



**STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
and
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES
CONCORD, NH**



PUBLIC NOTICE

Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative (RGGI) 2012 Program Review

Pursuant to RSA 125-O:27, the New Hampshire Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative Program (also known as the *Carbon Dioxide Budget Trading Program*), notice is hereby given that the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services, Air Resources Division (“the department”) and the Public Utilities Commission (“the commission”), request comments from New Hampshire stakeholders regarding any suggested future revisions recommended for the program.

The RGGI 2012 comprehensive regional review and stakeholder process has already been initiated, and more information is available at http://www.rggi.org/design/program_review.

The statute (as revised by HB 1490 in the 2012 session – available online at <http://www.gencourt.state.nh.us/legislation/2012/HB1490.html>) states:

“Review of the New Hampshire RGGI Program. At the time of the 2012 comprehensive review by the signatory states as required in the MOU, the commission and the department shall concurrently review New Hampshire specific elements of the RGGI program, in particular RSA 125-O:23 and RSA 125-O:25, and include the results of such review in the agencies’ annual report under RSA 125-O:21, VI”

Specifically, the department and the commission request comments on:

- RSA 125-O:23 *“Energy Efficiency Fund and Use of Auction Proceeds”* (as revised by HB 1490)
- RSA 125-O:25 *“Set-Aside for Voluntary Purchase of Renewable Energy Certificates”* (available online at <http://www.gencourt.state.nh.us/rsa/html/X/125-O/125-O-25.htm>)

Comments may be submitted no later than October 15, 2012 to Joe Fontaine at the office of the DES Air Resources Division, 29 Hazen Drive, P.O. Box 95, Concord, NH 03302-0095. Questions regarding the review should be directed to Joe Fontaine at the above address, (603) 271-6794, or joseph.fontaine@des.nh.gov.

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Dated: September 13, 2012