



PILOT PROJECTS GOVERNANCE BOARD

September 18, 2020

Ms. Brinda Westbrook – Sedgwick
Commission Secretary
Public service Commission of the District of Columbia
1325 G Street NW, Suite 800
Washington, DC 20005

Re: The Investigation into Modernizing the Energy Delivery System for Increased Sustainability, GD -2020-02-M

Dear Ms. Westbrook-Sedgwick,

Attached please find the Pilot Projects Governance Board's monthly report, which covers the actions of the Board from July 2020 - September 2020, which shall be made public in the system within 10 days of filing. Should you have any questions regarding this filing, please contact me directly.

Best Regards,

Adrienne Mouton-Henderson

Pilot Projects Governance Board Secretary

**BEFORE THE
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**

IN THE MATTER OF)
)
The Investigation into Modernizing the Energy) **GD -2020-02-M**
Delivery System for Increased Sustainability)

FIRST MONTHLY REPORT OF THE PILOT PROJECTS GOVERNANCE BOARD

The Pilot Projects Governance Board under Power Path DC (“PPGB”) hereby submits its first monthly report for the period from July 9 to September 18, 2020, covering the first three monthly meetings on July 9, August 7, and September 3. The meeting minutes for each of those meetings have been posted publicly on the PPGB Webpage hosted by the Public Service Commission of the District of Columbia (“Commission”). Additionally, subsequent monthly reports will be filed in docket GD-2020-02 by the PPGB on a monthly basis. In accordance with the PPGB Bylaws, the Commission shall make said reports available 10 days after submission.

1) Background

In Order No. 20316, the Commission designated Solar United Neighbors of DC (DC Sun), the DC Chapter of the Sierra Club, the DC Consumer Utility Board (“DC CUB”), the Office of the People’s Counsel for the District of Columbia (“OPC”), the Greater Washington Urban League; the District Department of Energy and Environment (“DOEE”), the Maryland-DC-Delaware-Virginia Solar Energy Industries Association (“MDV-SEIA”), and the Apartment and Office Building Association of Metropolitan Washington (“AOBA”) as members of the Board; Commission Staff were designated as both a member and a facilitator. Pursuant to Order No. 20388, the Commission approved the opening of a separate docket, GD-2020-02-M.

2) Summary of Work to Date (July 9 2020 – September 18 2020)

The following is a summary of work undertaken by the PPGB since its inception. Additional detail regarding each of the topics below can be found in the meeting minutes found on the PPGB webpage.

a) PPGB Kick-Off

The PPGB held its first meeting on July 9 to hold introductions, go over the duties and responsibilities of the Board, and review the Charter and By-Laws.

b) Charter and By-Laws

The PPGB voted to accept the Charter and By-Laws at the meeting on August 7, after removing the role of “Vice-Chair” and adding additional clarification about the District’s Renewable Portfolio Standard and Carbon Neutrality mandates and goals. The Charter and By-Laws are available on the PPGB webpage.

c) Pilot Projects Timeline

The PPGB members voted on a proposed implementation timeline after deciding to shorten the length of the process to the extent practicable. The proposed timeline is available in the docket and on the PPGB webpage.

d) Officer Elections

The PPGB held officer elections on August 14, 2020. The PPGB elected Alex Fisher (DOEE) as Chairperson and Adrienne Mouton-Henderson (OPC) as Secretary. The duties and responsibilities for the officers can be found on the PPGB webpage.

e) Value of DER Request for Proposals (RFP)

Commission Staff presented a Scope of Work and Selection Criteria for comment to the PPGB members, in the development of an RFP to be released by the Commission. Members

provided feedback at the September 3 meeting, as well as written feedback over email. The RFP is expected to be released in September.

f) Technology Readiness Level (TRL) and Risk Mitigation Level

For assessing project proposals, the PPGB members were directed by the Commission in Order No. 20286 to propose a TRL for pilot project exclusion, as well as a level at which risk mitigation will be required. The PPGB chose to accept proposals from TRL 5 and higher, with risk mitigation required for projects below TRL 8.

g) Call for Concept Papers

The PPGB discussed a draft of a call for concept papers to be released in September at the September 3 meeting, with additional written feedback provided after the meeting. The PPGB voted to approve the Call for Concept Papers document over the web after the September meeting.

3) Conclusion

The PPGB will submit its next monthly report after the October monthly meeting. The Call for Concept Papers and RFP for a Value of DER study are expected to be released prior to the next meeting.