IN RE:

REVIEW OF THE PUERTO RICO
ELECTRIC POWER AUTHORITY
INTEGRATED RESOURCE PLAN

CASE NO.: CEPR-AP-2018-0001

SUBJECT:
Final Resolution and Order

COMMUNICATION FROM PREPA'S GOVERNING BOARD IN FURTHER SUPPORT TO THE URGENT MOTION FOR FINAL RESOLUTION AND ORDER APPROVING PREPA’S INTEGRATED RESOURCE PLAN

TO THE HONORABLE PUERTO RICO ENERGY BUREAU:

COMES NOW the Governing Board of the Puerto Rico Electric Power Authority through the undersigned legal representation and respectfully submits the attached communication addressed to the Puerto Rico Energy Bureau in further support of the Urgent Motion for Final Resolution and Order Approving PREPA’s Integrated Resource Plan filed on July 31, 2020.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED.

In San Juan, Puerto Rico, this 3rd day of August 2020.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

It is hereby certified that, on this same date I have filed the above motion using the Energy Bureau’s Electronic Filing System, at the following address: http://radicacion.energia.pr.gov and that a courtesy copy of the filing was sent via e-mail to: sierra@arctas.com; tonytorres2366@gmail.com; cfl@mcvpr.com; gnr@mcvpr.com; info@liga.coop; amaneser2020@gmail.com; hrvera@oipc.pr.gov; jrivera@cns1pr.com; carlos.reyes@ecoelectrica.com; ccf@tcmrslaw.com; manuelgabrielfernandez@gmail.com; acarbo@edf.org; pedrosaade5@gmail.com; rmurthy@earthjustice.org; rstgo2@gmail.com; larroyo@earthjustice.org; jluебkmenn@earthjustice.org; acasellas@amgprlaw.com; loliver@amgprlaw.com; epo@amgprlaw.com; robert.berezin@weil.com; marcia.goldstein@weil.com; jonathan.polkes@weil.com; gregory.silbert@weil.com; agraitfe@agraitlawpr.com; maortiz@lvprlaw.com; negron@dnlawpr.com; castrodieppalaw@gmail.com; voxpopulix@gmail.com; paul.demoudt@shell.com; javier.ruajovet@sunrun.com; escott@ferraiuoli.com; SProctor@huntonak.com; GiaCribbs@huntonak.com; mgrp corp@gmail.com; aconer.pr@gmail.com; axel.colon@aes.com; rtorbert@rmi.org; apagan@mpmlawpr.com; sboxerman@sidley.com; hmundel@sidley.com.

In San Juan, Puerto Rico, this 3rd day of August 2020.

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Letter Sent by the Governing Board of the Puerto Rico Electric Power Authority
August 3, 2020

Mr. Edison Avilés-Deliz  
Chairman  
Puerto Rico Energy Bureau  
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San Juan, PR 00918

Chairman Avilés-Díaz:

Re: Integrated Resources Plan Approval

We hope this letter finds you well. As you know, the integrated resource plan (IRP) presently before the Puerto Rico Energy Bureau (the “Energy Bureau”) was filed on June 2019. The Puerto Rico Electric Power Authority (PREPA) has traveled a long way since that filing. During the course of the evaluation, PREPA answered several requests for information to provide the Energy Bureau and the people of Puerto Rico with a better understanding of the goals regarding PREPA’s plans for the future of the electric system. The Energy Bureau evaluated filings, held hearings and, at the end, PREPA submitted all the information and briefs necessary for the Energy Bureau to have a complete record and enter a final decision. However, three months have passed since the case was fully briefed and we haven’t received a resolution approving the IRP.

PREPA to plan and develop a concrete path forward. Not having an updated and approved IRP creates uncertainty and stalls plans PREPA needs to execute because in the end, PREPA doesn’t know if these will comply and are aligned with what the Energy Bureau approves in the final IRP. Further, the updated and approved IRP is warranted for the development of projects to advance Puerto Rico’s energy policy as mandated by the Puerto Rico Legislature in Act 17 of 2019. For example, some of these projects include the Palo Seco Power Plant request for proposals (RFP), the battery energy storage system RFP, the future of the San Juan Power Plant, the conversion of the Mayagüez plant to liquified natural gas, renewables integration and the fate of some of our Generation Power Plants. The IRP is also of utmost importance to secure compliance with standards established by the United States Environmental Protection Agency and the Puerto Rico Department of Natural and Environmental Resources. In the end, the IRP is necessary for PREPA to develop projects and secure agreements that are for the benefit and constructive development of Puerto Rico.
We acknowledge the Energy Bureau’s commitment with the People of Puerto Rico. An updated IRP is a fundamental piece for the advancement of Puerto Rico’s electric system. Therefore, we respectfully request that a final decision approving the IRP is entered as soon as possible.

Cordially,

Ralph Kreil Rivera
Chairman