

PUBLIC SERVICE BOARD ENERGY FACILITY SITING PROCESSES

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General

| LIMITED SIZE & SCOPE | FULL SECTION 248 |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Applies to electric generation (any fuel) and transmission and natural gas facilities • 45-day pre-application plan submittal • Project must be of "limited size and scope" and must not raise a "significant issue" under the criteria • Petition with prefiled testimony on all criteria, a proposed decision, and list of adjoiners; copy to state and town • PSB to give notice and request comment within 28 days; notice goes to state and town (per statute) and adjoiners (per PSB) • No hearing held unless PSB determines significant issue raised | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Applies to electric generation (any fuel) and transmission and natural gas facilities • 45-day pre-application plan submittal • Petition with prefiled testimony on all criteria; copy to state and town (by statute) and adjoiners (by PSB rule) • Public hearing after at least 12 days' notice • Contested case hearings • Cannot approve new nuclear energy generating plant without prior legislative approval • Post-certification review • Emergency waivers available |

Special

| SOLAR REGISTRATION | RENEWABLE ≤ 150 KW | RENEWABLE > 150 KW ≤ 2.2 MW |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Applies to solar net metering systems of 15 kW or less • Standardized interconnection • Applicant completes registration form and certifies compliance with interconnection requirements • Utility to raise any interconnection issues within 10 days or deemed approved | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For net metering systems and other renewables less than or equal to 150 kW capacity • Application form; copy to state, town, and adjoiners; no 45-day pre-application submittal • Some § 248 criteria waived; applicant must certify compliance with remaining criteria • 30 days for parties to raise issues, seek hearing; 10 days for solar > 15 kW if on existing structure • Standardized interconnection | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Statutes directs PSB to simplify procedures for these projects • Has not created application form • Some § 248 criteria waived • For project not net metered, PSB order authorizes applicant to request simplified process; otherwise projects use either the limited size and scope or full process • For net metering systems (up thru 500 kW), rules set out process similar to net metering systems ≤ 150 kW, except 45-day pre-application submittal required and 21-day period for comments, hearing requests |