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Mr. John Orr Sole Proprietor/Principal U.S. Energy Management Services 61 Knollwood Lane New Canaan, CT 06840-2932

Re: DM 11-275, John Orr d/b/a U.S. Energy Management Services Registration as a Natural Gas Aggregator

Dear Mr. Orr:

On December 16, 2011, John Orr d/b/a U.S. Energy Management Services (USEMS) filed with the Commission an application for registration as a natural gas aggregator, together with the application fee of \$250.00; this filing was updated by letters dated December 29, 2011 and January 23, 2012.

Commission Staff notes that USEMS has engaged in natural gas aggregation business in New Hampshire with two customers since January 2009 without being registered, an oversight that has been mentioned by USEMS in its application on USEMS's own initiative. Despite this oversight, and in light of USEMS's candor and effort to come into compliance with New Hampshire registration requirements, Commission Staff has determined that the application for registration as a natural gas aggregator meets the requirements for registration pursuant to N.H. Code Admin. Rules Puc 3003.04. On January 30, 2012, Staff filed its recommendation to approve the application, with the expectation that Secure will remain cognizant of Commission requirements going forward. The Commission will approve the registration with an effective date of February 1, 2012. The registration will expire at the end of business on January 31, 2014.

Additionally, please bear in mind that, pursuant to N.H. Code Admin. Rules Puc 3003.05 (a), each aggregator shall re-register with the Commission by filing an application for renewal at least 60 days prior to the expiration of its registration, i.e., in the case of USEMS, on or before November 29, 2013. Registration instructions and a checklist of requirements to properly file a renewal registration application are located on the

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Commission website at <a href="http://www.puc.nh.gov/Gas-Steam/CNGS-Aggregator%20registration%20application%20instructions%20and%20checklist.pdf">http://www.puc.nh.gov/Gas-Steam/CNGS-Aggregator%20registration%20application%20instructions%20and%20checklist.pdf</a>.

All registered Natural Gas Aggregators in the State of New Hampshire are subject to specific requirements spelled out in N.H. Code Admin. Rules Puc 3000 – Competitive Natural Gas Supplier and Aggregator Rules. These rules can be found on our website at (<a href="http://www.puc.nh.gov/Regulatory/Rules/PUC3000.pdf">http://www.puc.nh.gov/Regulatory/Rules/PUC3000.pdf</a>). If you have any questions regarding these provisions, please contact the Commission. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,

Debra A. Howland Executive Director

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