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August 6, 2018

Lynn Gallagher, Controller
Competitive Energy Services, LLC
148 Middle Street, Suite 500
Portland, ME 04101

Re: DM 17-170, Competitive Energy Services, LLC
Renewal of Registration to Provide Natural Gas Aggregation Service

Dear Ms. Gallagher:

On October 27, 2017, Competitive Energy Services, LLC (CES) filed an application to renew its registration as a provider of natural gas aggregation service. CES's previously-approved registration period ran through May 15, 2017. On December 26, 2017, Staff sent a deficiency letter regarding Puc 3003.05(a). On July 9, 2018, CES filed a request for waiver of that rule. On August 6, 2018, Staff filed a memorandum recommending that the Commission grant a waiver of Puc 3003.05(a), so that CES's registration is renewed without any lapse in registration, and that the Commission approves CES's renewal application to provide natural gas aggregation service for a period of 5 years.

The Commission has granted the requested rule waiver regarding the renewal filing deadline, having found that it meets the public interest standard under Puc 201.05, and has approved the application for registration renewal effective as of May 16, 2017. The registration is for a term of 5 years and expires at the end of business on May 15, 2022. Pursuant to N.H. Code Admin. Rules Puc 3003.02(a), you must submit your next renewal application at least 60 days prior to the expiration of the approved registration period, on or before March 16, 2022.

Please be aware that registered providers of natural gas aggregation service are subject to specific requirements contained in N.H. Code Admin. Rules Puc 3000 - Competitive Natural Gas Supplier and Aggregator Rules. These rules are available at:
<http://www.puc.state.nh.us/Regulatory/Rules/PUC3000.pdf>.

Please note that, effective as of July 1, 2014, each registered natural gas aggregator is subject to an annual assessment of \$2,000, unless it demonstrates that its gross revenue in New Hampshire during the preceding fiscal year (from July 1 through June 30) was less than \$10,000, pursuant to RSA 363-A:2, III and 5.

Sincerely,

Handwritten signature of Debra A. Howland in black ink.

Debra A. Howland
Executive Director

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- a) Pursuant to N.H. Admin Rule Puc 203.02 (a), with the exception of Discovery, file 7 copies, as well as an electronic copy, of all documents including cover letter with: DEBRA A HOWLAND
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