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January 3, 2013

Andrew Locke Vice President Hydro Management Group, LLC c/o Essex Hydro Associates, LLC 55 Union Street, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor Boston, MA 02108

Re: DE 12-339, Hydro Management Group, LLC Eligibility Request for the Sugar River Hydroelectric Power Company -- Sugar River 1 Hydroelectric Facility to Produce Class IV New Hampshire Renewable Energy Certificates (RECs) Pursuant to RSA 362-F and Laws of 2012, Chapter 272

Dear Mr. Locke:

On November 20, 2012, Hydro Management Group, LLC (Hydro Management) submitted an application requesting Class IV certification for the Sugar River Hydroelectric Power Company – Sugar River 1 Hydroelectric facility (Sugar River 1 Hydro) pursuant to RSA 362-F, New Hampshire's Renewable Portfolio Standard law and Laws of 2012, Chapter 272. Staff has reviewed the application and recommends approval, noting that the Sugar River 1 Hydro application was completed on November 20, 2012 in accordance with New Hampshire Code of Administrative Rules Puc 2500.

Pursuant to Laws of 2012, Chapter 272, existing small hydroelectric facilities with a total nameplate capacity of one megawatt (MW) or less are eligible for Class IV RECs if they are in compliance with applicable Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) fish passage restoration requirements, and are interconnected with an electric distribution system located in New Hampshire.

Sugar River 1 Hydro is located on the Sugar River in Newport, NH. Hydro Management provided FERC approvals for Sugar River 1 Hydro under project number 3320 as well as a copy of the operating agreement with Public Service Company of New Hampshire. The project began commercial operation September 01, 1986; the nameplate capacity generation is .150 MW of electricity.

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The Commission has reviewed the Sugar River Hydroelectric Power Company – Sugar River 1 Hydro application and determined that all the necessary documentation has been provided to demonstrate that it is eligible for Class IV certification. Therefore, the Commission hereby certifies Sugar River 1 Hydro as a Class IV renewable energy source eligible to be issued New Hampshire Class IV RECs effective on November 20, 2012.

The facility's NEPOOL generation information system (GIS) facility code is MSS 898. Attached please find a copy of the notice of this certification provided to the GIS administrator. The New Hampshire Renewable Portfolio Standard certification code for the Sugar River 1 Hydro is NH-IV-12-090.

Sincerely,

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Debra A. Howland Executive Director

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James Webb Registry Administrator APX Environmental Markets 224 Airport Parkway, Suite 600 San Jose, CA 95110

Re: DE 12-339, Hydro Management Group, LLC Eligibility Request for the Sugar River Hydroelectric Power Company – Sugar River 1 Hydroelectric Facility to Produce Class IV New Hampshire Renewable Energy Certificates (RECs) Pursuant to RSA 362-F and Laws of 2012, Chapter 272 New Hampshire Certification Code NH-IV-12-090

Dear Mr. Webb:

Please be advised that the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission has certified the Sugar River Hydroelectric Power Company – Sugar River 1 Hydroelectric (Sugar River 1 Hydro) facility as a Class IV renewable energy source effective November 20, 2012 pursuant to NH RSA 362-F. Accordingly, Sugar River 1 Hydro is eligible to be issued New Hampshire Class IV RECs.

Sugar River 1 Hydro is located on the Sugar River in Newport, NH, and has a nameplate capacity of .150 MW of electrical production. The project began commercial operation September 01, 1986. Hydro Management has provided evidence that Sugar River 1 Hydro operates in compliance with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission fish passage restoration requirements (Project Number 3320) and has provided a copy of the operating agreement with Public Service Company of New Hampshire. The facility's NEPOOL generation information system (GIS) facility code is MSS 898. The New Hampshire Renewable Portfolio Standard certification code is NH-IV-12-090.

Sincerely, Sincerely,

Debra A. Howland Executive Director

cc: Andrew Locke, Hydro Management Group, LLC

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- b) Serve an electronic copy with each person identified on the Commission's service list and with the Office of Consumer Advocate.
- c) Serve a written copy on each person on the service list not able to receive electronic mail.