

STATE OF VERMONT
PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

Case No. 20-2578-NMP

Petition of Hartford Jericho Solar LLC for a certificate of public good pursuant to 30 V.S.A. :§ 8010 authorizing the installation and operation of a 150 kW group net-metering solar electric generation system in White River Junction, Vermont	
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Order entered: 05/27/2021

**CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC GOOD (“CPG”) ISSUED
PURSUANT TO 30 V.S.A. SECTIONS 248 & 8010**

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED that the Vermont Public Utility Commission (“Commission”) this day found and adjudged that the site preparation, construction, operation, and maintenance of a 150 kW solar group net-metering system by Hartford Jericho Solar LLC (“CPG Holder”) at 1058 Jericho Road in White River Junction, Vermont (the “Project”), in accordance with the evidence and plans submitted in this proceeding, will promote the general good of the State, subject to the following conditions.

1. Site preparation, construction, operation, and maintenance of the Project shall be in accordance with the plans and evidence submitted in this proceeding. Any material deviation or substantial change in the Project is prohibited without prior Commission approval. Failure to obtain advance approval from the Commission for a material deviation or substantial change from the approved plans may result in the assessment of a penalty pursuant to 30 V.S.A. §§ 30 and 247.
2. The net-metering system shall comply with all applicable existing and future statutory requirements and Commission Rules and Orders.
3. In the event this CPG is transferred pursuant to Commission Rule 5.110, the new CPG Holder must file the required certificate transfer form with the Commission prior to commencing operation of the system.
4. Pursuant to Commission Rule 5.110(C), if the net-metering system is not commissioned within one year of the date of this CPG, this CPG shall be revoked unless otherwise ordered by the Commission.

5. All environmental attributes associated with the Project's output, including any renewable energy credits ("RECs"), shall be transferred to Green Mountain Power Corporation. Pursuant to Commission Rule 5.127(B), a REC adjustor of plus one cent per kilowatt hour shall apply to all energy generated by the net-metering system for 10 years from the date the system is commissioned.

6. Pursuant to Commission Rule 5.127(C), a siting adjustor of plus one cent per kilowatt hour shall apply to all energy generated by the net-metering system for 10 years from the date the system is commissioned.

7. As required by 30 V.S.A. § 248(a)(7), within 45 days of the date of this CPG, the CPG Holder shall record a notice of the CPG on the form available at <http://puc.vermont.gov/document/cpg-municipal-notice-form> in the land records of each municipality in which a facility subject to the CPG is located. The CPG Holder shall file proof of this recording with the Commission.

8. As provided in 30 V.S.A. § 248(t), notwithstanding any contrary provision of the law, primary agricultural soils as defined in 10 V.S.A. § 6001 located on the site of a solar electric generation facility approved under Section 248 shall remain classified as such soils, and the review of any change in the use of the site subsequent to the construction of the facility shall treat the soils as if the facility had never been constructed.

9. Before beginning site preparation or construction of the Project, the CPG Holder shall obtain all necessary permits and approvals. Site preparation, construction, operation, and maintenance of the Project shall be in accordance with such permits and approvals.

10. The CPG Holder shall restrict construction activities to the hours between 7:00 A.M. and 7:00 P.M. Monday through Friday and between 8:00 A.M. and 5:00 P.M. on Saturdays. No construction activities shall occur on Sundays or state or federal holidays.

11. The CPG Holder shall implement and shall pay for any system upgrades determined by the interconnecting utility to be necessary to safely interconnect the net-metering system, other than those determined by the interconnecting utility to be necessary to correct a pre-existing condition.

12. The CPG Holder shall fully implement the final aesthetic mitigation plan as soon as reasonably possible, and in no case more than 90 days following the completion of construction,

unless such timing would require implementation between October 15 and April 15, in which case the plan shall be fully implemented within 30 days of the following April 15.

13. Within 30 days following the full implementation of the final aesthetic mitigation plan, the CPG Holder shall submit to the Commission and all parties in this proceeding a certification that all work has been fully implemented in a manner consistent with the approved plan. This certification shall include the completion of construction date as well as the date of interconnection and shall be supported by an affidavit and dated photographs of the installed mitigation measures. If construction of the facility components and/or aesthetic mitigation has deviated from the design of the facility as approved, the CPG Holder shall also file for Commission review and approval a revised final mitigation plan. Submission of a revised final mitigation plan shall not relieve a CPG Holder from its obligation to request an amendment to the CPG pursuant to Commission Rule 5.109.

14. For a period of three years, the CPG Holder shall conduct an annual inspection of the facility to determine the health, vigor, and continued effectiveness of the mitigation. The CPG Holder shall file with the Commission and parties an annual certification documenting the results of the inspection and any corrective actions taken. Certifications required under this paragraph shall be submitted by the dates one, two, and three years following the submission of the certification of completion required by Paragraph 13, above.

15. The CPG Holder shall maintain mitigation measures contained in the final aesthetic mitigation plan or revised final aesthetic mitigation plan for the life of the facility as those measures are depicted on the plan.

16. In accordance with Commission Rule 5.805(C), the Commission may conduct further process as needed to ensure compliance with the final aesthetic mitigation plan or revised final aesthetic mitigation plan.

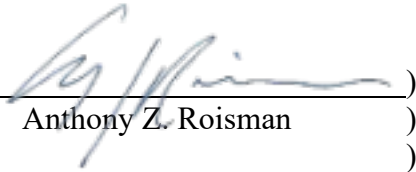
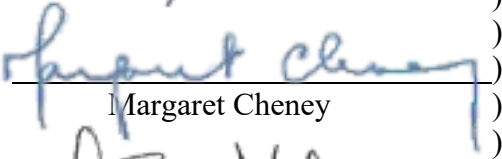
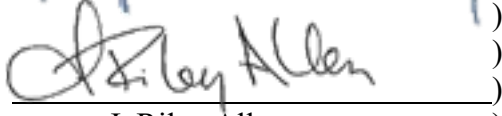
17. Except for maintenance of existing improvements shown on the approved site plan (Exhibit HJS-MS-2(revised)), the CPG Holder shall maintain an undisturbed, naturally vegetated riparian zone along the stream identified on the site plan. The riparian zone shall be measured inland, perpendicular to, and horizontally 50-feet from the top-of-bank or, in areas where a wetland is contiguous to the stream, from the upland edge of the delineated wetland, and extend to the water's edge at base flow conditions. The term "undisturbed" means no activities that may

cause or contribute to ground or vegetation disturbance, or soil compaction, including but not limited to construction; earth-moving activities; storage of materials; tree trimming or canopy removal; tree, shrub or groundcover removal; plowing or disposal of snow; grazing; and mowing.

18. Once the Project is no longer in service, Project facilities shall be removed from the site, and the site shall be restored, in accordance with Commission Rule 5.904(A).

19. The CPG Holder shall pay all invoices (if any) from any State agency that (a) are related to this proceeding and (b) are not still under review by the Commission.

Dated at Montpelier, Vermont, this 27th day of May, 2021.

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Anthony Z. Roisman)	PUBLIC UTILITY
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Margaret Cheney)	COMMISSION
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J. Riley Allen)	OF VERMONT

OFFICE OF THE CLERK

May 27, 2021

Filed:

Attest:


 Clerk of the Commission

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