

June 27, 2023

#### **VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL**

Luly E. Massaro, Commission Clerk Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission 89 Jefferson Boulevard Warwick, RI 02888

RE: Docket No. 22-39-REG – Renewable Energy Growth Program 2023 First Open Enrollment Report

Dear Ms. Massaro:

On behalf of The Narragansett Electric Company d/b/a Rhode Island Energy (the "Company"), enclosed, please find the Company's First Open Enrollment Report for the 2023 Rhode Island Renewable Energy ("RE") Growth Program (the "Report"). This Report is being filed in accordance with R.I. Gen. Laws § 39-26.6-20(a) and (b). The Company is seeking the issuance of an order from the Public Utilities Commission ("PUC") awarding a certificate of eligibility ("COE") to one large-scale solar project as detailed in Attachment 2.

The Report consists of the following three (3) attachments:

• <u>Attachment 1</u> is entitled First 2023 Rhode Island Renewable Energy Growth Program Open Enrollment Report. This attachment lists the seven (7) projects that the Company has selected for a COE.

The list includes six (6) medium-scale solar projects. In accordance with R.I. Gen. Laws § 39-26.6-20(a), these selected medium-scale solar projects are to be provided COEs by the Company without approval from the PUC subject to the review and consent of the Office of Energy Resources ("OER"). Please see <u>Attachment 3</u> which serves to memorialize OER's consent for the selected projects.

The list also includes one (1) large-scale solar project. In accordance with R.I. Gen. Laws § 39-26.6-20(b), this selected project is subject to approval by the PUC. Attachment 2 is the COE for the project, which contains the corresponding pricing information.

• <u>Attachment 2</u> is the COE for White Brook Renewables, LLC which is a large-scale solar project.

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Thank you for your attention to this filing. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at 401-784-4263.

Sincerely,

Andrew S. Marcaccio

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Enclosures

cc: Docket 22-39-REG Service List

The Narragansett Electric Company d/b/a Rhode Island Energy RIPUC Docket No. 22-39-REG 2023 First Open Enrollment Report Attachment 1

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## First 2023 Rhode Island Renewable Energy Growth Program Open Enrollment Report

Rhode Island Energy selected seven projects for certificates of eligibility in the First 2023 Open Enrollment, totaling 6,313 kW of project nameplate capacity.

## **Distribution Company-Awarded Certificates**

Pursuant to the provisions of the Rhode Island Renewable Energy Growth Program, R.I. Gen Laws § 39-26.6-20(a), Rhode Island Energy is providing the attached list of medium-scale solar projects that have been awarded certificates of eligibility in the First Open Enrollment that completed in June 2023, which was subject to approval from the Rhode Island Office of Energy Resources.

Project & Location	Nameplate Capacity (kW)	Class	Price (¢/kWh)	Ceiling Price (¢/kWh)	Tariff Term
51 Worthington Solar 51 Worthington Rd Cranston, RI 02920	174	Medium-Scale Solar (>25-250 kW DC)	24.50	25.65	20
Fifty Five Conduit St Realty 55 Conduit St. Lincoln, RI 02865	223	Medium-Scale Solar (>25-250 kW DC)	25.00	25.65	20
Carver St. Inc 55 Porter St. Providence, RI 02905	223	Medium-Scale Solar (>25-250 kW DC)	25.00	25.65	20
Ecogy Energy RI IV LLC 590 Fish Road Tiverton, RI 02878	249	Medium-Scale Solar (>25-250 kW DC)	25.17	25.65	20
High Point Avenue LLC 0 High Point Avenue Portsmouth, RI 02871	225	Medium-Scale Solar (>25-250 kW DC)	25.24	25.65	20
West Main Solar II 825 West Main Rd Middletown, RI 02842	221	Medium-Scale Solar (>25-250 kW DC)	25.55	25.65	20
Total	1,315				

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## 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 Large-Scale Solar projects selected by Rhode Island Energy with their corresponding pricing information and is requesting PUC approval for the listed project.

### First 2023 Open Enrollment Results

	Nameplate Capacity		Price	Ceiling Price	Tariff
Project & Location	(kW)	Class	(¢/kWh)	(¢/kWh)	Term
White Brook Renewables, LLC 689 Victory Hwy West Greenwich, RI 02817	4,998	Large-Scale Solar (>1000-5000 kW DC)	14.34	14.35	20
Total	4,998				

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# **Certificate of Eligibility**

# **Rhode Island Renewable Energy Growth Program**

# The Narragansett Electric Company d/b/a Rhode Island Energy

This Certificate of Eligibility is written confirmation that the Distributed Generation ("DG") Project referenced below has been selected for participation in the Rhode Island Renewable Energy Growth Program. The Project Applicant is bound by the terms and conditions of the Tariff for the Renewable Energy Growth Program (the "Non-Residential Tariff") as well as Other Company Tariff Requirements described and referenced therein. In addition, the facility is interconnected with the distribution system of the Narragansett Electric Company and is located in the Narragansett Electric Company ISO-NE load zone.

Project Name: White Brook Renewables, LLC

Project Owner/ White Brook Renewables, LLC

Project Contact: Hannah Morini Facility Address: 689 Victory Hwy

West Greenwich, RI 02817

Phone Number: (401) 250-5075

Email Address: hm@green-ri.com

RI Interconnection Application ID or Case#: 212672

Renewable Technology: Solar PV - ground mount

Solar PV - rooftop; Solar PV - ground mount; Wind; Anaerobic Digestion; Hydropower

Renewable Energy Class: Large-Scale Solar

Small-Scale Solar I, Small-Scale Solar II, Medium-Scale Solar, Commercial-Scale Solar I, Commercial-Scale Solar II, Commercial-Scale Solar CRDG II, Large-Scale Solar, Large-Scale Solar CRDG, Wind, Wind CRDG, Anaerobic Digestion, Hydroelectric

Nameplate Capacity (kW): 4,998

Maximum rated output or gross output of a generator; For Solar, the total rated output of all panels measured in DC.

Maximum Hourly Output (kWh AC per hour): 4,000

Maximum amount of energy produced in an hour measured in AC for all technologies

Expected Annual Energy Output (MWh per year): 5,970

Expected amount of energy produced in a year measured in AC for all technologies

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#### Applicable Renewable Energy Growth Program Tariff: Non-Residential Tariff

Indicate which tariff the Project Applicant is bound by the terms and conditions of: Renewable Energy Growth Program Tariff for Residential Customers, RIPUC No. 2151-J or Renewable Energy Growth Program Tariff for Non-Residential Customers, RIPUC No. 2152-J.

Required Performance Guarantee Deposit Paid (\$): \$75,000

#### Additional Required Performance Guarantee Deposit Paid (\$): \$0

Subject to the conditions set forth in Section 3.f of the Tariff, an Applicant may elect to extend the DG Project deadline a second time for providing the Output Certification by posting an additional Deposit amount equal to one-half of the original Deposit amount.

Performance Based Incentive (cents/kWh): 14.34

Term of Performance Based Incentive (# years): 20

The term of the applicable Tariff supplement beginning on the Certificate Effective Date.

Certificate Issuance Date: TBD - pending PUC approval

Payment Option: Option 1

Subject to the conditions set forth in Section 8.c of the Tariff, an Applicant must notify the Company of the manner by which it will be compensated for its output under the Program. Option 1 – Direct payment of the entire PBI or Option 2 – a combination of direct payment and customer bill credit.

#### Output Certification Deadline: Certificate Issuance Date + 2 years

If the Output Certification is not received within the required timeframe, subject to the conditions set forth in Section 3 of the Tariff, the project's Certificate of Eligibility will be voided and its performance guarantee deposit will be forfeited. Once a DG Project has provided the Output Certification, the Project then has 90 days to meet all other requirements pursuant to Section 8.a. of the Tariff in order to receive payment.

#### Certificate Effective Date: Click here to enter a date.

The performance-based incentive is paid beginning on this date for the applicable term of the tariff. As a condition of receiving payments, the Applicant must provide confirmation of: 1) the Company's written authority to interconnect to its electric distribution system and Applicant's payment of all amounts due; 2) Commission certification of the DG Project as an Eligible Renewable Energy Resource; 3) registration of the DG Project with the ISO-NE and NEPOOL GIS; 4) the Output Certification; and 5) being current with amounts due on the electric service accounts or fulfilling the requirements of an approved payment plan.

#### Certificate Termination Date: Click here to enter a date.

The performance-based incentive is paid up to this date covering the applicable 20-year term of the tariff. Section 11 of the Tariff highlights termination provisions under which the tariff might be terminated earlier than the stated Certificate Termination Date.

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# Renewable Energy Growth Program Review And Consent Per R.I. Gen. Laws § 39-26.6-20(a) By the Rhode Island Office Of Energy Resources

Program Year: 2023 Enrollment Period: First

List of Projects for Review and Consent by the Rhode Island Office of Energy Resources ("OER"):

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In accordance with R.I. Gen. Laws § 39-26.6-20(a), OER has reviewed the above projects and hereby consents to The Narragansett Electric Company d/b/a Rhode Island Energy providing Certificates of Eligibility to the above projects.

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Shauna Beland

Director, Energy Programs and Policy

#### Certificate of Service

I hereby certify that a copy of the cover letter and any materials accompanying this certificate was electronically transmitted to the individuals listed below.

The paper copies of this filing are being hand delivered to the Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission and to the Rhode Island Division of Public Utilities and Carriers.

Joanne M. Scanlon

June 27, 2023

Date

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