STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE BEFORE THE NEW HAMPSHIRE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

Docket No. DE 12-097 ELECTRIC AND GAS UTILITIES

Investigation into Purchase of Receivables, Customer Referral and Electronic Interface for Electric and Gas Distribution Utilities

Petition to Intervene on Behalf of TransCanada

TransCanada Power Marketing Ltd. ("TransCanada") respectfully petitions the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission ("Commission") for leave to intervene as a full party in the above-captioned proceeding under Rule Puc 203.17 and RSA 541-A:32. In support of this petition, TransCanada represents that:

1. On May 3, 2012 the Commission issued an Order of Notice in the above-captioned docket opening a proceeding to explore whether purchase of receivables, customer referral and electronic interface programs should be implemented in New Hampshire to support customer choice in energy supply for all residential electric utility customers and for smaller commercial electric and gas utility customers. Among the issues to be addressed in this docket, as noted in the Order of Notice, are, inter alia, issues related to whether purchase of receivables, customer referral and electronic interface programs will promote customer choice consistent with the restructuring principles of RSA 374-F:3; and whether the resulting rates associated with the programs are just and reasonable pursuant to RSA 378:5 and 7.

- 2. In that Order of Notice the Commission set a prehearing conference for May 31, 2012 and established a deadline of May 28, 2012 for the submission of petitions to intervene.
- 3. On May 18, 2012 the Commission issued a letter in Docket DE 12-093, a docket opened to address a petition submitted by Power New England to eliminate certain tariff provisions of Public Service Company of New Hampshire that relate to the provision of services for competitive electric suppliers. This letter indicated that the Commission would hear argument during the prehearing conference in the above-captioned docket on the merits of expanding the scope of this docket to include the issues raised by the petition in DE 12-093.
- 4. TransCanada is a licensed competitive retail supplier, offering full-service electrical supply to commercial, industrial and industrial customers in the competitive retail markets in New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Maine, Connecticut, Rhode Island and New York. TransCanada is also active in the competitive wholesale market, with extensive experience serving standard offer service through its participation in the procurement processes of the distribution companies in the U.S. Northeast, including distribution companies within ISO-NE, PJM and NYISO. TransCanada and its corporate affiliates have a strong operational presence in New Hampshire via its hydroelectric facilities on the Connecticut and Deerfield Rivers, with approximately 567 MW of generation capacity, the bulk of it being in New Hampshire. In addition, TransCanada and its affiliates are involved in the transportation of natural gas and the power generation business in North America.
- 5. TransCanada's rights, duties, privileges or substantial interests as a competitive supplier of electricity in New Hampshire and as a producer of electricity that is sold into the New England ISO market, as well as other rights, duties, privileges or

substantial interests of TransCanada and its affiliates, may be affected by this proceeding

given the scope of the issues identified in the Order of Notice and raised in the May 18.

2012 letter. As a competitive retail supplier in New Hampshire, TransCanada would be

directly impacted by the terms and conditions of any purchase of receivables program or

other programs resulting from this docket. TransCanada believes it must intervene in this

proceeding to protect these rights. Granting this petition for intervention would be in the

interest of justice and would not impair the orderly and prompt conduct of the

proceedings.

6. The Commission has discretion pursuant to RSA 541-A:32.II to allow

requests for intervention. Because TransCanada has been allowed to intervene in a

number of other dockets before the Public Utilities Commission including DE 10-160,

the docket that gave rise to this docket, TransCanada has gained knowledge that could be

of value to the parties and to the Commission in this proceeding.

WHEREFORE, TransCanada respectfully requests that the Commission grant it

full intervenor status in the proceeding or grant such other relief as the Commission

deems just and equitable.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: May 25, 2012

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Certificate of Service

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing Petition has on this 25th day of May, 2012 been sent by email to the service list in DE 12-097.

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