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August 19, 2015

Andrew P. Lane Squam River Power, LLC 4 Birch Street, Suite 5 Derry, NH 03038

Re: REC 15-293 Squam River Hydro, 22 Main Street, Ashland and REC 15-294, 14 Mill Street, Ashland, Applications for Certification as a Class IV REC Eligible Facilities

Dear Mr. Lane:

On July 27, 2015, the Commission received applications submitted on behalf of Squam River Power, LLC (Squam River Power) with respect to the hydroelectric facilities located at 22 Main Street, Ashland, and 14 Mill Street, Ashland, requesting that the Commission grant these facilities certification for Class IV renewable energy certificate (REC) eligibility pursuant to RSA 362-F:4 and New Hampshire Code of Administrative Rules Puc 2500, as amended effective on December 6, 2014.

Staff has reviewed the Squam River Power applications and requests the following information and clarifications in order to complete the applications for Staff's further review:

- Squam River Power apparently has not yet secured GIS facility codes for the facilities in question. Please note that Puc 2505.02 (b)(5), as amended effective on December 6, 2014, now requires that applicants secure GIS facility codes and provide them as part of their applications.
- Please confirm whether or not the two facilities are exempt from all Federal Energy Regulatory Commission licensing or exemption filing requirements, based on the age of the facilities, or provide copies of any FERC licenses or exemption documents issued with respect to the facilities.
- Please provide a more detailed description of each of the hydroelectric facilities, including, but not limited to, specific locations, structures, and all major equipment components.

- If any New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services or local approvals were required with respect to the facilities, please provide copies of these documents. If not, please so confirm.
- If there are separate interconnection agreements for the facilities with Ashland Electric Department or any other utility, please provide copies of these agreements. If not, please so confirm.
- The applications indicate that the facilities' output has *not* been verified by ISO-New England. Please specify who will read the meter and report to GIS; this could either be Ashland Electric Department itself or an independent monitor registered with the Commission.

Please contact me if you seek any additional guidance regarding these requests. Please refer to docket numbers **REC 15-293 and 15-294** in your correspondence with the Commission.

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

Debra A. Howland Executive Director New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission 21 South Fruit Street, Suite 10 Concord, NH 03301-2429

Please also send an electronic copy via e-mail to <u>executive.director@puc.nh.gov</u>, and copy me at <u>barbara.bernstein@puc.nh.gov</u>. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. My direct line is 603-271-6011. I look forward to continuing to work with you to complete review of this docket.

Sincerely,

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Barbara Bernstein Sustainable Energy Analyst

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