STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

Intra-Department Communication

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SUBJECT: Applications for Certification as REC Eligible Facilities:

| DE 13-267 | Ernest G. Dennis Jr. | DE 13-276 | Bev Caldon |
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| DE 13-268 | Christopher T. Burnett | DE 13-277 | Ann Berwick |
| DE 13-269 | John Morrissey | DE 13-278 | Michael Oeschger |
| DE 13-270 | George Chait | DE 13-279 | Robert Broadhurst |
| DE 13-271 | W&W Inglewood Trust, LLC | DE 13-280 | James Sims |
| DE 13-272 | Mark Beaudoin | DE 13-281 | Peter Wobber |

Staff Recommends Approval

TO: Chairman Amy L. Ignatius

Commissioner Robert R. Scott Commissioner Michael Harrington

Debra A. Howland, Executive Director and Secretary

CC: Jack K. Ruderman, Director of the Sustainable Energy Division David Shulock, Staff Attorney

Summary

On September 27, 2013, the Commission received applications from the New Hampshire Electric Cooperative (NHEC) requesting approval of the following entities for their photovoltaic (PV) arrays to produce Class II Renewable Energy Certificates (RECs) pursuant to RSA 362-F, New Hampshire's Electric Renewable Portfolio Standard law: Ernest G. Dennis Jr., (Dennis); Christopher T. Burnett, (Burnett); John Morrissey, (Morrissey); George Chait, (Chait); W&W Inglewood Trust, LLC, (W&W Inglewood Trust); and, Mark Beaudoin, (Beaudoin).

On September 30, 2013 the Commission received the following additional applications from NHEC: Bev Caldon (Caldon); Ann Berwick (Berwick); Michael Oeschger (Oeschger); Robert Broadhurst, (Broadhurst); James Sims (Sims); and, Peter Wobber (Wobber).

The Commission, in a non-adjudicative process, is required to issue a determination of whether a facility meets a particular classification within 45 days of receipt of a completed application. The above-named facilities are customer-sited PV arrays that were approved for operation by NHEC in 2013. The facilities meet the Class II eligibility requirements under

¹ Class II eligibility requires a facility to produce electricity from solar technologies that began operation after January 1, 2006 (RSA 362-F:4, II).

RSA 362-F:4, II. Based on review of the applications, Staff recommends that the Commission approve the photovoltaic arrays for the above listed entities as eligible facilities for Class II RECs.

Overview

Details for the facilities are listed in the following table:

| Commission Assigned Docket # | Facility Owner | Facility Location | Equipment Vendor | Installing Electrician | Operation Date ² | Effective Date to Produce RECs | Total MW listed in application (DC Arrays) |
|------------------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------------|---|--|
| DE 13-267 | Dennis | Goshen | Independent Solar | Peter Hamel | 08-19-13 | 09-27-13 | 0.00488 |
| DE 13-268 | Burnett | Melvin Village | Alt E Solar | Robert Deyab | 08-07-13 | 09-27-13 | 0.0045 |
| DE 13-269 | Morrissey | Moultonboro | ReVision Energy | William Levay | 09-13-13 | 09-27-13 | 0.01122 |
| DE 13-270 | Chait | Sunapee | SunRay Solar | Keith Firman | 08-09-13 | 09-27-13 | 0.005 |
| DE 13-271 | W&W Inglewood Trust | Alton Bay | Bright Light Solar | Lenn Johnson | 08-21-13 | 09-27-13 | 0.018 |
| DE 13-272 | Beaudoin | Meredith | PAREI | Larry Mauchly | 08-16-13 | 09-27-13 | 0.00556 |
| DE 13-276 | Caldon | Lempster | Green Energy Options of Keene | Greg Salonen | 08-28-13 | 09-30-13 | 0.00477 |
| DE 13-277 | Berwick | Thornton | KW Management | Marc Weissflog | 08-06-13 | 09-30-13 | 0.007 |
| DE 13-278 | Oeschger | Alexandria | PAREI | Larry Mauchly | 08-07-13 | 09-30-13 | 0.01 |
| DE 13-279 | Broadhurst | New Hampton | PAREI | Larry Mauchly | 08-05-13 | 09-30-13 | 0.0053 |
| DE 13-280 | Sims | Wilmot | ReVision Energy | William Levay | 08-28-13 | 09-30-13 | 0.00572 |
| DE 13-281 | Wobber | Sandwich | Frase Electric | Kim Frase | 08-07-13 | 09-30-13 | 0.00477 |

These facilities are customer-sited sources and therefore:

² NHEC considers the operation date listed in the table above, and in Appendix E of each application, to be the date on which NHEC inspected each facility and installed a revenue quality meter to record the electricity that will be eligible for Class II RECs. The date listed in each interconnection application pertains to the installation and interconnection of the facility and may be different than the operation date listed in the above table.

- The New England Independent System Operator asset identification number is not applicable;
- The output is not recorded in the New England Power Pool (NEPOOL) Market Settlement System; and,
- The output must be monitored and verified by an independent monitor (Puc 2505.09).

NHEC is identified as the independent monitor.³ In addition to reporting each source's output to the Commission, NHEC will include the total output of these facilities when it reports the total output of all of its Class II eligible facilities, under the name *NHEC Class II Aggregation*, to the NEPOOL Generation Information System.

As the distribution utility, NHEC provided a copy of the approved interconnection agreements for these facilities and signed attestations approving the installation, operation and conformance with any applicable building codes for each facility.

Recommendation

Staff has reviewed NHEC's applications for the photovoltaic arrays located at the above-named facilities and can affirm all are complete pursuant to Puc 2505.08. Staff recommends that the Commission certify the PV arrays for Dennis, Burnett, Morrissey, Chait, W&W Inglewood Trust, and Beaudoin, as eligible facilities for Class II RECs effective September 27, 2013. Staff further recommends that the Commission certify the PV arrays for Caldon, Berwick, Oeschger, Broadhurst, Sims, and Wobber effective September 30, 2013.

³ The Commission granted NHEC such status on May 12, 2009 in DE 09-006. On April 9, 2010, the Commission also granted NHEC the authority to aggregate customer-sited sources pursuant to Puc 2506. See DE 10-060.