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STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

November 19, 2018

Hon. Joel H. Peck, Clerk **State Corporation Commission** c/o Document Control Center Tyler Building, First Floor 1300 East Main Street Richmond, Virginia 23219

Re:

Commonwealth of Virginia, ex rel., State Corporation Commission, Ex Parte: In the matter of revising the Commission's Regulations Governing Interconnection

of Small Electrical Generators Case No. PUR-2018-00107

Dear Mr. Peck:

On September 5, 2018, the State Corporation Commission ("Commission") issued an Order Initiating Rulemaking Proceeding ("Order") in the above-captioned proceeding, which, in part, directed the Commission Staff ("Staff") to develop a proposal for any recommended revisions to the Commission's Regulations Governing Interconnection of Small Electrical Generators ("Interconnection Regulations") with input from stakeholders and other interested persons. In accordance with that Order, Staff drafted proposed revisions to the Interconnection Regulations and sent a letter dated November 16, 2018 with further information about the proposed revisions to every person included on Appendix A to the Order.

Attached please find a copy of Staff's November 16, 2018 letter. Please file this letter with the other documents in this proceeding.

Thank you for your assistance in this regard.

Sincerely yours,

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STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION DIVISION OF PUBLIC UTILITY REGULATION

November 16, 2018

Re: Commonwealth of Virginia, ex rel. State Corporation Commission Ex Parte: In the matter of revising the Commission's Regulations Governing Interconnection of Small Electrical Generators Case No. PUR-2018-00107

Dear,

On September 5, 2018, the State Corporation Commission ("Commission") issued an Order Initiating Rulemaking Proceeding ("Order") in Case No. PUR-2018-00107. This Order noted, in part, that on May 8, 2009, the Commission adopted Regulations Governing Interconnection of Small Electrical Generators, 20 VAC 5-314-10 et seq. ("Interconnection Regulations") in Case No. PUE-2008-00004. The Commission further stated that since that time, there have been various changes in applicable laws, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission guidelines, and technology. Accordingly, the Commission concluded that it is appropriate to review the Interconnection Regulations and make any necessary modifications to the current regulations.

The Order, in part, directs the Staff of the Commission ("Staff") to develop a proposal for any revisions necessary to the current Interconnection Regulations with input from stakeholders and interested persons. In accordance with the Order, Staff has reviewed the Interconnection Regulations and prepared initial draft revisions to the regulations that can be used as a starting point for gathering input from a stakeholder group. Clean and redline versions of Staff's draft revisions can be found on the Commission's website at:

http://scc.virginia.gov/pur/rulemak.aspx

The Staff now seeks your input on these proposed revisions as well as any additional revisions you feel should be considered, including any comments or documentation supporting

¹ All filed documents in Case No. PUR-2018-00107 can be found on the Commission's website, under Docket Search (http://www.scc.virginia.gov/docketsearch) and then following the links.

² Commonwealth of Virginia, ex rel. State Corporation Commission, Ex Parte: In the matter of establishing interconnection standards for distributed electric generation, Case No. PUE-2008-00004, 2009 S.C.C. Ann. Rept. 287, Order Adopting Regulations (May 8, 2009).

your proposed revisions. Please provide Staff with your written comments and responses by February 14, 2019, via email to <u>Mike.Cizenski@scc.virginia.gov</u> and <u>Neil.Joshipura@scc.virginia.gov</u>.

Following receipt of written comments and responses, Staff will conduct a two-day working group meeting to discuss proposed revisions to the Interconnection Regulations. The meetings will be held on March 13, 2019, beginning at 10 am, and on March 14, 2019, beginning at 9 am, in the Commission's third floor training room in the Tyler Building, 1300 East Main Street, Richmond, Virginia 23219.³ Please advise in your written comments and responses whether your organization would like to participate in the working group meetings, and if so provide the name, title, phone number, and e-mail address of your organization's designated representative(s).

After the working group meetings, Staff will prepare and file a report on its findings and recommendations for the Commission's consideration, which will include any proposed revisions to the current Interconnection Regulations. Please note that if the Commission determines that revisions to the Interconnection Regulations are necessary, you will also have an opportunity to file comments on the Commission's proposed rules in the case.

Thank you in advance for your assistance in the process. Should you have any questions, please contact either Mike Cizenski or Neil Joshipura with the Commission's Division of Public Utility Regulation, at the email addresses noted above. You can also contact me at 804-371-9629 or at Tim.Faherty@scc.virginia.gov.

Very truly yours,

Timothy R. Faherty Deputy Director

cc: William F. Stephens
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Neil Joshipura
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Beth Clowers

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³ If additional time is needed, meetings will be held on March 27, 2019 and March 28, 2019 in the Commission's third floor training room.