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January 8, 2018

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

Re: DM 17-199, Champion Energy Services, LLC
Competitive Electric Power Supplier Application for Registration Renewal
Deficiency Letter – Request for Additional Information

Dear Ms. Montalvo:

On December 27, 2017, Champion Energy Services, LLC (Champion Energy) submitted an application to the Commission to renew its registration as a competitive electric power supplier (CEPS). Commission Staff has reviewed the application as submitted and has determined that 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 requirement that has not been met and the related item which is missing from the application:

- 1) Proof of financial security.

Puc 2003.02(a) Each registered CEPS shall renew its registration with the commission every 3 years by:

(2) Filing the original financial security instrument required under Puc 2003.03 with the executive director, unless the financial security instrument previously filed with the commission will remain in effect during the entire renewal term.

Regarding item #1, Staff noted that Champion Energy stated in its application that an "original executed financial security instrument [is] on file with the Commission." The Commission does have on file a surety bond filed by Champion Energy with its application for initial registration under Docket DM 17-042. However, that bond, which is in the amount of \$100,000, expires on March 1, 2018, the same date that the term of the current registration expires. In order to meet the financial security requirement for the renewal term, which, if the current renewal application is approved, begins on March

1, 2018, Champion Energy will need to file either a new financial security or a rider to its existing bond that meets the requirements of Puc 2003.03 of the revised Puc 2000 rules, which became effective on November 1, 2017.

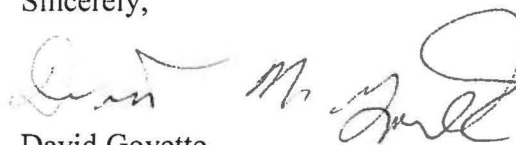
When reviewing those financial security requirements, please note in particular the term requirements under Puc 2003.03(a)(5) and the operative language now required to be included within a financial security instrument pursuant to Puc 2003.03(c). The current Puc 2000 rules can be accessed through the following link:
<https://www.puc.nh.gov/Regulatory/Rules/Puc2000.pdf>.

In order to complete your application, you should respond accordingly to the item(s) 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(g), please provide all information requested within 60 days of the date of this letter. Puc 2003.02(g) is copied below.

Puc 2003.02(g) The commission shall reject an application for renewal when information required to complete the CEPS registration renewal is not provided within 60 days of the request for such information.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'David Goyette', with a stylized flourish at the end.

David Goyette
Utility Analyst III

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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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