

**Petition of GRID Alternatives to Intervene Out of Time
and for Inclusion on the Service List in Docket UD-24-02**

May 5, 2026

Via Electronic Mail

Aisha Collier
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Room 1E09, City Hall
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Re: RESOLUTION AND ORDER APPROVING A DER PROGRAM TO ENHANCE DISTRIBUTED ENERGY RESOURCES (DOCKET UD-24-02)

Dear Ms. Collier:

GRID Alternatives respectfully submits the attached petition to intervene out of time and to be included in the service list in docket **UD-24-02** pertaining to the City's **Distributed Energy Resource (DER) Program**, specifically with regard to Energy New Orleans' (ENO) Proposed battery energy storage systems (BESS) Phase 3 Implementation Plan.

Please do not hesitate to reach out with any questions related to this filing.

Sincerely,

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BEFORE THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW ORLEANS

**IN RE: RESOLUTION AND ORDER APPROVING A DER PROGRAM
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DOCKET NO. UD-24-02

**GRID ALTERNATIVES
PETITION FOR INTERVENTION OUT OF TIME
AND FOR INCLUSION ON SERVICE LIST**

GRID Alternatives (GRID) respectfully requests that the Council of the City of New Orleans (the Council) grant this petition to intervene out of time in the above captioned proceeding, to be included on the service list, and to participate as a party therein, represented by full-time employees Zach Franklin and Alexandra Wyatt.

On October 24, 2024, the full Council for the City of New Orleans issued Resolution No. R-24-624, providing for intervention by interested parties by November 15, 2024. On December 18, 2025, the Council issued Resolution No. R-25-669 establishing a distributed energy resources (DER) program as a three-year Phase III of the Energy Smart Battery Energy Storage Systems (BESS) Pilot Program. On April 23, 2026, the Council issued Resolution No. R-26-250 directing supplemental filings and further proceedings and providing a limited additional procedural schedule for parties to conduct discovery and comment on proposed changes to the DER program as approved in R-25-669.

GRID Alternatives is a national 501(c)3 nonprofit organization whose mission is to build community-powered solutions to advance economic and environmental justice through renewable energy. GRID brings solar power, clean mobility, and energy storage to underserved communities while creating pathways to life-changing clean energy careers. Founded in 2001, GRID has grown into the nation's largest nonprofit solar and battery storage installer, directly serving environmental justice communities throughout California, Colorado, the Mid-Atlantic region, and Puerto Rico, along with Tribal communities nationwide and an expanding presence in other states and localities. Since our first solar installation for a single-family home in 2004, GRID has deployed 108 megawatts of clean energy benefitting more than 37,000 income-qualified households, provided no-cost training to 3,700+ current and future clean-energy professionals, and been selected to administrator of some of the nation's leading state and local clean energy incentive programs. While doing so, GRID has become a thought leader and advocate for policies that effectively support renewable energy access for the communities that face the highest energy burdens and are most impacted by the climate crisis.

GRID has an advocacy interest and potential project implementation support interest in bolstering efforts to increase DER adoption across the country and in the City of New Orleans.

GRID's deep experience with program administration and battery storage deployment has given it a uniquely deep understanding of workable incentive levels and program structures. GRID has an interest in working with customers served by Entergy New Orleans, constituents of the members of the Council, to provide services supporting BESS project development and installation. There is no other party representing the interests of GRID or its unique perspective on delivering equitable access to the benefits of BESS and other DERs.

GRID therefore possesses standing to intervene, and respectfully seeks intervenor status in order to fully participate in this matter.

GRID recognizes that this request to intervene is being made outside of the timeline established by R-24-624 and subsequent rulings by the hearing officer, the Honorable Calvin Johnson, and that R-26-150 did not specifically provide a new timeframe for motions to intervene in this docket. However, GRID requests intervention out of time in the proceeding as the intervention will not delay the proceeding, prejudice any other party, or unduly affect the proceeding with respect to the issues presented by this docket. As a late intervenor, GRID further understands that we must accept and participate in the docket in its current posture.

Please note that GRID is a non-profit organization and thus pursuant to Council Resolution R-16-365, we request that intervenor fees be waived.

GRID requests placement on the official service list of this proceeding, and to be served with all pleadings, notices, orders, and other filings.

All communications and pleadings in this proceeding should be directed to:

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I do hereby certify that I have, this, May 5, 2026, served the foregoing correspondence upon all other known parties of this proceeding by electronic mail.

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