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April 15, 2016

Amit Pinjani  
Asset Manager  
Ampersand Brooklyn Dam Hydro LLC  
717 Atlantic Avenue  
Boston, MA 02111

Re: REC 16-314, Brooklyn Dam Hydroelectric Project Application for Certification as a REC Eligible Facility – Request for Further Information Supporting Class I Eligibility Determination

Dear Mr. Pinjani:

On March 17, 2016, the Commission received an application from the Ampersand Brooklyn Dam Hydroelectric Project (ABDH) for Class I renewable energy certificate (REC) eligibility for the Brooklyn Dam Hydroelectric Project (Brooklyn Dam Hydro) facility. After being off-line since the late 1960's the Brooklyn Dam Hydro facility has been restored and currently generates 0.600 megawatts of electricity. ABDH is requesting Class I REC eligibility for the Brooklyn Dam Hydro facility based on RSA 362-F:4,I(j) for the production of electricity. The statute states that a hydro facility can be considered for Class I eligibility if it would have qualified as a Class IV source and has begun operation as a new facility. In addition, the facility owners must demonstrate "that 80 percent of the resulting tax basis of the source's plant and equipment, but not its property and intangible assets, is derived from capital investment directly related to restoring generation or increasing capacity".

Staff notes that information essential for its review of the application was not included with the application. Please provide the following information to complete the application for Brooklyn Dam Hydro:

- Analysis and supporting information that demonstrates that at least 80 percent of the federal income tax basis of the facility's plant and equipment, but not its property and intangible assets, is derived from capital investment directly related to restoring generation or increasing capacity.

- Verification of the location of the facility. The application lists the physical address as Brooklyn Street, Groveton, NH. The Generator Interconnection Agreement lists the facility as located in Northumberland, NH.
- Please verify the GIS facility code. As a generating facility that does not use power behind the meter, the application should have listed an MSS number and not the NON number provided.

Note that the applicants in two previous dockets, DE [10-029](#) Orono Hydro and DE [12-033](#) Milford Hydro, have provided supporting information without seeking confidential treatment. Perhaps these two dockets can serve as examples of how to provide the required information without seeking confidential treatment. If you prefer to keep information confidential, please see the guidance provided in Puc [201.04\(b\)](#), Page 2.

Staff will resume review of the application once all of the necessary supporting information has been received.

Please refer to docket number [REC 16-314](#) 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:

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Sincerely,



Barbara Bernstein  
Sustainable Energy Division

cc: David Shulock, NHPUC Staff Attorney

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