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Andrew Locke Vice President Hydro Management Group, LLC c/o Essex Hydro Associates, LLC 55 Union Street, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor Boston, MA 02108

Re: DE 12-210, Hydro Management Group, LLC

Eligibility Request for the Spaulding Ave. Industrial Complex, LLC, Spaulding Pond Hydroelectric Facility to Produce Additional Class I, New Hampshire Renewable Energy Certificates (RECs) Pursuant to RSA 362-F

Dear Mr. Locke:

On December 20, 2012, Spaulding Pond Hydroelectric (Spaulding Pond Hydro) was approved as a Class I renewable energy source pursuant to RSA 362-F, New Hampshire's Renewable Portfolio Standard law and Laws of 2012, Chapter 0272, effective as of November 6, 2012. On January 4, 2013 the Commission received an additional request from Hydro Management requesting certification for behind-the-meter electricity production used by tenants of the Spaulding Ave Industrial Complex.

Additional information to clarify the request was requested on April 2, 2013 and on July 2, 2013. Staff has determined that the electricity used behind-the-meter (minus station service<sup>1</sup>) meets the eligibility requirements under RSA 362-F:4(j) and RSA 362-F:6, II, and can be included in Spaulding Pond Hydro's Class I RECs. The addition of the behind-the-meter RECs complies with New Hampshire Code of Administrative Rules Puc 2500 and Staff recommends Commission approval effective as of July 29, 2013, with the condition that Mr. William P. Short III, the facility's independent monitor, will calculate a monthly parasitic load for the facility and subtract that number from the behind-the-meter production that is reported to the NEPOOL GIS under the NON account. Such calculations also will be included in the annual, year-end filing with the Commission.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Station service or parasitic load is defined as the portion of electric production used in the generation of power.

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Staff has reviewed the application and recommends approval, noting that the Spaulding Pond Hydro application for the behind-the-meter electricity used by tenants of the Spaulding Ave Industrial Complex was completed on July 29, 2013 in accordance with New Hampshire Code of Administrative Rules Puc 2500.

Hydro Management provided a copy of the FERC license exemption order for Spaulding Pond Hydro under Project No. 3985-000, as well as a copy of the Interconnection Agreement for Purposes of Generation Interconnection between Public Service Company of New Hampshire (PSNH) and Spaulding Ave Industrial Complex, LLC dated August 1, 2010.

The Commission has reviewed the Spaulding Pond Hydro application and determined that all necessary documentation has been provided to demonstrate that the behind-the-meter electricity used by tenants of the Spaulding Ave Industrial Complex is eligible for Class I certification. Therefore, the Commission hereby certifies the behind-the-meter electricity generated by Spaulding Pond Hydro and used by tenants of the Spaulding Ave Industrial Complex as a Class I renewable energy source eligible to be issued New Hampshire Class I RECs effective July 29, 2013, with the condition that the monthly parasitic load for the generation facility shall be calculated by the independent monitor and subtracted from the behind-the-meter production reported to the NEPOOL GIS under the NON account and that such calculations also shall be included in the annual, year-end filing with the Commission.

The facility's NEPOOL generation information system (GIS) facility code is NON 35901. Attached please find a copy of the notice of this certification provided to the GIS administrator. The New Hampshire Renewable Portfolio Standard certification code for the behind-the-meter electricity production used by tenants of the Spaulding Ave Industrial Complex, minus facility station service, is NH-I-13-083.

Sincerely,

Debra A. Howland Executive Director

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Re:

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DE 12-210, Hydro Management Group, LLC's Eligibility Request for the Spaulding Ave. Industrial Complex, LLC, Spaulding Pond Hydroelectric Facility to Produce Additional Class I, New Hampshire Renewable Energy Certificates (RECs) Pursuant to RSA 362-F New Hampshire Certification Code NH-I-13-083

Dear Mr. Webb:

Please be advised that the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission has certified the behind-the-meter electricity generated by the Spaulding Pond Hydroelectric Facility and used by tenants of the Spaulding Ave Industrial Complex, minus facility station service, as a Class I renewable energy source effective as of July 29, 2013, pursuant to N.H. RSA 362-F. Accordingly, the behind-the-meter electricity production of the Spaulding Pond Hydroelectric Facility used by tenants of the Spaulding Ave Industrial Complex, minus facility station service, is eligible to be issued New Hampshire Class I RECs.

Spaulding Pond Hydro, located on the Salmon Falls River in Rochester, NH, is a run-of-river facility with a nameplate capacity of 0.3 megawatts of electrical production. Spaulding Pond Hydro began commercial operation on August 17, 2010. Hydro Management Group, LLC has provided evidence that Spaulding Pond Hydro operates in compliance with Federal Energy Regulatory Commission fish passage restoration requirements (FERC Project No. 3985-000), and has provided a copy of the Interconnection Agreement for Purposes of Generation Interconnection between Public Service Company of New Hampshire (PSNH) and Spaulding Ave Industrial Complex, LLC dated August 1, 2010. The facility's NEPOOL generation information system (GIS) facility code for the behind-themeter electricity production used by tenants of the Spaulding Ave Industrial Complex, minus facility station service, is NON 35901. The New Hampshire Renewable Portfolio Standard certification code is NH-I-13-083.

Sincerely,

Debra A. Howland Executive Director

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Andrew Locke, Hydro Management Group, LLC

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