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Anita Worden  
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Re: REC 16-867 Solectria Renewables, LLC's Request for Waiver of Puc  
2505.09(i)(1), Puc 2505.09(a), and Puc 2505.09(g) Requirements for Independent  
Monitors

Dear Ms. Worden:

On December 19, 2016, the Commission received an application and a letter from Solectria Renewables, LLC (d/b/a Yaskawa Solectria Solar) (Solectria) requesting approval as an independent monitor under the Puc 2500 rules regarding the Renewable Portfolio Standard (RPS). Solectria proposes to implement a remote monitoring and reporting process that varies in certain respects from the process contemplated by the Puc 2500 rules. On April 10, 2017, Solectria submitted a second letter requesting waivers from three specific rules, and it provided additional clarifying information in subsequent e-mail communications.

Puc 2505.09(i)(1) states that one of the duties of the independent monitor is to perform an initial on-site inspection of the installed meter to confirm its accuracy and verify it is capable of measuring production. Solectria has the ability to accomplish these assurances through electronic communication without performing on-site inspections.

Puc 2505.09(g) requires that the independent monitor have no vested interest in the production of Renewable Energy Certificates (RECs) from any monitored renewable energy source. Although it sells the metering equipment together with the inverters used by solar photovoltaic (PV) system owners, Solectria does not receive compensation or otherwise have any other financial interest in any renewable energy source using its inverters or its "SolrenView" system that is a function of the production of RECs by that source.

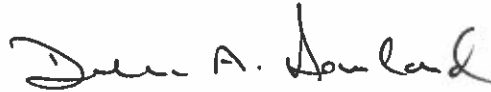
Puc 2505.09(a) requires that the customer-sited renewable energy source owner retain the services of an independent monitor directly. In the case of Solectria, the commitment to provide remote electronic system production monitoring and reporting services is packaged with the sale of the SolrenView web-based monitoring solution.

Commission Staff reviewed and evaluated the Solectria rule waiver requests, and its additional clarifying communications, and Staff filed a memorandum on August 3, 2017 summarizing its review and recommending that the Commission grant the requested rule waivers to permit Solectria to be approved as an independent monitor.

The Commission has reviewed the Solectria rule waiver requests and Staff's recommendation, and has determined that the requested waivers of Puc 2505.09(i)(1), Puc 2505.09(a), and Puc 2505.09(g) would serve the public interest and would not disrupt the orderly and efficient resolution of matters before the Commission, as required under Puc 201.05.

Accordingly, Solectria is granted a waiver from the relevant provisions of Puc 2505.09(i)(1), Puc 2505.09(a), and Puc 2505.09(g).

Sincerely,



Debra A. Howland  
Executive Director

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