

State of Rhode Island

Public Utilities Commission

Minutes of Open Meeting Held on January 10, 2024

An Open Meeting of the Public Utilities Commission (Commission or PUC) was held January 10, 2024 at 3:00 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 and Luly Massaro.

I. Chairman Gerwatowski called the Open Meeting to order at 3:00 P.M. A quorum was present.

II. Renewable Energy Resource Eligibility Applications

- **Docket No. RES-23-29 – 816 Middle Rd. LLC** submitted an application for eligibility of the JAYSEA ENTERPRISES INC Generation Unit, a solar energy facility located in East Greenwich, Rhode Island, as a New Renewable Energy Resource. PUC consultant recommended approval.
- **Docket No. RES-23-47 – Gray Solar LLC** submitted an application for eligibility of the Gray Solar Generation Unit, a solar energy facility located in Rutland, Vermont as a New Renewable Energy Resource. PUC consultant recommended approval.

Both of the above dockets were considered together. After review, Commissioner Anthony moved the accept PUC consultant’s recommendation to approve the applications of JAYSEA ENTERPRISES INC and Gray Solar Generation Units. Commissioner Revens seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**

- **Docket No. RES-23-30 – IGS USB VII, LLC** – The Company submitted an application for eligibility of the IGS Solar, LLC - 23RI-2T2QK Aggregation, a 0.14088 MW AC (0.18929 MW DC) aggregation of customer-sited, behind-the meter, small-scale solar projects located in Rhode Island, as an eligible New Renewable Energy Resource. The following motions were deliberated:
 - a) Chairman Gerwatowski moved to approve IGS Solar, LLC’s aggregated application for 26 customer-sited, behind-the-meter, small scale Generation Units as New, Solar Renewable Energy Resources. Commissioner Anthony seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**
 - b) Chairman Gerwatowski moved to find the 26 customer-sited resources listed on Appendix A of the supplement to the application to qualify as New, Solar Renewable Energy Resources under the RES, consistent with the consultant’s recommendation. Commissioner Anthony seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**

- c) Chairman Gerwatowski moved to approve PowerDash as the independent verifier for each of the approved resources. Commissioner Anthony seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**
 - d) Commissioner Gerwatowski moved to find that IGS Solar may add new facilities, each with its own NEPOOL-GIS ID to its aggregated applications in the future by filing the facility information within this docket rather than by initiating a new aggregated application. The new facilities will be subject to the eligibility review process prior to receiving a Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission Eligible Renewable Energy Resource Facility Certification Number. Commissioner Anthony seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**
- **Docket No. RES-23-01 – Sunnova Energy International Inc.** – The Company submitted an application for eligibility of the Sunnova – Rhode Island Aggregation, a 2.384 MW AC (2.762 MW DC) aggregation of 420 customer-sited, behind-the-meter, small-scale solar Generation Units located in Rhode Island, as an eligible New Renewable Energy Resource. PUC consultant recommended approval. The following motions were deliberated:
 - a) Chairman Gerwatowski moved approve Sunnova Energy International Inc.’s aggregated application for 420 customer-sited, behind-the-meter, small scale Generation Units as New, Solar Renewable Energy Resources. Commissioner Anthony seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**
 - b) Chairman Gerwatowski moved to find the 420 customer-sited resources listed on Appendix A of the supplement to the application qualify as New, Solar Renewable Energy Resources under the RES, consistent with the consultant’s recommendation. Commissioner Anthony seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**
 - c) Chairman Gerwatowski moved to approve Solar Edge as the independent verifier for each of the approved resources. Commissioner Anthony seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**
 - d) Chairman Gerwatowski moved to find that Sunnova may add new facilities, each with its own NEPOOL-GIS ID to its aggregated applications in the future by filing the facility information within this docket rather than by initiating a new aggregated application. The new facilities will be subject to the eligibility review process prior to receiving a Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission Eligible Renewable Energy Resource Facility Certification Number. Commissioner Anthony seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**

III. Chairman Gerwatowski adjourned the Open Meeting adjourned at 3:10 P.M. A web video of the Open Meeting discussions can be accessed at <https://video.ibm.com/recorded/133280635>.