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August 7, 2012

Thale Jacobs
Peer Electric LLC
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Re: Peer Electric LLC's Eligibility Request for Class IV Renewable Energy Certificates (RECs) Generated by

- DE 12-226, the Eastman Brook Hydroelectric Project and
- DE 12-238, the Celley Mill Hydroelectric Project Pursuant to RSA 362-F.

Dear Mr. Jacobs:

On July 26, 2012, the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission (Commission) received applications from you requesting Class IV certification of for the Celley Mill Hydroelectric (Celley Mill Hydro) project and the Eastman Brook Hydroelectric Project (Eastman Brook Hydro.)

The start date for commercial operation listed for both facilities is "pre 1800s." Many hydro facilities have a long history, but the Commission must have more specific information about when these facilities most recently started commercial operation.

The documents you have provided from the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission and the interconnection agreements with Public Service Company of New Hampshire (PSNH) show the start date for both hydro facilities as June 2010. If this is the case, the Commission cannot certify you for RECs because Class IV facilities must have been operational before 2008. If available, please provide documentation that will clarify that the facilities were operational prior to 2008.

Please note that if these facilities were not operational for some period of time prior to 2010, and they came back on line that year, you can apply for Class I REC eligibility.

Submission of the above modification and verification must be received by the Commission to complete your application. Until such time, it cannot be processed.

Please refer to docket numbers **DE 12-226 and DE 12-238** in all future correspondence with the Commission.

Your response should include an original and two copies sent to the attention of the Commission's Executive Director:

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Sincerely,

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