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Re: DM 13-066, First Point Power, LLC

Application to Register as Competitive Electric Power Supplier

Dear Mr. Schieffelin:

On March 1, 2013, First Point Power, LLC (First Point) filed an application with the Commission to register as a competitive electric power supplier (CEPS). On July 1, 2013, First Point filed certificates demonstrating it had completed electronic data interchange (EDI) testing with Liberty Utilities (Liberty), PSNH, and Unitil Energy Systems (UES), as well as a surety bond with a term that ends June 4, 2014. With its July 1, 2013 filing, First Point also requested a waiver of N.H. Code of Admin. Rule Puc 2003.03(a)(5), which requires that the surety bond be for a term of 5 years and 150 days.

Commission Staff reviewed the information and determined that, if the waiver is granted, the application complies with the requirements of Puc 2003 and 2006.02. Staff recommended that the Commission grant the waiver request and approve the registration for a term that begins with the date of the approval letter and ends, concurrently, with the expiration date of the surety bond, June 4, 2014. Staff also recommended that First Point be informed the financial security rules are likely to change before June 2014, and that it should monitor the rulemaking process and plan accordingly.

The Commission may waive a rule pursuant to Puc 201.05 if it finds the waiver serves the public interest and the waiver does not disrupt the orderly and efficient resolution of matters before the Commission. The Commission has determined that the applicable standards for a waiver are satisfied and that granting a waiver, subject to the conditions suggested by Staff, is consistent with the public good.

Accordingly, the Commission approves First Point's application to register as a CEPS, for a term that ends June 4, 2014, and permits it to operate only in the service

areas of Liberty, PSNH, and UES, effective October 9, 2013. If First Point seeks to extend its operations into the franchise areas of other distribution utilities, it should file a request with the Commission stating this and provide evidence that it has completed EDI testing with those distribution utilities in whose franchise areas it intends to operate. Pursuant to Puc 2003.02(a), First Point must submit its next renewal application at least 60 days prior to the expiration of the registration approved here, on or before April 5, 2014.

Please be aware registered CEPSs 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. Finally, as noted above, the financial security rules set out in Puc 2003.05(a)(5) are likely to change before June 2014. Please monitor the Commission's website for notice of this rulemaking process and plan accordingly.

Sincerely,

Debra A. Howland Executive Secretary

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