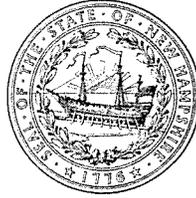


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June 24, 2014

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Re: DE 13-316, Green Mountain Power
Application for Certification as a REC Eligible Facility - Chaput Family Farms

Dear Ms. Fischer:

On November 4, 2013, the Commission received an application from Green Mountain Power on behalf of Chaput Family Farms requesting Class I certification for its 0.3 megawatt (MW) animal waste-derived methane-fueled electrical generating project pursuant to RSA 362-F:4, New Hampshire's Renewable Portfolio Standard law. Staff requested additional information on December 17, 2013. A response, which completed the application, was received on January 10, 2014. Staff has reviewed Green Mountain Power's certification request for Chaput Family Farms' methane-fueled electrical generating project and has determined that it meets the eligibility requirements under RSA 362-F:4, I(e), as a Class I facility and complies with the New Hampshire Code of Administrative Rules Puc 2500. Staff recommends Commission approval for the Chaput Family Farms' methane-fueled electrical generating project as a Class I renewable energy source effective January 10, 2014.

The Chaput Family Farms' animal waste-derived methane-fueled electrical generating project is located at 2473 Route 105 East, North Troy, VT and is owned and operated by Chaput Family Farms. The Chaput Family Farms' 0.3MW methane-fueled electrical generating project began both initial operation and commercial operation on August 3, 2010¹. A State of Vermont, Public Service Board Certificate of Public Good Issued Pursuant to 30 V.S.A. Section 248 certified the Chaput Family Farms' methane-fueled electrical generating project. A copy of the Generation Interconnection Agreement Between Vermont Electric Cooperative, Inc., and Chaput Family Farms for the Chaput Family Farms Cow-Methane Electric Generation Project dated July 26, 2010 also was provided by the applicant.

¹ Pursuant to RSA 362-F:4, I, Class I sources must have begun operation after January 1, 2006.

Staff requested and received confirmation that the Chaput Family Farms generation facility is not a “customer-sited source”, defined in RSA 362-F:2, V as “a source that is interconnected on the end-use customer’s side of the retail electricity meter in such a manner that it displaces all or part of the metered consumption of the end-use customer.” Pursuant to Puc 2505.01(f), customer-sited sources located outside of New Hampshire are not eligible for New Hampshire RECs. Green Mountain Power responded that Chaput Family Farms’ methane-fueled electrical generating project is interconnected with the Vermont Electric Cooperative (VEC) system and does not displace any of the consumption of the end-use customer.

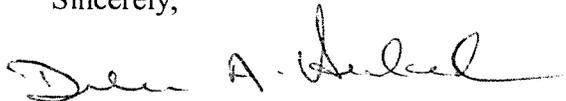
In addition, staff requested clarification of how the electric energy output of the Chaput Family Farms’ methane-fueled electrical generating project is reported to the NEPOOL-GIS administrator. Green Mountain Power responded that the electric energy output of the Chaput Family Farms’ methane-fueled electrical generating project is reported to NEPOOL-GIS by VELCO, a certified third party meter reader, but is not verified through ISO New England.

The Chaput Family Farms methane-fueled electrical generating project is registered as NON 32976 in the NEPOOL-GIS system, and is certified as a Class I Renewable Energy Source as defined in Connecticut General Statutes §16-1(a)(26).

The Commission has reviewed the Chaput Family Farms’ application and has determined that all necessary documentation has been provided to demonstrate that the animal waste-derived methane-fueled electrical generating project meets all of the requirements of Puc 2502.02 and is eligible for certification as a New Hampshire Class I facility. Therefore, the Commission hereby certifies the Chaput Family Farms’ methane-fueled electrical generating project as a Class I renewable energy source, eligible to be issued New Hampshire Class I Renewable Energy Certificates, effective as of January 10, 2014.

Attached please find a copy of the notice of this certification provided to the NEPOOL-GIS administrator. The New Hampshire Renewable Portfolio Standard certification code for Chaput Family Farms is NH-I-14-001.

Sincerely,



Debra A. Howland
Executive Director

Cc: Docket file

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Re: DE 13-316, Green Mountain Power - Application for Certification as a REC Eligible Facility - Chaput Family Farms
New Hampshire Certification Code NH-I-14-001

Dear Mr. Webb:

Please be advised that the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission has certified the Chaput Family Farms' animal wasted-derived methane-fueled electrical generating project as a Class I renewable energy source effective as of January 10, 2014, pursuant to N.H. RSA 362-F. Accordingly, Chaput Family Farms is eligible to be issued New Hampshire Class I RECs.

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Sincerely,

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

Debra A. Howland
Executive Director

cc: Marcia R. Fischer, Green Mountain Power

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