
State of Rhode Island

Public Utilities Commission

Minutes of Open Meeting Held on May 14, 2026

An Open Meeting of the Public Utilities Commission (Commission or PUC) was held May 14, 2026, at 10:00 A.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 Karen Bradbury, Cynthia Wilson-Frias, Todd Bianco, Alan Nault, Theodore Smith, and Stephanie De La Rosa

I. Chairman Gerwatowski called the Open Meeting to order at 10:06 A.M. A quorum was present.

II. **Renewable Energy Resources (RES) Certification Request for Expedited Relief – Docket No. 3946 - Casella Waste System for Generation Unit: Hyland and Docket No. 3947 Casella Waste System for Generation Unit: Clinton LFGE Unit** – On April 30, 2026, Casella Waste Management of N.Y., Inc. filed a Petition on behalf of two of its Facilities that are certified as New Renewable Energy Resource in Rhode Island. The request for expedited relief requested that the Commission confirm that New York Generation Attribute Tracking System (NYGATS) certificates associated with energy that was imported into ISO New England can be used by Obligated Entities for RES compliance. The Petitioner requested a decision by June 1, 2026. At this Open Meeting, the Commission reviewed the filings and applicable laws and the following vote on both matters was taken.

After discussion. Commissioner Athony moved to decline the requested relief that would allow New York Generation Attribute Tracking System certificates to be used by Obligated Entities for Rhode Island’s Renewable Energy Standard compliance. Commissioner Bradbury seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0**

III. Chairman Gerwatowski adjourned the Open Meeting at 10:11 A.M. A web video of the Open Meeting discussions can be accessed at <https://video.ibm.com/recorded/134818641>