

STATE OF NEW YORK
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

CASE 14-E-0151 - Petition of Hudson Valley Clean Energy, Inc. for an Increase to the Net Metering Minimum Limitation at Central Hudson Gas & Electric Corporation.

CASE 14-E-0422 - Petition of Solar Energy Industries Association, Alliance for Clean Energy New York, the Vote Solar Initiative, the National Resources Defense Council and The Alliance for Solar Choice to Clarify the Process for Utilities to Seek Relief from Net Metering Caps.

NOTICE SOLICITING COMMENTS
ON TRANSITION PLAN

(Issued March 19, 2015)

In the Order Raising Net Metering Minimum Caps, Requiring Tariff Revisions, Making Other Findings, and Establishing Further Procedures, issued December 15, 2014 (December Order) in these proceedings, the Commission directed utilities to file tariff changes to provide for volumetric crediting instead of monetary crediting at remote net metered sites where non-demand rates are in effect. On February 27, 2015, the Commission issued an Order Staying Prior Order in Part (February Order), staying the filing of the tariff changes until a date that would be specified by the Commission. In the February Order, the Commission also stayed the December 11, 2014 grandfathering deadline set in the December Order and directed Department of Public Service Staff (DPS Staff) to prepare, within 30 days, a proposed transition plan for moving away from monetary crediting that would minimize the disruption of net metered generation project development.

Comments are requested on the attached Transition Plan proposed by DPS Staff, to be submitted by a deadline of April 2, 2015. The proposed Transition Plan sets forth criteria and deadlines for indentifying those net metered projects that will be grandfathered into retention of the monetary credits.

Parties and stakeholders are asked to submit comments to the Secretary by e-filing through the DPS Document and Matter Management System (DMM),¹ or by e-mail to the Secretary at secretary@dps.ny.gov. If unable to file electronically, commenters may make submissions by post or hand delivery to the Hon. Kathleen H. Burgess, Secretary, Three Empire Plaza, Albany, New York 12223-1350. Information and instructions related to becoming a party, subscribing to the service list, or otherwise monitoring the status of this proceeding can found on the Commission's Website.²

(SIGNED)

KATHLEEN H. BURGESS
Secretary

¹ How to Register with DMM, <http://www.dps.ny.gov/e-file/registration.html>.

² <http://documents.dps.ny.gov/public/MatterManagement/RequestAPStatus.aspx>

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICE STAFF
PROPOSED TRANSITION PLAN

(March 19, 2015)

Net metered projects, under both Public Service Law §66-j and §66-l, meeting the following criteria and conditions will be allowed to retain monetary crediting at otherwise-qualifying remote net metered locations. The issue of successor tariffs to net metering tariffs generally will be addressed in Track 2 of the Reforming Energy Vision (REV) proceeding.

By May 1, 2015:

- (1) Projects that have been interconnected; or
- (2) Projects for which developers have submitted a completed preliminary interconnection application to the relevant utility; or
- (3) Projects that have completed applications for grants through Program Opportunity Notices (PONs) 2589, 2860, 2956, and 2112, conducted by the New York State Energy and Research Development Authority (NYSERDA) or the Request for Proposals (RFP) process conducted by New York City for development of renewable facilities at the Freshkills Landfill; or,
- (4) Projects that have completed applications for grants in NYSERDA's NY-Sun MW Block Program.
- (5) Projects that a State, municipal, district, or local governmental entity has solicited through a Request for Proposals or a Request for Information issued in conformance with applicable law.

Milestones:

To retain monetary crediting, a project must enter service by the date specified in a PON, New York City Freshkills

Landfill RFP, government entity process, or the NY-Sun MW Block Program, or by December 31, 2016 if no such date is specified.

Term:

The monetary credit would remain in effect for a term of 20 years from the later of the date of an Order here or the project in-service date.