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June 26, 2018

Diana Duffy, Energy Services Coordinator  
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Re: REC18-088 & RREC 17-900017 Keene State College Request for Earlier Eligibility Date, Waiver of Puc 2505.01(c) Effective Date of Certification, for Expanded Thermal Biomass Facility

Dear Ms. Duffy:

On May 25, 2018, you filed on behalf of Keene State College (KSC) a request that the Commission revise the effective date of certification (i.e., the Renewable Energy Certificate (REC) eligibility date) for the expansion of its Class I Thermal energy production facility located at 229 Main Street in Keene, New Hampshire. KSC requested that the REC eligibility date be changed from April 10, 2018 to January 11, 2018, which was the date stack test results were submitted to the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (NHDES).

On June 22, 2018, Commission Staff (Staff) filed a memorandum summarizing its analysis of KSC's request to revise the REC eligibility date for the KSC facility expansion. Staff interpreted the request as effectively a request for a waiver of the otherwise applicable REC eligibility requirements set forth in Puc 2505.01(c). Based on its review, Staff recommended that the Commission grant a waiver of Puc 2505.01(c) to permit the REC eligibility date for the expanded KSC facility to be changed to January 1, 2018, the first day of the calendar quarter following completion of the stack test on December 13, 2017.

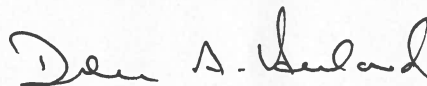
The Commission has reviewed the KSC request and Staff's recommendation and has determined that a rule waiver may be granted in this instance under Puc 201.05 because the limited waiver proposed would not disrupt the orderly and efficient resolution of matters before the Commission and would serve the public interest inasmuch as compliance with the rules would be onerous given the circumstances of the affected person and the purpose of the rules would be satisfied by the alternative method proposed.

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Accordingly, the Commission has granted a limited waiver of the otherwise applicable REC eligibility date requirements set forth in Puc 2505.01(c) so that the KSC Class I Thermal energy production facility located at 229 Main Street in Keene, New Hampshire can be certified as eligible to produce RECs as of January 1, 2018.

Sincerely,



Debra A. Howland  
Executive Director

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