STATE OF CONNECTICUT
PUBLIC UTILITIES REGULATORY AUTHORITY
OFFICE OF EDUCATION, OUTREACH & ENFORCEMENT

July 21, 2026

Public Utilities Regulatory Authority
10 Franklin Square
New Britain, CT 06051

Re: Docket No. 26-08-02 – Annual Residential Renewable Energy Solutions Program Review – Year 6

Dear Commissioners:

The Office of Education, Outreach, and Enforcement (EOE), on behalf of the Interconnection Working Group (IXWG), requests a one-month extension, to August 19, 2026, to file its assessment of the interconnection cost allocation policy for the reasons stated herein.

In Order No. 5 of its Final Decision in Docket No. 22-06-29, the Public Utilities Regulatory Authority (Authority) directed as follows:

> *No later than July 22, 2026, the Working Group shall submit as compliance an assessment of the interconnection cost allocation policy for residential DERs authorized in this Decision through Docket No. 26-08-02, Annual Residential Renewable Energy Solutions Program Review – Year 6. The assessment shall include:*
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> *a. Suggestions for refining or improving the cost allocation model;*
> *b. Identification of any issues with the current model;*
> *c. Suggestions for alternative methods of cost allocation if appropriate; and*
> *d. Methods for refining the application fee adder.*

Final Decision, Dec. 20, 2023, Docket No. 22-06-29, PURA Investigation Into Distributed Energy Resource Interconnection Cost Allocation, p. 21.

At the IXWG meeting to discuss this matter, the electric distribution companies (EDCs) informed the IXWG that their next annual filing on this matter is due August 1, 2026.[1] The EDCs further informed the IXWG that their first annual compliance filing in August 1, 2024, included data from April through June 2024 because the cost allocation adder did not go into effect until April 1, 2024; thus, the 2024 filing included data from only three months. See Eversource Order No. 4 Compliance Filing, Aug. 1, 2024, Docket No. 24-08-02, Annual Residential Renewable Energy Solutions Program Review – Year 4; United Illuminating (UI) Order No. 4 Compliance Filing, Aug. 2, 2024, Docket No. 24-08-02, Annual Residential Renewable Energy Solutions Program Review – Year 4; UI Order No. 4 Supplemental Compliance Filing, Aug. 6, 2024, Docket No. 24-08-02, Annual Residential Renewable Energy Solutions Program Review – Year 4.

Therefore, at the current moment, there is only one full year of data – from July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025 – available to the IXWG upon which to base an assessment of the current cost allocation. See Eversource Order No. 4 Compliance Filing, Aug. 1, 2025, Docket No. 25-08-02, Annual Residential Renewable Energy Solutions Program Review – Year 5; Eversource Order No. 4 Supplemental Compliance Filing, Aug. 12, 2025, Docket No. 25-08-02, Annual Residential Renewable Energy Solutions Program Review – Year 5; UI Order No. 4 Compliance Filing, Aug. 12, 2025, Docket No. 25-08-02, Annual Residential Renewable Energy Solutions Program Review – Year 5.

Given that the current cost allocation has been the topic of only one annual filing covering a full 12-month period, and that the EDCs' next annual filing is not due until August 1, 2026, the IXWG is requesting an extension in order to review two full years of the EDCs' data in its assessment of the interconnection cost allocation policy. See Final Decision, Dec. 20, 2023, Docket No. 22-06-29, PURA Investigation Into Distributed Energy Resource Interconnection Cost Allocation, pp. 18-19 (stating that the data provided in the EDCs' annual compliance filings is necessary to support the evaluation of the interconnection cost sharing policy). In addition, the next regularly scheduled IXWG meeting is set for August 11, 2026, which will give the IXWG time to review the EDCs' timely annual filings and draft its assessment for filing by the requested extension date of August 19, 2026.

EOE, and the IXWG, appreciate the Authority's consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

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Office of Education, Outreach and Enforcement

[1] "No later than August 1, 2024, and annually thereafter, the EDCs shall submit as compliance the data outlined in Section II.F., Annual Data Collection Requirements, in the appropriate, annual RRES dockets (e.g., Docket Nos. 24-08-02 and 25-08-02 for data gathered from July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025)." Order No. 4, Final Decision, Dec. 20, 2023, Docket No. 22-06-29, PURA Investigation Into Distributed Energy Resource Interconnection Cost Allocation. Section II.F. of the decision lists seven categories of data the EDCs are required to track and report annually to the Authority in order to support the Authority in evaluating the interconnection cost sharing policy. Id., pp. 18-19.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on this day the foregoing document was filed with the Public Utilities Regulatory Authority, and copies thereof were served upon each person designated on the official service list in this proceeding in accordance with R.C.S.A. § 16-1-15.

Sincerely,

By: /s/ Jamie Spannhake

Jamie Spannhake
Staff Attorney
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