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## NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT AND HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the Massachusetts Department of Energy Resources ("DOER"), acting under statutory authority of Section 11F of Chapter 25A of the General Laws, and in conformance with Chapter 30A of the General Laws, is holding a public hearing on proposed 225 CMR 21—Clean Peak Energy Portfolio Standard. The Clean Peak Energy Standard allows for qualified renewable energy generators, energy storage resources, and demand response resources to earn Clean Peak Energy Certificates (CPECs) for every megawatt hour of electricity they produce or reduce coincident with Seasonal Peak Periods as established by the regulation. Seasonal Peak Periods represent the times of day in which the Net Demand for electricity is typically the highest. The CPECs may then be purchased by retail electricity suppliers, who are required to document annually that they have procured a certain quantity of CPECs each year. These resources contribute to the Commonwealth's clean energy goals by increasing renewable energy generation, reducing the need for conventional fossil fuel-based power generation, and assisting the Commonwealth in meeting its obligations under the Global Warming Solutions Act.

Three public hearings will be conducted to receive verbal and written comments on the proposed regulations.

Location: Saltonstall Building, 100 Cambridge St, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Conference Room B & C,

Boston, MA 02114

Date: October 25, 2019 from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM

Location: Greenfield Community College, Room C208, 1 College Dr, Greenfield, MA 01301

Date: October 28, 2019 from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM

Location: MA Division of Fisheries and Wildlife, 1 Rabbit Hill Rd, Westborough, MA 01581

Date: October 30, 2019 from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM

Verbal and written testimony will be accepted at the hearing; however, parties are requested to provide written copies of their testimony. Written comments will be accepted until 5 pm on October 30, 2019. Please submit written comments to Kara Sergeant, via mail to the Department of Energy Resources, 100 Cambridge Street, Suite 1020, Boston, MA 02114, or electronically to

<u>DOER.CPS@mass.gov</u>. Copies of the proposed regulations may be obtained from the DOER website <u>www.mass.gov/doer</u> or by contacting DOER at doer.cps@mass.gov.

BY ORDER OF: Judith Judson, Commissioner

Department of Energy Resources.