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SUBJECT: DM 17-060, NextEra Energy Services New Hampshire, LLC
Renewal of Registration as Competitive Electric Power Supplier

TO: Commissioners
Debra Howland, Executive Director

Executive Summary

NextEra Energy has applied to renew its registration as a competitive electric power supplier. NextEra Energy's current registration expires on June 9, 2017. NextEra Energy submitted sample residential and small commercial customer contracts, certificates demonstrating it completed EDI testing with Eversource, Liberty, NHEC, and Unitil, and a guaranty in the amount of \$350,000. Staff recommends that the Commission approve the application for service in the franchise areas of Eversource, Liberty, NHEC, and Unitil for a five-year registration period.

Background and Analysis

On April 10, 2017, NextEra Energy Services New Hampshire, LLC (NextEra Energy) filed an application to renew its registration as a competitive electric power supplier (CEPS). NextEra Energy's currently active registration, which the Commission approved in Docket DM 12-145, expires on June 9, 2017. NextEra Energy's application included certificates demonstrating that it has completed electronic data interchange (EDI) with Public Service Company of New Hampshire d/b/a Eversource Energy (Eversource), Liberty Utilities (Granite State Electric) Corp. (Liberty), and Unitil Energy Systems, Inc. (Unitil). On April 25, 2017, Next Era filed evidence that it is able to obtain supply in the New England energy market and a certificate demonstrating that it has completed EDI with New Hampshire Electric Cooperative, Inc. (NHEC). NextEra Energy also filed, on May 4, 2017, a sample bill, on May 8, 2017, a parent guaranty which is in the amount of \$350,000 and names the Commission as the guaranteed party, and, on May 12, 2017, a residential and small commercial customer contract.

Staff has reviewed the information in the application and believes it meets the requirements of Puc 2003 and 2006.01. Staff recommends that the Commission approve a renewal registration period with a term beginning on the expiration date of the currently active registration, June 10, 2017, and ending at the close of business on June 9, 2022. Staff also recommends that the Commission notify NextEra Energy that the financial security rules are likely to change during 2017 and that NextEra Energy should monitor

the rulemaking process in Docket DRM 16-853 and plan accordingly with respect to future operations in New Hampshire.

NextEra Energy filed documentation that demonstrates it has completed EDI testing with Eversource, Liberty, NHEC, and Unitil. Staff therefore recommends that the Commission approve NextEra Energy's application to renew its registration as a CEPS, and permit NextEra Energy to serve residential and small commercial customers and to operate in the service areas of Eversource, Liberty, NHEC, and Unitil.

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