

**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND  
ENERGY FACILITY SITING BOARD**

IN RE: APPLICATION OF QUONSET DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION AND GDQ ESS, LLC FOR A LICENSE TO CONSTRUCT A 208 MW BATTERY ENERGY STORAGE FACILITY IN THE QUONSET BUSINESS PARK- DOCKET NO. SB-2026-02

**NOTICE OF PRELIMINARY HEARING**

Pursuant to the provisions of R.I. Gen. Laws Chapters 42-98 and 42-35, and Sections 1.8(a) - (d) and 1.9 of its Rules of Practice and Procedure (“Rules”), the Energy Facility Siting Board (“Board”) will conduct a preliminary hearing regarding the above-captioned matter on **Tuesday, April 28, 2026, beginning at 9:30 AM in Hearing Room A of the Public Utilities Commission office building, 89 Jefferson Boulevard, Warwick, Rhode Island.** Pursuant to Rules 1.8.A and 1.18.C, the hearing may continue from day to day, time to time, and place to place, as required.

The Quonset Development Corporation (“QDC”), and GDQ ESS, LLC (“GDQ”) filed an application prepared by Green Development, LLC with the Board on January 23, 2026, seeking approval to construct a 208-megawatt (“MW”) battery energy storage facility on approximately ten acres of land within the QDC Business Park. The project will be comprised of several major components to be constructed:

- (1) An outdoor lithium iron phosphate battery energy storage facility sized to support discharging 208 MW of electricity. This facility would be located on approximately 4.7 acres of land where the North Kingstown fire station is currently located.
- (2) A substation at the energy storage facility designed to step-down or step-up voltage between the energy storage facility and a transmission line interconnection.
- (3) A transmission line interconnection consisting of:
  - a. approximately 2,500 feet of underground 115 kV voltage transmission circuits that will traverse along Callahan Road from the energy storage facility substation through an underground duct bank,
  - b. approximately 500 feet of new above-ground 115 kV high voltage transmission circuits that will be owned by Rhode Island Energy which will interconnect directly to existing transmission lines located south of State Route 403, and
  - c. a switchyard that will connect the underground circuits from Callahan Road to the new above-ground transmission circuits.

The project is designed to receive electricity from the regional electric transmission system to charge batteries at the energy storage facility and discharge electricity from the batteries back into the regional transmission system during periods when it is economic or beneficial to do so.

The application is on file and available for public review at the Board office located within the Public Utilities Commission office building at 89 Jefferson Boulevard, Warwick, Rhode Island. It is also available online at: <https://ripuc.ri.gov/efsb/index.html>.

Rule 1.9(a) provides that the Board will “convene a preliminary hearing to determine the issues to be considered by the Board in evaluating [the] application, to designate those agencies which shall act at the direction of the Board for the purpose of rendering advisory opinions, and to identify those licenses required by the facility which are under the direct control of DEM and CRMC.” The Board will not hear public comment at this preliminary hearing but will do so at a later, appropriately-noticed public comment hearing.

Parties intending to seek intervenor status are directed to the Rules, including but not limited to Section 1.10 (Intervention) and Section 1.4 (Appearances and Practice Before the Board). Pursuant to Rule 1.10(d)(1), motions to intervene are to be filed with the Coordinator at the address above by 4:00 PM EST on Friday April 3, 2026.

The Public Utilities Commission office building is accessible to the handicapped. Requests for interpreter services for the hearing impaired must be made to the Coordinator at 89 Jefferson Boulevard, Warwick, RI, 401-780-2107, [Stephanie\\_DeLaRosa@puc.ri.gov](mailto:Stephanie_DeLaRosa@puc.ri.gov), at least 72 hours in advance of the hearing. The hearing will be streamed live to the public and archived via the internet at: <https://video.ibm.com/channel/WqQyXw296dg>.

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