

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

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IN RE:

INFORMES DE PROGRESO DE
INTERCONEXIÓN DE LA AUTORIDAD
DE ENERGÍA ELÉCTRICA DE PUERTO
RICO

CASE NO. NEPR-MI-2019-0016

SUBJECT:

Motion Requesting Continuance of Compliance
Hearing Scheduled for November 25, 2024

**MOTION REQUESTING CONTINUANCE OF COMPLIANCE HEARING
SCHEDULED FOR NOVEMBER 25, 2024**

TO THE PUERTO RICO ENERGY BUREAU:

COME NOW, LUMA ENERGY, LLC as Management Co., and **LUMA ENERGY SERVCO, LLC** (collectively, LUMA), through the respective undersigned legal counsel and respectfully state and submit the following:

1. The captioned proceeding involves oversight by this Honorable Puerto Rico Energy Bureau (“Energy Bureau”) of procedures to handle requests for interconnections of distributed generation systems and microgrids to the Transmission and Distribution System (“T&D System”), pursuant to Acts 57-2014 and 17-2019.

2. Since July 2020, this Energy Bureau has required that the Puerto Rico Electric Power Authority (“PREPA”) submit quarterly progress reports on interconnections. *See* Resolution and Order of July 21, 2020. The docket of this proceeding also reveals that the Energy Bureau has held several compliance hearings.

3. On May 7, 2021, the Energy Bureau issued a Resolution and Order in which it took notice of the transition process underway between LUMA and PREPA (“May 7th Resolution and

Order”). On June 1, 2021, LUMA assumed its role as Operator of the T&D System per the Puerto Rico Transmission and Distribution System Operation and Maintenance Agreement dated June 22, 2020, as supplemented by the Puerto Rico Transmission and Distribution System Supplemental Terms Agreement.

4. In the May 7th Resolution and Order, the Energy Bureau ordered that LUMA file the quarterly progress reports required in this proceeding. *See* the May 7th Resolution and Order on page 1.

5. On July 3, 2024, LUMA and SESA filed the *Joint Motion Requesting Modification of Schedule for the Submission of the Interconnection Progress Reports and Compliance Hearings* (“July 3rd Motion”), whereby both parties requested that Progress Reports be due 45 days after the end of each quarter. Compliance Hearings are celebrated ten (10) days after a Progress Report’s submission. *See* the July 3rd Motion on page 5.

6. On July 12, 2024, the Energy Bureau issued a Resolution and Order (“July 12th Order”) whereby it determined, as pertinent to this motion, that Compliance Hearings were to be held at least ten (10) calendar days after a Progress Report is filed. It established the schedule for future Progress Reports, PowerPoint Presentation filings, and Compliance Hearings, corresponding to all quarters from April-June 2024 until October-December 2025. *See* July 12th Order on pages 1-2.

7. According to the July 12th Order, the Compliance Hearing corresponding to the July-September 2024 Quarter is scheduled for November 25, 2024, at 10:00 AM. *See id.* LUMA has designated Ms. María Hilda Rivera Ramírez (“Ms. Rivera”), Director of Grid Modernization, as one of the witnesses who will attend the above-described Compliance Hearing to provide the explanations sought by this Energy Bureau. Ms. Rivera has vast knowledge of the relevant topics

and is one of the most idoneous persons to testify. However, Ms. Rivera will not be available to participate in the Compliance Hearing set for November 25, 2024.

8. In view of the foregoing, LUMA respectfully requests that this Energy Bureau continue the Compliance Hearing scheduled for November 25, 2024. LUMA hereby informs that Ms. Rivera is available to attend the Compliance Hearing on December 4, 2024. As such, LUMA requests that the Compliance Hearing be rescheduled accordingly.

WHEREFORE, LUMA respectfully requests that the Energy Bureau **take notice** of the aforementioned; **order** the continuance of the Compliance Hearing scheduled for November 25, 2024, and **reschedule** the Compliance Hearing for December 4, 2024.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED.

In San Juan, Puerto Rico, this October 31, 2024.

We hereby certify that we filed this Motion using the electronic filing system of this Energy Bureau. We will send an electronic copy of this Motion to the attorney for PREPA, Lionel Santa Crispin, lionel.santa@prepa.pr.gov. Notice will also be sent to the Office of the Independent Consumer Protection Office, Lcda. Hannia Rivera Diaz, hrivera@jrsp.pr.gov, and to counsel for the Puerto Rico Solar Energy Industries Association Corp. (“SESA”), javrua@sesapr.org.



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