DM 16-565

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May 18, 2016

Stacey M. Barnes, Esq., Director Legal Compliance South Jersey Industries 1 South Jersey Plaza Folsom, NJ 08037

Re: DM 16-565, South Jersey Energy Company Competitive Electric Power Supplier Renewal Application Deficiency Letter – Request for Additional Information

Dear Ms. Barnes:

On May 13, 2016, South Jersey Energy Company (South Jersey Energy) submitted an application to the Commission for renewal of its registration as a competitive electric power supplier (CEPS). Commission Staff has reviewed the application and determined it is incomplete and therefore does not comply with the requirements of N.H. Code Admin. Rules Puc 2003. In particular, Staff identified the following requirements that have not been met and the related items which are missing from the application:

1) Proof of financial security.

Puc 2003.01(*d*)(4) *Evidence of financial security, as defined in Puc* 2003.03.

2) A sample of the bill form.

Puc 2006.01(a)(19) A sample of the bill form(s) the applicant intends to use or a statement that the applicant intends to use the utility's billing service.

3) A copy of the contract to be used for residential and small commercial customers.

Puc 2006.01(a)(20) A copy of each contract to be used for residential and small commercial customers.

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Regarding item #2, your response to question 19 of the application states: "Please see the attached sample bill." The application, however, does not include a sample bill form. If South Jersey Energy intends to use the utility's billing service, please file a statement stating this. Otherwise, please file a sample bill form.

Regarding item #3, your response to question 11 of the application states that the customer types South Jersey Energy intends to serve are commercial and industrial, types for which the CEPS applicant is not required to provide a residential and small commercial contract. However, the response to question 20 states: "Please see attached." The application, however, does not include a form of residential and small commercial customer contract. Please either (a) provide a sample residential and small commercial customer contract and a statement that South Jersey Energy intends to serve residential and/or small commercial customers, or (b) file a statement that South Jersey does not intend to serve residential and small commercial customers and that the response to question 20 of the application should be "N/A."

In order to complete your application, you should respond accordingly to the items listed above. When responding, please address your letter to Debra A. Howland, Executive Director, and reference the docket number listed on the subject line of this letter.

Pursuant to Puc 2003.02(f), please provide all information requested within 60 days of the date of this later, on or before July 17, 2016. Puc 2003.02(f) is copied below.

Puc 2003.02(f) If the commission has requested information or clarification to complete an application for renewal, and such information or clarification is not provided within 60 days of the request, the commission shall suspend the application. If, after 120 days of the date of the request, the applicant has not provided the requested information or clarification, the commission shall reject the application. If an application is rejected, the application fee shall be forfeited and the applicant shall be required to submit a new application and fee prior to acting as a CEPS in New Hampshire.

Sincerely,

David Goyette Utility Analyst III

cc: Service List Docket File

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FILING INSTRUCTIONS:

a) Pursuant to N.H. Admin Rule Puc 203.02 (a), with the exception of Discovery, file 7 copies, as well as an electronic copy, of all documents including cover letter with: DEBRA A HOWLAND

DEBRA A HOWLAND EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR NHPUC 21 S. FRUIT ST, SUITE 10 CONCORD NH 03301-2429

- b) Serve an electronic copy with each person identified on the Commission's service list and with the Office of Consumer Advocate.
- c) Serve a written copy on each person on the service list not able to receive electronic mail.