telecommunications Service Providers**

The following companies submitted an application for authority to operate as a provider of telecommunications service. The Division reviewed the applications and recommended approval of:

- 4477 – Tempo Telecom, LLC
- 4482 – Wide Voice, LLC

After review, Commissioner DeSimone moved to approve the applications. Commissioner Roberti seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**

The following companies filed revisions to their existing tariffs (on date). The Division reviewed the tariff revisions and recommended that they be allowed to go into effect without suspension:

- 3315 – Securus Technologies, Inc. (tariff filing 1/14/14)
- 2878 – Choice One Communications of RI (tariff filing 1/10/14)
- 2262(K) – SNET America, Inc. (tariff filing 1/10/14)
- 2262(P11) – Tri-M Communications, Inc. (tariff filing 1/15/14)
- 2262(A6) – SBC Long Distance, LLC (tariff filing 1/13/14)

After review, the PUC followed the Division's recommendation to allow the tariff filings to go into effect without suspension.

**Renewable Energy Resources Eligibility Generation Units Dockets**

Altus Power America, Inc. submitted applications seeking certification of four generation units as an eligible renewable energy resource in the following dockets. PUC Consultant filed a memorandum recommending approval of the applications with the conditional requirement that the Company provide written documentation verifying Commercial Operation and Generation Units' NEPOOL-GIS Asset Identification Number:

- 4466 – Altus Power America, Inc. - Application seeking certification for its Dean's Warehouse I Generation Unit, a 0.4992 MW solar energy generation unit located in Cumberland, Rhode Island, as an eligible New Renewable Energy

Resource.

- 4467 – Altus Power America, Inc. - Application seeking certification for its Re-Migio Generation Unit, a 0.29185 MW solar energy generation unit located in Providence, Rhode Island, as an eligible New Renewable Energy Resource.
- 4468 – Altus Power America, Inc. - Application seeking certification for its Dean’s Warehouse II Generation Unit, a 0.499895 MW solar energy generation unit located in Cumberland, Rhode Island, as an eligible New Renewable Energy Resource.
- 4469 - Altus Power America, Inc. - Application seeking certification for its Little Bay Generation Unit, a 1.499685 MW solar energy generation unit located in Providence, Rhode Island, as an eligible New Renewable Energy Resource.

After review, Commissioner Roberti moved to certify the generation units as eligible New Renewable Energy Resources with the conditional requirement that the company provide written documentation verifying Commercial Operation and Generation Unit’s NEPOOL-GIS Asset Identification Number of the facilities. Commissioner DeSimone seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**

**4265 – National Grid** – National Grid filed on December 19, 2013, two Amendments to the Purchase Power Agreement (PPA) executed with Orbit Energy Rhode Island, LLC. Specifically, National Grid requests that the PUC either issue a ruling that the amendments do not require regulatory approval, or in the alternative approve the Amendments. The Division filed a response indicating the Orbit PPA, as amended, is commercially reasonable and recommended approval of the Amendments (if approval is required).

After review and discussion, Chairperson Curran moved 1) that amendments to the PPA do require regulatory approval by the PUC, and 2) to approve the amendment before the PUC as set forth by the Company. Commissioner Roberti seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**

Meeting adjourned at 1:25 P.M.