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December 22, 2017

Michael Nordlicht, General Counsel Agera Energy 555 Pleasantville Rd, S-107 Briarcliff Manor, NY 10510

Re: DM 17-175, Agera Energy LLC Application to Renew Registration as Competitive Electric Power Supplier

Dear Mr. Nordlicht:

On November 9, 2017, Agera Energy LLC (Agera) filed an application to renew its registration as a competitive electric power supplier (CEPS).

Commission Staff filed a memorandum on December 18, 2017, that summarizes the filing made by Agera in connection with its registration renewal and Staff's analysis of the completed application. Staff noted that the application complies with the requirements of Puc 2003 and Puc 2006.01. Staff recommended approval of the registration renewal application for a term concurrent with the surety bond, as extended, beginning on the expiration date of the currently active registration, January 8, 2018, and ending at the close of business on January 31, 2019. In addition, Staff recommended that the registration authorize Agera to operate in the franchise area of Public Service Company of New Hampshire d/b/a Eversource Energy (Eversource), Liberty Utilities (Granite State Electric) Corp. d/b/a Liberty Utilities (Liberty), New Hampshire Electric Cooperative, Inc. (NHEC), and Unitil Energy Systems, Inc. (Unitil).

Your application for registration renewal as a CEPS authorized to operate in the franchise areas of Eversource, Liberty, NHEC, and Unitil, is granted for a term beginning on January 8, 2018 and ending at the close of business on January 31, 2019. Pursuant to Puc 2003.02(a), Agera must submit its next renewal application at least 60 days prior to the expiration of the approved registration period, on or before December 2, 2018.

Please be aware that registered CEPS are subject to specific requirements contained in Puc 2000 – Competitive Electric Power Supplier and Aggregator Rules. These rules are available at: <u>http://www.puc.nh.gov/Regulatory/Rules/PUC2000.pdf</u>.

Please also note that each CEPS must input into a shopping comparison website, maintained by the Commission, information regarding its standard pricing policies, charges, and key terms for residential and small commercial customers. This information must be updated whenever it changes, but no less frequently than once per month. These requirements are intended to comply with <u>RSA 374-F:4-b, II</u>. Following its initial registration, each CEPS will be sent by electronic mail a link to the website through which it must input the required information.

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Tel. (603) 271-2431

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Website: www.puc.nh.gov In addition, CEPS must comply with the renewable portfolio standard (RPS) requirements of RSA 362-F. The RPS obligation applies to every "provider of electricity," as defined in RSA 362-F:2, XIV, which includes registered CEPS. Please also refer to the Puc 2500 rules for further details regarding RPS compliance and reporting requirements. RPS compliance is on a calendar year basis and must be reported to the Commission by July 1 of the subsequent calendar year. Pursuant to RSA 378:49, all CEPS also must comply with the requirement to disclose environmental characteristics of the electricity they sell to retail customers. Commission Order No. 25,264, in Docket No. DE 10-226, provides guidance as to the appropriate format for such disclosure. Order No. 25,264 can be viewed at: http://puc.nh.gov/Regulatory/Orders/2011orders/25264e.pdf.

Sincerely,

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Debra A. Howland Executive Director

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