

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
BEFORE THE
NEW HAMPSHIRE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
DE 17-124

PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
D/B/A EVERSOURCE ENERGY

Sale of Generating Facilities

Petition to Intervene on Behalf of NextEra Energy Resources, LLC

NextEra Energy Resources, LLC ("NEER") respectfully petitions the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission ("Commission") for leave to intervene in the above-captioned proceeding under Admin. Rule Puc 203.17 and RSA 541-A:32. In support of this petition, NEER represents that:

1. On July 1, 2016, the Commission in Order No. 25,920 approved the 2015 Public Service Company of New Hampshire ("PSNH") Restructuring and Rate Stabilization Agreement and the Partial Litigation Settlement Agreement ("Settlement Agreements"). The Settlement Agreements require Public Service Company of New Hampshire d/b/a Eversource Energy ("Eversource") to sell its generating assets. On August 3, 2017, the Commission issued an Order of Notice to open this docket to clarify certain procedural issues before commencing the review of Eversource's Petition for approval of the sales, which will be filed at the conclusion of the auction.

2. In the Order of Notice, the Commission stated that this proceeding will review the results of the auction process for the sale of Eversource's generation facilities as provided by Order No. 25,920, including "... whether the sale or sales maximize the value of the sale(s) and conform to Order No. 25,920, the Settlement Agreements, RSA Chapter 369-B, RSA Chapter 374-F and RSA 374:30." The Commission set a prehearing

conference for August 18, 2017 and established a deadline of August 15, 2017 for the submission of petitions to intervene.

3. Pursuant to RSA 541-A:32, Admin. Rule Puc 203.17, and precedent established by the Commission, it must grant a petition to intervene if: (a) the petition is submitted in writing *at least three days before the hearing*; (b) the petition describes how the petitioner is substantially and specifically affected by the proceeding; and (c) the intervention would be in the interests of justice and would not impair the orderly conduct of the proceeding. Emphasis added. The Commission also has the discretion to grant a petition to intervene “*at any time, upon determining that such intervention would be in the interests of justice and would not impair the orderly conduct of the proceedings.*”

RSA 541-A:32,II, Emphasis added. *See also* N.H. Admin. R. Puc 207.13 (requiring the Commission to grant one or more petitions to intervene in accordance with the standards of RSA 541-A:32). The Commission has exercised this discretion by granting intervention to suppliers of generation services in the ISO-New England wholesale markets which will be affected by contracts subject to Commission approval and will assist the Commission in understanding wholesale market impacts. Order No. 25,886 (April 22, 2016) in DE 16-241 at 3. *See, DG 15-155* (secretarial letter dated July 31, 2015) (where the Commission granted intervention to a company in the business of delivering compressed natural gas to customers and that company’s interests would be affected by the Petitioner’s proposal to sole source its gas supply rather than utilizing a competitive bid process). *See also, DE 08-077* (secretarial letter dated July 8, 2008) (where the Commission granted intervention to a retail electricity supplier in a

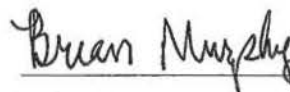
proceeding to consider a PSNH request for approval of a sole source power purchase agreement with a renewable energy project in New Hampshire).

4. NEER is a Delaware limited liability company with its primary place of business at 700 Universe Blvd., Juno Beach, Florida. NEER is a national renewable energy marketing and development company that owns and operates over 19,000 megawatts of electric generating capacity in 29 states and Canada. NEER's generation fleet includes wind, solar, natural gas and nuclear energy resources; in New England it includes the Seabrook Nuclear Generating Station (directly owned by NextEra Energy Seabrook, LLC, which has a 88.22889% ownership interest in the plant), the gas or oil-fired combined cycle generating facility in Bellingham, MA (50% ownership interest), and the Wyman generating facilities in Yarmouth and South Portland, Maine. An affiliate of NEER is also a key player in the wholesale power generation market in New England, and primarily sells the output of generation to utilities, retail electricity providers, power cooperatives, municipal electric providers and large industrial companies. The determinations in this proceeding could have other impacts on the wholesale power market in New England in which NEER affiliates operate. Therefore, NEER's rights, duties, privileges or substantial interests as a wholesale generation owner and operator and wholesale power marketer may be affected by this proceeding. NEER's intervention will not impair the orderly conduct of this proceeding. NEER further submits that its participation will assist the Commission by providing a broader range of input and information than will otherwise exist through the parties to this docket.

WHEREFORE, NEER respectfully requests that the Commission grant it intervenor status in the proceeding as described above or grant such other relief as the Commission deems just and equitable.

Respectfully submitted,

NextEra Energy Resources, LLC
By Their Attorney

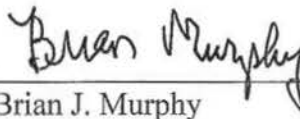


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Certificate of Service

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing Petition has on this 15th day of August 2017 been sent by email to the service list in DE 17-124.

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