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DATE: January 5, 2018 **AT (OFFICE):** NHPUC

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SUBJECT: DM 17-185 Agera Energy LLC

Competitive Natural Gas Supplier Renewal Application 5JAN 18AN 11:22

Staff Recommendation for Registration Renewal

TO: Commissioners

Debra A. Howland, Executive Director

Agera Energy LLC is a competitive natural gas supplier (CNGS) registered with the Commission. On November 29, 2017, Agera Energy LLC (Agera) submitted an application to renew its CNGS registration CNGS) with a continuation certificate for its letter of credit. Agera's current surety bond is in the amount of 100,000, which continues till February 3, 2018, after which it can be terminated by the Commission (Obligee) or surety (the Bond Company) with thirty days' notice. The continuation certificate of the surety extends the expiration date to February, 3, 2019. Agera filed a request with the Commission for a waiver of Puc 3003.03(a)(5), which requires that the financial security for an initial registration have a minimum term of five years and 150 days.

Staff has reviewed the information in Agera's renewal application and, if the Commission were to grant a waiver of Puc 3003.03(a)(5), Staff believes the application meets the requirements of Puc 3003 and 3006.01. Staff recommends that the Commission grant the waiver of Puc 3003.03(a)(5), and, because the surety bond does not meet the 5-year and 150-day requirement and because it expires on February 3, 2019, that the Commission approve the registration period with a term concurrent with the surety ending on February 3, 2019.

Should you have any questions regarding this registration application, please do not hesitate to contact Al-Azad Iqbal, Commission Staff.

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