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Brinda Westbrook-Sedgwick
Commission Secretary
Public Service Commission
of the District of Columbia
1325 G Street, N.W., Suite 800
Washington, D.C. 20005

Re: GD-2020-02-M, In the Matter of the Investigation into Modernizing the Energy Delivery System for Increased Sustainability

Dear Ms. Westbrook-Sedgwick:

Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced proceeding please find the *Pilot Projects Governance Board's April 29, 2025 Meeting Minutes*.

If there are any questions regarding this matter, please contact me at 202.727.3071.

Sincerely,

/s/ Knia Tanner

Knia Tanner
Assistant People's Counsel

Enclosure

cc: Parties of record



Agenda

Pilot Projects Governance Board

Tuesday, April 29, 2025 3:00 PM – 4:00 PM

- **Commission welcome (Dollie Banks, Commission facilitator)**
- **Roll call (Katya Botwinick, Chair)**
- **Update on Community Heat Pump projects (Commission staff)**
- **Update on Aggregated Solar and Advanced Inverter project (Commission staff)**
- **Update on Microgrid RFP (Commission staff)**
- **Virtual Power Plant RFP Discussion (Katya Botwinick, Chair)**
- **Grid Resilience Funding (Katya Botwinick, Chair)**
- **Next steps and adjournment (Katya Botwinick, Chair)**

Pilot Projects Governance Board

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- I. Commission welcome (Dollie Banks, Commission facilitator)
- II. Roll call
 - A. Only OPC, DOEE, Sierra Club, and Commission Staff (“CS”) present
 - District Department of Energy and Environment (“DOEE”) – Present
 - Office of the People’s Counsel for the District of Columbia (“OPC”) – Present
 - Sierra Club of Washington DC – Present
 - Chesapeake Solar and Storage Association (“CHESSA,” formerly Maryland-DC-Delaware-Virginia Solar Energy Industries Association (“MDV-SEIA”) – Absent
 - Greater Washington Urban League (“GWUL”) – Absent
 - DC Consumer Utility Board (“DC CUB”) – Absent
 - Solar United Neighbors of DC – Absent
 - Apartment and Office Building Association of Metropolitan Washington (“AOBA”) – Absent
 - Commission Staff (“CS”) – Present
 - B. CS looked for the bylaws regarding quorum. When there is a lack of quorum, the Board or members may not vote or make motions, but information can be shared.
- III. Update regarding Community Heat Pump projects

CS: Meadow Green. The developer has not progressed to the point where funds can be issued.

DOEE: Is there a point where CS will evaluate the feasibility of the project?

CS: This is a possibility. But CS will have to determine whether the project is viable or cancel the contract. CS could resolicit and get a new project. The contract is tied to the building.
- IV. Update on Aggregated Solar and Advanced Inverter project

Awarded to ECOG with a letter contract. Looking for a presentation from the Company.

There was a presentation delay to work out some details with Pepco. A letter contract was issued in February, and two payments have been issued. The awardee has delivered documentation regarding existing site conditions and will be working on a detailed project design. ECOG has indicated that they are having issues working with PEPSCO.
- V. Update on Microgrid RFP

CS: Deadline extended to August 25, 2025. CS is answering questions and wants to give bidders the opportunity to receive and incorporate information.

OPC: How can communities indicate that they are interested in receiving the microgrid? CS: Not sure. The bidder/ community needs to consider that communities being served by Pepco may have issues with giving territory to the microgrid. CS needs to stay neutral. Communities could contact the bidders. The bidders’ list is public.
- VI. Virtual Power Plant RFP Discussion

DOEE: Possible shortfall reducing VPP to \$4M or \$4.369M.

CS: May need some cushion for unforeseen costs. Shortfall is based on bank statements.

DOEE: Would like to see the data for transparency's sake.

CS: Still working on it. Commissioner Beverly has an outstanding request for it. Pepco is the owner of the account not CS.

OPC: Can you request it from Pepco?

CS: We can request it, but I'm not sure what they still have. It may have to be done through the Commissioners.

SC: The increase proposal sounds good.

CS: The RFP can be released once the Commission approves it. It is not currently approved.

VII. Grid Resilience Funding

DOEE: The agency has grant money. It is possible to supplement funds from 40101D funding USDOE \$3.9M for DC. It needs matching funds of 15% non-federal and 85% federal. Most likely for upcoming project without a current contract. Could go towards a project under contract but need to look at the terms of the contracts and grant funding.

CS: Let's discuss internally. Need the terms of the grant.

VIII. Next steps and adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 3:57