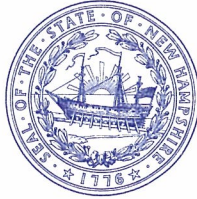


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June 7, 2013

Re: DW 12-346, Bedford Waste Services Corporation
Financing Proceeding
Commission Request for Additional Information

To the Parties:

On April 30, 2013, the Commission Staff (Staff) filed a letter in the above referenced matter recommending approval of the petition of Bedford Waste Services Corporation (Bedford). Staff stated that it had propounded discovery requests of Bedford and had reviewed the issues implicated by Bedford's petition which seeks approval of a financing with Bedford's owner. In particular, Staff stated that, while the proposed 8% loan interest rate "may seem on the high side," Staff supported the petition given that the company was unable to obtain financing from any other source.

On April 30, 2013, the Bedford Three Corners Owners Association (BTCOA), an intervenor in this docket, filed its recommendation. BTCOA asserts that the Commission should reject the financing petition because Bedford had failed to meet its burden of showing that it is in the public interest. In particular, BTCOA objected to the proposed 8% interest rate, characterizing it as "not commercially reasonable." BTCOA stated that evidence produced during discovery demonstrated that Centrix Bank was prepared to provide financing at a rate of 4.75%, fixed for five years and adjustable thereafter. BTCOA further stated that even an adjustable rate after five years may well have been beneficial given that it would have produced a 325 basis point advantage for customers for the first five years.

On May 10, 2013, Bedford provided comments to the Commission on the two recommendations. Specifically with regard to the financing, Bedford refuted the assertions of BTCOA and stated that Centrix Bank was never prepared to offer a 4.75% loan fixed for five years. Further, Bedford stated that the terms provided by Centrix were clearly not a commitment to provide the financing.

The Commission has reviewed the filings in this docket and requests additional information from Bedford. Specifically, since the original loan from Bedford's shareholder in 2000 was issued at an interest rate of 8%, why Bedford feels the proposed loan from its owner, a 15 year term loan at 8%, is reasonable at this time in light of the marked decline in interest rates overall over recent years. Bedford should file its response by June 21, 2013.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Debra A. Howland".

Debra A. Howland
Executive Director

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