## **State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations**

## **Public Utilities Commission**

## Minutes of Open Meeting Held October 27, 2017

Attendees: Chairperson Margaret Curran, Commissioner Marion Gold, Commissioner Abigail Anthony, Cynthia Wilson-Frias, Linda George, Sharon Colby Camara, Alan Nault and Todd Bianco.

Chairperson Curran called the Open Meeting to order at 2:00 P.M. in the first-floor hearing room of the Public Utilities Commission (PUC). A quorum was present

## Renewable Energy Eligibility Applications Dockets

Applications for eligibility as a renewable energy resource were submitted by the following companies. PUC Consultant filed memorandum recommending eligibility be granted with a conditional requirement that the Companies provide the Commission with written documentation verifying Commercial Operation and provide evidence of the Generation Unit's NEPOOL-GIS Asset Identification Number:

- 4739 Southern Sky Renewable Energy RI-250KW, LLC's application for eligibility certification of the Southern Sky Renewable Energy RI-250KW, LLC generation unit, a 0.24885 MW solar facility located in Cranston, Rhode Island, as a New Renewable Energy Resource.
- **4740 Solar Sky Ventures, LLC's** application for eligibility certification of the Solar Sky-Seven Mile, LLC generation unit, a 0.24885 MW solar facility located in Cranston, Rhode Island as a New Renewable Energy Resource.

After review, Commissioner Anthony moved to approve the applications for eligibility with the conditional requirements recommended by the PUC Consultant, GDS Associates. Commissioner Gold seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.** 

Applications for eligibility as a renewable energy resource were submitted by the following companies. PUC Consultant recommended approval of the applications as submitted by:

- 4730 Limerick Road Solar, LLC's application for eligibility certification of the Limerick Road Solar Farm generation unit, a 2.2 MW solar facility located in Shelburne, Vermont as a New Renewable Energy Resource.
- 4731 Cross Pollination, Inc.'s application for eligibility certification of the Cross Pollination One Solar generation unit, a 2.0 MW solar facility located in New Haven, Vermont as a New Renewable Energy Resource.
- 4733 CRL Solar LLC's application for eligibility certification of the White River Junction Solar Farm generation unit, a 2.2 MW solar facility located in Hartford, Vermont as a New Renewable Energy Resource.
- 4734 Barton Solar LLC's application for eligibility certification of the Barton Solar Farm generation unit, a 1.89 MW solar facility located in Barton, Vermont as a New Renewable Energy Resource.

Commissioner Gold moved to approve the applications for eligibility as submitted by the applicants. Commissioner Anthony seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.** 

**4753** – **TVC Albany, Inc. d/b/a FirstLight Fiber** – Commissioner Anthony moved to approve the application of TVC Albany Inc. for registration to transact as provider of telecommunication services in Rhode Island. Commissioner Gold seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.** 

Commissioner Anthony recused herself from the Open Meeting due to prior participation in the following dockets.

**4684** – **The Narragansett Electric Co. d/b/a National Grid** –After review, Commissioner Gold moved to approve National Grid's Three-Year Plan for Energy Efficiency and System Reliability Procurement Plan (Plan) as submitted on August 30, 2017. Chairperson Curran seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously passed. **Vote 2-0.** 

**4600-A** – Investigation into the Changing Electric Distribution System and the Modernization of Rates in Light of the Changing Distribution System – The PUC reviewed and discussed the comments received to the PUC's Draft Guidance Document issued on August 3, 2017. The Draft Guidance Document is intended to provide direction on how the PUC will apply the principles set forth in R.I. Gen. Laws § 39-26.6-24(b) in future filings for matters involving The Narragansett Electric Company d/b/a National Grid before the PUC based on the goals, rate design principles, and Benefit-Cost Framework adopted by the PUC in Order No. 22851, issued on July 31, 2017 in Docket No. 4600.

After discussion, Commissioner Gold moved to accept the Guidance Documents with the additions discussed at this Open Meeting and to finalize the Draft Document. Chairperson Curran seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously passed. **Vote 2-0.** 

The Open Meeting adjourned at 3:10 P.M.