

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

Inter-Department Communication

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SUBJECT: DM 12-145 Application of NextEra Energy Services New Hampshire, LLC
Competitive Electric Power Supplier Registration-- Extension of Territories
Staff's Recommendation for Approval

TO: Debra A. Howland
Executive Director

On November 5, 2012, the Commission received a request from NextEra Energy Services New Hampshire, LLC (NextEra) to extend its territories as a Competitive Electric Power Supplier (CEPS) to the franchise territory of the New Hampshire Electric Co-Operative (NHEC). Currently, NextEra is approved to serve the commercial and industrial customers in the service territories of Public Service of New Hampshire (PSNH), Unitil Energy Systems (UES), National Grid (GSEC)/ Liberty Utilities. A registered CEPS can request extension of its service to the service territories by updating its application with documentation demonstrating successful completion of EDI testing. With its request, NextEra provided Electronic Data interchange (EDI) Certification letters from NHEC.

In its application, NextEra also requested approval to serve residential customer classes in all approved utility territories. In its initial application for CEPS registration in 2008 (DM 08-082), NextEra did not provide the terms of service for residential customers as required under Puc 2004.02 and indicated it would be serving commercial and industrial customers. On December 12, 2012, NextEra submitted the terms of service for residential customers. In response to comments from Staff, on January 7, 2013, it filed updated terms of service for residential customers which meet the requirements pursuant to Puc 2004.02.

Staff has reviewed NextEra's request and believes that it meets the requirements with respect to extending service to NHEC's service territory, and the requirements for serving residential customers. It is Staff's recommendation that the Commission approve NextEra's request to add the NHEC service territory as an approved territory in connection with its CEPS registration. Staff also recommends that the Commission approve NextEra's request to serve residential customers classes as listed in its application.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.