PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA 1325 G STREET N.W., 8TH FLOOR WASHINGTON, D.C. 20005

ORDER

July 9, 2015

FORMAL CASE NO. 945, IN THE MATTER OF THE INVESTIGATION INTO ELECTRIC SERVICE MARKET COMPETITION AND REGULATORY PRACTICES;

and

RM9-2015-01, IN MATTER OF 15 DCMR CHAPTER 9-NET ENERGY METERING-COMMUNITY RENEWABLE ENERGY AMENDMENT ACT OF 2013, Order No. 17920

I. <u>INTRODUCTION</u>

1. By this Order, the Public Service Commission of the District of Columbia ("Commission") seeks comments on the proposed Community Renewable Energy Facilities Documents ("CREF Documents") for the implementation of community net metering ("CNM") Potomac Electric Power Company ("Pepco") filed, pursuant to Chapter 9 of Title 15 of the District of Columbia Municipal Regulations ("DCMR"), the Net Energy Metering Rules. The Commission also seeks comments on Pepco's proposed "Procedural Manual for Implementation and Administration of Community Renewable Energy Facilities" ("CREF Procedural Manual"). Comments and Reply comments on Pepco's proposed CREF Documents and proposed CREF Procedural Manual are due within 30 and 45 days, respectively, of the date of this Order.

II. BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION

2. On October 17, 2013, the Council of the District of Columbia ("Council") enacted the Community Renewable Energy Amendment Act of 2013 ("CREA"). The CREA, among other things, amends the Retail Electric Competition and Consumer Protection Act of 1999 to create the CNM program in the District of Columbia ("District"). Additionally, the

See Attached: 1) Pepco's proposed CREF Contract, Attachment A; 2) Pepco's proposed CREF Contract Application Form, Attachment B; 3) Pepco's proposed Community Renewable Energy Facility Schedule ("CREF Tariff"), Attachment C; 4) Pepco's proposed CNM Rider ("Rider 'CNM'"), Attachment D; 5) Pepco's proposed Addendum to Pepco's Standard Interconnection Agreement ("Addendum"), Attachment E; and 6) two sample bills that display how Pepco would present credits to Subscriber customers, Attachment F.

² See Attachment G, Pepco's proposed CREF Procedural Manual.

³ See D.C. Law 20-47 (Dec. 13, 2013).

⁴ See D.C. Law 13-107 (May 9, 2000).

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CREA requires that the Commission establish rules to facilitate the implementation of the CNM program in the District.⁵ On April 24, 2015, the Commission issued Order No. 17862 adopting rules and regulations amending Chapter 9 to implement those provisions of the CREA, which established the CNM program.⁶

- 3. On May 8, 2015, the Commission published a Notice of Final Rulemaking in the *D.C. Register* establishing the rules for the CNM program in the District. The amended Chapter 9 sets forth a series of requirements to facilitate the implementation and operation of CNM in the District. On June 8, 2015, in accordance with Chapter 9, Pepco filed the following proposed documents: 1) Attachment A, the CREF Contract; 2) Attachment B, the CREF Contract Application Form; 3) Attachment C, the Community Renewable Energy Facility Schedule ("CREF Tariff"); 4) Attachment D, the CNM Rider ("Rider 'CNM'"); 5) Attachment E, the Addendum to Pepco's Standard Interconnection Agreement ("Addendum"); and 6) Attachment F, two sample bills that display how Pepco would present credits to Subscriber customers. In addition, Chapter 9 also requires the Electric Company, in this instance Pepco, to submit to the Commission for its approval, a procedural manual, including related sample documents where appropriate, for the implementation of the CREA. On June 22, 2015, Pepco filed its proposed CREF Procedural Manual for Commission review, in accordance with Chapter 9.
- 4. The Commission invites public comment on Pepco's proposed CREF Documents and proposed CREF Procedural Manual. Comments and Reply comments on Pepco's proposed CREF Documents and proposed CREF Procedural Manual are due within 30 and 45 days, respectively, of the date of this Order.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED THAT:

5. Comments on the Potomac Electric Power Company's proposed CREF Documents and proposed CREF Procedural Manual for Implementation and Administration of Community Renewable Energy Facilities are due within 30 days of the date of this Order; and

⁵ D.C. Code § 34-1518(b)(5) (2014 Supp.).

Formal Case No. 945, In the Matter of the Investigation into Electric Service Market Competition and Regulatory Practices ("Formal Case No. 945"); RM9-2015-01, In Matter of 15 DCMR Chapter 9-Net Energy Metering-Community Renewable Energy Amendment Act of 2013 ("RM9-2015-01"), Order No. 17862, rel. April 24, 2015.

⁷ RM9-2015-01, 62 D.C. Reg. 5694-5706 (2015); 15 DCMR § 900 et. seq. (2015).

⁸ See 15 DCMR §§ 906.8, 908.1, and 908.6 (2015).

Formal Case No. 945 and RM9-2015-01, Pepco's proposed Community Renewable Energy Facilities Documents ("CREF Documents"), filed June 8, 2015.

¹⁵ DCMR § 908.4 (2015).

Formal Case No. 945 and RM9-2015-01, Pepco's proposed CREF Procedural Manual for Implementation and Administration of Community Renewable Energy Facilities, filed June 22, 2015.

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6. Reply comments on the Potomac Electric Power Company's proposed CREF Documents and proposed CREF Procedural Manual for Implementation and Administration of Community Renewable Energy Facilities are due within 45 days of the date of this Order.

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CHIEF CLERK: BRINDA WESTBROOK-SEDGWICK

COMMISSION SECRETARY