

Gouvernement du Québec

## O.C. 1376-2024, 3 September 2024

Act respecting the Régie de l'énergie  
(chapter R-6.01)

### 300-megawatt block of photovoltaic solar energy

Regulation respecting a 300-megawatt block of photovoltaic solar energy

WHEREAS, under subparagraph 2.1 of the first paragraph of section 112 of the Act respecting the Régie de l'énergie (chapter R-6.01), the Government may make regulations determining, for a particular source of electric power supply, the corresponding energy block and maximum price established for the purpose of fixing the cost of electric power referred to in section 52.2 or for the purposes of the supply plan provided for in section 72, or for the purposes of a tender solicitation by the electric power distributor under section 74.1 of the Act;

WHEREAS, under subparagraph 2.2 of the first paragraph of section 112 of the Act, the Government may make regulations determining the timeframe applicable to a public tender solicitation by the electric power distributor under section 74.1 of the Act;

WHEREAS, in accordance with sections 10 and 11 of the Regulations Act (chapter R-18.1), a draft Regulation respecting a 300-megawatt block of photovoltaic solar energy was published in Part 2 of the *Gazette officielle du Québec* of 27 March 2024 with a notice that it could be made by the Government on the expiry of 45 days following that publication;

WHEREAS it is expedient to make the Regulation with amendments;

IT IS ORDERED, therefore, on the recommendation of the Minister of Economy, Innovation and Energy:

THAT the Regulation respecting a 300-megawatt block of photovoltaic solar energy, attached to this Order in Council, be made.

DOMINIQUE SAVOIE  
*Clerk of the Conseil exécutif*

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Act respecting the Régie de l'énergie  
(chapter R-6.01, s. 112, 1st par., subpars. 2.1 and 2.2).

**1.** For the purposes of the establishment of the cost of electric power referred to in section 52.2 of the Act respecting the Régie de l'énergie (chapter R-6.01), the supply plan provided for in section 72 of the Act and the tender solicitation by the electric power distributor provided for in section 74.1 of the Act, a block of solar energy of a target capacity of 300 megawatts must be connected to Hydro-Québec's main network not later than 31 December 2029.

The portion of variable production of the block referred to in the first paragraph is accompanied by a balancing and complementary power service in the form of a variable production energy integration agreement entered into by the electric power distributor with Hydro-Québec in its power production activities or with another Québec electric power supplier.

**2.** The electric power distributor must issue a tender solicitation for at least half the capacity of the block referred to in the first paragraph of section 1 not later than 31 December 2024. In addition, the electric power distributor must issue a tender solicitation for the balance of the capacity of the block referred to in the first paragraph of section 1 not later than 31 December 2026.

**3.** This Regulation comes into force on the fifteenth day following the date of its publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec*.

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