

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

Inter-Department Communication

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SUBJECT: DM 13-075 Application of Gulf Oil Limited Partnership for Registration as a Competitive Electric Power Supplier (CEPS); Staff's Recommendation

TO: Debra A. Howland
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On March 8, 2013, the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission (Commission) received an application from Gulf Oil Limited Partnership (Gulf Oil) for its registration as a Competitive Electric Power Supplier (CEPS). On April 5, 2013, Gulf Oil provided the financial surety pursuant to Puc 2003.03(a). On May 3, 2013, the company filed a supplement to the financial surety. On May 7, 2013, Gulf Oil submitted a revised application with an updated Standard Service Agreement.

Staff has reviewed Gulf Oil's application and believes that it meets the requirements of Puc 2006.01. Considering that Gulf Oil has only submitted certification of EDI testing with PSNH, it is Staff's recommendation that Gulf Oil's application for registration as a CEPS be approved to serve only PSNH customers (customer classes R, R-OTOD, EAP, G, G-OTOD, LCS, GV, LG, B, SR, OL, EOL, VIP, SKI) at this time. Upon completion of EDI testing with the remaining utilities, Gulf Oil can request extension of its service to the service territories of those utilities by updating its application with documentation demonstrating successful completion of the testing. Upon receipt of such submittal, Staff will review the information and make a recommendation to the Commission. Staff encourages Gulf Oil to consolidate the submittal of such updates to result in a more efficient review process. It is Staff's recommendation that Gulf Oil's application of registration as CEPS in New Hampshire be approved.

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

