

**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**

IN RE: THE NARRAGANSETT ELECTRIC COMPANY :
d/b/a RHODE ISLAND ENERGY RENEWABLE ENERGY :
GROWTH PROGRAM REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF : **DOCKET NO. 5202**
CERTIFICATES OF ELIGIBILITY FOR COMMERCIAL :
SCALE AND LARGE SCALE PROJECTS :
PROGRAM YEAR 2022 :

**ORDER
(Third Enrollment)**

The Renewable Energy Growth Program¹ is a tariff-based financing program for renewable distributed energy generation systems. The program is only available under The Narragansett Electric Company d/b/a Rhode Island Energy (RI Energy) tariffs.² The purpose of the program is to facilitate and encourage the installation and development of renewable distributed generation systems, reduce environmental impacts and carbon emissions, diversify generation sources, stimulate economic development, improve distribution system resilience and reliability, and reduce distribution system costs.³ Annually, the Public Utilities Commission (PUC) reviews and approves an enrollment schedule, technology targets, and ceiling prices against which commercial and large scale projects compete for participation in the Renewable Energy Growth Program. The program year runs from April 1st to the following March 31st. The 2022 Renewable Energy Growth Program targets and ceiling prices were approved on March 29, 2022.⁴

R.I. Gen. Laws § 39-26.6-20(b) requires the PUC to review and issue Certificates of Eligibility for commercial scale and large-scale projects that have been chosen by RI Energy for participation in the Renewable Energy Growth Program. Following each enrollment, RI Energy

¹ R.I. Gen. Laws § 39-26.6-1 to 27.

² R.I. Gen. Laws § 39-26.6-3(8).

³ R.I. Gen. Laws § 39-26.6-1.

⁴ Minutes of Commission Open Meetings held on March 29, 2022;

<https://opengov.sos.ri.gov/Common/DownloadMeetingFiles?FilePath=\Minutes\439\2022\429390.pdf>.

files an Enrollment Report. Pursuant to the R.I. Gen. Laws § 39-26.6-20(b), RI Energy filed the Third Enrollment Report for Program Year 2022 on December 20, 2022. RI Energy reported that in the Third Enrollment it selected one large scale solar project with a nameplate capacity of 5,000 kW; one commercial scale wind project with a nameplate capacity of 1,000 kW; and one commercial scale hydropower project with a nameplate capacity of 793 kW. RI Energy requested the Commission approve Certificates of Eligibility for each project for a total nameplate capacity of 6,793 kW.⁵

On January 20, 2023, the PUC reviewed and approved the Certificates of Eligibility from the Third Enrollment, finding that the projects were consistent with the applicable Renewable Energy Growth tariff and enrollment rules.

Accordingly, it is hereby

(24571) ORDERED:

1. Certificates of Eligibility from the Third Enrollment are awarded to the projects listed in Appendix A to this Order.

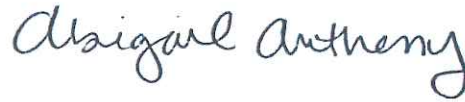
⁵ Third Enrollment Report (December 20, 2022); <https://ripuc.ri.gov/sites/g/files/xkgbur841/files/2022-12/5202-RIE-3rdOpenEnrollment%2012-20-22.pdf>

EFFECTIVE AT WARWICK, RHODE ISLAND PURSUANT TO AN OPEN MEETING
DECISION ON JANUARY 20, 2023. WRITTEN ORDER ISSUED ON JANUARY 31, 2023.

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION



Ronald T. Gerwatowski, Chairman



Abigail Anthony, Commissioner



John C. Revens, Jr., Commissioner



Notice of Right of Appeal: Pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws § 39-5-1, any person aggrieved by a decision or order of the PUC may, within 7 days from the date of the Order, petition the Supreme Court for a Writ of Certiorari to review the legality and reasonableness of the decision or Order.

APPENDIX A

Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission (PUC)-Awarded Certificates

Pursuant to the provisions of the Rhode Island Renewable Energy Growth Program, R.I. Gen. Laws § 39-26.6-20(b), Rhode Island Energy is submitting the attached list of Commercial-Scale Solar projects selected by Rhode Island Energy with their corresponding pricing information and is requesting PUC approval for this list of projects.

Third 2022 Open Enrollment Results

Project & Location	Nameplate Capacity (kW)	Class	Price (¢/kWh)	Ceiling Price (¢/kWh)	Tariff Term
RI Moo Cow Solar 2473 Victory Highway Coventry, RI 02816	5,000	Large Scale Solar (1000-5000 kW DC)	10.85	10.95	20
Ecogy Energy RI VII LLC 43 Muse Way Tiverton, RI 02878	1,000	Wind (up to 5000 kW DC)	21.98	22.40	20
Ashton Dam Hydro 51 Front Street Cumberland, RI 02864	793	Hydropower (up to 5000 kW DC)	37.15	37.15	20
Total	6,793				