


STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

Inter-Department Communication

DATE: April 3, 2018
AT (OFFICE): NHPUC

FROM:  David Goyette, Utility Analyst III

SUBJECT: DM 18-042, First Point Power, LLC
Renewal of Registration as Competitive Electric Power Supplier

TO: Debra Howland, Executive Director

Executive Summary

First Point Power, LLC has applied to renew its registration as a competitive electric power supplier. First Point Power's current registration expires on June 4, 2018. First Point Power submitted certificates demonstrating it has completed EDI testing with Eversource, Liberty, NHEC, and Unitil and a continuation certificate and riders to its currently-effective surety bond that extends the term by one year, increases the amount to \$500,000, and extends the claims period to six months. Staff recommends that First Point Power's registration renewal application be approved, pursuant to N.H. Code Admin. Rules Puc 2003.02(c)(1), for service in the franchise areas of Eversource, Liberty, NHEC, and Unitil for a renewal registration term of one year.

Background and Analysis

On March 23, 2018, First Point Power, LLC (First Point Power) filed an application to renew its registration as a competitive electric power supplier (CEPS). First Point Power's currently active registration, which the Commission approved in Docket DM 17-044, expires on June 4, 2018. First Point Power's application included certificates demonstrating that it has completed electronic data interchange (EDI) testing with 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), a residential and small commercial customer contract form, and a continuation certificate and rider to its currently-effective surety bond that extends the term to June 4, 2019 and increases the amount from \$350,000 to \$500,000. On March 28, 2018, First Point Power filed completed disclosure summary forms to accompany its residential and small commercial customer contract documents, additional contact information, and, in a separate filing, a rider that extends the claims period under its currently-effective surety bond from three months to six months.

Staff has reviewed the information in the application and believes it meets the requirements of Puc 2003 and Puc 2006.01. Staff recommends approval of a registration

period concurrent with the extended term of the surety bond, beginning on the expiration date of the currently active registration, June 4, 2018, and ending at the close of business on June 4, 2019.

First Point Power filed documentation that demonstrates it has completed EDI testing with Eversource, Liberty, NIEC, and Unitil. Staff therefore recommends that First Point Power's registration renewal application be approved, pursuant to Puc 2003.02(c)(1), with First Point Power permitted to serve residential and small commercial customers and operate in the service areas of Eversource, Liberty, NIEC, and Unitil.

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