

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN RE: APPLICATION FOR STANDARD CERTIFICATION : DOCKET NO. 4524
AS ELIGIBLE RENEWABLE ENERGY RESOURCE FILED :
BY NEXTSUN ENERGY NORTH SMITHFIELD LLC – :
NEW GENERATION :

ORDER

WHEREAS, On October 3, 2014, NextSun Energy North Smithfield LLC¹ (Company) filed with the Rhode Island Public Commission (PUC) an application seeking certification for its NextSun Energy North Smithfield Generation Unit, a 0.850 MW solar energy generation unit located in North Smithfield, Rhode Island, as an eligible New Renewable Energy Resource in accordance with the PUC's Rules and Regulations Governing the Implementation of a Renewable Energy Standard (RES Regulations) and R.I. Gen. Laws §39-26-1; and

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Section 6.0 and other relevant sections of the RES Regulations, a thirty-day period for public comment was provided during which time no such comment was received; and

WHEREAS, After examination, the PUC is of the opinion that the application is proper, reasonable, and in compliance with the RES Regulations, and hereby grants the Company certification as an eligible renewable energy resource pursuant to R.I. Gen Laws §39-26-1; and

¹ The authorized representative was identified as Jacob Laskin, NextSun Energy North Smithfield LLC, 77 Pond Ave, Brookline, MA 02445, Phone: (617) 942-2733 Fax: (617) 750-7554 Email: Jake@nextsunenergy.com.

WHEREAS, 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

(21744) ORDERED:

1) The NextSun Energy North Smithfield Generation Unit meets the requirements for eligibility as a New, Solar Renewable Energy Resource with its 0.850 MW, Grid-Connected Generation Unit having a Commercial Operation Date of September 22, 2014 and located within the NEPOOL Control Area in North Smithfield, Rhode Island.

2) As a Generation Unit which has not yet been registered with the NEPOOL-GIS, eligibility is granted with a conditional requirement that the Company provide the PUC with the Generation Unit's NEPOOL-GIS Asset Identification Number when assigned by NEPOOL following full registration of the facility.

3) Following receipt from the Company of acceptable written documentation supporting the provision of the NEPOOL-GIS asset identification number, PUC staff is hereby authorized to assign a unique Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission Eligible Renewable Energy Resource Facility Certification Number for the Company's Generation Unit.

4) 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 RES.

5) 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 at its behest, to conduct audits or site visits to assist in verification of continued eligibility for and compliance with RI RES Certification at any time at the PUC's discretion.

6) The Company shall notify the PUC in the event of a change in the facility's eligibility status.


EFFECTIVE AT WARWICK, RHODE ISLAND ON NOVEMBER 24, 2014
PURSUANT TO AN OPEN MEETING DECISION. WRITTEN ORDER ISSUED
NOVEMBER 24, 2014.

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION




Margaret E. Curran, Chairperson


Paul J. Roberti, Commissioner


Herbert F. DeSimone, Jr., 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 (7) 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.