STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IR 22-053 ELECTRIC AND GAS UTILITIES

Investigation of Energy Commodity Procurement
(Renewable Portfolio Standard; Default Service Electric Power; Cost of Gas)

Methodology and Process

PETITION TO INTERVENE ON BEHALF OF GRANITE STATE HYDROPOWER ASSOCIATION

NOW COMES the Granite State Hydropower Association (GSHA) and pursuant to RSA 541-A:32 and N.H. Code Admin. Rule Puc 203.17, hereby petitions the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission ("Commission") for intervention in the above-captioned proceeding. In support of this petition GSHA states as follows:

- GSHA is a voluntary, non-profit trade association for the small-scale hydropower industry in New Hampshire. Members of GSHA own and operate nearly 50 hydroelectric facilities located in 35 towns and cities throughout the state, totaling nearly 55 megawatts (MWs) of distributed generation.
- 2. On September 6, 2022, the Commission issued an Order of Notice opening an investigative docket "to examine all pertinent aspects of RPS, Default Service, and COG procurements in New Hampshire, and related Commission processes." Order of Notice at 2. Specifically, the Commission intends to investigate the "timing and other approaches historically used by New Hampshire utilities for RPS, Default Service...and data regarding outcomes correlated with different approaches." Id. at 3.

3. As renewable energy generators, GSHA members generate and market Renewable

Energy Certificates (REC) purchased to comply with Renewable Portfolio Standard

requirements. Therefore, GSHA members have a substantial interest in the timing and

approaches used in RPS compliance procurements.

4. Further, GSHA members generate and sell electricity as small renewable energy

generators. Therefore, GSHA members have a substantial interest in the timing and

approaches used in utility default service procurements.

5. As active participants in REC and energy markets in New Hampshire, GSHA members'

"rights, duties, privileges, immunities and other substantial interests" are directly affected

by this docket. Issues identified in this docket's order of notice and any resulting

recommendations or decisions will directly affect GSHA member's interests.

6. GSHA has intervened and participated in NH PUC dockets previously to represent the

interests of its members, and GSHA's participation in this docket is in the interest of

justice and will not interfere with the orderly and prompt conduct of these proceedings.

For these reasons, we request that the Commission grant intervenor status to GSHA in this

docket.

Respectfully submitted

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I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing Petition to Intervene on behalf of Granite State Hydropower Association on this 23rd day of September, 2022, will be delivered by electronic mail to the service list IR 22-053.

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