

State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations

Public Utilities Commission

Minutes of Open Meeting Held on February 4, 2019

An Open Meeting of the Public Utilities Commission was held on Monday, February 4, 2019 at 2:00 P.M. in Hearing Room A, 89 Jefferson Boulevard, Warwick, Rhode Island to discuss, deliberate and/or vote on the following dockets.

Present: Chairperson Margaret Curran, Commissioner Marion Gold, Commissioner Abigail Anthony, Cynthia Wilson-Frias, Todd Bianco, Maggie Hogan, Sharon Colby Camara, John Harrington and Alan Nault.

I. Chairperson Curran called the Open Meeting to order at 2:00 P.M. A quorum was present.

II. **Approval of the Minutes of Open Meeting held on January 7 and January 14, 2019.** – Chairperson Curran moved to approve the Minutes of Open Meetings. Commissioner Gold seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**

III. **Dockets 4770 & 4780 – The Narragansett Electric Co. d/b/a National Grid –** National Grid’s submitted a request for an extension of time to file the Updated Advanced Meter Functionality (AMF) Business Case under Article II.C, Section 16(a) of the Amended Settlement Agreement approved by the PUC. National Grid seeks an extension from February 1, 2019 to June 7, 2019. Chairperson Curran moved to approve the extension until June 7, 2019. Commissioner Gold seconded the motion and the motion unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**

IV. **Renewable Energy Resource Facilities** -Reviewed of eligibility applications submitted in the following dockets:

Dockets 4905 – 4908 – After review, Chairperson Curran moved that the PUC approve the applications for eligibility as Renewable Energy Resources of the following facilities. Eligibility is granted with the conditional requirement that the applicant submits documentation 1) verifying achievement of commercial operation, 2) verifying the assignment of a NEPOOL GIS identification number, and 3) designating an approved verifier to verify the facility’s electric output to the NEPOOL GIS. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Anthony and unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**

- a. **Docket No. 4905 – Dry Bridge Solar 1, LLC’s** application for eligibility certification of the Dry Bridge Solar 1 generation unit, a 10 MW AC solar facility located in North Kingstown, Rhode Island, as a New Renewable Energy Resource
- b. **Docket No. 4906 – Dry Bridge Solar 2, LLC’s** application for eligibility certification of the Dry Bridge Solar 2 generation unit, a 10 MW AC solar facility located in North Kingstown, Rhode Island, as a New Renewable Energy Resource.

- c. **Docket No. 4907 – Dry Bridge Solar 3, LLC’s** application for eligibility certification of the Dry Bridge Solar 3 generation unit, a 10 MW AC solar facility located in North Kingstown, Rhode Island, as a New Renewable Energy Resource.
- d. **Docket No. 4908 – Dry Bridge Solar 4, LLC’s** application for eligibility certification of the Dry Bridge Solar 4 generation unit, a 10 MW AC solar facility located in North Kingstown, Rhode Island, as a New Renewable Energy Resource.

Docket No. 4914 – 207 HP, LLC’s application for eligibility certification of the 207 HP Solar generation unit, a 0.198 MW AC (0.240 MW DC) solar facility located in Portsmouth, Rhode Island, as a New Renewable Energy Resource. After review, Chairperson Curran moved to conditionally approve the application with the requirement that the applicant provide evidence when the facility achieves commercial operation and assignment of a NEPOOL GIS identification number. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Anthony and unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**

Docket No. 4852 – Providence Water’s application for eligibility certification of the Providence Water COF Rooftop Solar Array 125 Dupont Dr. Providence RI generation unit, a 0.496 MW AC solar facility located in Providence, Rhode Island, as a New Renewable Energy Resource. After review, Chairperson moved to approve the application and Commissioner Anthony seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**

V. Telecommunications Service Providers

The following companies ceased operations and requested cancellation of their authority to transact in Rhode Island. Chairperson Curran moved to grant the request to cancel its authority. Commissioner Anthony seconded the motion and the motion passed. **Vote 3-0.**

Docket No. 4018 – Crown Castle NG East LLC

Docket No. 3408 – Fiber Technologies Networks LLC

Docket No. 4504 – Lightower Fiber Networks I, LLC

The following companies failed to pay their annual assessment dues. The Division submitted a request that these companies’ authority be rescinded for non-payment of annual registration fee. After review, Chairperson Curran moved to rescind the authority of the companies. Shall a company come into compliance with Division’s Regulations and PUC’s requirement within thirty days, the company’s authority may be reinstated automatically. Reinstatement shall be conditioned with evidence that the company is in good standing with the Rhode Island Office of Secretary of State. Commissioner Anthony seconded the motion and motion unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**

Docket No. 4374 – Blue Jay Wireless, LLC

Docket No. 4486 – Crosstel Tandem, Inc.

Docket No. 2000 – PayPhone, LLC

Docket No. 2262(S16) – Gold Line Telemanagement, Inc.

Docket No. 2262 (H19) – WDT World Discount Telecommunication Co.

Docket No. 2262(J21) – iNetworks, Inc.

Docket No. 2262(Q21) – Business Discount Plan, Inc.

- VI. There being no further business to discuss, Chairperson Curran moved to adjourn the Open Meeting at 2:16 P.M. A web video of the Open Meeting discussion can be viewed at <http://www.ustream.tv/channel/WqQyXw296dg>.