


STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

Inter-Department Communication

DATE: May 26, 2020
AT (OFFICE): NHPUC

FROM:  Corrine Lemay, Management Analyst

SUBJECT: DM 20-077, Cost Control Associates, Inc.
Application to Renew Registration as a Provider of Natural Gas
Aggregation Service
Staff Recommendation for Approval and Rule Waiver

TO: Debra A. Howland, Executive Director

On May 13, 2020, Cost Control Associates, Inc. (Cost Control) filed an application to renew its registration as a provider of natural gas aggregation service. Cost Control's currently-effective registration was scheduled to expire on May 15, 2020. Cost Control has requested a waiver of the rule requiring an application for renewal to be filed no less than 60 days prior to registration expiration. According to Cost Control, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, business was interrupted and it was unable to submit the renewal application on a timely basis.

Commission Staff has reviewed the application and has determined that the filing is complete and that the application meets the requirements for registration under N.H. Admin. R., Puc 3000. Staff notes that, pursuant to Puc 3003.06(a), Cost Control's renewal application should have been filed at least 60 days prior to the expiration of its currently-effective registration, on or before March 16, 2020. Staff recommends that a waiver of Puc 3003.06(a) be granted, because the waiver would serve the public interest and not disrupt the orderly and efficient resolution of matters before the Commission, consistent with Puc 201.05.

If the rule waiver is granted, Staff recommends that Cost Control's application to renew its registration as a provider of natural gas aggregation service be approved, effective as of May 15, 2020, for a renewed registration term of 2 years.

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