

**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**

IN RE: APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATION AS : DOCKET NO. RES-25-22
ELIGIBLE RENEWABLE ENERGY RESOURCE :
FILED BY CITY OF LEBANON– :
NEW GENERATION :

ORDER

On March 19, 2025, City of Lebanon¹ (Company) filed with the Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission (PUC) an application seeking certification for its REC-NH-City of Lebanon Generation Unit, a 1.0 MW AC Biomass facilities using Eligible Biomass Fuels energy Generation Unit located in West Lebanon, New Hampshire, as an eligible New Renewable Energy Resource in accordance with the PUC’s Rules and Regulations Governing the Implementation of a Renewable Energy Standard (Rules) and R.I. Gen. Laws § 39-26-1.

The application included a request, to the extent required by the Commission, that PowerDash, Inc be approved as an independent verifier for verifying and reporting appropriate billing records from the Company’s Generation Unit to the NEPOOL Generation Information System (GIS)². Stephen Lapointe is the contact person assigned by PowerDash, Inc. The Company shall notify the PUC if Stephen Lapointe is replaced by another PowerDash, Inc representative. If PowerDash, Inc ceases to be retained as the

¹ The authorized representative was identified as David Brooks, City of Lebanon, 51 N. Park St Lebanon, NH 03766; 603-448-4220; david.brooks@lebanonnh.gov

² An independent verifier “is responsible for monitoring, verifying and entering into the NEPOOL GIS the quantity of eligible energy produced by Generation Units in an aggregation, a Customer-Sited Generation Facility, or an Off-grid Generation Facility whose energy production data (or any part thereof) is not automatically included in the ISO Market Settlement System” 810-RICR-40-05-2.33(a).

independent verifier, the Company will need to either choose a new previously qualified independent verifier or seek approval of a new independent verifier.

The Company provided supplemental and clarifying information to the PUC from March 26, 2025, through April 28, 2025, regarding the Authorized Representative, confirmation of the NEPOOL GIS ID, the accurate UTM coordinates for the facility, clarification of whether there is an existing renewable energy resource located at the site of the Generation Unit, a Fuel Source Plan, and an Appendix D for the Aggregator and Independent Verifier.

After examination, the PUC is of the opinion that the application is proper, reasonable, and in compliance with the Rules and hereby grants the Company certification as an eligible renewable energy resource pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws § 39-26-1³. The PUC's determination in this docket is based on the information submitted by the Company and the PUC may reverse its ruling or revoke the Company's certification if any material information provided by the Company proves to be false or misleading.

Accordingly, it is

(25355) ORDERED:

- 1) The REC-NH-City of Lebanon Generation Unit meets the requirements for eligibility as a New, Biomass facilities using Eligible Biomass Fuels Renewable Energy Resource with its 1.0 MW AC, Customer Sited Generation Unit having a Commercial Operation Date December 19, 2024 and located within the NEPOOL control area in West Lebanon, New Hampshire.

³ Pursuant to Section 2.6 and other relevant Sections of the Rules, a thirty-day period for public comment was provided during which time no such comments were received.

- 2) Stephen Lapointe of PowerDash, Inc meets the requirements for approval as a Rhode Island Independent Verifier for the Company's Generation Unit.
- 3) Eligibility as a New, Biomass facilities using Eligible Biomass Fuels Renewable Energy Resource is granted.
- 4) The Generation Unit's NEPOOL-GIS Identification Number is NON220954.
- 5) The Company's Generation Unit as identified above is hereby assigned unique certification number RI-2522-N25.
- 6) The facility's Renewable Energy Certificates (RECs) become Rhode Island-eligible effective on the first day which the Rhode Island certification number is issued. All RECs associated with the production of eligible energy that are minted on or after the Effective Date are eligible for the Renewable Energy Standard.
- 7) Although the PUC will rely upon the NEPOOL GIS for verification of production of energy from the Company's Generation Unit certified as eligible in this Order, the Company will provide information and access as necessary to the PUC, or persons acting on its behalf, to conduct audits or site visits to assist in verification of continued eligibility for and compliance with Rhode Island Renewable Energy Standard Certification at any time, at the PUC's discretion.
- 8) The Company shall notify the PUC in the event of a change in the facility's eligibility status.

EFFECTIVE AT WARWICK, RHODE ISLAND ON MAY 22, 2025
PURSUANT TO AN OPEN MEETING DECISION. WRITTEN ORDER ISSUED
JUNE 2, 2025.

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION



Ronald T. Gerwatowski, Chairman



Abigail Anthony, Commissioner

NOTICE OF RIGHT OF APPEAL: Pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws § 39-5-1, any person aggrieved by a decision or order of the PUC may, within seven days from the date of the order, petition the Supreme Court for a Writ of Certiorari to review the legality and reasonableness of the decision or order.