

**BEFORE THE MISSISSIPPI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

**MISSISSIPPI POWER COMPANY  
EC-120-0097-00**

**DOCKET NO. 2016-UN-33**

**IN RE: NOTICE OF INTENT OF MISSISSIPPIPOWER COMPANY TO CHANGE  
RATES FOR THE NET ENERGY METERING RATE**

**ENTERGY MISSISSIPPI, LLC  
EC-123-0082-00**

**DOCKET NO. 2023-UN-16**

**IN RE: NOTICE OF INTENT OF ENTERGY MISSISSIPPI, LLC, TO  
IMPLEMENT A NEW RATE SCHEDULE AND RELATED  
AGREEMENTS**

**ENTERGY MISSISSIPPI, LLC  
EC-123-0082-00**

**DOCKET NO. 2023-UN-17**

**IN RE: NOTICE OF INTENT OF ENTERGY MISSISSIPPI LLC TO IMPLEMENT  
ROUTINE CHANGES IN RATES CONSISTENT WITH THE MISSISSIPPI  
DISTRIBUTED GENERATION RULE**

**MISSISSIPPI POWER COMPANY  
EC-120-0097-00**

**DOCKET NO. 2023-UN-18**

**IN RE: NOTICE OF INTENT OF MISSISSIPPI POWER COMPANY TO  
ESTABLISH A SOLAR FOR SCHOOLS RATE SCHEDULE**

**ORDER STAYING TARIFF PROVISIONS**

COMES NOW, the Mississippi Public Service Commission (“Commission”), on its own motion, and issues the following Order in the above-captioned dockets:

**PROCEDURAL HISTORY**

1. On January 12, 2021, the Commission established Docket No. 2021-AD-19, “for the purpose of reviewing the efficacy and fairness of the Mississippi Renewable Energy Net Metering Rule and the Mississippi Distributed Generator Interconnection Rule.” At the conclusion of the Commission’s rulemaking proceeding, Entergy Mississippi, LLC (“EML”) and Mississippi Power Company (“MPC”) were ordered to make tariff filings establishing three Commission-mandated

programs: (1) Public K-12 Solar for Schools; (2) Low-to-Moderate Income Energy Independence Incentive; and (3) Residential Demand Response Battery Incentive. EML and MPC complied with the Commission's Order and made the appropriate filings in the above-styled dockets; EML and MPC's rate notice filings were later approved by the Commission.

2. When the Order was entered in 2022, the Commission found that the three programs represented "a significant economic incentive that will effectively bolster and entice distributed energy adoption for low-income customers of the rate-regulated electric IOUs in the state" and that "access to renewable energy for public schools was in the public interest."

3. Following the Commission's Final Order in Docket No. 2021-AD-19, the United States Environmental Protection Agency, released the \$7 billion Solar For All Notice of Funding Opportunity, which will award up to 60 grants to states, territories, Tribal governments, municipalities, and nonprofits to expand the number of low-income and disadvantaged communities primed for residential solar investment—enabling millions of low-income households to access affordable, resilient, and clean solar energy. The Commission is aware that the State of Mississippi, through the Mississippi Development Authority, submitted an application requesting funding to increase residential rooftop solar deployment in the state.

#### COMMISSION FINDINGS

4. Due to the availability of federal funds available to increase residential rooftop solar deployment in Mississippi, as well as other funds available through Federal Agencies, the Commission finds that EML and MPC's, Low-to-Moderate Income Energy Independence Incentive, and Residential Demand Response Battery Incentive tariffs should be stayed pending further evaluation by the Commission. The Commission finds that staying the tariff provisions

associated with above-mentioned programs is in the public interest, as it will allow the Commission to monitor adoption of distributed energy resources in the state without ratepayer funded incentives.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that EML's Solar for Schools Rate Schedule SFS-1, Section IV of EML's Net Energy Metering Rate Schedule NEM-2, MPC's Solar for Schools Rate Schedule SFS, and MPC's Low-to-Moderate Incentive Program and Battery Storage Incentive Program RENM-1 are hereby STAYED pending further evaluation by the Commission.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the EML and MPC's Low-to-Moderate Income Energy Independence Rebates and the Residential Demand Response Battery Rebates are hereby SUSPENDED pending further evaluation by the Commission.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the EML and MPC's Solar for Schools tariffs are hereby SUSPENDED pending further evaluation by the Commission.

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This Order shall be deemed issued on the date it is served upon the parties in the above-styled dockets by the Executive Secretary of this Commission who shall note the service date in the file of the respective dockets.

COMMISSION VOTE

Chairman Chris Brown	Aye <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Nay <input type="checkbox"/>
Commissioner De'Keither Stamps	Aye <input type="checkbox"/>	Nay <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Commissioner Wayne Carr	Aye <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Nay <input type="checkbox"/>

DATED this the 11<sup>th</sup> day of April 2024.

MISSISSIPPI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION



*Chris Brown*

Chris Brown, Chairman  
Northern District

*De'Keither Stamps*

De'Keither Stamps, Commissioner  
Central District

*Wayne Carr*

Wayne Carr, Commissioner  
Southern District

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*Katherine Collier*

Katherine Collier, Executive Secretary  
Effective this the 11<sup>th</sup> day of April 2024.