STATE OF CONNECTICUT
PUBLIC UTILITIES REGULATORY AUTHORITY

DOCKET NO. 26-08-02
ANNUAL RESIDENTIAL RENEWABLE ENERGY SOLUTIONS PROGRAM REVIEW – YEAR 6

NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR WRITTEN COMMENTS
(August 19, 2026)

In 2021, the Public Utilities Regulatory (Authority or PURA) established the Residential Tariff program, now termed the Residential Renewable Energy Solutions (RRES) Program, and instituted an annual review to examine the RRES Program. Interim Decision, Feb. 10, 2021, Docket No. 20-07-01, PURA Implementation of Section 3 of Public Act 19-35, Renewable Energy Tariffs and Procurement Plans (Interim Decision).

On March 16, 2026, the Authority initiated this proceeding to serve as the administrative record of the Authority's annual program review and approval of the Year 6 RRES Program rules and other key compliance filings. As part of such annual review, this proceeding will evaluate program data and metrics including deployed megawatts (MW) and low- and moderate-income customer participation. Ultimately, the annual RRES review is intended to ensure the program is "on track to at least maintain historical deployment levels and to deliver a carbon free grid by 2040." Id., p. 40. Further, this proceeding will be used to "set the Residential Tariff rates, any separate [renewable energy certificate (REC)] payments, and any fully, non-bypassable charges for program applications received during the following calendar year." Id.

FIRST NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR WRITTEN COMMENTS

To facilitate the Authority's evaluation of the RRES Program, the Authority requests that docket participants and interested stakeholders file written comments on or before **4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, August 19, 2026,** addressing the following:

1. **Program Manual Updates**

Order No. 1 of the December 17, 2025 Decision in Docket No. 25-08-02 (Year 5 Decision) directed The Connecticut Light and Power Company d/b/a Eversource Energy (Eversource) and The United Illuminating Company (UI; collectively, the electric distribution companies or EDCs) to file annually, by August 1, the Program Manual and guidelines; other resources for residential utility customers and/or renewable energy contractors to explain the technical, administrative, and procedural requirements of the RRES Program; and metering diagrams and guidelines. Year 5 Decision, p. 29. The

Authority requests written comments on the proposed Program Manual, metering diagrams and guidelines, and other RRES Program documents, as filed in Motion No. 7.[1]

2. Application Fees

Order No. 2 of the Year 5 Decision directed the EDCs to file annually, by August 1, a proposed application fee to cover the estimated administrative costs associated with processing applications. Year 5 Decision, pp. 29-30. On July 28, 2026, Eversource filed its proposed application fee in Motion No. 4,[2] and on July 31, 2026 UI filed its proposed application fee in Motion No. 5.[3] Consequently, the Authority requests written comments on the EDCs' proposed application fees.

3. Multi-Family Affordable Housing Eligibility Requirements

In their May 28, 2026 comments, the EDCs highlighted that the current Multi-Family Affordable Housing (MFAH) eligibility requirements accommodate a growing number of large, ground-mounted systems. Eversource Comments, May 28, 2026, pp. 7-8; UI Comments, May 28, 2026, pp. 4-5. The EDCs note that such projects are eligible to receive the Buy-All incentive rate and income-eligible adder, which exceeds what similar large commercial projects would receive through the Non-Residential Renewable Energy Solutions (NRES) or Shared Community Energy Facilities (SCEF) Programs. Id. As such, the EDCs suggested that the Authority consider adjusting siting or sizing requirements, or using a different Buy-All incentive rate setting methodology for the MFAH market segment, to better align with the program objective to balance participant and non-participant costs. Id.

Accordingly, the Authority requests stakeholder comments on whether RRES sizing or siting requirements should be adjusted for MFAH projects, and whether the Buy-All incentive rate setting methodology should differ between 1-4 family and MFAH RRES projects.

Dated at New Britain, Connecticut this 4th day of August, 2026.

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[1] Available at: https://www.dpuc.state.ct.us/dockcurr.nsf/8e6fc37a54110e3e852576190052b64d/2e87f026c6c539c685258e45006170f2?OpenDocument

[2] Available at: https://www.dpuc.state.ct.us/dockcurr.nsf/8e6fc37a54110e3e852576190052b64d/6ccd07565294f24985258e42006307da?OpenDocument

[3] Available at: https://www.dpuc.state.ct.us/dockcurr.nsf/8e6fc37a54110e3e852576190052b64d/fc110587abca62d285258e450057f52b?OpenDocument

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