

**State of Rhode Island**

**Public Utilities Commission**

**Minutes of Open Meeting Held on April 11, 2022**

An Open Meeting of the Public Utilities Commission (Commission or PUC) was held Monday, April 11, 2022, 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, Todd Bianco, Alan Nault, Christopher Smith and Luly Massaro.

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

II. **Docket No. 5224 – Narragansett Bay Commission (NBC)** – This docket relates to NBC’s petition for approval to recover costs associated with the payment of credit card, debit card and voice transaction fees (Electronic Payment Transaction Fees). On April 4, 2022, NBC submitted revised compliance filing setting forth the new rates approved by the Commission at the March 29, 2022 Open Meeting. The new rates will take effect May 1, 2022. After review, Commissioner Gerwatowski moved to approve the NBC’s compliance filing. Commissioner Anthony seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**

III. **Docket No. 5246 - AirVoice Wireless, LLC, d/b/a AirTalk Wireless (Company)** – The Company submitted an application for approval as a Class VI Telecommunication Supplier. The applicant also requested for confidential treatment of the Company’s financial statements. The Division of Public Utilities (Division) submitted a memorandum finding the application conforms with filing requirements and supported approval of the application.

After review, Chairman Gerwatowski moved to approve the Company’s request for confidential treatment. Commissioner Revens seconded the motion. The motion unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**

Chairman Gerwatowski moved to accept the Division’s recommendation to approve the Company’s application. Commissioner Anthony seconded the motion. The motion unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**

**Docket No. 4389 – Conanicut Marine Services, Inc, d/b/a Jamestown & Newport Ferry (Company)** – The Company submitted proposed tariff filing for the 2022 season commencing May 21, 2022. Noting the services provided are discretionary and non-lifeline, The Division submitted a position recommending approval. Chairman Gerwatowski moved to approve the Company’s tariff filing. Commissioner Anthony seconded the motion. The motion unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**

IV. **Docket No. 5180 – The Narragansett Electric Co. d/b/a National Grid** – This docket relates to National Grid’s Gas Cost Recovery Charge. The tariff requires the Company to calculate the seasonal BTU content based upon the prior six-month experience for the equivalent season, which the Company proposes that it take effect for the applicable May 1 and November 1 period. For the period of May 2022 through October 2022, the Company proposes to use a BTU content factor of 1.028 to convert volumetric meter readings to therms. The Division filed a position recommending approval. After review, Chairman Gerwatowski moved to approve the Company’s BTU Content Factor Filing as filed. Commissioner Anthony seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**

V. **Renewable Energy Resource Eligibility Applications** – The Commission considered the applications submitted in the following dockets. PUC consultant recommended full approval of the applications. After review, Chairman Gerwatowski moved to accept PUC consultant’s recommendations to approve the applications. Commissioner Anthony seconded the motion and the motion unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**

**Docket No. 5222 - MacKinnon Solar LLC’s** application for eligibility of the MacKinnon Solar LLC generation unit, a 2.192 MW AC (3.252 MW DC) solar facility located in Rutland, Vermont, Rhode Island as a New Renewable Energy Resource.

**Docket No. 5228 – GDIM 1, LLC’s** application for eligibility of the GDIM 1, LLC generation unit, a 9.6 MW AC (12.627 MW DC) solar facility located in North Smithfield, Rhode Island as a New Renewable Energy Resource.

**Docket No. 5229 – GDIM 2, LLC’s** application for eligibility of the GDIM 2, LLC generation unit, a 9.6 MW AC (11.482 MW DC) solar facility located in North Smithfield, Rhode Island as a New Renewable Energy Resource.

**Docket No. 52230 – GDIM 3, LLC’s** application for eligibility of the GDIM 3, LLC generation unit, a 9.6 MW AC (12.998 MW DC) solar facility located in North Smithfield, Rhode Island as a New Renewable Energy Resource.

**Docket No. 5231 – GDIM 4, LLC’s** application for eligibility of the GDIM 4, LLC generation unit, a 9.6 MW AC (12.184 MW DC) solar facility located in North Smithfield, Rhode Island as a New Renewable Energy Resource.

VI. Minutes of Open Meetings - Chairman Gerwatowski moved to approve the Minutes of Open Meeting held on January 12, 2022. Commissioner Anthony seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**

VII. There being no further business to discuss, the Chairman adjourned the Open Meeting at 2:07 P.M. A web video of the Open Meeting discussion can be accessed at <https://video.ibm.com/channel/WqQyXw296dg>.