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Re: Proposals in response to Request for Proposals for Long-Term Contracts for Clean Energy Projects dated March 31, 2017

To the Evaluation Team:

By this letter, the undersigned representatives of GridAmerica Holdings Inc., wholly-owned by National Grid (GridAmerica), EDF Renewable Energy, Inc. (EDF RE) and Renewable Energy Systems Canada Inc. (RES), submit a Joint Bid proposal under each of Section 2.2.1.3(ii) and (iv) of the Request for Proposals (the "RFP") for Long-Term Contracts for Clean Energy Generation Projects issued on March 31, 2017 by Fitchburg Gas & Electric Light Company ("Unitil"), Massachusetts Electric Company and Nantucket Electric Company ("National Grid"), and NSTAR Electric Company and Western Massachusetts Electric Company ("Eversource") (Unitil, National Grid and Eversource jointly referred to as the "Distribution Companies") to supply Clean Energy Generation and Environmental Attributes and RECs from new Class I RPS eligible wind facilities in Quebec delivered over a new HVDC transmission project from Quebec to New Hampshire. The proposed commencement of this clean energy supply is December 31st, 2022.

The joint bids submitted under Sections 2.2.1.3(ii) and 2.2.1.3(iv) comprise four (4) packaged bids: two packages submitted by RES with GridAmerica (the "RES Bids"), and two packages submitted by EDF RE with GridAmerica (the "EDF RE Bids"). The RES Bid and the EDF RE Bid submitted under Section 2.2.1.3(ii) are to be evaluated together, with the selection of each bid being contingent on the selection of the other. The RES Bid and the EDF RE Bid submitted under Section 2.2.1.3(iv) are not contingent on the selection of one another but the bids under this category should be evaluated together to assess the full value to Commonwealth ratepayers.

As described in the attached proposals, the joint bids provide the Commonwealth of Massachusetts with Clean Energy Generation along with RECs and Environmental Attributes, delivered to the New England Control Area by a consortium of experienced project developers.

The joint bid submitted under Section 2.2.1.3(ii) offers a fixed price for energy delivered over the GridAmerica's proposed Granite State Power Link ("GSPL") under the terms of a Firm Transmission Capacity Purchase Agreement ("FTCPA") between GridAmerica and each of EDF RE and RES to provide transmission services to a point on the ISO-NE Pool Transmission Facilities in Monroe, NH. The joint bid under Section 2.2.1.3(ii) consists of the following:

- EDF RE proposes 804 MW of New Class I RPS Eligible Wind Resources and RECs from multiple proposed Wind Facilities located in the province of Quebec, Canada, under twenty (20) year Power Purchase Agreements for Clean Energy Generation and Environmental Attributes.
- RES proposes 500.4 MW of New Class I RPS Eligible Wind Resources and RECs from multiple proposed Wind Facilities located in the province of Quebec, Canada, under twenty (20) year Power Purchase Agreements for Clean Energy Generation and Environmental Attributes.

The joint bid submitted under Section 2.2.1.3(iv) offers a fixed price for energy delivered to the international border near Norton, VT and consists of the same New Class I RPS Eligible Wind Resources offered in the joint bid submitted under Section 2.2.1.3(ii), plus:

- Under the terms of a proposed FTCPA between GridAmerica and the Distribution Companies, GridAmerica proposes to construct, own, operate, and maintain a high voltage direct current (HVDC) Transmission Project that connects to the Hydro-Québec TransÉnergie system at the US border in Norton, Vermont and runs to the final Point of Delivery under the PPA at Monroe, New Hampshire. GridAmerica's GSPL Transmission project shall provide for the delivery and full dispatch of the Clean Energy Generation from the proposed EDF RE and RES projects to the New England Control Area in accordance with the requirements of Section I.3.9 of the ISO-NE Open Access Transmission Tariff (OATT).

EDF RE, as the Eligible Bidder for the EDF RE Bid, is submitting two separate US\$100,000 non-refundable bid fees to support the Distribution Companies' evaluation of the EDF RE Bids. RES, as a separate Eligible Bidder, is submitting two separate US\$100,000 non-refundable bid fees in conjunction with the RES Bids.

As part of their individual bid packages, EDF RE and RES are to be considered collectively as project proponents with respect to the GridAmerica GSPL project for the purposes of Section 1.8(3)(1)(b) of the RFP. The bidders



are seeking confidential treatment of the confidential exhibits in each of the EDF RE Bids and the RES Bids, and this confidential information is provided separately and marked accordingly in each of the bids.

Sincerely,

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