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Re: **PUBLIC VERSION** of Proposal in response to Request for Proposals for Long-Term
Contracts for Clean Energy Projects dated March 31, 2017
(hereinafter, the RFP)

Dear Evaluation Team and Independent Evaluator:

By this letter, the undersigned representatives of Hydro Renewable Energy Inc., an affiliate of Hydro Quebec (HRE), Gaz Métro Limited Partnership (Gaz Métro), Boralex Inc. (Boralex), (collectively Gaz Metro and Boralex are referred to as the Wind Developer) and Central Maine Power Company (CMP) hereby submit a joint bid, as described in more detail below, for Clean Energy Generation from Incremental Hydropower Generation and New Class I RPS Eligible Resources with Class I RECs and Environmental Attributes via Long Term Contract with a Transmission Project under a FERC Tariff under RFP Section 2.2.1.3(iv) (the **Proposal**). HRE, the Wind Developer and CMP are collectively referred to as the Joint Bidders.

The non-public version of the Joint Bidders' Proposal provided separately contains information for which each Bidder is seeking confidential treatment from the Distribution Companies, as Recipients. This **public and non-confidential version** of the Joint Bidders' Proposal provided herewith redacts this confidential information and may be publicly disclosed.

As described in the Proposal, the Joint Bidders' *New England Clean Energy Connect: Hydro + Wind* provides the Commonwealth of Massachusetts with clean, firm energy delivered into the New England Control Area by experienced project developers.

As part of the Proposal:

- HRE proposes a twenty (20) year Power Purchase Agreement for Clean Energy Generation and Environmental Attributes from Incremental Hydroelectric Generation located in the Province of Québec, Canada, provided by HRE's parent corporation, Hydro-Québec.
- The Wind Developer proposes a twenty (20) year Power Purchase Agreement for Clean Energy Generation and Environmental Attributes including RECs, from new Class I RPS eligible wind generation to be developed by the Wind Developer in the Province of Québec, Canada, firmed by Incremental Hydroelectric Generation provided by Hydro-Québec.
- Under the terms of a proposed Transmission Service Agreement (TSA), CMP proposes to construct and operate a Transmission Project located in western and central Maine called the New England Clean Energy Connect (NECEC) to permit the interconnection of the proposed HRE and Wind Developer Clean Energy Generation to the New England Control Area under the requirements of Section I.3.9 and the Capacity Capability Interconnection Standard of the ISO-NE Open Access Transmission Tariff (OATT).

HRE, the Wind Developer, and CMP are submitting individual bid packages containing the required information about their proposed projects. Those individual bid packages support the following joint bid:

| Bid | Transmission Proposal | Clean Energy Generation Proposal |
|---------------------------|--|---|
| NECEC Hydro + Wind | CMP: NECEC Transmission Project (1,090 MW transmission capacity of 1,200 MW total capacity of the NECEC transmission facilities) | <p>A minimum of 8.5 TWh/year and up to 9.4 TWh, at the discretion of the Distribution Companies, of Clean Energy Generation sourced from:</p> <p>HRE: 790 MW of HQ Incremental Hydroelectric Generation;</p> <p>and</p> <p>Wind Developer: 300 MW of new Class I RPS Eligible Resources firmed by HQ Incremental Hydroelectric Generation</p> |

Pursuant to Section 1.10 of the RFP, the non-refundable bid fee for the above joint bid is \$125,000, which includes the amount due for one (1) additional pricing offer (\$25,000). CMP is submitting the bid fee for the above joint bid on behalf of the Joint Bidders.

As part of their individual bid packages, and pursuant to Section 1.8 and Appendix D of the RFP, the Joint Bidders have each provided a Certification and Authorization certifying their respective knowledge or lack thereof pertaining to the matters set forth in the Certification and Authorization.


In accordance with the Certification and Authorization, the Joint Bidders hereby disclose that they have shared some non-public information among themselves necessary to develop the joint bids described above. The Joint Bidders certify that they have not shared bid pricing information with each other.

Sincerely,


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