

Public Service Commission: Two utility-scale solar projects approved by Public Service Commission

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Madison – Today the Public Service Commission of Wisconsin (Commission) authorized the construction of two utility-scale solar electric generation projects that will more than quadruple the state's solar capacity. Chairperson Rebecca Cameron Valcq and Commissioner Mike Huebsch unanimously approved the projects 2-0.

The Two Creeks solar generation facility will have a capacity of 150 MW, and will be located near Two Rivers, in Manitowoc and Kewaunee Counties. The Badger Hollow solar generation facility will have a capacity of 300 MW, and will be located near Cobb, in Iowa County. Once completed, the two projects will produce enough renewable energy to be equivalent to what 120,000 Wisconsin households use in a typical year.

In addition to authorizing the construction of the two facilities, the Commission also authorized the acquisition of the entire Two Creeks project and 150 MW of the Badger Hollow facility by Madison Gas and Electric Company (MG&E) and Wisconsin Public Service Corporation (WPS). The Commission included ratepayer and landowner protections in its decisions.

“These projects are an important first step in decreasing the carbon footprint of Wisconsin's energy production,” said Chairperson Valcq of the decisions, “Wisconsin is ready to embrace a clean energy economy thanks to declining costs of renewable

infrastructure and utilities responding to customer demands for clean energy options.”

Documents associated with the Two Creeks and Badger Hollow dockets can be viewed on the PSC’s Electronic Regulatory Filing System at <http://psc.wi.gov/>. You can type the following case numbers in the boxes provided on the PSC homepage, or click on the Electronic Regulatory Filing System button.

The Two Creeks construction docket case numbers are 9696-CE-100/9696-CE-101;

The Badger Hollow construction docket case numbers are 9697-CE-100/9697-CE-101;

The Joint Application of MG&E and WPS for acquisition of the Badger Hollow and Two Creeks case number is 5-BS-228;

The Two Creeks affiliated interest case number is 5-AE-212.