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March 6, 2018

Chris Perrault, Chief Operating Officer CleanChoice Energy, Inc. 1055 Thomas Jefferson Street, NW, Suite 650 Washington, DC 20007

Re: DM 18-018, CleanChoice Energy, Inc. Application to Renew Registration as Competitive Electric Power Supplier

Dear Mr. Perrault:

On February 15, 2018, CleanChoice Energy Inc. (CleanChoice) filed an application to renew its registration as a competitive electric power supplier (CEPS).

Commission Staff filed a memorandum on March 6, 2018, that summarizes the filing made by CleanChoice 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, April 15, 2018, and ending at the close of business on April 15, 2019. In addition, Staff recommended that the renewed registration authorize CleanChoice to serve only large commercial and industrial customers and to operate only in the franchise area of New Hampshire Electric Cooperative, Inc. (NHEC).

CleanChoice's application for registration renewal as a CEPS, authorized to serve only large commercial and industrial customers and operate only in the franchise area of NHEC, is approved for a term beginning on April 15, 2018 and ending at the close of business on April 15, 2019. Pursuant to Puc 2003.02(a), CleanChoice must submit its next renewal application at least 60 days prior to the expiration of the approved registration period, on or before February 14, 2019.

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</u>, <u>II and Puc 2004.03(a)</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.

In addition, all 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 and Puc 2004.05, all CEPS also must comply with the requirement to disclose environmental characteristics of the electricity they sell to retail customers.

Sincerely,

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Debra A. Howland Executive Director

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