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September 12, 2013

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Re: DE 13-214, Eligibility Request of Ice House Partners, Inc. for Ice House Partners' Hydroelectric Project to Produce Class I, New Hampshire Renewable Energy Certificates (RECs), Pursuant to RSA 362-F

Dear Mr. Short:

On July 22, 2013, the Commission received an application on behalf of Ice House Partners, Inc. (Ice House Partners) requesting Class I certification for new electrical production from the Ice House Partners' hydroelectric project with a nominal capacity of 0.280 megawatts (MW) (Ice House Project), pursuant to RSA 362-F:4, New Hampshire's Renewable Portfolio Standard law. Staff has determined that Ice House Partners application was complete as submitted and recommends Commission approval for the Ice House Project hydroelectric facility as a Class I renewable energy source, effective as of July 22, 2013.

The Ice House Project is located on the Nashua River in Ayer, Massachusetts and is owned and operated by Ice House Partners. The original dam was built in the 1790s and the original powerhouse was destroyed by fire in the 1970s. After significant investment in the powerhouse and dam, the project began commercial operation again on or about March 8, 2012. Pursuant to RSA 362-F:4, I, Class I sources must have begun operation after January 1, 2006. An Order Granting Exemption From Licensing, FERC Project Number 12769-000, was provided for the Ice House Project; therefore, the facility is in compliance with applicable FERC requirements, including those related to fish passage restoration. A copy of the Interconnection Service Agreement between Massachusetts Electric Company and Ice House Partners, Inc. dated October 14, 2011 was provided.

Pursuant to RSA 362-F:4, I(i), hydroelectric generating facilities licensed are exempted by FERC, regardless of gross nameplate capacity, are eligible Class I sources, provided the Commission certifies demonstrable completion of capital investments attributable to efficiency improvements, additions of capacity, or increased renewable energy output that are sufficient to, were intended to, and can be demonstrated to increase annual renewable electricity output over the historical generation baseline. The determination of incremental production shall not be

based on any operational changes at such facility, but rather on capital investments in efficiency improvements or additions of capacity.

Ice House Partners has provided confidential documentation of significant expenditures in the powerhouse and dam to demonstrate that 100 percent of the new electricity production is the result of capital investment and not operational changes pursuant to Puc 2502.07. The Ice House Project has been verified as MSS 14932 in the ISO New England Market Settlement System, and is qualified as a Massachusetts Class I Renewable Generation Unit, a Rhode Island New, Small Hydro Renewable Energy Resource, and a Maine Class I New Renewable Resource.

The Commission has reviewed the Ice House Partners application and has determined that all necessary documentation has been provided to demonstrate that the new production of electricity meets all of the requirements of Puc 2502.02 and is eligible for certification as a New Hampshire Class I facility. Therefore, the Commission hereby certifies the new electricity production of the Ice House Project as a Class I renewable energy source, eligible to be issued New Hampshire Class I Renewable Energy Certificates, effective as of July 22, 2013.

The Commission also has determined that the capital expenditures information contained in the applicant's submission received on August 19, 2013 is confidential commercial information pursuant to RSA 91-A:5, IV. Accordingly, this information shall be afforded confidential treatment by the Commission, and the Commission has waived any requirement to file a separate motion requesting such confidential treatment pursuant to its authority under N.H. Admin. Rules Puc 201.05.

Attached please find a copy of the notice of this certification provided to the NEPOOL-GIS administrator. The New Hampshire Renewable Portfolio Standard certification code for Ice House Partners is NH-I-13-084.

Sincerely,

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Debra A. Howland
Executive Director

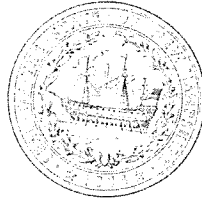
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September 11, 2013

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Re: DE 13-214, Eligibility Request of Ice House Partners, Inc. for the Ice House Partners'
Hydroelectric Project to Produce Class I, New Hampshire Renewable Energy Certificates
(RECs), Pursuant to RSA 362-F
New Hampshire Certification Code NH-I-13-084

Dear Mr. Webb:

Please be advised that the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission has certified the Ice House Partners hydroelectric project (Ice House Project) as a Class I renewable energy source effective as of July 22, 2013, pursuant to N.H. RSA 362-F. Accordingly, Ice House Partners is eligible to be issued New Hampshire Class I RECs.

The Ice House Project is located on the Nashua River in Ayer, Massachusetts, and has a nameplate capacity of 0.280 megawatts (MW) of electrical production. The project began commercial operation on or about March 8, 2012. FERC Order Granting Exemption from Licensing (Project #12769-000) for the Ice House Project was provided with the application; therefore, the facility is in compliance with applicable FERC requirements, including those related to fish passage restoration. A copy of the Interconnection Service Agreement between Massachusetts Electric Company and Ice House Partners, Inc. dated October 14, 2011 also was provided with the application. The facility's NEPOOL generation information system (GIS) facility code is MSS 14932. The New Hampshire Renewable Portfolio Standard certification code is NH-I-13-084.

Sincerely,

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Debra A. Howland
Executive Director

cc: William P. Short, III, Consultant

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