

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

IN RE: OPTIMIZATION PROCEEDING OF
MINIGRID TRANSMISSION AND
DISTRIBUTION INVESTMENTS

CASE NO.: NEPR-MI-2020-0016

SUBJECT: Schedule for Technical
Workshops.

RESOLUTION

On August 24, 2020, the Energy Bureau of the Puerto Rico Public Service Regulatory Board ("Energy Bureau") issued its Final Resolution and Order ("IRP Final Order")¹, under Case No. CEPR-AP-2018-0001, through which it approved the Puerto Rico Electric Power Authority's ("PREPA") Integrated Resource Plan ("IRP"), as modified therein, and the Modified Action Plan. Through the IRP Final Order, the Energy Bureau accepted certain expenditures for transmission hardening of existing elements and aging infrastructure, totaling up to \$2 billion.² However, regarding the Minigrid expenditures proposed by PREPA, the Energy Bureau determined to consider transmission needs associated with an optimized Minigrid transmission system and to establish the appropriate related expenditures through an Optimization Proceeding.³

On December 22, 2020, the Energy Bureau issued a Resolution and Order ("December 22 Resolution") through which it initiated the instant case to commence the Optimization Proceeding described in the IRP Final Order. As part of the December 22 Resolution, the Energy Bureau scheduled an initial two-day Technical Workshop, open to all stakeholders and PREPA, primarily to establish the guiding principles and criteria that will be used to select the most cost-effective options for achieving resiliency solutions across Puerto Rico.⁴ Further, the Energy Bureau established that it will hold a series of Technical Workshops to develop optimization plans for all the Minigrid regions.

On January 21-22, 2021, the Energy Bureau held the initial two-day Technical Workshop. As a continuation of the process established through the December 22 Resolution, the Energy Bureau will hold the next Technical Workshops in the following dates:

¹ See Resolution and Order, In Re: Review of the Puerto Rico Electric Power Authority Integrated Resource Plan, Case No. CEPR-AP-2018-0001, August 24, 2020.

² *Id.*, p. 230, ¶746.

³ *Id.*, p. 19, ¶117 and ¶120.

⁴ December 22 Resolution, pp. 7-8.



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Event	Date/Time
2 nd Technical Workshop	February 23, 2021 10:00 am - 4:00 pm
3 rd Technical Workshop	March 23, 2021 10:00 am - 4:00 pm
4 th Technical Workshop	April 22, 2021 10:00 am - 4:00 pm
5 th Technical Workshop	May 7, 2021 10:00 am - 4:00 pm
6 th Technical Workshop	May 28, 2021 10:00 am - 4:00 pm

As stated in the December 22 Resolution, the second Technical Workshop will mainly focus on the examination of the San Juan-Bayamón region transmission options. Further, the Energy Bureau will continue further examination of how the economics of Distributed Energy Resources alternatives for resiliency influence the overall consideration of transmission options. Additional information on the second Technical Workshop will be provided at a later date.

To prevent the spread of Covid-19, the Technical Workshops will be held remotely via the *Microsoft Teams* platform and livestreamed via the Energy Bureau's YouTube Channel. All persons interested in participating in the Technical Workshops scheduled above, must request access on or before 5:00 p.m. of the day before the scheduled Technical Workshop, by (i) sending an email to secretaria@jrsp.pr.gov; or (ii) contacting the Energy Bureau's Clerk at (787) 523-6262.

Be it notified and published.

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CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the majority of the members of the Puerto Rico Energy Bureau has so agreed on February 11, 2021. I also certify that on February 11, 2021 a copy of this Resolution was notified by electronic mail to the following: astrid.rodriguez@prepa.com, fabiola.rosa@prepa.com, marisol.pomales@prepa.com, vilmarie.fontanet@prepa.com, jorge.ruiz@prepa.com, kbolanos@diazvaz.law and jmarrero@diazvaz.law. I also certify that today, February 11, 2021, I have proceeded with the filing of the Resolution issued by the Puerto Rico Energy Bureau.

For the record, I sign this in San Juan, Puerto Rico, today February 11, 2021.



Sonia Seda Gaztambide
Clerk

