State of Rhode Island

Public Utilities Commission

Minutes of Open Meeting Held on October 12, 2023

An Open Meeting of the Public Utilities Commission (Commission or PUC) was held October 12, 2023 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.

In attendance: Chairman Ronald Gerwatowski, Commissioner Abigail Anthony, Commissioner John Revens, Cynthia Wilson-Frias, Alan Nault, Todd Bianco, Christopher Caramello and Luly Massaro.

- I. Chairman Gerwatowski called the Open Meeting to order at 2:00 P.M. A quorum was present.
- II. Docket No. 23-25-EL Town of Bristol In this docket, the Town of Bristol and Good Energy, L.P., the municipal aggregator, filed a petition for approval of proposed Community Electricity Aggregation Plan (Plan) submitted pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws § 39-3.1.2. The Division submitted comments summarizing its review, finding Bristol's Plan complies with requirements of the law and recommended approval. The PUC held a public hearing and there was no public comment at the hearing. After review, Commissioner Anthony moved to approve the Town of Bristol's Petition. Commissioner Revens seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously passed. Vote 3-0.
- III. Docket No. 22-39-REG The Narragansett Electric Co. d/b/a Rhode Island Energy (Company) This docket relates to the Company's 2023 Renewable Energy Growth (RE Growth) Program approved by the Commission in this docket. In accordance with R.I. Gen. Laws § 39-26.6-20(b), the Company selected one (1) commercial scale solar project in the Second Enrollment RE Growth Program Open Enrollment. The Company requests approval of the Certificate of Eligibility (COE) awarded to the EPPD Canopy LLC project. After review, Commissioner Anthony moved to approve the Certificate of Eligibility. Commissioner Revens seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously passed. Vote 3-0.
- IV. Docket No. 4604 RI Office of Energy Resources ((OER) This docket relates to OER's budget requests to perform program and ceiling price development for the Renewable Energy Growth (RE Growth) Program. On August 25, 2023, OER in collaboration with the Distributed Generation Board, filed a request for approval of a supplemental budget in the amount of \$215,811 to perform additional tasks associated with the amended RE Growth laws and developing the ceiling prices over a multiyear period instead of the traditional one-year program design. The Division submitted comments finding OER and the Distributed Generation Board's supplemental budget request is a direct result of the RE Growth Program legislative expansion and recommended approval. After review, Commissioner Anthony

- moved to approve OER's supplemental request. Commissioner Revens seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**
- V. There being no further business to discuss, the Chairman adjourned the Open Meeting adjourned at 2:05 P.M. A web video of the Open Meeting discussion can be accessed at https://video.ibm.com/recorded/133097102