

October 3, 2019

Ralph Kreil  
President, Board of Directors  
Puerto Rico Electric Power Authority  
Santurce, Puerto Rico  
**VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL**

Re: Information on Generation Units

Mr. Chairman of the Board,

As a member of the Board of Directors of PREPA, with a specific legal mandate to represent the consumer, I want to bring to the Board attention a concern related to the information PREPA needs to provide to consumers, particularly on the midst of the recent power outages.

Act 57 of 2014 states:

“Artículo 2.6 (m)

...

Likewise, PREPA shall provide free access to a separate website for the Energy Control Center, where daily statistical and numerical information shall be provided to constantly inform the citizenry about energy-related issues, including, but not limited to the daily peak demand, the daily supply per power plant or facility, and any other information or data that the Commission may deem necessary, in connection with the management of the electric power grid and the operations of electric power transmission and distribution in Puerto Rico...”

This law is critical to inform consumers about the status of the generation system.

Act 17-2019 confirms that information related to energy generation resources needs to be provided and be accessible to consumers. The Puerto Rico Energy Bureau has authority to regulate PREPA’s compliance with the law. Act 17 states:

“Section 5.10.- Section 6.3 of Act No. 57-2014, as amended, is hereby amended to read as follows:

“Section 6.3.- Powers and Duties of the Energy Bureau.

The Energy Bureau shall have the following powers and duties:

...

(t) Determine and require the type of **statistical and numerical information that the electric power company responsible for operating the electrical system shall post every day on its website to keep citizens constantly informed of energy affairs** including, but not limited to, the daily peak demand in Puerto Rico, **the daily delivery of energy per energy company or electric power generation facility or plant**, the percentage of distributed generation, the cost of electricity generation per kWh, and any other necessary information or data in connection with the administration of the electric power grid and the operations of electric power transmission and distribution in Puerto Rico;”

The Puerto Rico Energy Bureau in its May 20<sup>th</sup> Resolution and Order it states:

“Pursuant to the provisions of Act 17-2019, PREP A is required to keep and maintain a free access website, whereby PREPA shall provide at least the following:

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**ii. Information of the electric power infrastructure, including information regarding public and private generators, so that customers may be able to evaluate the status of the electric power infrastructure and PREP A as a public instrumentality;**

...

v. The price per barrel, or its equivalent, per type of fuel, the average rate per kilowatt-hour for each customer sector, the cost of generation per kilowatt-hour and per power plant, all operating costs and expenses, an itemization of the operating costs related to electric power generation, transmission, and distribution, the service cost to each customer class, generation per type of technology, and any other information about PREPA operations;

**vi. A breakdown of the electricity demand projected and determined by PREPA's Energy Control Center;**

**vii. The data related to the energy generation capacity and reserve margin;**

...

ix Access to a platform where customers may request any information and other PREPA public documents that are not available through the website;

Note that the **information described in the aforementioned paragraphs (v), (vi), and (vii) shall be posted in real-time.**

Furthermore, this Resolution and Order requires that PREPA file a detailed report demonstrating compliance with the foregoing requirements.

Transparency is required by good governance and by our current legal framework. Information is required so consumers can be informed and take adequate provisions especially in events, as it is now occurring, of low generation capacity and reserve margins.

Please forward me a copy of the detailed report filed with the Energy Bureau, demonstrating compliance with the foregoing requirements, and indicate when the remaining information will be published on PREPA's website.

Regretfully, this is not the only situation where PREPA shows lack of transparency. On September 16, I submitted a letter addressing a similar issue in regards the transmission via Internet to the public of the Governing Board meetings, pending to receive a determination in such regard.

Sincerely yours,



Tomás J. Torres

Board Member

Consumers Representative

XC: Files, Board Members, Secretary of the Board