

2018 RPS REVIEW:

PUBLIC STAKEHOLDER
KICK-OFF MEETING

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
APRIL 16, 2018

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New Hampshire's RPS: Overview and Status

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STATE RPS EFFORTS: CURRENT STATUS & TRENDS

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NEW HAMPSHIRE'S RPS: OVERVIEW AND STATUS

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NEW HAMPSHIRE'S RENEWABLE PORTFOLIO STANDARD (RPS)

- Renewable energy policy was established in 2007 (RSA 362-F)
- The purpose of this renewable energy policy is to:
 - Provide **fuel diversity**
 - Utilize renewable fuels **sourced locally**
 - **Retain energy and investment dollars within the state** to benefit New Hampshire's economy
 - **Lower the need to use fossil fuels** for power generation and thermal purposes
 - Provide the potential to **lower and stabilize future energy and transmission costs**
 - Reduce emissions thereby providing **environmental and health benefits** by improving air quality and public health
- Established portfolio requirements for new (Class I & II) and existing (Class III & IV) sources
- Goal 25.2% energy by 2025

2018 RPS REVIEW – REQUIREMENTS (RSA 362-F: 5)

- I. Adequacy or potential adequacy of sources to class requirements;**
- II. The class requirements of all sources in light of existing and expected market conditions;**
- III. Potential for addition of a thermal energy component;**
- IV. Increasing the class requirements relative to classes I and II beyond 2025;**
- V. Possible introduction of any new classes such as an energy efficiency class or the consolidation of existing ones;**
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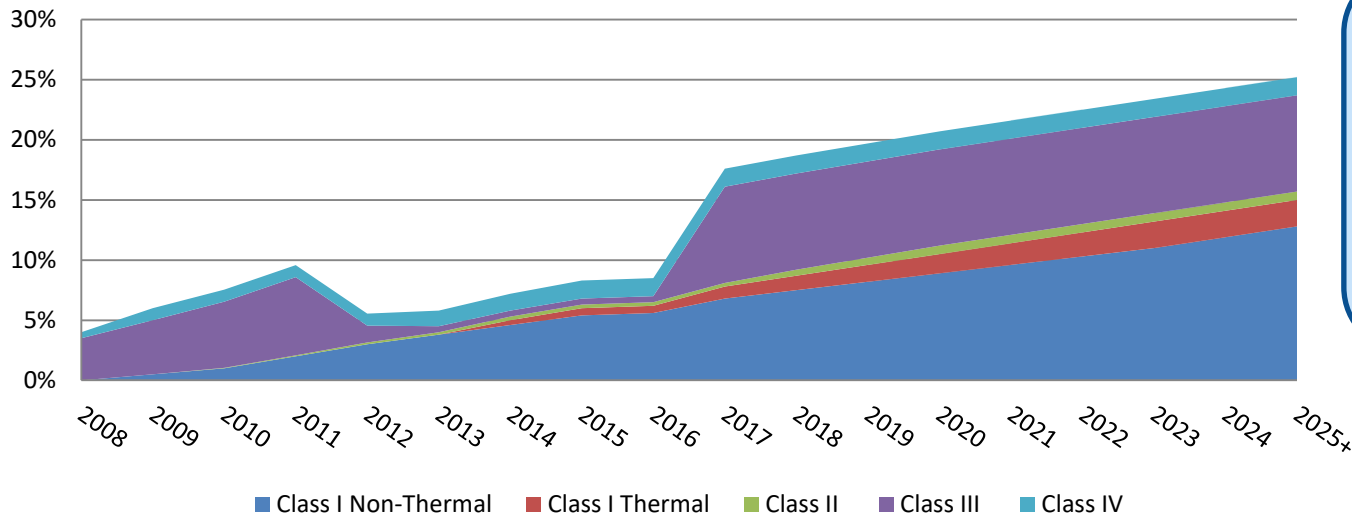
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- IX. Distribution of the renewable energy fund.**

Report Due: November 1, 2018

Submitted to: General Court

RPS REQUIREMENTS

RPS Obligations - Percentage of Total New Hampshire Electric Load



Electric Supplier RPS Obligations

Obligations calculated as a percentage of annual retail load (sales)

Basic Class Definitions

- Class I
 - New Renewable
 - New Useful Thermal
 - Production of Biodiesel
- Class II – New Solar
- Class III
 - Existing Biomass
 - Existing Methane
- Class IV - Existing Hydro

Renewable Portfolio Standard Obligations

| Calendar Year | Total RPS Requirement | Class I Non-Thermal | Class I Thermal | Total Class I | Class II | Class III | Class IV |
|---------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|-----------------|---------------|----------|-----------|----------|
| 2008 | 4.00% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 3.50% | 0.50% |
| 2009 | 6.00% | 0.50% | 0.00% | 0.50% | 0.00% | 4.50% | 1.00% |
| 2010 | 7.54% | 1.00% | 0.00% | 1.00% | 0.04% | 5.50% | 1.00% |
| 2011 | 9.58% | 2.00% | 0.00% | 2.00% | 0.08% | 6.50% | 1.00% |
| 2012 | 5.55% | 3.00% | 0.00% | 3.00% | 0.15% | 1.40% | 1.00% |
| 2013 | 5.80% | 3.80% | 0.00% | 3.80% | 0.20% | 0.50% | 1.30% |
| 2014 | 7.20% | 4.60% | 0.40% | 5.00% | 0.30% | 0.50% | 1.40% |
| 2015 | 8.30% | 5.40% | 0.60% | 6.00% | 0.30% | 0.50% | 1.50% |
| 2016 | 8.50% | 5.60% | 0.60% | 6.20% | 0.30% | 0.50% | 1.50% |
| 2017 | 17.60% | 6.80% | 1.00% | 7.80% | 0.30% | 8.00% | 1.50% |
| 2018 | 18.70% | 7.50% | 1.20% | 8.70% | 0.50% | 8.00% | 1.50% |
| 2019 | 19.70% | 8.20% | 1.40% | 9.60% | 0.60% | 8.00% | 1.50% |
| 2020 | 20.70% | 8.90% | 1.60% | 10.50% | 0.70% | 8.00% | 1.50% |
| 2021 | 21.60% | 9.60% | 1.80% | 11.40% | 0.70% | 8.00% | 1.50% |
| 2022 | 22.50% | 10.30% | 2.00% | 12.30% | 0.70% | 8.00% | 1.50% |
| 2023 | 23.40% | 11.00% | 2.20% | 13.20% | 0.70% | 8.00% | 1.50% |
| 2024 | 24.30% | 11.90% | 2.20% | 14.10% | 0.70% | 8.00% | 1.50% |
| 2025 and thereafter | 25.20% | 12.80% | 2.20% | 15.00% | 0.70% | 8.00% | 1.50% |

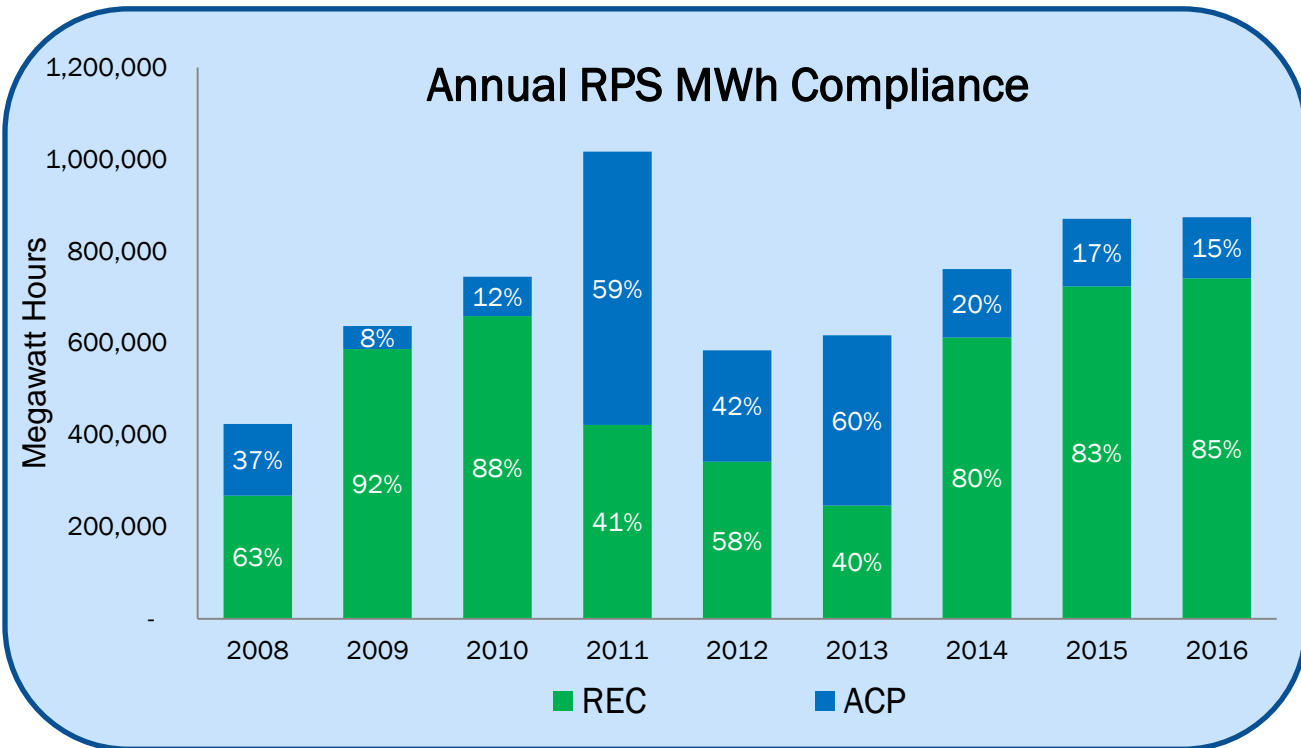
ALTERNATIVE COMPLIANCE (ACP) RATES

| | 2008 | 2009 | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 |
|------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| Class I | \$ 58.58 | \$ 60.92 | \$60.93 | \$ 62.13 | \$ 64.02 | \$ 55.00 | \$ 55.37 | \$ 55.75 | \$ 55.72 | \$ 56.02 | \$ 56.54 |
| Class I Thermal | | | | | | \$ 25.00 | \$ 25.17 | \$ 25.34 | \$ 25.33 | \$ 25.46 | \$ 25.69 |
| Class II | \$ 153.85 | \$ 159.98 | \$ 160.01 | \$ 163.16 | \$ 168.13 | \$ 55.00 | \$ 55.37 | \$ 55.75 | \$ 55.72 | \$ 56.02 | \$ 56.54 |
| Class III | \$ 28.72 | \$ 29.86 | \$ 29.87 | \$ 30.46 | \$ 31.39 | \$ 31.50 | \$ 31.93 | \$ 45.00 | \$ 45.00 | \$ 45.00 | \$ 55.00 |
| Class IV | \$ 28.72 | \$ 29.86 | \$ 29.87 | \$ 30.46 | \$ 31.39 | \$ 26.50 | \$ 26.86 | \$ 27.23 | \$ 27.20 | \$ 27.49 | \$ 28.00 |

1 Megawatt-hour (MWh) of generation = 1 Renewable Energy Certificate (REC)

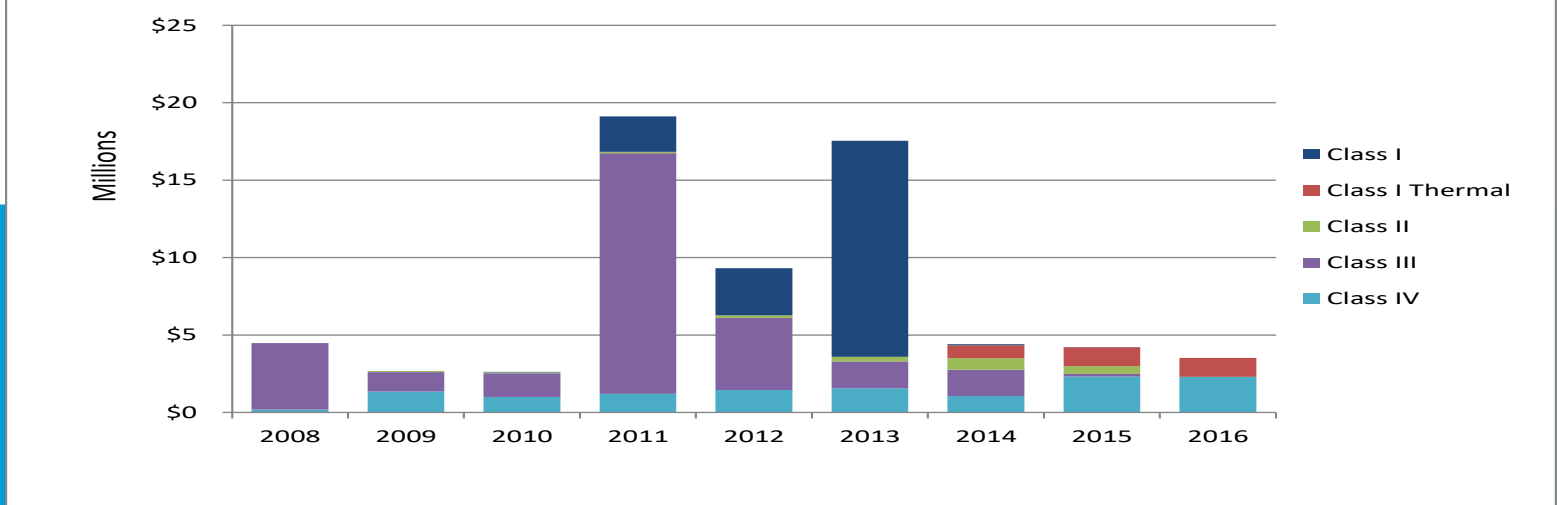
1 Alternative Compliance Payment (ACP) is equivalent to 1 REC

RPS COMPLIANCE



RPS Compliance

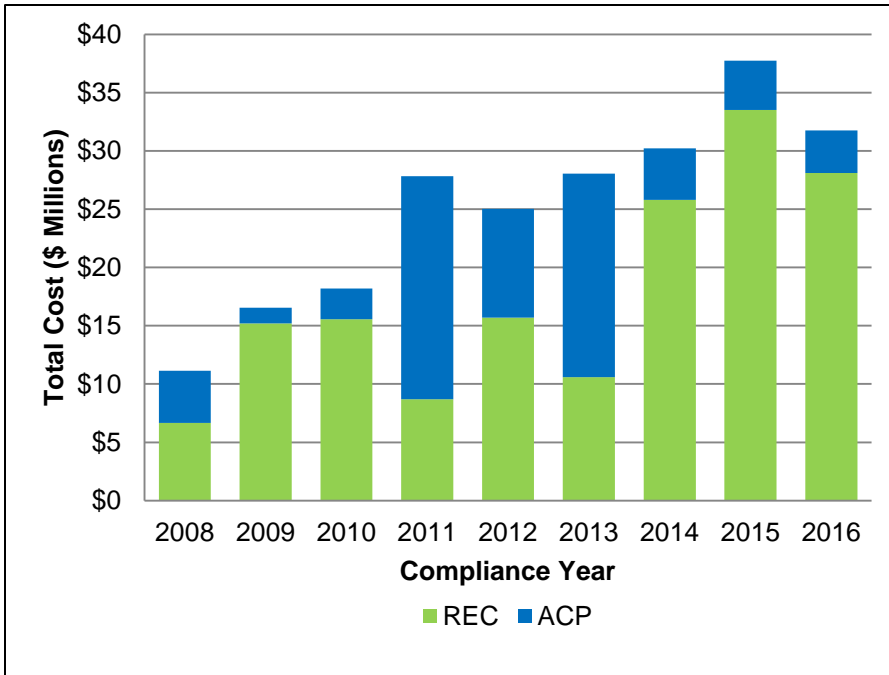
Obligations are satisfied by electricity providers purchasing Renewable Energy Certificates (REC) or making Alternative Compliance Payments (ACP)



Annual ACPs by Class

RPS COMPLIANCE COSTS & AVERAGE RATE IMPACT

RPS Compliance Costs



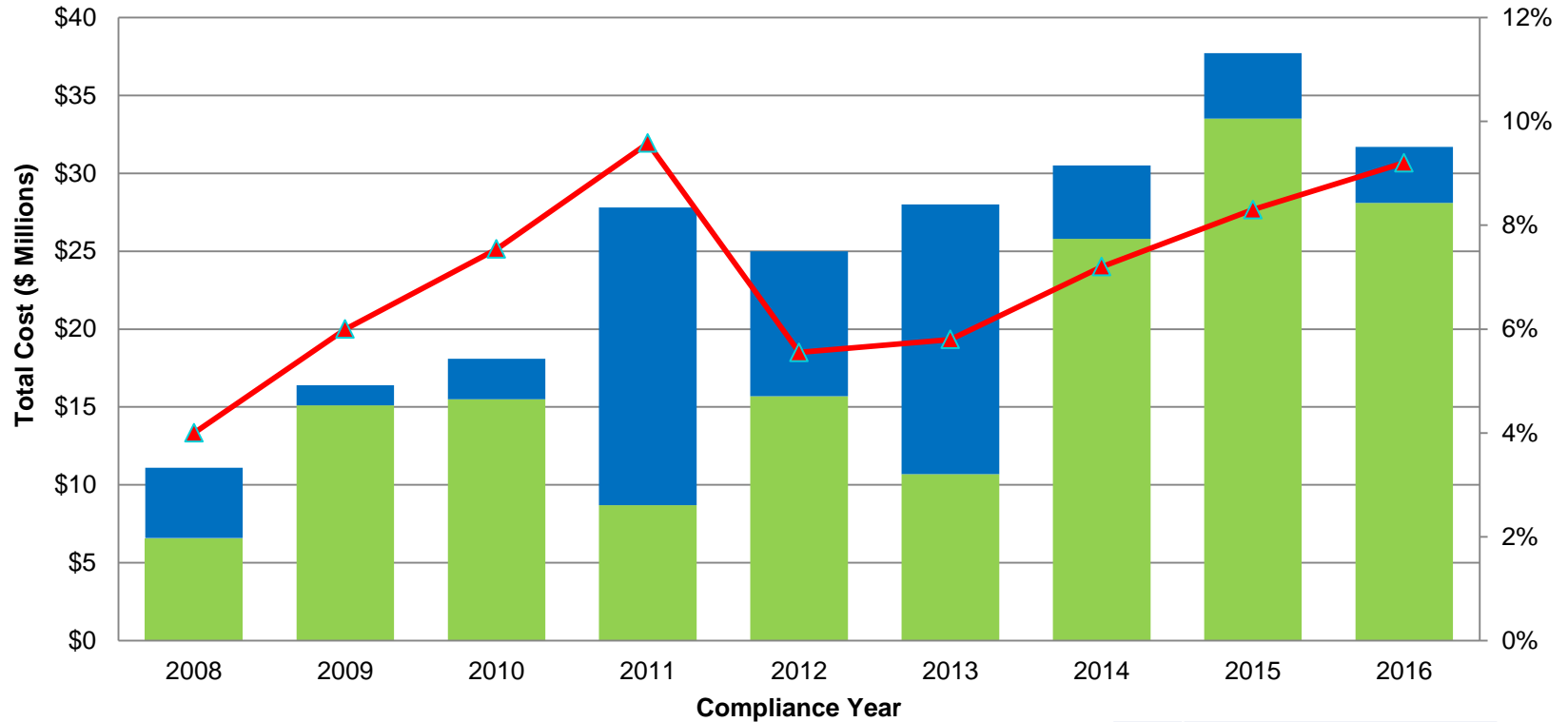
RPS Costs and Average Rate Impact (Costs in \$ Millions)

| Compliance Year | Total RPS Compliance Cost (\$ Millions) | Average per kWh Rate Impact |
|-----------------|---|-----------------------------|
| 2008 | \$11.1 | \$0.0011 |
| 2009 | \$16.4 | \$0.0016 |
| 2010 | \$18.1 | \$0.0017 |
| 2011 | \$27.8 | \$0.0026 |
| 2012 | \$25.0 | \$0.0023 |
| 2013 | \$28.1 | \$0.0026 |
| 2014 | \$30.5 | \$0.0028 |
| 2015 | \$37.7 | \$0.0035 |
| 2016 | \$31.7 | \$0.0030 |

Total RPS Cost = Total REC Costs + Total ACP Costs

**Average Rate Impact from 2008 to 2016
\$0.0023 per kWh**

RPS COMPLIANCE COSTS



REC ACP Total RPS Requirement

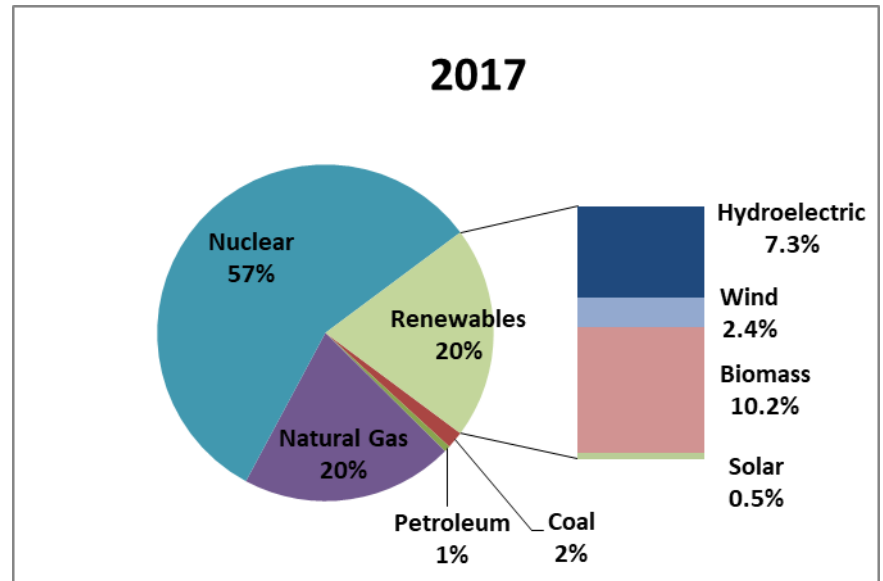
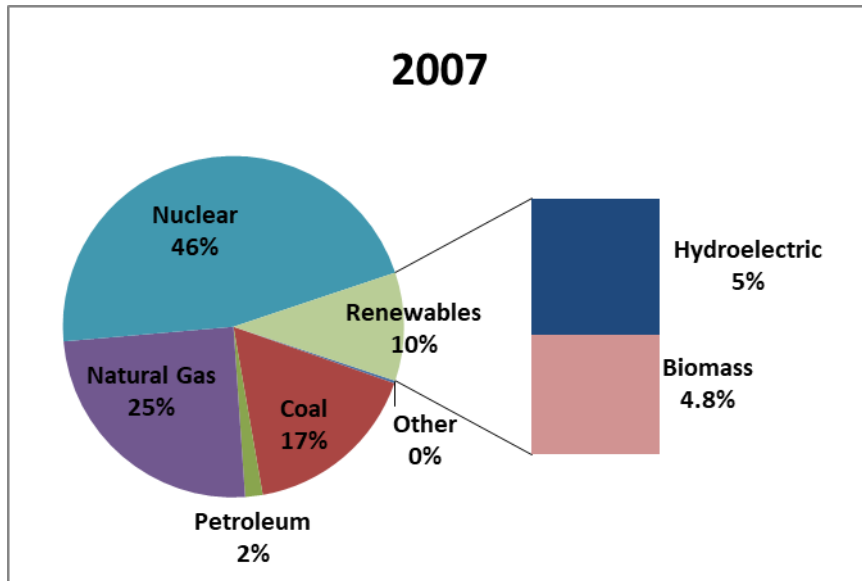
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| 2016 | 9.20% |
| 2017 | 17.6% |

Factors Impacting Annual RPS Compliance Costs:

- Compliance Requirement
- ACP Price (set in statute, adjusted annually by CPI or 50% CPI)
- REC Certified Capacity and Supply of RECs
- NH RPS Policy Changes (e.g. SB129)
- Regional RPS Policy Changes
- Regional ACP Prices
- Regional RPS Class Definitions

ELECTRICITY GENERATION IN NEW HAMPSHIRE

Electricity Generation from Facilities Located in New Hampshire



Source: U.S. Energy Information Administration, YTD Electric Power, 2007 & 2017

RENEWABLE ENERGY FUND (REF) PROGRAMS & OPPORTUNITIES FOR RATEPAYERS

Renewable Energy Fund (REF) Supported Programs

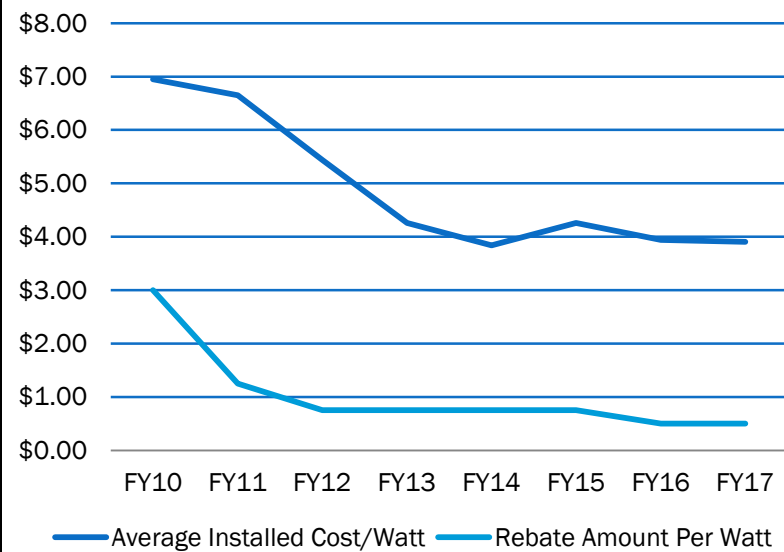
- Residential PV/Wind Rebate Program
- Residential Solar Hot Water Rebate Program
- Residential Wood Pellet Heating System Rebate Program
- Low and Moderate Income Solar PV Program (beginning Fiscal Year 2018)
- Commercial & Industrial PV/SHW Rebate Program
- Commercial & Industrial Wood Pellet Heating System Rebate Program
- Competitive Grant Program - Request for Proposals

ACP Revenue to REF

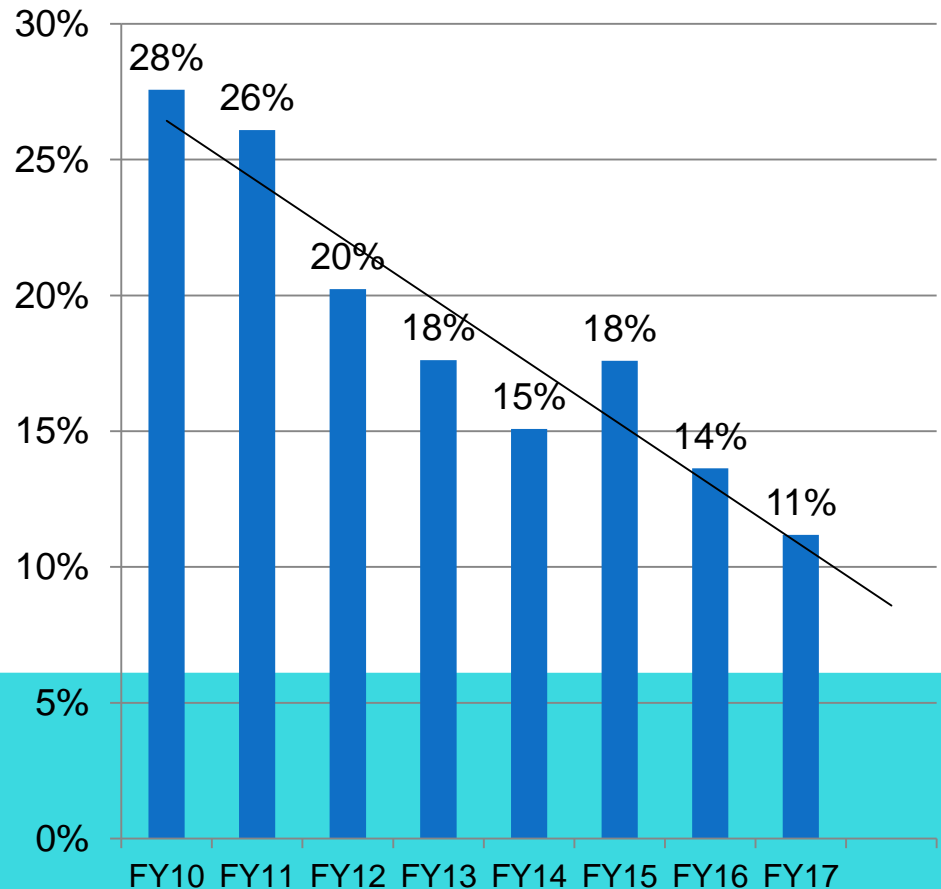
| Calendar Year | Total ACP Revenue |
|---------------|-------------------|
| 2008 | \$ 4,483,917 |
| 2009 | \$ 1,348,294 |
| 2010 | \$ 2,625,499 |
| 2011 | \$ 19,121,853 |
| 2012 | \$ 9,323,198 |
| 2013 | \$ 17,458,196 |
| 2014 | \$ 4,406,804 |
| 2015 | \$ 4,224,339 |
| 2016 | \$ 3,633,342 |

RESIDENTIAL SOLAR AND WIND REBATE PROGRAM

Comparison of Installed System Cost and Rebate Amount (per Watt)



Average Rebate as Percentage of Average Total Installed System Cost



Program Results

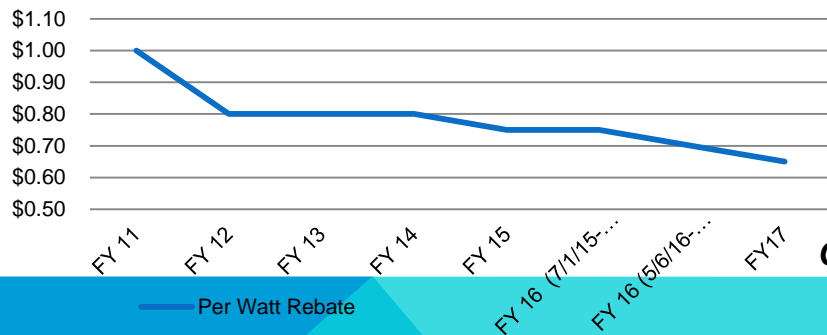
- Interconnected Residential PV ~24 MW
- Estimated Annual Generation ~31 MWh

COMMERCIAL & INDUSTRIAL SOLAR REBATE PROGRAM

Category 1: Systems <= 100 kW

| Fiscal Year | Per Watt Rebate |
|------------------------|-----------------|
| FY 11 | \$ 1.00 |
| FY 12 | \$ 0.80 |
| FY 13 | \$ 0.80 |
| FY 14 | \$ 0.80 |
| FY 15 | \$ 0.75 |
| FY 16 (7/1/15-5/5/16) | \$ 0.75 |
| FY 16 (5/6/16-6/30/16) | \$ 0.70 |
| FY17 | \$ 0.65 |
| FY18 (3/8/18) | \$ 0.40 |

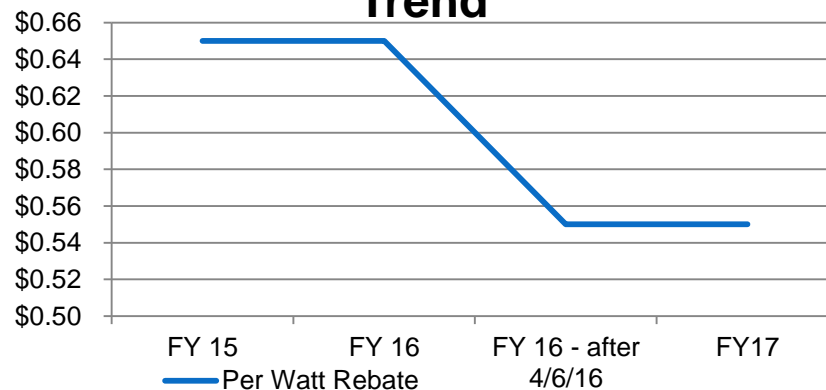
Category 1 Per Watt Rebate Trend



Category 2: Systems > 100 kW and <= 500 kW

| Fiscal Year | Per Watt Rebate |
|----------------------|-----------------|
| FY 15 | \$ 0.65 |
| FY 16 | \$ 0.65 |
| FY 16 – after 4/6/16 | \$ 0.55 |
| FY17 | \$ 0.55 |
| FY18 (3/8/18) | \$ 0.40 |

Category 2 Per Watt Rebate Trend



Category 1 & 2 - All rebates capped at maximum 25% of total cost.

Program Results

- Interconnected C&I PV ~11.3 MW (328 systems)
- Estimated Annual Generation ~15.2 MWh

General Trends

- System cost per watt has declined since program inception
- Rebate Amount per watt has declined

RENEWABLE ENERGY FUND (REF) REBATE PROGRAM RESULTS CUMULATIVE THROUGH JUNE 30, 2017

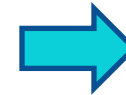
| REF Rebate Program | Number of Rebates Awarded | Funds Disbursed | Aggregate Applicant Investment (rounded to nearest thousand) |
|---|---------------------------|---------------------|---|
| Residential Electrical Renewable Energy (PV and Wind) | 3,783 | \$12,665,650 | \$103,908,000 |
| Residential Solar Water Heating | 489 | \$1,004,900 | \$3,280,000 |
| Residential Wood Pellet Boiler/Furnace* | 328 | \$1,912,903 | \$4,182,000 |
| C&I Solar Technologies (Electric and Thermal) | 380 | \$7,537,282 | \$39,717,000 |
| C&I Wood Pellet Boiler/Furnace | 48 | \$1,382,880 | \$4,644,000 |
| TOTALS | 5,028 | \$24,536,015 | \$155,731,000 |

Rebate Program Leveraging Ratio > 6:1

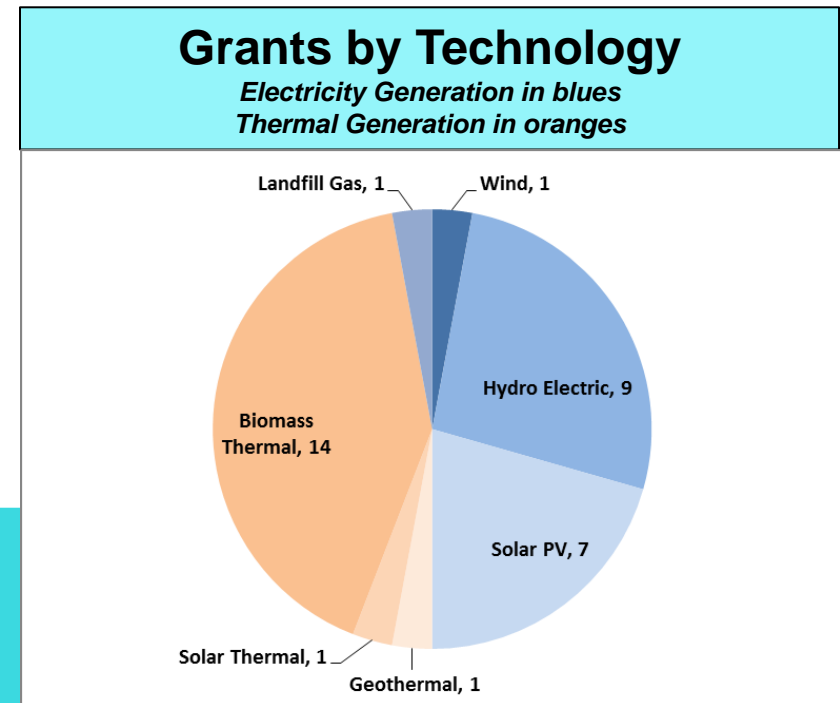
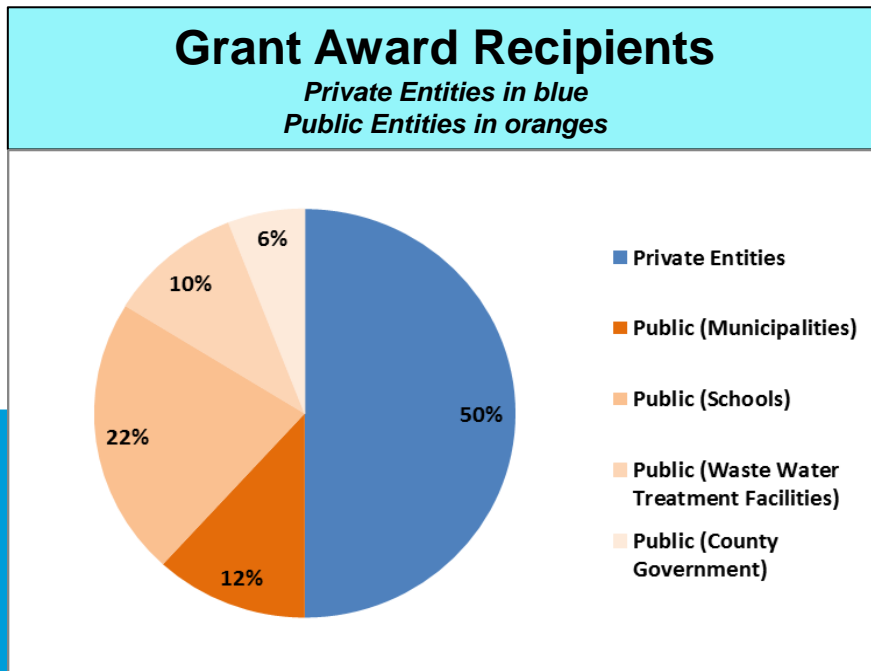
*Includes ARRA funded projects

COMMERCIAL & INDUSTRIAL COMPETITIVE GRANT PROGRAM AWARDS (2011-2016)

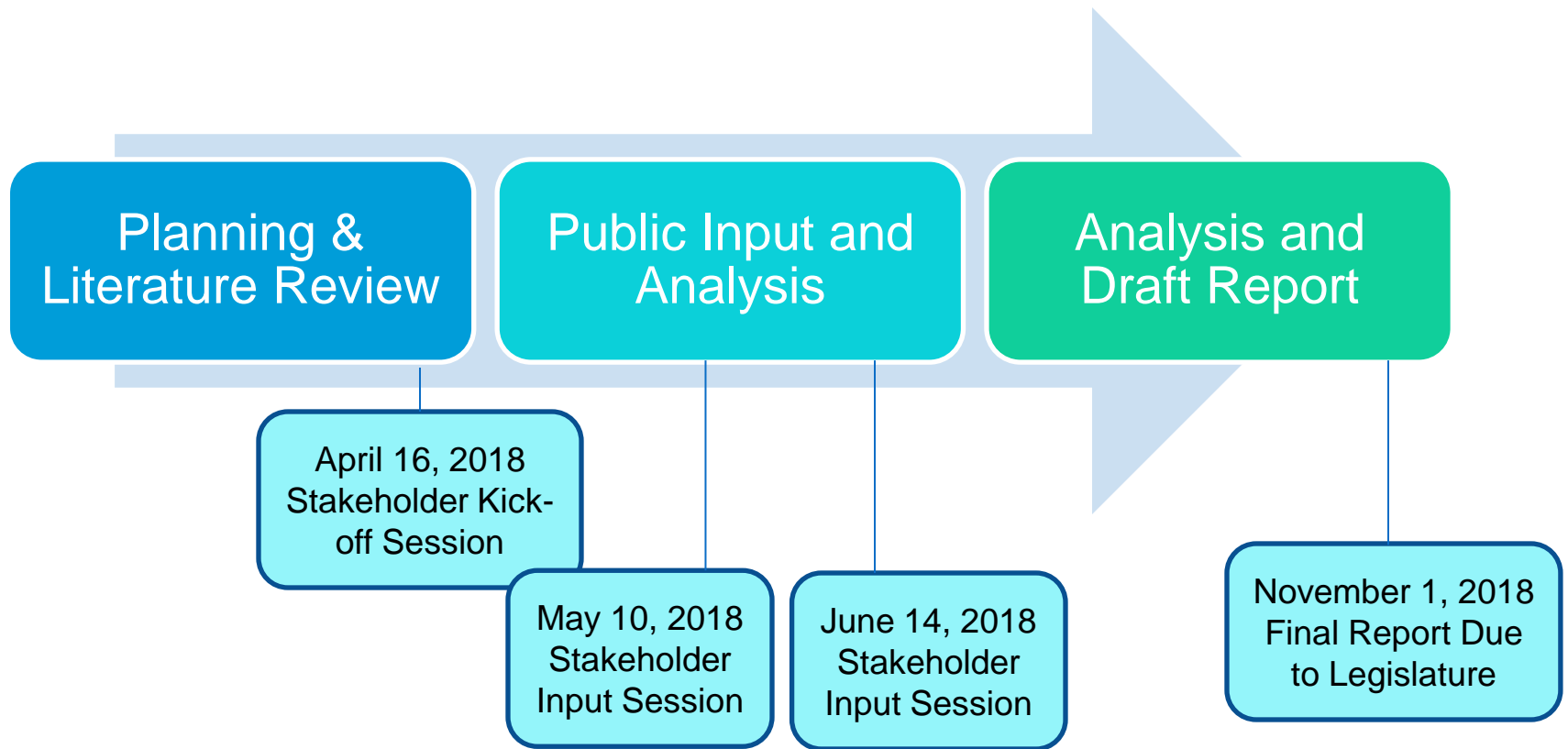
| REF Grant Program | Number of Grants Awarded | Total Grant Amount | Total Value of Projects |
|-------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------|
| 2011 | 4 | \$650,890 | \$1,280,923 |
| 2012 | 6 | \$654,750 | \$4,035,424 |
| 2013 | 9 | \$3,637,890 | \$28,888,905 |
| 2014 | 5 | \$2,107,199 | 7,683,400 |
| 2015 | 4 | \$1,025,000 | \$2,927,000 |
| 2016 | 6 | \$1,272,425 | \$6,106,790 |
| Totals | 34 | \$9,348,154 | \$50,922,442 |



**Grant Program
Leveraging Ratio
> 5:1**



2018 RPS REVIEW: PROCESS AND TIMELINE



NEW HAMPSHIRE SPECIFIC RPS REVIEW

MAY 10TH STAKEHOLDER SESSION

RPS Targets and Classes (RSA 362-F:5 I-VI)

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NEW HAMPSHIRE SPECIFIC RPS REVIEW

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- **Distribution of the renewable energy fund (IX)**

NEW HAMPSHIRE SPECIFIC RPS REVIEW MISCELLANEOUS TOPICS – JUNE OR ADDITIONAL MEETING?

- **SB51 – RPS Study Committee:**
 - Final Report of the RPS Study Committee (SB 51, Chapter 81:1, Laws of 2017), page 5.
 - Cost/benefit analysis of the New Hampshire RPS to address the SB 51 Study Committee final report.
- **RPS Retrospective Comments:**
 - The use of the RPS:
 - To enhance Grid Modernization
 - To encourage Peak Load Reduction
 - Determine the potential of storage technologies to assist in the RPS policy goals, grid modernization objectives and peak load reductions targets
 - Harmonization of New England-area RPS policies

CONTACTS & STAKEHOLDER INPUT

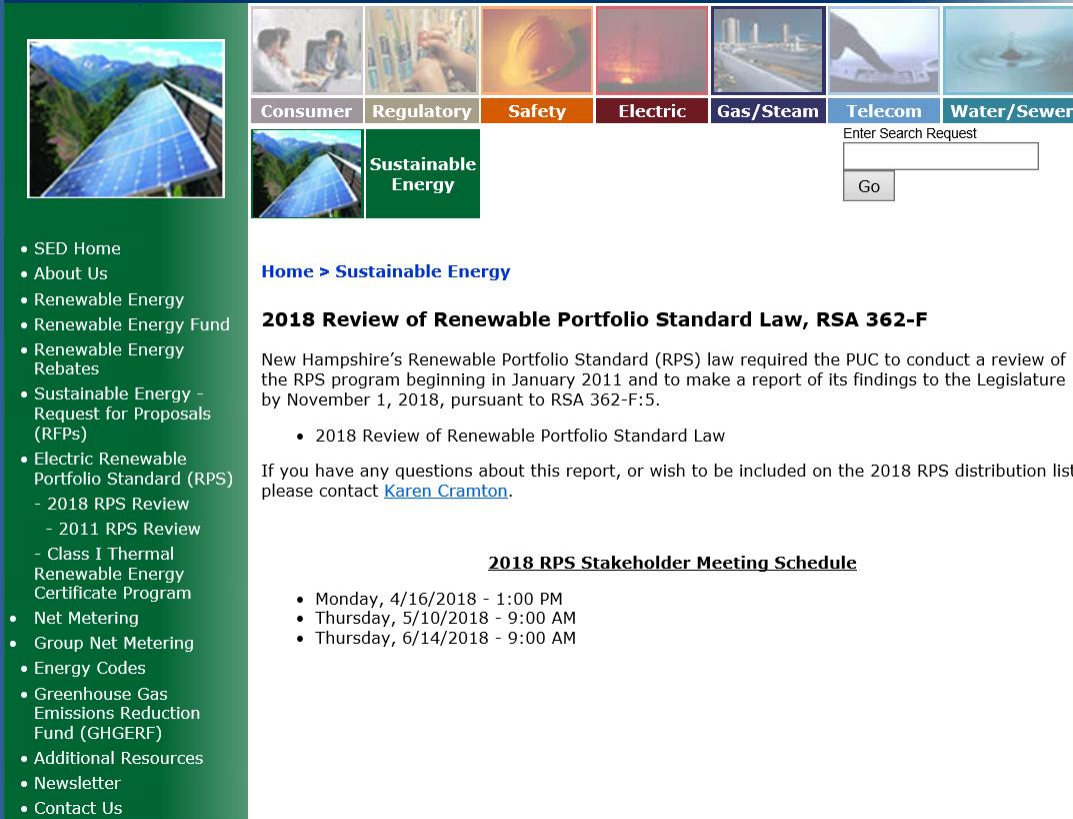
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2018 Review of Renewable Portfolio Standard Law, RSA 362-F

New Hampshire's Renewable Portfolio Standard (RPS) law required the PUC to conduct a review of the RPS program beginning in January 2011 and to make a report of its findings to the Legislature by November 1, 2018, pursuant to RSA 362-F:5.

- 2018 Review of Renewable Portfolio Standard Law

If you have any questions about this report, or wish to be included on the 2018 RPS distribution list, please contact [Karen Cramton](#).

2018 RPS Stakeholder Meeting Schedule

- Monday, 4/16/2018 - 1:00 PM
- Thursday, 5/10/2018 - 9:00 AM
- Thursday, 6/14/2018 - 9:00 AM

**NEXT MEETING:
MAY 10, 2018
AT 9 A.M.**

THANK YOU!