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Re: Rulemaking Notice No. 2017-131 – Conditional Approval Response
Puc 2500 – Electric Renewable Portfolio Standard Rules
N.H. Public Utilities Commission Docket No. DRM 16-829

Dear Attorney Eaton:

Enclosed please find the Public Utilities Commission's Conditional Approval Response, annotated to show the changes from the Final Proposal filed on December 6, 2017. The Conditional Approval Response is intended to address the conditions approved by the Joint Legislative Committee on Administrative Rules at its meeting on January 19, 2018, as described in Director Scott Eaton's letter dated January 22, 2018. The Conditional Approval Response was approved by unanimous vote of the Commission at a public meeting held on January 24, 2018.

The revisions shown in the Conditional Approval Response are identical to those shown in the Amended Conditional Approval Request submitted on behalf of the Commission on January 16, 2018, with one exception noted below, which revisions were intended primarily to address editorial and substantive comments made by Committee staff counsel, as well as to confirm that eligible biodiesel producers may obtain renewable energy certificates for biodiesel produced on and after January 1, 2018, consistent with the intent of RSA 362-F:13, VI-b. In accordance with the Committee's conditional approval motion, the Commission has also made further revisions to the language in Puc 2505.14, as proposed for the Committee's review at its January 19, 2018 meeting.

The Commission also acknowledges the Committee's petition for rulemaking included in the conditional approval motion, and will initiate a further rulemaking proceeding consistent with that petition.

Upon receipt of written confirmation from your office that the Conditional Approval Response is in accordance with the conditional approval granted by the Committee, the Commission will proceed to readopt with the final amendments the Puc 2500 rules, with a designated effective date of February 1, 2018.

FP 2017-131
Puc 2500
Conditional Approval Response

Thank you for your assistance with this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M. Honigberg', written in a cursive style.

Martin P. Honigberg
Chairman

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