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SUBJECT:

DE 14-055 Revised to DE 12-200, Powerhouse Systems, Inc. –

Weston Dam

TO:

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Commissioner Robert R. Scott Commissioner Martin P. Honigberg

Debra A. Howland, Executive Director and Secretary

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Overview

On July 10, 2012, Hydro Management Group, LLC (Hydro Management) submitted an application requesting Class IV certification for the Powerhouse Systems, Inc., Weston Dam Hydroelectric Facility (Weston Dam) pursuant to RSA 362-F, New Hampshire's Renewable Portfolio Standard law and Laws of 2012, Chapter 0272. On July 30, 2012, the Commission approved the Weston Dam as a Class IV renewable energy source effective July 10, 2012.

On February 27, 2014, the Commission received an application from Power House Systems requesting Class II New Hampshire Renewable Energy Certificate (REC) eligibility for the 0.044 megawatt (MW) Weston Dam Solar photovoltaic (PV) array that will be part of the Andrew Locke – Hydro Management Group's approved aggregation pursuant to RSA 362-F, New Hampshire's Electric Renewable Portfolio Standard law. This request was assigned docket number DE 14-055.

Recommendation

Staff recommends that the Commission's review of the Weston Dam Solar PV project's request for Class II certification be completed under the original docket, DE 12-200, to allow all the information and correspondence regarding the Weston Dam project to be compiled under one case number. This is in keeping with past projects that have

¹ The Commission approved Andrew Locke, Hydro Management Group, LLC /Essex Hydro Associates, LLC as an aggregator of Class II March 10, 2013, DE 14-032.

requested certification under different classes or have been denied eligibility due to compliance issues and then were reinstated when compliance was achieved.² Staff further recommends that DE 14-055 be closed.

² See DE 12-210 Spaulding; DE 09-008 Indeck, and DE 09-104 Springfield Power.

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