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Re: 2017 Energy Efficiency Forecast Data Review Presentation

Mr. Winkler,

On behalf of Northeast Energy Efficiency Partnerships (NEEP),¹ please accept our comments responding to the 2017 Energy Efficiency Forecast Data Review.² NEEP is a regional non-profit that works to accelerate energy efficiency as part of a sustainable regional energy system in the Northeast and Mid-Atlantic states. Our Policy Outreach and Analysis group serves as an information resource for policymakers, program administrators, Commissions, and others to support the adoption and implementation of public policies and programs that advance energy efficiency.

In our review of the preliminary 2017 energy efficiency forecast data presentation, we noted on slide 38 that the 2017 annual budget is used to forecast energy efficiency funding for New Hampshire. We suggest that these numbers be revised to account for funding that has been approved through 2020, particularly since total funding approved for 2020 more than doubles what is approved for 2017. The New Hampshire Energy Efficiency Resource Standard Settlement Agreement,³ which was approved in its entirety by the Public Utility Commission in August 2016,⁴ describes total approved electric energy efficiency budget levels on the first page of Attachment A,⁵ and is summarized below:

- 2017-\$31,511,000
- 2018-\$43,150,000
- 2019-\$55,420,000
- 2020-\$73,910,000

¹ These comments are offered by NEEP staff and do not necessarily represent the view of the NEEP Board of Directors, sponsors or partners.

² ISO-NE 2017 Energy Efficiency Forecast Data Review Presentation. Available at https://www.iso-ne.com/static-assets/documents/2016/12/2017 ee forecast program data review final.pdf

³ New Hampshire Public Utility Commission. Docket No. DE 15-137. Energy Efficiency Resource Standard Settlement Agreement. (April 2016) Available at: http://www.puc.state.nh.us/regulatory/Docketbk/2015/15-137/LETTERS-MEMOS-TARIFFS/15-137 2016-04-27 STAFF PARTIES SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT.PDF

⁴ New Hampshire Public Utility Commission. Docket No. DE 15-137. Energy Efficiency Resource Standard Order Approving Settlement Agreement. (August 2016) Available at: http://www.puc.state.nh.us/regulatory/Docketbk/2015/15-137/ORDERS/15-137 2016-08-02 ORDER 25932.PDF

⁵ New Hampshire Public Utility Commission. Docket No. DE 15-137. Energy Efficiency Resource Standard Settlement Agreement. Attachment A. (April 2016) Available: http://www.puc.state.nh.us/regulatory/Docketbk/2015/15-137/LETTERS-MEMOS-TARIFFS/15-137 2016-04-27 STAFF PARTIES ATT SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT.PDF

NEEP commends the ISO-NE for its efforts to incorporate energy efficiency savings into long-term planning. Please accept these comments in the spirit they are intended: to aid the working group, and ultimately the ratepayers in the region, in securing a more affordable, reliable, cleaner and sustainable energy future.

Sincerely,

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