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John Holtz, Director – Marketing Development & Regulatory Affairs
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Re: DM 15-287, Reliant Energy Northeast LLC
Application to Register as Competitive Electric Power Supplier

Dear Mr. Holtz:

On July 22, 2015, Reliant Energy Northeast LLC (Reliant Energy) filed an application to register as a competitive electric power supplier (CEPS). Reliant Energy's application included a surety bond in the amount of \$250,000, which became effective on May 29, 2015, and names the Commission as obligee, sample contracts for residential and small commercial customers, and evidence that it is able to obtain supply in the New England energy market. On October 6, 2015, Reliant Energy filed revisions to the residential and small commercial customer contracts and documentation that shows that it is authorized to use the trade name "NRG Business" in the State of New Hampshire. On October 20, 2015, Reliant Energy filed a rider that extends the term of the bond to December 22, 2020. On November 19, 2015, Reliant Energy requested an extension of time, until December 18, 2015, for review of its application. On November 23, 2015, the Commission granted the request for an extension. On December 18, 2015, Reliant Energy filed a certificate that demonstrates it has completed EDI testing with Public Service Company of New Hampshire, d/b/a Eversource Energy (Eversource).

Commission Staff filed a memorandum on December 22, 2015, in which it stated that it believes the application complies with the requirements of Puc 2003 and 2006.01. Staff recommended that the Commission approve the registration for a term of five years. In addition, Staff recommended that the Commission authorize Reliant Energy to operate in the franchise area of Eversource. Finally, Staff recommended that Reliant Energy be informed that the financial security rules are likely to change during 2016 and that it should monitor the rulemaking process in Docket No. DRM 13-151 and plan accordingly.

The Commission has reviewed Reliant Energy's application and Staff's recommendation and has approved the application as recommended. Accordingly,

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Reliant Energy's application to register as a CEPS, authorized to operate in the franchise area of Eversource, is granted for a term beginning on December 28, 2015 and ending concurrently with the expiration date of the bond, on December 22, 2020. Pursuant to N.H. Code Admin. Rules Puc 2003.02(a), Reliant Energy must submit a renewal application at least 60 days prior to the expiration of the approved registration period, on or before October 26, 2020.

Please be aware that registered CEPSs are subject to specific requirements contained in Puc 2000 – Competitive Electric Power Supplier and Aggregator Rules. These rules are available at: <http://www.puc.nh.gov/Regulatory/Rules/PUC2000.pdf>.

In addition, CEPS must comply with the renewable portfolio standard (RPS) requirements of RSA 362-F. The RPS obligation applies to every "provider of electricity," as defined in RSA 362-F:2, XIV, which includes registered CEPS. Please also refer to the Puc 2500 rules for further details regarding RPS compliance and reporting requirements. RPS compliance is on a calendar year basis and must be reported to the Commission by July 1 of the subsequent calendar year. Pursuant to RSA 378:49, all CEPS also must comply with the requirement to disclose environmental characteristics of the electricity they sell to retail customers. Commission Order No. 25,264, in Docket No. DE 10-226, provides guidance as to the appropriate format for such disclosure. Order No. 25,264 can be viewed at: <http://puc.nh.gov/Regulatory/Orders/2011orders/25264e.pdf>.

Finally, as noted above, the financial security rules set forth in Puc 2003.05(a)(5) are likely to change. Please monitor the Commission's website for notice of this rulemaking process in Docket No. DRM 13-151 and plan accordingly.

Sincerely,



Debra A. Howland
Executive Director

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