

GOVERNMENT OF PUERTO RICO PUBLIC SERVICE REGULATORY BOARD PUERTO RICO ENERGY BUREAU

IN RE: REVIEW OF THE PUERTO RICO ELECTRIC POWER AUTHORITY INTEGRATED RESOURCE PLAN **CASE NO.:** CEPR-AP-2018-0001

SUBJECT: PREPA's Informative Motion and Motion to Coordinate Overlapping Schedules.

RESOLUTION AND ORDER

On June 11, 2019 the Puerto Rico Electric Power Authority ("PREPA") filed a motion titled *PREPA's Informative Motion and Motion to Coordinate Overlapping Schedules* ("Motion") before the Energy Bureau of the Puerto Rico Public Service Regulatory Board ("Energy Bureau"). Through its Motion, PREPA states that the work papers required to be submitted as part of the Integrated Resource Plan ("IRP") filing require additional work in order for them to be in compliance with the requirements established on Regulation 9021.¹ Based on the above, PREPA proposed to submit compliant work papers starting on June 11, 2019 until June 14, 2019.

The Energy Bureau's June 10, 2019 Resolution and Order in the instant case ("June 10 Resolution and Order") required PREPA to file compliant work papers on or before June 14, 2019. Therefore, PREPA's request to submit such work papers between June 11, 2019 and June 14, 2019 is consistent with the June 10 Resolution and Order. As such, the Energy Bureau **GRANTS** PREPA's request to file compliant work papers from June 11, 2019 until 12:00 p.m. on June 14, 2019

On the other hand, PREPA stated that there are additional requirements to be filed on June 14, 2019, namely (i) the updated IRP testimony, (ii) the modeling runs and other data related to the potential fuel conversion at the AES plant, and (iii) the redacted version of Appendix 1 of the IRP.² PREPA stated that it does not propose to change the June 14, 2019 deadline for filing the updated IRP testimony. However, PREPA proposes to change the due dates for the other two (2) filings.

¹ Regulation on Integrated Resource Plan for the Puerto Rico Electric Power Authority, Regulation No. 9021, April 24, 2018.

² PREPA stated that an additional filing due on June 14, 2019 relates to the factors and reconciliation of quarterly and annual riders going into effect on July 1, 2019, which pertains to Case No. CEPR-AP-2015-0001. As this is not related to the instant case, the Energy Bureau will not address this through this Resolution and Order.



1. Modeling runs and other data related to the potential fuel conversion at AES plant.

PREPA stated that the modeling runs and other information requested through the April 26, 2019 Resolution and Order and the May 23, 2019 Resolution and Order require extensive additional work. According to PREPA, such work can be completed no earlier than July 1, 2019.

The assessment of the possible conversion of the AES plant in 2020 is of utmost importance for the evaluation of the IRP since it will affect the manner in which other generation resources are utilized to meet the Island's demand throughout the planning period. Furthermore, it is essential that PREPA makes these model results available to the Energy Bureau and the general public in order to do a complete evaluation of the IRP.

The Energy Bureau ordered PREPA to submit the AES plant fuel switching sensitivities for certain model runs on the April 26, 2019 Resolution and Order. Moreover, through the May 23, 2019 Resolution and Order the Energy Bureau further clarified the manner in which PREPA could comply with the April 26, 2019 Resolution and Order.

The Energy Bureau understands that LTCE model runs are time-consuming evolutions. However, the Energy Bureau has been very specific regarding the filing requirements and how PREPA can comply with such requirements. PREPA has had over six weeks to complete the runs required by the April 26, 2019 Resolution and Order. Notwithstanding the above and, due to the additional clarifications provided in the May 23, 2019 Resolution and Order, the Energy Bureau **GRANTS** PREPA until 12:00 p.m. on June 21, 2019 to file the modeling runs and other documents related to the potential fuel conversion at the AES plant, as directed by the April 26, 2019 Resolution and Order and the May 23, 2019 Resolution and Order.

2. Redacted version of Appendix 1 of the IRP.

As part its Motion, PREPA stated that the Energy Bureau's requirement to file a redacted version of Appendix 1 of the IRP was unexpected and had not been the subject of work to date. As such, PREPA requested to extend the due date to file the redacted version of Appendix 1 to June 28, 2019.

PREPA's argument that the request to submit a redacted version of Appendix 1 was unexpected lacks merit. In its Motion, PREPA seems to indicate that the Energy Bureau requested such redacted version on the June 10, 2019 Resolution and Order. However, PREPA completely ignored the fact that, as part of the March 14, 2019 Resolution and Order in the instant case, the Energy Bureau ordered PREPA to "develop and file a version of Appendix 1 that is not confidential yet conveys the essentials of minigrid identification, design, and associated considerations." The fact that the Energy Bureau restated this

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³ See Resolution and Order, Case No. CEPR-AP-2018-0001, March 14, 2019, p. 9.



requirement through the June 10, 2019 Resolution and Order should not have come as a surprise to PREPA.

PREPA has been on notice regarding the requirement of filing a redacted version of Appendix 1 since March 14, 2019. In other words, PREPA was ordered to file such version almost three (3) months ago. Therefore, PREPA's request for extension to file the redacted version of Appendix 1 is not reasonable. As such, the Energy Bureau **DENIES** PREPA's request. The Energy Bureau **ORDERS** PREPA to file the redacted version of Appendix 1 on or before 12:00 p.m. on June 14, 2019, as directed by the June 10, 2019 Resolution and Order.

The Energy Bureau **WARNS** PREPA that noncompliance with the filing of all required documentation as ordered herein will be construed as a violation of the Energy Bureau's orders and may result in the imposition of administrative fines up to twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) per day, per violation, as well as any other administrative sanctions the Energy Bureau deems necessary, in accordance with the applicable statutes and regulations.

Be it notified and published.

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Chairman

Ángel R. Rivera de la Cruz

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CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the majority of the members of the Puerto Rico Energy Bureau has so agreed on June 12, 2019 and on this date a copy of this Resolution and Order was notified by electronic mail to the following: astrid.rodriguez@prepa.com, n-vazquez@aeepr.com and jorge.ruiz@prepa.com. I also certify that today, June 12, 2019, I have proceeded with the filing of the Resolution and Order issued by the Puerto Rico Energy Bureau and I have sent a true and exact copy to the following:



Puerto Rico Electric Power Authority

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For the record, I sign this in San Juan, Puerto Rico, today, June 12, 2019.

Wanda I. Cordero Morales

Clerk