

**State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations**

**Public Utilities Commission**

**Minutes of Open Meeting Held February 5, 2015**

**Attendees:** Chairperson Margaret Curran, Commissioner Paul Roberti, Commissioner Herbert DeSimone, Patricia Lucarelli, Cindy Wilson-Frias Alan Nault, Sharon Colby Camara, Todd Bianco and Luly Massaro.

**Commissioner DeSimone called the open meeting to order at 10:00 A.M. in the first-floor hearing room of the Public Utilities Commission. A quorum was present.**

**Minutes of Open Meeting held on January 14, 2015:** After review, Commissioner DeSimone moved to approve the minutes. Commissioner Roberti seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously passed. **Vote 2-0.**

**Competitive Telecommunications Service Providers Dockets**

The following companies filed tariff revisions to their existing tariffs (on date). The Division has reviewed the tariff filings and recommended that they be allowed to go into effect without suspension:

- 3220 – Sidera Networks, LLC (tariff filing 1/15/15)
- 2262(D5) – DeltaCom, LLC (tariff filing 1/26/15)
- 2262(P2) – NOSVA Limited Partnership (tariff filing 1/15/15)
- 2262(O2) – NOS Communications, Inc. (tariff filing 1/15/15)
- 2262(Q2) – Affinity Network, Inc. (tariff filing 1/15/15)
- 2262(A6) – SBC Long Distance, LLC (tariff filing 1/13/15)
- 2262(K) – SNET America, Inc. (tariff filing 1/16/15)

After review, the PUC adopted the Division's recommendation. **Vote 3-0.**

**4546 – Verizon Rhode Island** – Verizon filed on January 16, 2015 tariff filing to increase Directory Assistance Service and N-411 Service. The Division filed a memorandum finding that the filing conforms with the PUC's requirement in Order No. 18550, Verizon's Successor Alternative Regulation Plan (providing Verizon with pricing flexibility to residential retail services). After review, Commissioner Roberti moved to approve the filing. Chairperson Curran seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**

**4548 – Verizon Rhode Island** – Verizon filed on January 28, 2015 a tariff filing to eliminate the One-Time Bill Credit Offer as it has been discontinued. The Division filed that the filing be allowed to go into effect without suspension. After review, Commissioner Curran moved to adopt the Division's recommendation. Commissioner Roberti seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**

**4537 – Saddleback Ridge Wind, LLC** — Saddleback Ridge Wind filed an application for certification of the Saddleback Ridge Wind Generation Unit Generation, a 34.2 MW wind energy Generation Unit located in Carthage, Maine, as an eligible New Renewable Energy Resource. Saddleback Ridge Wind generation facility is being developed in two

phases with Phase 1 (3 wind turbines, totaling 8.55 MW of capacity) to first enter commercial operation in December 2014, and the full 34.2 MW (12 wind turbines) scheduled to achieve commercial operation by September 2015. The PUC Consultant filed a recommendation to approve only 8.55 MW of the total 34.2 MW capacity and conditionally approve the balance of the capacity pending receipt of documentation showing achievement of commercial operation for the balance of the facility (anticipated in September 2015).

After review, Chairperson Curran moved to approve Phase I totaling 8.55 MW of capacity and conditionally approve the balance of the capacity pending receipt of documentation showing achieve date of commercial operation.

**Other Matters** - It is moved that the PUC amend the open meeting agenda to discuss Forward Capacity Market auction and results. Commissioner DeSimone moved and Commissioner Roberti seconded the motion to amend open meeting agenda. **Vote 3-0.** The PUC discussed the most recent auction and results caused by the retirement of Brayton Point power plant.

The meeting adjourned at 10:50 A.M.