



## **Renewable Energy Committee Meeting**

September 10, 2012  
BPU 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Meeting Room - Trenton, NJ  
1:00 pm to 3:30 pm

- I. Future discussion plans for the Solar Act (S. Hunter)
  - a. There has been a request for the extension of the RPS deadline from Oct 1<sup>st</sup> to Dec 1<sup>st</sup>. Staff will take that recommendation to the Board at the September 13<sup>th</sup> agenda meeting.
  - b. Part of the Solar Advancement Act required some of the changes to be a special adoption. Those changes sunset, so we are recommending for re adoption the segment about the calculation of the solar obligation.
  - c. Solar Act directs the Board to several different tasks on net metering provisions. We will be conducting proceedings on some of those tasks. We will be making a formal recommendation to the board for beginning the proceedings on Net Metering and aggregation, and also on subsection T on landfills, brown fields and clean fills.
  - d. Subsection S- requires that 60 days from the date of legislation (July 23<sup>rd</sup>) that projects on farm lands that have a PJM impact study issued before June 30, 2011 to file notice with the Board. We have 25 projects that have filed notice. Staff will be working with upper management and the departments of Law to develop guidance.
  - e. Scheduled a follow up meeting for the net metering and interconnection stakeholder group to discuss some solar act requirements. The meeting is scheduled for September 21<sup>st</sup>.
  
- II. Regulatory Update (M. Winka)
  - a. Board Orders and Proceedings
    - i. On last months agenda there were C&I Rebates over \$100,000.
    - ii. An extension request in Rockland Electric for their Purchase and Sale Agreement (PSA) that had expired. It was approved.
    - iii. 3 biomass approvals for over \$300,000.
    - iv. The Board approved a green growth fund solicitation with Locus Energy. Also approved requests to the loan agreement as a standard form.
    - v. On the Agenda for Sept 13th is another \$300,000 rebate approval for the SmartStart program for a waiver for a Church, and their adoption of the RPS

rules and extension for solar only. Also the protocol and funding reconciliation through 2009.

- b. EDC SREC Financing Programs Extensions:
  - 1. PSEG loan 3 was reviewed and complete and now a procedural schedule is being developed. However, Solar4All 2 was found to be deficient, and they have 30 days to re-sign and return.
  - 2. JCP&L submitted their filing and it is in the process of being reviewed.
  - 3. ACE just submitted their filing this past week.
  - 4. RECO has yet to file.
- c. Board Staff 2014 through 2017 funding level draft straw
  - i. The draft is out for comment. There is an agenda meeting on October 23<sup>rd</sup>, with a number of items on the agenda.
  - ii. The Request for Proposal for a new Program Administrator was filed last week. There were 6 applications that were filed: AEG, Honeywell, TRC, Comverge, Shaw and Nexant. They are under review with Board members and other State Officials on the evaluation committee. Due to that transition, the initial comment period on the funding level will be up through October 22<sup>nd</sup> for the draft. We will then take those comments, with AEG's evaluation and the Renewable Energy evaluation (out next month) and the cost benefit analysis by CEEP and wrap all of it up into the funding level order going forward. Everything will then be combined with the comments received and the straw proposal will be revised for a final proposal to present at a public hearing. The public hearing date will be sometime in November.
  - iii. The next Board Agenda will have a more detailed version of the funding level proposal. The funding level currently in the straw proposal is \$320 million for the first two years, and \$300 million for the second two years, for a total of \$1.2 Billion (given that there's no new incremental impact). It also doesn't take into account Governor Christie's 2012 Energy Master Plan, providing a directional goal to move the program from incentives to alternate funding financing based structure.

### III. NJCEP program budget changes (M. Ambrosio)

- a. Proposed 18 month budget
  - i. The BPU has held up the true-up for the budget until they had further direction on the appropriation
  - ii. *Please see proposed budget sent from Charlie Garrison on 9/7/12 to the RE Listserv labeled "2012-2013 draft budget 8-24-12 staff straw"*

- IV. 2012 Program Updates (C. Garrison)
  - a. 2013 Program Plan and Budget Summary
    - i. Approx \$28 million for 1/1/12 to 6/30/13
  - b. Installed Capacity Update
    - i. Preliminary installed solar capacity as of 8/31/12 is ~ 876 MW. (~23 MW in current month)
    - ii. Preliminary solar capacity project pipeline as of 8/31/12 is ~ 807 MW. (Capacity increased ~51 MW from 756 MW on 7/31/12)
  - c. Registration process discussion (10 day requirement)
    - i. If re-submittal of the SRP Registration is required for an incomplete registration or a non-compliant registration, the registrant may submit a contract amendment that contains the key elements as per the checklist, except that the total install cost, total system capacity and equipment summary information are not required since they must be on the original contract.
  - d. ANSI C12 metering requirement
    - i. The RPS Rules require an ANSI C12 certified meter.
    - ii. The local code inspector may require the meter to be listed and labeled by a Nationally Recognized Testing Lab (NRTL)
  
- V. 2012 Operations Update (T. Gray)
  - a. SRP Registration Trend
    - i. Received 1,069 SRP Registrations in August
  - b. Final As-Built Paperwork
    - i. Received 794 As-Built Packets in August
  - c. Timelines and volume
    - i. 670 SRP Registrations approved for 60.49 MW
    - ii. 509 Projects completed and issued an NJ Cert # for 31.8 MW
  
- VI. Update on Interconnection Issues (J. Teague)
  - a. Net Metering & Interconnection Meeting 9/21/12
    - i. Meeting is from 10- 4pm & will cover the Solar Act
    - ii. The new process for complaints is very smooth still, only small percentage that go straight to John
  
- VII. Other Topics / New Business
  - a. Next RE Committee meeting in Trenton on 10/9/12

**Renewable Energy Committee Meeting****Attendees**

Monday, September 10, 2012  
Board of Public Utilities

1:00pm - 3:30pm

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