STATE OF RHODE ISLAND PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN RE: REQUEST FOR WAIVER FILED BY

CATERPILLAR HILL ROAD SOLAR

DOCKET NO. RES-24-16

NOTICE SOLICITING COMMENTS

On April 9 2024, the Caterpillar Hill Road Solar (Applicant), a community net metering

project located in Maine, filed a request for a waiver from 810-RICR-40-05-2.6(H), to allow the

net metering facility to qualify as an eligible renewable energy facility in Rhode Island.

Previously, the Public Utilities Commission (PUC) has interpreted the Renewable Energy

Standard (RES) (R.I. Gen. Laws § 39-26-1 to 10) as requiring net metering facilities, even if grid-

connected, to be located in Rhode Island. In 2022, the law eliminated the requirement that

customer-sited generation facilities must be located in Rhode Island in order to qualify as an

eligible renewable energy resource under the RES. Because the PUC has not yet revised the rules

governing the Implementation of a Renewable Energy Standard (810-RICR-40-05-1), the

Applicants requested the PUC waive or otherwise determine inapplicable the requirement in 810-

RICR-40-05-2.6(H) to allow a final review of their applications.

The PUC will accept written comments on this request through May 1, 2024, at 4:00 p.m.

Written comments may be submitted to Luly.Massaro@puc.ri.gov (preferred) or to Luly Massaro,

Commission Clerk, RIPUC, 89 Jefferson Blvd., Warwick, RI 02888. Please reference RES Waiver

Request in the subject line.

The docket can be accessed on the PUC's website at: https://ripuc.ri.gov/Docket-RES-24-

16 or reviewed at the PUC's office during regular business hours.

Luly E. Massaro Commission Clerk

April 12, 2024