

State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations

Public Utilities Commission

Minutes of Open Meeting Held January 3, 2018

Attendees: Chairperson Margaret Curran, Commissioner Marion Gold, Commissioner Abigail Anthony, Cynthia Wilson-Frias, Linda George, Alan Nault, Todd Bianco, and Luly Massaro.

Chairperson Curran called the Open Meeting to order at 12:35 P.M. in the first-floor hearing room of the Public Utilities Commission (PUC). A quorum was present.

4763 – The Narragansett Electric Co. d/b/a National Grid - The PUC reviewed New Energy RI's Motion to Intervene submitted on December 5, 2017 and the responsive pleading submitted by National Grid objecting to the motion. After discussion, the Commission agreed that the motion to intervene is late and the movant has failed to show good cause for intervention. Chairperson Curran moved to deny New Energy RI's Motion to Intervene. Commissioner Gold seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.** The PUC will consider the comments from New Energy RI as public comments.

4774 – National Grid – The PUC reviewed the Motion to Intervene and Request for Extension to File Comments submitted by Sunrun Inc. on December 14, 2017 and responsive pleading submitted by National Grid objecting to Sunrun's request to file comments late. After discussion, the PUC found the motion to intervene submitted by Sunrun Inc. was timely and Sunrun showed good cause for the comments to be late. Chairperson Curran moved Sunrun intervene and approve Sunrun's request to file comments late but not allow Sunrun to issue discovery. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Gold and unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**

4672 – National Grid - The PUC considered National Grid's December 19, 2017 compliance report requesting approval of Certificates of Eligibility (COEs) for eight (8) commercial scale and large projects selected in the Company's Third 2017 Open Enrollment under the Renewable Energy Growth Program pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws §39-26.6-6.20(b). After review, Commissioner Gold moved to approve National Grid's filing as requested. Chairperson Curran seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**

4782 – Birch Communications, LLC - The PUC considered Birch Communications' application for registration to transact as a telecommunications service provider in the State of Rhode Island. The Division filed a memorandum recommending approval of the application. After review, Commissioner Gold moved to approve the application. Chairperson Curran seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**

The Open Meeting adjourned at 1:07.M.