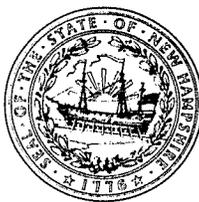


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May 11, 2010

Scott D. Hall
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Black Bear Hydro Partners, LLC
Davenport Street
P.O. Box 276
Milford, ME 04461

Re: DE 10-079, Black Bear Hydro Partners, LLC's Application for Class IV Eligibility
of its Stillwater Hydroelectric Facility pursuant to RSA 362-F

Dear Mr. Hall:

On April 1, 2010, Black Bear Hydro Partners, LLC's submitted an application requesting certification for its Stillwater hydroelectric facility (Stillwater facility) as a Class IV facility pursuant to RSA 362-F, New Hampshire's Renewable Portfolio Standard law. Staff has reviewed the application and recommends approval noting that the Stillwater facility application was completed on April 1, 2010 in accordance with New Hampshire Code of Administrative Rules Puc 2500.

Pursuant to RSA 362-F:4, IV, Class IV eligibility requires that a facility began operation prior to January 1, 2006, has a nameplate capacity of five megawatts or less, has installed upstream and downstream diadromous fish passages, and when required, has documented applicable state water quality certification pursuant to section 401 of the Clean Water Act.

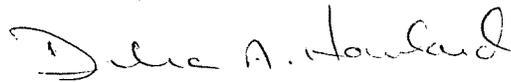
Your application indicates that the Stillwater facility is a run-of-river hydroelectric facility located on the Stillwater Branch on the Penobscot River, Franklin Street, Old Town, Maine and has a gross nameplate capacity of 1.95 megawatts. The facility began commercial operation in 1913. Your application included proof that the facility's downstream and upstream fish passages have been in operation since 2005 and 2008, respectively, thus demonstrating that the facility meets the requirements of RSA 362-F. Your application also provided support that the water quality certification for the facility was issued on October 23, 1992 by the Maine Department of Environmental Protection. The facility's NEPOOL generation information system (GIS) facility code is MSS 16523.

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The Commission has reviewed the Stillwater facility application and determined that Black Bear Hydro has provided all the necessary documentation to demonstrate that the Stillwater facility is eligible for certification as a Class IV facility. Therefore, the Commission hereby certifies that the Stillwater facility is a Class IV renewable energy source effective on April 1, 2010 and is eligible to be issued New Hampshire Class IV Renewable Energy Certificates.

Attached please find a copy of the notice of this certification provided to the GIS administrator. The New Hampshire Renewable Portfolio Standard certification code for the Stillwater facility is NH-IV-10-043.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Debra A. Howland".

Debra A. Howland
Executive Director

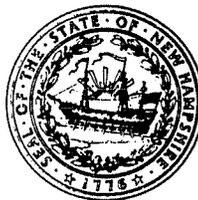
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Re: DE 10-079, Black Bear Hydro Partners, LLC's Certification of its Stillwater
Hydroelectric Facility as a New Hampshire RPS Class IV Facility pursuant to RSA 362-F
New Hampshire Certification Code NH-IV-10-043

Dear Mr. Webb:

Please be advised that, pursuant to NH RSA 362-F, the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission has certified the Stillwater hydroelectric facility as eligible for Class IV Renewable Energy Certificates (RECs) effective April 1, 2010. Accordingly, the Stillwater hydroelectric facility is eligible to be issued New Hampshire Class IV RECs.

The Stillwater facility is a run-of-river hydroelectric facility located on the Stillwater Branch on the Penobscot River, Franklin Street, Old Town, Maine and has a gross nameplate capacity of 1.95 megawatts. The facility began operation in 1913. The facility's NEPOOL generation information system (GIS) facility code is MSS 16523. The New Hampshire Renewable Portfolio Standard certification code is NH-IV-10-043.

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