



April 9, 2019

Mrs. S. Bertilia Leblanc-McKenzie General Manager DOMLEC 18 Castle Street Roseau **DOMINICA** 

Dear Mrs. McKenzie,

## Re: DOMLEC's Proposed Amendments for Intermittent Distributed Renewable Energy Generation

We refer to discussions held on the above captioned and hereby advise that the amendments proposed by DOMLEC for increasing the connection limit of intermittent distributed renewable energy generation to the grid is denied until further notice.

The current limit of 150 kW for these systems remains as stated in the Intermittent Distributed Renewable Energy Generation (Interconnection) Policy.

As DOMLEC is well aware, the IRC is awaiting the load forecast and associated Sustainable and Resilient Energy Plan (S-REP) to be submitted by the Clinton Climate Initiative. These studies are required to inform the IRC on the planning of the sector. Apart from the pertinent information from these studies required to feed into any decision making by the IRC, the optimal capacity for grid connected intermittent renewable distributed generation for the post-Hurricane Maria grid configuration is not known.

There exist many regulatory concerns as it relates to the proliferation of intermittent gridconnected renewable energy generation systems and in recognition of this challenge, the IRC is in the process of developing a renewable energy framework to properly guide the sector.

Consequently, upon the IRC receiving all of the necessary studies and other pertinent information, as well as introducing a regulatory framework to guide all such grid-connected intermittent renewable generation systems, the existing regulations as established must be adhered to.

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Please be informed accordingly.

Sincerely, INDEPENDENT REGULATORY COMMISSION

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**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR** 

cc. Chairman and Commissioners (IRC)