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July 30, 2012

Bob King
President
Ashuelot River Hydro, Inc.
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Re: **DE 12-206**, Ashuelot River Hydro, Inc.'s Eligibility Request for the Ashuelot Hydroelectric Project to Produce Class IV New Hampshire Renewable Energy Certificates (RECs) Pursuant to RSA 362-F and Laws of 2012, Chapter 272

Dear Mr. King:

On July 11, 2012, Ashuelot River Hydro, Inc. submitted an application requesting Class IV certification for the Ashuelot Hydroelectric project (Ashuelot Hydro) pursuant to RSA 362-F, New Hampshire's Renewable Portfolio Standard law and Laws of 2012, Chapter 272. Staff has reviewed the application and recommends approval, noting that the Ashuelot River Hydro application was completed on July 11, 2012 in accordance with New Hampshire Code of Administrative Rules Puc 2500.

Pursuant to Laws of 2012, Chapter 272, existing small hydroelectric facilities with a total nameplate capacity of one megawatt (MW) or less are eligible for Class IV RECs if they are in compliance with applicable Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) fish passage restoration requirements, and are interconnected with an electric distribution system located in New Hampshire. Ashuelot River Hydro is located one mile from the Lower Robertson Hydroelectric facility in Winchester, NH.

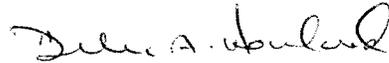
Ashuelot River Hydro, Inc. provided FERC approvals for Ashuelot Hydro under project number (7791-001) was provided for Ashuelot Hydro, as well as a copy of the operating agreement with Public Service Company of New Hampshire. The start date for commercial operation was May 1987; the nameplate capacity generation is .900 MW of electricity.

The Commission has reviewed the Ashuelot Hydro application and determined that all the necessary documentation has been provided to demonstrate that it is eligible for Class IV certification. Therefore, the Commission hereby certifies Ashuelot Hydro as

a Class IV renewable energy source eligible to be issued New Hampshire Class IV RECs effective on July 11, 2012.

The facility's NEPOOL generation information system (GIS) facility code is MSS 905. 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 Ashuelot Hydro is NH-IV-12-030.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Debra A. Howland".

Debra A. Howland
Executive Director

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New Hampshire Certification Code NH-IV-12-030

Dear Mr. Webb:

Please be advised that the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission has certified the Ashuelot River Hydro, Inc. (Ashuelot River Hydro), Ashuelot Hydroelectric (Ashuelot Hydro) facility as a Class IV renewable energy source effective July 11, 2012 pursuant to NH RSA 362-F. Accordingly, Ashuelot Hydro is eligible to be issued New Hampshire Class IV RECs.

Ashuelot Hydro is located on the Ashuelot River in Winchester, NH and has a nameplate capacity of .9 MW. The project began commercial operation in May 1987. Ashuelot River Hydro has provided evidence that Ashuelot Hydro operates in compliance with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission fish passage restoration requirements (Project Number 7791-001), and has provided a copy of the operating agreement with Public Service Company of New Hampshire. The facility's NEPOOL generation information system (GIS) facility code is MSS 905. The New Hampshire Renewable Portfolio Standard certification code is NH-IV-12-030.

Sincerely,

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

Debra A. Howland
Executive Director

cc: Bob King, PE, President, Ashuelot River Hydro, Inc.

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