

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WISCONSIN

In the Matter of Proposed Revisions to ch. PSC 118, Renewable Resource Credit Tracking Program

1-AC-252

NOTICE OF HEARING

Hearing Date:	Monday, January 25, 2021 – 1:00 p.m.
Hearing Location:	Audio Hearing – No physical location Any person may attend and comment by telephone, or listen live on the internet.

Comments Due: Thursday, January 28, 2021 – 1:30 p.m.	Address Comments To: Steffany Powell Coker Secretary to the Commission Public Service Commission P.O. Box 7854 Madison, WI 53707-7854
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The Public Service Commission of Wisconsin proposes an order to renumber and amend PSC 118.02(5g)(e) and create PSC 118.02(5g)(f) regarding allowing an electric provider, or customer or member of an electric provider, to create a renewable resource credit for heat that is a byproduct of a manufacturing process and is used to provide thermal energy for another purpose.

**ANALYSIS PREPARED BY THE
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WISCONSIN**

The analysis is set forth as Attachment A.

TEXT OF PROPOSED RULE

The text of the proposed rule is set forth as Attachment B.

INITIAL REGULATORY FLEXIBILITY ANALYSIS

This rule will not affect small businesses. The Wis. Stat. § 227.114 (1) definition of “small business” states that to be considered a small business, the business must not be dominant in its field. Since gas, electric, and water utilities are monopolies in their service territories, they are dominant in their fields, and so, are not small businesses.

FISCAL ESTIMATE AND ECONOMIC IMPACT ANALYSIS

This rulemaking should have either no or minimal economic impact. The Fiscal Estimate and Economic Impact Analysis are included as Attachment C.

NOTICE OF HEARING

NOTICE IS GIVEN that pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 227.16(5) the Commission will hold a public hearing on these proposed rule changes in the on **Monday, January 25, 2021, at 1:00 p.m.** This hearing has no physical location. Any person may attend and comment by telephone, or listen live on the internet.

To attend the public hearing by telephone, use the following:

1. Dial-in number: (872) 240-3212 (Toll)
2. Access Code: 903-694-349 #

The presiding Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) controls access to the hearing. Telephone lines will be muted until the time allowed for each caller to speak. Any call placed after the hearing begins will be put on hold. The ALJ will accept and mute the call at the earliest opportunity that does not disrupt the hearing.

To listen to the public hearing session on the internet go to the Commission's web site at <http://psc.wi.gov>, and select "Live Broadcast" button. This webpage provides no opportunity to make a comment.

DOCUMENTS. All documents in this docket are filed on the Commission's Electronic Records Filing (ERF) system. To view these documents: (1) go to the Commission's E-Services Portal at <http://apps.psc.wi.gov>, (2) enter "1-AC-252" in the box labeled "Quick Single Docket Search," and (3) select "Documents." To receive electronic notifications when new documents are filed in this docket, go to ERF - [EZ Subscriptions](#) and follow the instructions to subscribe to this docket.

WRITTEN COMMENTS. Any person may submit written comments on these proposed rules. The record will be open for written comments from the public, effective immediately, and until **Thursday, January 28, 2021, at 1:30 p.m.** All written comments must include a reference on the filing to docket 1-AC-252. File by one mode only.¹

Any utilities, organizations, or interest groups shall file one comment using the Commission's ERF system. To file such a comment, go to the Commission's web site at <http://psc.wi.gov>, and click on the "ERF - Electronic Regulatory Filing" graphic on the side menu bar. On the next page, click on "Need Help?" in the side menu bar for instructions on how to upload a document.

Any member of the public shall file only one comment either through the Commission's web site or by mail as follows:

- **Web Comment.** Go to the Commission's web site at <http://psc.wi.gov>, click on the "Public Comments" button on the side menu bar. On the next page select the "File a comment" link that appears for docket number 1-AC-252.
- **Mail Comment.** All comments submitted by U.S. mail must include the phrase "Docket 1-AC-252 Comments" in the heading, and shall be addressed to:

Steffany Powell Coker, Secretary to the Commission

¹ As an alternative to submitting a comment directly to the Commission, state law allows anyone to file a web comment on the Legislative Rules Clearinghouse website, <https://docs.legis.wisconsin.gov/code/comment>. This site forwards the comment to the Commission.

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The Commission does not accept comments submitted via e-mail or facsimile (fax). Any material submitted to the Commission is a public record and may appear on the Commission's web site. The Commission may reject a comment that does not comply with the requirements described in this notice.

WISCONSIN ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY ACT. This is a Type III action under Wis. Admin. Code § PSC 4.10(3). The Commission will review the potential environmental effects of the project. Type III actions normally do not require the preparation of an environmental impact statement under Wis. Stat. § 1.11 or an environmental assessment.

CONTACT. Questions regarding this matter should be directed to docket coordinator Andrew Kell, at (608) 266-1124 or Andrew.Kell@wisconsin.gov. Small business questions should be directed to Tara Pray at (608) 266-7165 or Tara.Pray@wisconsin.gov. Media questions should be directed to Communications Director Jerel Ballard at (608) 266-9600. Hearing or speech impaired individuals may also use the Commission's TTY number; if calling from Wisconsin (800) 251-8345; if calling from outside Wisconsin (608) 267-1479.

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Dated at Madison, Wisconsin, this 4th day of December, 2020.

By the Commission:

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Steffany Powell Coker". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Steffany Powell Coker
Secretary to the Commission

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