

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
BEFORE THE
NEW HAMPSHIRE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

Docket No. DE 11-250

Public Service Company of New Hampshire
Investigation of Merrimack Station Scrubber Project and Cost Recovery

Petition to Intervene on Behalf of TransCanada

TransCanada Power Marketing Ltd. and TransCanada Hydro Northeast Inc. (collectively “TransCanada”) respectfully petition the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission (“Commission”) for leave to intervene as a full party in the above-captioned proceeding under Rule Puc 203.17 and RSA 541-A:32. In support of this petition, TransCanada represents that:

1. On December 1, 2011 the Commission issued an Order of Notice in the above-captioned docket opening a proceeding to address Public Service Company of New Hampshire’s (“PSNH”) request to recover the costs of the Scrubber Project at Merrimack Station from PSNH Energy Service rate and Alternate Default Energy rate customers. Among the issues to be addressed in this docket, as noted in the Order of Notice, are whether the costs of the Scrubber Project were prudently incurred consistent with the requirements of RSA 125-O:11 et seq., whether those costs are eligible for recovery through default service rates as provided by RSA 125-O:18, whether temporary rates pursuant to RSA 378:27 are appropriate for recovery of any costs associated with the Scrubber Project, and whether the resulting rates are just and reasonable pursuant to RSA 378:5 and 8.

2. In that Order of Notice the Commission set a prehearing conference for December 13, 2011 and established a deadline of December 8, 2011 for the submission of petitions to intervene.

3. TransCanada Hydro Northeast Inc. purchased certain hydroelectric facilities on the Connecticut and Deerfield Rivers from US Gen New England, Inc. in April of 2005. TransCanada and its affiliates are involved in the transportation of natural gas and the power generation business in North America. TransCanada and its affiliates collectively own approximately 567 MW of hydroelectric generation capacity on the Connecticut and Deerfield rivers, with the bulk of it being in New Hampshire. TransCanada Power Marketing Ltd. is a competitive supplier of electricity registered to do business in New Hampshire.

4. TransCanada's rights, duties, privileges or substantial interests as a competitive supplier of electricity in New Hampshire and as a producer of electricity that is sold into the New England ISO market, as well as other rights, duties, privileges or substantial interests of TransCanada and its affiliates, may be affected by the proceeding given the scope of the issues identified in the Order of Notice. TransCanada's competitive position relative to PSNH may be harmed depending on the results of this docket. TransCanada's rights and interests as a competitive supplier and as a participant in the market for electricity in New England may be affected by the Commission's decision with regard to PSNH's recovery of the Scrubber Project costs and some of the other issues raised and addressed in this proceeding. TransCanada believes it must intervene in this proceeding to protect these rights. Granting this petition for intervention

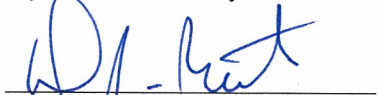
would be in the interest of justice and would not impair the orderly and prompt conduct of the proceedings.

5. The Commission has discretion pursuant to RSA 541-A:32, II to allow requests for intervention. Because TransCanada has been granted permission to intervene in a number of other dockets involving PSNH before the Public Utilities Commission including DE 09-180, DE 10-121, DE 10-160, and DE 10-261, has submitted comments in DE 08-103, and has been involved with issues related to the Scrubber Project before the Site Evaluation Committee and the NH Supreme Court, TransCanada has gained knowledge of this Project and PSNH that could be of value to the parties and to the Commission in this proceeding. For these reasons TransCanada's intervention would be in the interest of justice and would not impair the orderly and prompt conduct of the proceedings.

WHEREFORE, TransCanada respectfully requests that the Commission grant it full intervenor status in the proceeding or grant such other relief as the Commission deems just and equitable.

Respectfully submitted,

TransCanada Power Marketing Ltd. and TransCanada Hydro Northeast Inc.
By Their Attorneys

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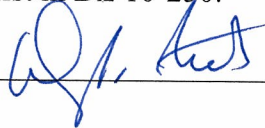
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Dated: December 7, 2011

Certificate of Service

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing Petition has on this 7th day of December, 2011 been sent by email to the service list in DE 10-250.

By: _____

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