

**GOVERNMENT OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS
OF THE
UNITED STATES**

Public Services Commission

IN RE:

OCEAN THERMAL ENERGY)	Docket No. 659
CORPORATION APPLICATION FOR)	Order No. <u>66</u> /2016
QUALIFIED FACILITY STATUS)	
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ORDER

WHEREAS, on May 13, 2016, Ocean Thermal Energy Corporation (hereinafter "OTEC") submitted an Application with the Virgin Islands Public Services Commission (hereinafter "PSC" or "Commission") seeking certification as a Qualified Facility (hereinafter "QF") for a land-based Ocean Thermal Energy Conversion plant on St. Croix, United States Virgin Islands; and

WHEREAS, on June 27, 2016, the PSC's technical consultants, Georgetown Consulting Group, Inc., (hereinafter "GCG") submitted its Report and Recommendations to the Commission; and

WHEREAS, on June 28, 2016, the Commission met in regular session at both its offices on St. Thomas and St. Croix, United States Virgin Islands; and

WHEREAS, on upon review and deliberation the Commission voted to accept GCG's Report and Recommendations, approve OTEC certification for QF Status and further direct the applicant to submit semi-annual reports on the status of development; and

NOW THEREFORE, the Commission **ORDERS** that:

1. The Report of its technical consultant is **ACCEPTED**.
2. OTEC's Application for certification as a QF facility is **APPROVED**.
3. OTEC is to submit semi-annual reports to the Commission on the status of development.

So Ordered.

For the Commission

Date: **July 8, 2016**



Andrew Rutnik, Vice-Chair