

**STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**  
**BEFORE THE**  
**NEW HAMPSHIRE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**  
**DE 15-271**

**ELECTRIC DISTRIBUTION UTILITIES**

**Examination of Electric Distribution Utility Interconnection and Queue Management  
Processes for Net-Metered Customer-Generators**

**Petition to Intervene on Behalf of NhSolarGarden.com, LLC**

NhSolarGarden.com, LLC (“NhSolarGarden”) respectfully petitions the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission (“Commission”) for leave to intervene as a full party in the above-captioned proceeding under Admin. Rule Puc 203.17 and RSA 541-A:32. In support of this petition, NhSolarGarden represents that:

1. On July 7, 2015 the Commission issued an Order of Notice in the above-captioned docket opening an investigation or other proceeding to address issues associated with the 50 megawatt aggregate requirement for net energy metering, including the customer-generator interconnection and net metering queue management procedures of electric distribution utilities. In the Order of Notice the Commission noted that the New Hampshire Electric Cooperative has already exceeded its share of the net metering limit and that other utilities are approaching their share of the limit. The Commission went on to say that the potential objectives of this proceeding include developing uniform guidelines for utility management of net metering applicant queues and examining interconnection requirements to determine whether uniform queue procedures would be useful. The Commission also said that this proceeding would include a review of the interpretation of the phrase “first come, first-served” in RSA 362-A:9, I and N.H. Admin. Rules Puc 903.02(b) and associated utility procedures.

2. In the Order of Notice the Commission scheduled a stakeholder technical session for July 21, 2015, which it said would be open to representatives of customer-generators, their customers and group members, renewable energy project developers, system installers, relevant trade organization, the electric utilities and other interested parties. The Commission also set a prehearing conference for July 30, 2015 and established a deadline of July 28, 2015 for the submission of petitions to intervene.

3. NhSolarGarden is a New Hampshire-based company that develops renewable energy projects in New Hampshire. Its work focuses specifically on developing solar projects in New Hampshire. It is planning on attending the stakeholder meeting on July 21, 2015.

4. Because NhSolarGarden is currently and has been for some time involved in developing solar projects in New Hampshire it deals on a recurring basis with the issues the Commission has noted are central to this docket.

5. Representatives of NhSolarGarden have been involved in many stakeholder meetings with NHPUC Staff and the Sustainable Energy Division of the Commission on issues associated with the development of solar projects in New Hampshire.

6. For the reasons outlined above NhSolarGarden's rights, duties, privileges or substantial interests as a developer of renewable energy projects in New Hampshire will be affected by this proceeding given the scope of the issues identified in the Order of Notice. NhSolarGarden has a direct interest in the issues to be addressed by this docket. Not only will NhSolarGarden's participation and intervention not impair the orderly conduct of the proceeding, its participation is likely to contribute to a better end result because of its knowledge and experience.

7. Granting this petition for intervention would be in the interest of justice and would not impair the orderly and prompt conduct of the proceeding. The Commission has discretion pursuant to RSA 541-A:32,II to allow requests for intervention.

WHEREFORE, NhSolarGarden respectfully requests that the Commission grant it full intervenor status in the proceeding or grant such other relief as the Commission deems just and equitable.

Respectfully submitted,

NhSolarGarden.com, LLC

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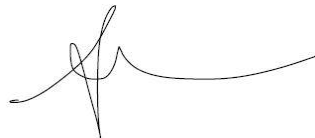


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Certificate of Service

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing Petition has on this 10 day of July 2015 been sent by email to the service list in DE 15-271.



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