


STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

Inter-Department Communication

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SUBJECT: DM 11-075 Application of PNE Energy Supply LLC for Registration
as a Competitive Electric Power Supplier (CEPS); Staff's
Recommendation for Approval

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On April 11, 2011, the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission (Commission) received an application from PNE Energy Supply LLC (PNE) for its registration as a Competitive Electric Power Supplier (CEPS). In its letter, PNE stated that (a) it was in the process of meeting the electric data transfer requirements pursuant to Puc 2003.01(d)(1), (b) that it was in process of obtaining NEPOOL membership pursuant to Puc 2003.01(d)(2), and (c) that it would be providing evidence of financial surety pursuant to Puc 2003.01(d)(4) in the near future.

On May 31, 2011, PNE filed a motion for extension of time to complete the application. On June 10, 2011, the Commission granted the waiver and extended the time for PNE to complete the application to July 29, 2011. PNE submitted the necessary supplemental information on July 29, 2011. On August 8, 2011 Staff sent a second deficiency letter regarding PNE's financial surety. On September 2, 2011, PNE submitted an amended financial surety document. Although in its application PNE stated that it intended to provide service to residential customers of Public Service of New Hampshire (PSNH), Unitil Energy Systems, National Grid, and New Hampshire Electric Co-op, it only submitted its training and testing requirements for electronic data interchange (EDI) for PSNH pursuant to Puc 2003.01(d)(1).

Staff has reviewed PNE's application and believes that it meets the requirements of Puc 2006.01. It is Staff's recommendation that PNE's application for Registration as a CEPS be approved to serve only PSNH customers at this time. Upon completion of EDI testing with the remaining utilities, PNE can request extension of its service to the service territories of those utilities by updating its application with documentation demonstrating successful completion of the testing. Upon receipt of such submittal, Staff will review the information and make a recommendation to the Commission. Staff encourages PNE to consolidate the submittal of such updates to result in a more efficient review process.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.