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Re: DE 12-015, La Capra Associates Application on behalf of Washington Electric Cooperative Inc. for New Hampshire Renewable Energy Class I Certification of the Coventry Clean Energy Landfill's Fourth and Fifth Methane Gas Engine-Generator Sets Pursuant to RSA 362-F

Dear Ms. Richards:

On January 12, 2012, La Capra Associates submitted an application requesting certification for the electrical production from the Washington Electric Cooperative, Coventry Clean Energy's fourth and fifth methane-burning engine-generator sets as a Class I facility pursuant to RSA 362-F, New Hampshire's Renewable Portfolio Standard law. Staff has reviewed the application and recommends approval, noting that all information required to complete the application in accordance with New Hampshire Code of Administrative Rules Puc 2500, was received on February 29, 2012.

The portion of the Coventry Clean Energy landfill facility applying for Class I eligibility is comprised of two 1.6 megawatt (MW) engine-generator sets that came online January 1, 2007 and June 1, 2009, respectively. The nameplate capacity is 3.2 megawatts of methane-generated electricity. Coventry Clean Energy facility's output is transmitted to the Irasburg substation and eventually into the Public Service of New Hampshire Littleton substation.

The application provided State of Vermont, Agency of Natural Resources approvals as well as approvals from the Fish & Wildlife Department, and the Department of Environmental Conservation and the Federal Aviation Authority for poles at the Coventry airport. The NEPOOL generation information system (GIS) facility code has

been verified as MSS 12323. The ISO-New England asset identification number is 12323.

The Commission has reviewed the Coventry Clean Energy application for the fourth and fifth engine-generator sets that came online January 1, 2007 and June 1, 2009, respectively, and determined that all necessary documentation has been provided to demonstrate that these generator sets meet all the requirements of Puc 2502.02 and are eligible for certification as a New Hampshire Class I facility. Therefore, the Commission hereby certifies the electrical generation from Coventry Clean Energy's fourth and fifth engine-generator sets as a Class I renewable energy source effective February 29, 2012.

Attached please find a copy of the notice of this certification provided to the GIS administrator. The New Hampshire Renewable Portfolio Standard certification code for the Coventry Clean Energy facility is NH-III-12-011.

Sincerely,

Debra A. Howland Executive Director

Enclosure

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James Webb Registry Administrator NYSE Blue 224 Airport Parkway, Suite 600 San Jose, CA 95110

Re:

DE 12-015, La Capra Associates Application on behalf of Washington Electric Cooperative Inc. for New Hampshire Renewable Energy Class I Certification of the Coventry Clean Energy Landfill's Fourth and fifth Methane Gas Engine-Generator Sets Pursuant to RSA 362-F

Dear Mr. Webb:

Pursuant to RSA 362-F, New Hampshire's Renewable Portfolio Standard law, the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission has certified the electrical production from the Washington Electric Cooperative Inc., Coventry Clean Energy (Coventry Clean Energy) landfill's fourth and fifth methane gas burning engine-generator sets as a Class I facility, effective February 29, 2012. The fourth and fifth methane-burning generator-engine sets have a combined electrical output of 3.2 megawatts and came online January 1, 2007 and June 1, 2009, respectively. The ISO New England asset identification number is ISO-NE#: 12323; the GIS facility code is MSS 12323. The facility is located at 21 Landfill Lane, Coventry, VT 05855.

Coventry Clean Energy facility's output is transmitted to the Irasburg substation and eventually into the Public Service of New Hampshire Littleton substation. The New Hampshire Renewable Portfolio Standard certification code for the Coventry Clean Energy facility is NH-I-12-011.

Sincerely,

Debra A. Howland Executive Director

cc: Patricia H. Richards, La Capra Associates

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