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Robert Desrosiers CS Berlin Ops, Inc. One Cate Street, Ste. 100 Portsmouth, NH 03801

Re: DM 21-107, CS Berlin Ops, Inc.

Application to Renew Registration as a Competitive Electric Power Supplier

Dear Mr. Desrosiers:

On May 27, 2021, CS Berlin Ops, Inc. (CS Berlin) filed an application to renew its registration as a competitive electric power supplier (CEPS). In the filing, CS Berlin also requested a waiver of Puc 2003.02(b) with respect to the late filing of its application.

Commission Staff filed a memorandum on June 3, 2021 that summarizes the filing made by CS Berlin in connection with its renewal registration application and Staff's analysis of the application materials submitted and the related rule waiver request. Staff recommended that CS Berlin's rule waiver request be granted and its registration renewal application be approved, pursuant to N.H. Admin. R., Puc 2003.02(c)(l), for a renewal term of three years, for service to large commercial and industrial customers only, in the franchise area of Public Service Company of New Hampshire d/b/a Eversource Energy (Eversource).

CS Berlin's request for a waiver of Puc 2003.02(b) is granted as being in the public interest under Puc 201.05, and its application for renewal of registration as a CEPS authorized to serve large commercial and industrial customers and to operate in the franchise area of Eversource, is approved for a three-year term beginning on May 29, 2021 and ending at the close of business on May 29, 2024, under Puc 2003.02(c)(1). Pursuant to Puc 2003.02(b), CS Berlin must submit its renewal application at least 60 days prior to the expiration of the approved registration period, on or before March 30, 2024.

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: http://www.puc.nh.gov/Regulatory/Rules/PUC2000.pdf. In particular, note that, under Puc 2003.03(e), if a CEPS's financial security instrument will not be renewed or extended beyond its expiration date, it must (1) provide written notice to the Commission of such non-renewal or non-extension no less than 60 days prior to the expiration date, and (2) file with the Executive Director a replacement financial security instrument meeting the requirements of the rules no less than 30 days prior to the

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expiration date, and that, under Puc 2003.03(f), a CEPS that fails to comply with the requirement to file a replacement financial security instrument is subject to fines, suspension, or revocation pursuant to Puc 2005.

Please also note that each CEPS authorized to serve new customers 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 RSA 374-F:4-b, II and Puc 2004.03(a). 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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