## STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

before the

## PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

DE-15-137

ELECTRIC AND GAS UTILITIES Energy Efficiency Resource Standard

## OFFICE OF ENERGY AND PLANNING PETITION TO INTERVENE

NOW COMES the Office of Energy and Planning (OEP) and respectfully requests leave to intervene as a party in the above-referenced proceeding, pursuant to Puc 203.17 and RSA 541-A:32. In support of this petition, OEP states the following:

- 1. OEP is an Executive Branch agency charged with serving as the State's Energy Office and advising the Governor on matters pertaining to energy policy.
- 2. OEP has an ongoing interest in the issues cited by the Commission in its Order of Notices regarding the Energy Efficiency and Resource Standard, and has participated in IR 15-072, the Commission's related docket on an Energy Efficiency Investigation.
- 3. OEP, as well as our predecessor agency, has been involved in energy efficiency and related proceedings and programs for many years, including as a party in the CORE program dockets since their creation.
- 4. OEP commissioned a study of an EERS for New Hampshire in 2013 and also included recommendations related to establishing energy efficiency goals in the 2014 State Energy Strategy.
- 5. OEP's intervention is in the interest of justice and would not impair the orderly and prompt conduct of the proceedings.

WHEREFORE, OEP requests that the Commission grant this motion, allow OEP to intervene as a party in this proceeding, and grant such other relief as is just and proper.

Respectfully submitted,

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Director

## **Certificate of Services**

I certify that on this date a copy of the foregoing was hand-delivered to the PUC and the Office of Consumer Advocate, and sent electronically to the Utilities and all other parties on the Service List in DE 15-137.

May 29, 2015

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