

**THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**

DE 10-151

HOLYOKE GAS & ELECTRIC DEPARTMENT

**Application for Certification to Produce Class IV
Renewable Energy Certificates**

SUPPLEMENTAL ORDER OF NOTICE

On June 2, 2010, Holyoke Gas & Electric Department (HG&E) of Holyoke, Massachusetts filed an application for certification of fourteen small hydroelectric facilities as sources eligible to produce Class IV renewable energy certificates (RECs) pursuant to RSA 362-F:4, the Electric Renewable Portfolio Standard (RPS) law. After reviewing the application, the Commission denied certification because the HG&E system is a canal system and each facility on the system does not have installed upstream and downstream diadromous fish passages as required by RSA 362-F:4, IV. On September 10, 2010, HG&E appealed the Commission's denial, resulting in the initiation of an adjudicative proceeding pursuant to N.H. Code Admin. Rules Puc 2505.13.

The Commission issued an Order of Notice on October 28, 2010 which, among other things, required HG&E to publish the notice "in a newspaper with general circulation in those portions of the state in which operations are conducted." HG&E published notice in the *Springfield Republican*, a Massachusetts newspaper. Because New Hampshire law is implicated in this proceeding, HG&E is directed to publish this notice in the *Union Leader*, a newspaper of general distribution in the state of New Hampshire. To allow HG&E the time to publish the notice, the prehearing conference date will be rescheduled to December 7, 2010 at 1:30 p.m.

Based upon the foregoing, it is hereby

ORDERED, that a Prehearing Conference, pursuant to N.H. Code Admin. Rules Puc 203.15, be held before the Commission located at 21 S. Fruit St., Suite 10, Concord, New Hampshire on December 7, 2010 at 1:30 p.m., at which each party will provide a preliminary statement of its position with regard to the petition and any of the issues set forth in N.H. Code Admin. Rules Puc 203.15 shall be considered; and it is

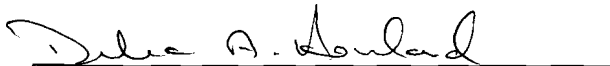
FURTHER ORDERED, that, immediately following the Prehearing Conference, HG&E, the Staff of the Commission and any Intervenors hold a Technical Session to review the petition and allow HG&E to provide any amendments or updates to its filing; and it is

FURTHER ORDERED, that pursuant to N.H. Code Admin. Rules Puc 203.12, HG&E shall notify all persons desiring to be heard at this hearing by publishing a copy of this Order of Notice in the *Union Leader* no later than November 23, 2010, publication to be documented by affidavit filed with the Commission on or before December 7, 2010; and it is

FURTHER ORDERED, that pursuant to N.H. Code Admin. Rules Puc 203.17, any party seeking to intervene in the proceeding shall submit to the Commission seven copies of a Petition to Intervene with copies sent to HG&E and the Office of the Consumer Advocate on or before December 2, 2010, such Petition stating the facts demonstrating how its rights, duties, privileges, immunities or other substantial interest may be affected by the proceeding, as required by N.H. Code Admin. Rule Puc 203.17 and RSA 541-A:32,I(b); and it is

FURTHER ORDERED, that any party objecting to a Petition to Intervene make said Objection on or before December 7, 2010.

By order of the Public Utilities Commission of New Hampshire this seventeenth day of
November, 2010.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Debra A. Howland", is written over a horizontal line.

Debra A. Howland
Executive Director

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