February 25, 2015, RCA Public Meeting

# Docket R-13-02 – Revisions to Energy Conservation Regulations

James Keen

# **Before the Commission**

 A petition by Alaska Environmental Power, LLC (AEP) for a rulemaking proceeding to amend and supplement Commission regulations within Chapter 50, Article 2, 3 AAC 50.750-820, addressing "Cogeneration and Small Power Production."

# **Procedural History**

- 10/2/13 Order 1 opened R-13-002 and:
  - Incorporated documents from C-13-108 & TA245-13
  - Sought public comments
  - Scheduled a public hearing
- 11/18/13 Initial Comments Due
  - I6 comments filed, including draft regulations from AEP
- 12/26/13 Reply Comments Due
  - 8 comments filed
- 1/29/14, 2/4/14 Public Hearing
- 1/28/15 Public Meeting Update
- 2/11/15 Initial Draft Regulations Presentation

# **Staff Proposed Regulations**

Article 2. Cogeneration & Small Power Production (3 AAC 50.xxx) Section:

750. Application, purpose, and waiver

760. Interconnection and Integration

770. Purchases

780. Sales

790. Implementation

800. Disconnection

810. Disputes

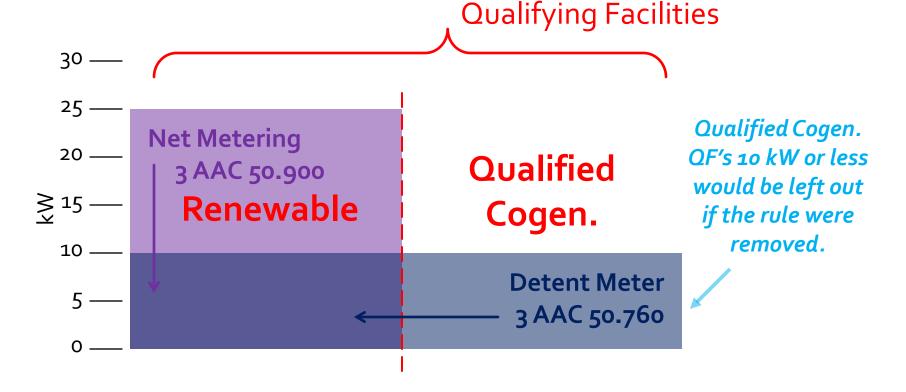
820. Definitions

## Staff's goals:

- Mirror FERC's regulations to the extent possible and appropriate;
- Administrative efficiency; and
- Improve clarity.

# Additional Suggested Changes

- Leave 3 AAC 50.760(hi) unchanged
  - Detent Meter rule that applies to QF's with a capacity of 10 kW or less.



# Additional Suggested Changes

### Pertaining to Interconnection & Integration:

3 AAC 50.760(fg) If a dispute arises under 3 AAC 50.810, an electric utility shall submit to the commission the information necessary to support the methodology and calculations used in developing the charges assessed to a qualifying facility for interconnection and integration. All data submitted by an electric utility under this section shall be subject to review by the commission. In any such review, the electric utility has the burden of providing justification for its data.

#### 3 AAC 50.760(g) – Interconnection & Integration

Added language is identical to proposed 3 AAC 50.770(k): 3 AAC 50.770 (k) All data submitted by an electric utility under this section shall be subject to review by the commission. In any such review, the electric utility has the burden of providing justification for its data.

#### Added language is derived from FERC's §292.302(e)

(1) Any data submitted by an electric utility under this section shall be subject to review by the State regulatory authority which has ratemaking authority over such electric utility.

(2) In any such review, the electric utility has the burden of coming forward with justification for its data.

§292.302 applies to:

- Interconnection rules (§292.306)
- Rates for purchases, from which integration section is derived (§292.304)

# **Before the Commission**

 At this time, the Commission must determine whether to issue draft regulations or pursue a different procedural path



