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Isabel Montalvo, Regulatory Affairs Analyst Champion Energy Services, LLC 1500 Rankin Road, Suite 200 Houston, TX 77073

Re: DM 17-042, Champion Energy Services, LLC Competitive Electric Power Supplier Application Deficiency Letter – Request for Additional Information

Dear Ms. Montalvo:

On March 15, 2017, Champion Energy Services, LLC (Champion) submitted an application to the Commission for 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) Evidence of ability to obtain energy supply.

Puc 2003.01(d)(2) Evidence that the CEPS is able to obtain supply in the New England energy market. Such evidence may include, but is not limited to, proof of membership in the New England Power Pool (NEPOOL) or any successor organization, or documentation of a contractual relationship with a NEPOOL member.

2) Request for waiver of five-year and 150 day financial security term.

Puc 2003.03 (a) The security required by Puc 2003.01(d)(4) shall: (5) Have an expiration date not less than: a. 5 years and 150 days after the date the applicant's application is filed, for an initial application;

3) A listing, by state, of the number and type of customer complaints.

Puc 2006.01(a)(13) A listing disclosing the number and type of customer complaints concerning the applicant or its principals, if any, filed with a state

licensing/registration agency, attorney general's office or other governmental consumer protection agency for the most recent calendar year in every state in which the applicant has conducted business relating to the sale of electricity.

Regarding item #1, the application included a Non-NEPOOL Participant Agreement regarding terms and conditions for the NEPOOL Generation Information System. That agreement, however, does not show that Champion is able to obtain supply in the New England energy market. Please note also that, based on a review by Staff, Champion is not currently listed on NEPOOL's member participant webpage. In order to meet the requirement of Puc 2003.01(d)(2), you could provide a recent screen print from NEPOOL's website that lists Champion as a member participant or a copy of an energy supply contract with a NEPOOL member and ISO-NE market participant.

Regarding item #2, Champion filed a surety bond with a term that is less than five years and 150 days, which is a requirement of Puc 2003.03(a)(5). In order for the Commission to consider the bond, Champion should file a request for a waiver of the term requirement contained in Puc 2003.03(a)(5).

Regarding item #3, Champion provided with its application a list of customer complaints, by state, broken down by customer type with its application. The list, however, does not show complaints categorized by complaint type. In order to meet this requirement, please provide a list that shows complaint counts by state, broken down by complaint type. Complaint types classifications could include, but are not limited to, billing, enrollment, door-to-door solicitation, early termination charge, and slamming. Note that it is not necessary for the list to be broken down by customer type.

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 2003.01(h), please provide all information requested within 60 days of the date of this later, on or before **May 19, 2017**. Puc 2003.01(h) is copied below:

Puc 2003.01(h) If the commission has requested information or clarification to complete an application for registration, 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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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:

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- c) Serve a written copy on each person on the service list not able to receive electronic mail.