

# COMMONWEALTH OF PUERTO RICO PUERTO RICO ENERGY COMMISSION

IN RE: PUERTO RICO ELECTRIC POWER AUTHORITY RATE REVIEW

CASE NO.: CEPR-AP-2015-0001

**SUBJECT:** Puerto Rico Manufacturers Association Request for Extension to file answers to discovery.

#### RESOLUTION AND ORDER

On October 14, 2016, the Puerto Rico Energy Commission ("Commission") issued a Resolution and Order granting intervenors until November 9, 2016 to file their responses to discovery. On October 31, 2016 the Puerto Rico Electric Power Authority ("PREPA") sent the Puerto Rico Manufacturers Association ("AIPR", for its Spanish acronym) a request of information and production of documents. On November 9, 2016, AIPR requested an extension of time to file their responses to PREPA's discovery request. AIPR argued that they were working hard to finish their responses, but needed several additional days to complete it. AIPR requested the Commision an extension until November 11, 2016.

On November 10, 2016, the Commission extended the deadline for all intervenors to file their responses to discovery until November 11, 2016. Given some intervenors failure to comply with the approved procedural calendar, the Commission warned all non-complying intervenors that failure to file their responses by November 11, 2016 could result in the imposition of fines or having their testimonies stricken from the record.

On November 14, 2016, AIPR requested an additional extension to file their responses to PREPA's discovery request, until November 16, 2016. AIPR argued that Mr. Rodrigo Masses had to leave the jurisdiction and was not available to answer the discovery questions.

The Commission's procedural calendar have the specific purpose of helping the Commission conduct an efficient, timely and organized procedure. Particularly, since the Commission is subject to a strict time period, established by Act  $57-2014^1$ , to issue a final determination in the instant proceeding. This strict timeline requires that all parties work diligently and effectively in complying with the Commission's deadlines.

Failure to comply with the deadlines established by the Commission is detrimental to the parties, and significantly delays the already tight procedural timetable. The Commission has been clear informing the parties that it will not grant additional time extensions. The Commission has also warn them about the consequences of non-compliance.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Puerto Rico Energy Transformation and RELIEF Act, as amended.



In light of the aforementioned, the Commission hereby **DENIES** AIPR's request. Also, the Commission **ORDERS** AIPR to show cause why the Commission shall not impose administrative fines and penalties and/or strike AIPR testimony from the record. AIPR shall file its answer on or before **November 17, 2016**.

The Commission **NOTIFIES** all parties that no further amendments to the procedural calendar will be made and, as such, all parties must fully comply with the dates set forth by the Commission. Failure to comply with the aforementioned may result in the imposition of administrative fines and sanctions.

For the benefit of all parties involved, the Commission issues this Resolution and Order in both English and Spanish language. Should any discrepancy between each language arise, the English language shall prevail.

Be it notified and published.

Agustín Carbó Lugo Chairman

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#### CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the Puerto Rico Energy Commission has so agreed on November 15 2016, and this is a true and exact copy of the Resolution and Order. On this date a copy of this Resolution and Order was notified by electronic mail to the following: n-ayala@aeepr.com, nglenn.rippie@r3law.com, vazquez@aeepr.com, c-aquino@aeepr.com, michael.guerra@r3law.com, john.ratnaswamy@r3Law.com, codiot@oipc.pr.gov, jfeliciano@constructorespr.net. mmuntanerlaw@gmail.com, jperez@oipc.pr.gov, abogados@fuerteslaw.com, jose.maeso@aae.pr.gov, edwin.quinones@aae.pr.gov, nydinmarie.watlington@cemex.com, aconer.pr@gmail.com, epenergypr@gmail.com, ecandelaria@camarapr.net, pga@caribe.net, jorgehernandez@escopr.net, manuelgabrielfernandez@gmail.com, mreyes@midapr.com, agraitfe@agraitlawpr.com, mgrpcorp@gmail.com, attystgo@yahoo.com, maribel.cruz@acueductospr.com pnieves@vnblegal.com.



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I further certify that today, November \_\_, 2016, I have proceeded with the filing of the Resolution and Order and I have sent a copy thereof to:

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Fort he record, I sing this in San Juan, Puerto Rico, today, November \_\_\_\_, 2016.

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