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September 6, 2012

Thale Jacobs
Peer Electric
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Re: **DE 12-226**, Peer Electric LLC's Eligibility Request for the Eastman Brook Hydroelectric Facility to Produce Class IV New Hampshire Renewable Energy Certificates (RECs) Pursuant to RSA 362-F and Laws of 2012, Chapter 272

Dear Mr. Jacobs:

On July 26, 2012, Peer Electric LLC (Peer Electric) submitted an application requesting Class IV certification for the Eastman Brook Hydroelectric (Eastman Brook Hydro) facility pursuant to RSA 362-F, New Hampshire's Renewable Portfolio Standard law and Laws of 2012, Chapter 272. Staff reviewed the certification request for Eastman Brook Hydro's .100 megawatts (MW) of electrical production and requested additional information on August 07, 2012. The information required to complete the application was received on August 17, 2012. Staff recommends Commission approval for Eastman Brook Hydro as a Class IV renewable energy source effective August 17, 2012 in accordance with New Hampshire Code of Administrative Rules Puc 2500.

Pursuant to Laws of 2012, Chapter 272, existing small hydroelectric facilities with a total nameplate capacity of one megawatt (MW) or less are eligible for Class IV RECs if they are in compliance with applicable Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) fish passage restoration requirements, and are interconnected with an electric distribution system located in New Hampshire. Eastman Brook Hydro is located on the Eastman Brook in Piermont, NH.

Peer Electric provided an Issued Exemptions list that includes Eastman Brook Hydro (project number 6474-000) as well as a copy of the operating agreement with Public Service Company of New Hampshire dated January 1, 2008. The start date for commercial operation was September 07, 1982; the nameplate capacity is .100 MW of electricity.

The Commission has reviewed the Peer Electric – Eastman Brook Hydro application and determined that all the necessary documentation has been provided to demonstrate that it is eligible for Class IV certification. Therefore, the Commission

hereby certifies Eastman Brook Hydro as a Class IV renewable energy source eligible to be issued New Hampshire Class IV RECs effective on August 17, 2012.

The facility's NEPOOL generation information system (GIS) facility code is MSS 10403. 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 Eastman Brook Hydro is NH-IV-12-055.

Sincerely,
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Debra A. Howland Executive Director

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James Webb Registry Administrator APX Environmental Markets 224 Airport Parkway, Suite 600 San Jose, CA 95110

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Dear Mr. Webb:

Please be advised that the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission has certified the Peer Electric – Eastman Brook Hydroelectric (Eastman Brook Hydro) facility as a Class IV renewable energy source effective August 17, 2012 pursuant to NH RSA 362-F. Accordingly, Eastman Brook Hydro is eligible to be issued New Hampshire Class IV RECs.

Eastman Brook Hydro is located on the Eastman Brook in Piermont, NH and has a nameplate capacity of .100 MW of electrical production. The project began commercial operation on September 07, 1982. Peer Electric has provided evidence that Eastman Brook Hydro operates in compliance with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission fish passage restoration requirements (Project Number 6474-000) and has provided a copy of the operating agreement with Public Service Company of New Hampshire. The facility's NEPOOL generation information system (GIS) facility code is MSS 10403. The New Hampshire Renewable Portfolio Standard certification code is NH-IV-12-055.

Sincerely,

Debra A. Howland Executive Director

cc: Thale Jacobs, Peer Electric

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