## THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

#### **DE 09-054**

### RESIDENTIAL RENEWABLE ELECTRIC GENERATION INCENTIVE PROGRAM

# Opportunity to Comment on Proposed On-Line Incentive Application Alternative ORDER OF NOTICE

By order dated October 2, 2009, the Commission established a two-step application process for the residential renewable electric generation facility incentive payment program provided for under RSA 362-F:10, V (Incentive Program), and approved the forms of paper applications required to be submitted in each step of the Incentive Program application process. *See* Order No. 25,020 (October 2, 2009).

In order to increase efficiency in administration of the Incentive Program, the Commission proposes to adopt an alternative on-line application process for use by Incentive Program applicants. The proposed on-line application process is also expected to facilitate the approval of renewable energy certificate eligibility for projects receiving incentive payments. This alternative electronic application process would either be in addition to or in replacement of the current paper application process. A test web site has been developed which permits prospective applicants and other interested stakeholders to gain experience with the proposed on-line application process; this web site may be accessed through the following web link: http://fs30.formsite.com/jan1947/form2/index.html.

The Commission seeks comment on the procedures and timing for implementation of the proposed on-line application alternative from various stakeholders, including, but not limited to,

prospective applicants, residential energy project developers, equipment vendors and installers, utility representatives, and state and regional experts on the residential renewable energy market. The Commission will hold a hearing on January 27, 2015 at 2:00 p.m. to receive public comment on the proposed on-line application alternative. Following the hearing, participants will have until February 4, 2015 to provide additional written comments.

This notice raises, <u>inter alia</u>, issues related to the development and implementation of an alternative on-line application process for the Commission's residential renewable electric generation facility incentive payment program.

#### Based upon the foregoing, it is hereby

**ORDERED**, that a public comment hearing on the proposed alternative on-line application process for the residential renewable electric generation facility incentive payment program shall be held on January 27, 2015 at 2:00 p.m.; and it is

**FURTHER ORDERED,** that final written comments shall be filed by February 4, 2015; and it is

FURTHER ORDERED, that comments and suggestions may also be filed by e-mail at <a href="mailto:executive.director@puc.nh.gov">executive.director@puc.nh.gov</a>; and it is

**FURTHER ORDERED**, that the Executive Director shall notify all persons desiring to file comments or be heard at the hearing by publishing a copy of this Order of Notice, no later than January 6, 2015, in a newspaper with general circulation in the state, with publication to be documented by affidavit filed with the Commission on or before January 23, 2015.

By order of the Public Utilities Commission of New Hampshire this thirtieth day of December, 2014.

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**Executive Director** 

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