
State of Rhode Island

Public Utilities Commission

Minutes of Open Meeting Held on June 25, 2026

An Open Meeting of the Public Utilities Commission (Commission or PUC) was held June 25, 2026, at 1:00 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 Karen Bradbury, Cynthia Wilson-Frias, Ryan Coyne, Jordan Sasa, Rhianon Small and Kristen Masse

- I. Chairman Gerwatowski called the Open Meeting to order at 1:05 P.M. A quorum was present.
- II. Approval of Open Meeting Minutes from 3/24/26, 3/31/26, 4/10/26, 4/29/26, 5/12/26, 5/14/26

In reference to the Minutes from the 3/24/26 Open Meeting, Chairman Gerwatowski would like the wording changed on page 3 to reflect “Chairman Gerwatowski spoke on transmission and the recent findings at the Federal level, that the following requirements were proposed...”

Commissioner Anthony moved to approve the Open Meeting minutes. Commissioner Bradbury seconded. The motion was unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**

- III. **Docket No. 26-19-REG – Office of Energy Resources & Distributed Generation Board (Company)** – This docket pertains to the Office of Energy Resources and Distributed Generation Board’s budget request in the amount of \$188,314 for program and ceiling price development for the 2027-2029 Renewable Energy Growth program years. At this Open Meeting, the Commission reviewed the filings, and a vote was taken.

Commissioner Bradbury moved to approve the Office of Energy Resources & Distributed Generation Board’s budget request amount not to exceed \$188,314 for program and ceiling price development for 2027 – 2029 Renewable Energy Growth Program years. Commissioner Anthony seconded. The motion was unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**

- IV. **Docket No. 24-51-WW – Providence Water Supply Board (Providence Water)** - On June 5, 2026, following an evidentiary hearing, the Commission approved a revenue requirement, certain changes to restricted accounts, and new wholesale rates for effect July 1, 2026. On June 17, 2026, Providence Water submitted a compliance filing to reflect the Commission’s decisions. At this open meeting, the

Commission reviewed the compliance filing for consistency with the Commission's decisions, and a vote was taken.

Commissioner Anthony moved to approve Providence Water's compliance filing as submitted on June 17, 2026. Commissioner Bradbury seconded. The motion was unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**

- V. Docket No. 25-52-REG – The Narragansett Electric Co. d/b/a Rhode Island Energy (Company)** – This matter relates to the Company's 2026-2027 Renewable Energy Growth (RE Growth) Program approved by the Commission in this docket. In accordance with R.I. Gen. Laws § 39-26.6-20(b), the Company selected five medium-scale solar projects and four commercial scale solar I projects in the First RE Growth Program Open Enrollment. The Company requested approval of the Certificates of Eligibility (COE's) for the commercial scale solar projects. The Commission reviewed the filing and voted on the Company's request.

Commissioner Bradbury moved to approve Certificates of Eligibility for the commercial solar I projects registered in Attachments 3, 4, 5 and 6. Commissioner Anthony seconded. The motion was unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**

- VI. Docket No. 26-05-EL – Rhode Island Energy's 2026 Annual Retail Rate Filing (Company)** – This docket pertains to the Company's proposed rate adjustments arising out of the Company's annual reconciliations of various charges effective April 1, 2026 as a result of an Open Meeting vote on March 31, 2026. Among the rate changes voted upon were the Company's transmission base charges, transmission adjustment factor, and transmission uncollectible factor. The Commission voted to suspend the Company's base transmission charge based upon the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (FERC) Order designated as "Opinion No. 594." The Commission directed the Company to make an updated transmission rate filing by the earlier of the following two dates: (i) within thirty days of receiving the refunds specified in FERC's Order; or (ii) June 1, 2026. On May 29, 2026, the Company requested an extension of time to August 1, 2026 to file the updated Transmission filing to allow for additional time for further development of the refund approach. Additionally, the Company noted that it can calculate the Local Network Service ("LNS") refund required under the FERC Order for the period beginning January 1, 2023, when the Company became a New England Transmission Owners (NETO). That amount is \$3,257,201, not including applicable interest. The Company indicated that it will reflect a credit of that amount, plus applicable interest, in the proposed August 1 filing. On May 29, 2026, the Company's request was conditionally granted until a date that the Commission could vote on the Company's request for extension of time at Open Meeting. At this Open Meeting, the Commission reviewed the filings, and a vote was taken.

Commissioner Bradbury moved to approve the Company's request for an extension of time to its updated filing no later than August 1, 2026. Commissioner Anthony seconded. The motion was unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**

VII. Docket No. 26-16-EL – Rhode Island Energy’s Last Resort Service (LRS) Rates for the Industrial Group for the period July 2026 - September 2026 –

This Docket relates to the Company’s proposed Last Resort Service (LRS) rates for the Industrial Group for the period of July 1, 2026 through September 31, 2026, in accordance with R.I. Gen. Laws § 39-1-27.3(c) and the 2025 Last Resort Service Procurement Plan. In addition, the Company moved for Protective Treatment of Confidential Information, asserting that the information for which the Company seeks protection falls within the exception to the Access to Public Records Act pertaining to commercially sensitive financial information (R.I. Gen. Laws § 38-2-2(4)(B)). The Division of Public Utilities and Carriers (Division) filed a memorandum stating that the proposed LRS rates are correctly calculated and that the power supply procurements comply with the LRS Procurement Plan and recommended approval as filed. At this Open Meeting, the Commission reviewed the filings and voted on the Company’s Motion for Protective Treatment and the Company’s proposed LRS rates for the Industrial Group as filed.

Commissioner Anthony moved to approve the Company’s Motion for Protective Treatment of Confidential Information. Commissioner Bradbury seconded. The motion was unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**

Commissioner Bradbury moved to approve the Company’s base LRS rates for the Industrial Group for usage on or after July 21,2026. Commissioner Anthony seconded. The motion was unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**

VIII. Consent Agenda – All items listed within the Consent Agenda are considered routine by the Commission and will ordinarily be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a member of the Commission requests, in which event the item will be removed for separate consideration later on the agenda. As noted below, the agenda includes applications from telecommunications providers and eligibility as a Renewable Energy Resource and PUC consultant’s recommendation on the applications.

IX.

Docket #	Applicant	Filing
RES-26-09	InFEWsion, LLC	Application for eligibility of the 35 Hurdis St Solar, Generation Unit .10 MW AC solar energy facility located in North Providence, Rhode Island. PUC consultant recommends approval.
RES-26-12	Orsted	Application for eligibility of the Revolution Wind, LLC, Generation Unit 715 MW facility located in North Kingston, Rhode Island. PUC consultant recommends approval.

Docket #	Applicant	Filing
RES-26-14	Solect Energy Lessee, LLC	Application for eligibility of the SEL – 25 Thurber LLC Solar, Generation Unit .15 MW AC (.21312 MW DC) solar energy facility located in Smithfield, Rhode Island. PUC consultant recommends approval.
RES-26-15	Hanover Off Site Solar Power, LLC	Application for eligibility of the Hanover Off Site Solar, Generation Unit 1.0 MW AC (1.002 MW DC) solar energy facility located in Leicester, Massachusetts. PUC consultant recommends approval.
4039	Broadvox-CLEC, LLC	Notification that Broadvox-CLEC LLC is voluntarily relinquishing its authority granted on March 28, 2009 requesting cancellation of any applicable tariffs. The company does not have any customers in the state of Rhode Island.
2262J18	Telrite Corporation	Request for further change in status on behalf of Telrite corporation to discontinue offering interexchange (IXC) services but continue to provide ETC Service as a wireless carrier. Telrite was certified to provide IXC services on May 12, 2003, and ETC services in Docket 4293 on December 21, 2011.
26-22-TL	Verizon Rhode Island	On May 28, 2026, Verizon Rhode Island filed a proposed amended tariff which included a proposed monthly rate increase of \$5.00 for Residential Unlimited 1 Party and Residential Measured 1 Party. On June 22, 2026 the Division's Position memorandum found the fees to be reasonable and recommend approval of the amended tariffs to take effect on July 1, 2026

No further discussion, Commissioner Anthony moved to approve the items on the consent agenda. Commissioner Bradbury seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**

- X. Chairman Gerwatowski adjourned the Open Meeting at 1:20 P.M. A web video of the Open Meeting discussions can be accessed at <https://video.ibm.com/recorded/134882694>