



November 30, 2007

VIA HAND DELIVERY AND ELECTRONIC MAIL

Luly E. Massaro, Commission Clerk Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission 89 Jefferson Boulevard Warwick, RI 02888

> Re: Docket 3765: Renewable Energy Procurement Plan Rhode Island Certificate Purchase Agreements And Request for Confidential Treatment

Dear Ms. Massaro:

Enclosed in accordance with Rule 1.2(g) of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure are ten (10) copies of a redacted Summary of the request for proposal ("RFP") process to provide NEPOOL-GIS certificates in Rhode Island and three redacted Certificate Purchase Agreements executed by The Narragansett Electric Company d/b/a National Grid ("National Grid" or the "Company") pursuant to its Renewable Energy Procurement Plan ("Plan") approved by the Commission (Order No.19108) at its Open Meeting on March 21, 2007.

As part of the Plan, National Grid committed to file with the Commission a summary of the RFP and the executed contracts providing renewable certificates, which become effective subject to the Commission not initiating an investigation into the solicitation.

National Grid respectfully requests confidential and privileged treatment of the unredacted version of Attachments 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 described below. These attachments contain commercially sensitive market information, the disclosure of which could affect the balance of the renewable energy certificate markets as well as National Grid's ability to negotiate competitive terms with its renewable suppliers. In compliance with Rule 1.2(g), National Grid is providing one complete unredacted copy of the confidential documents in a sealed envelope marked "Contains Privileged and Confidential Materials – Do Not Release." Copies of the confidential, unredacted documents have also been provided to Steve Scialabba representing the Division of Public Utilities and Carriers.

National Grid is hereby filing the following attachments for the Commission's information:

Attachment 1-A confidential summary of the Request for Proposal ("RFP") process to provide NEPOOL-GIS certificates in Rhode Island identifying the key actions taken by National Grid to procure such certificates

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- **Attachment 2**-The executed confidential Rhode Island Certificate Purchase Agreement with Bidder A.
- **Attachment 3-** The executed confidential Rhode Island Certificate Purchase Agreement with Bidder B.
- **Attachment 4-** The executed confidential Rhode Island Certificate Purchase Agreement with Bidder C.
- **Attachment 5-** The executed confidential Rhode Island Certificate Purchase Agreement with Bidder E.

National Grid has included redacted versions of the RFP Summary, and the four certificate purchase agreements for the public record.

As Article 3 of the agreements specifically provides, within two business days from the execution date of the agreement, National Grid must file the results of the solicitation with the Commission. The agreements will take effect upon the close of business on the fifth business day following this filing (December 7, 2007), unless the Commission communicates to National Grid that it has concerns about the bid awards, requires further time to review for any reason, or otherwise does not desire the Company to go forward with the agreements. If the Company receives such a notice from the Commission, it must immediately notify the seller of the certificates.

Accordingly, the Company respectfully requests that the Commission review this filing and notify National Grid prior to December 7, 2007, if there are any concerns with the procurement as described above. If so, National Grid must communicate with the sellers of the certificates and respond accordingly. Once the Commission completes its review of this filing, National Grid will provide copies of the unaccepted bids to the Participating Purchasers that have signed confidentiality agreements with the Company.

Thank you for your attention to this filing. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions concerning this matter at (401) 784-7667.

Very truly yours,

Laura S. Olton

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Enclosures

cc: Docket 3765 Service List

Steve Scialabba (w/confidential attachments)

Certificate of Service

I hereby certify that a copy of the cover letter and / or any materials accompanying this certificate has been electronically transmitted, hand-delivered and mailed to the individuals listed below.

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November 30, 2007 Date

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NATIONAL GRID RHODE ISLAND RENEWABLE ENERGY CERTIFICATE OCTOBER 2007 PROCUREMENT SUMMARY FOR THE OBLIGATION YEARS 2007 THROUGH 2009

RFP Issued

National Grid issued its Request for Proposals to Provide NEPOOL-GIS Certificates in Compliance with the Rhode Island Renewable Energy Standard ("RFP") on October 15, 2007 directly to the renewable generators who have filed their renewable energy applications for certification with the Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission ("RIPUC"), the Service List for RIPUC Docket No. 3765 and organizations that have expressed interest in receiving RFPs from National Grid.

The RFP was also distributed to all members of the NEPOOL Markets Committee and posted on National Grid's energy supply web site. As a result, the RFP had wide distribution throughout the New England energy supply marketplace.

The procurement was conducted in accordance with Narragansett's Renewable Energy Procurement Plan filed on November 1, 2006 with the RIPUC and in compliance with the Renewable Energy Standard ("RES")¹. The RIPUC approved the plan on March 21, 2007 and issued a written order on October 17, 2007 (Order No. 19108).

The RFP sought a specified quantity of new and existing Renewable Energy Certificates ("RECs") that comply with the RES to satisfy a portion of National Grid's Standard Offer Service RES Obligations for the following periods:

- Calendar year 2007 ("Period I")
- Calendar years 2008 and 2009 ("Period II")
- Calendar year 2010 and beyond ("Period III").

National Grid sought statements of interest from third parties interested in purchasing RECs offered in Period II and Period III ("Participating Purchaser").

The RFP also sought RECs to satisfy National Grid's Last Resort Service RES Obligations that are not provided by the Last Resort Service supplier. The quantity of RECs specified in the Procurement Plan was updated to include actual load data through September 30,

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¹ R.I.G.L. § 39-26-1, et seq., Renewable Energy Standard.

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2007. A calculation of the quantities of RECs requested is provided in Exhibit 1.

Key RFP Dates

The RFP was issued on October 15, 2007.

Respondent Proposal Information, Pricing and Proposed Contract Modifications were received on November 2, 2007 from suppliers. The bidders were:



A summary of the bids received is found in Exhibit 2. None of the bidders submitted bids to supply RECs for Period III.

Respondents were informed of awards on November 14, 2007.

Participating Purchasers

National Grid requested statements of interest from Participating Purchasers for bids that were not accepted by National Grid. No statements of interest were provided to National Grid.



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National Grid was able to resolve all outstanding issues with the winning bidders and executed agreements that did not shift risks or

obligations to its customers from those contained in its proposed

Regulatory Communication agreement.

On November 9, 2007, National Grid met with staff of the Division to review National Grid's analysis of the bids and its recommended purchases. The Division agreed with National Grid's analysis and recommended purchases.

Benefits to Rhode Island Bidders provided their assessment of the benefits of their proposals to Rhode Island. Only identified specific, quantifiable, but un-verified, benefits to Rhode Island in its bids. The other bidders identified general benefits for New England as a result of providing generation from renewable resources but no detailed specific benefits to Rhode Island. The bids were evaluated strictly on bid price and contract terms and were not adjusted for non-price benefits.

Analysis and Award of New Renewable RECs bidders provided offers to sell National Grid RECs from new renewable resources. Exhibit 3 is an analysis and graphical summary of the bids received ranked by bid price and National Grid's purchase selection.

For the 2007 vintage RECs,

For both 2008 and 2009 vintage RECs, the bids were received. As shown in Exhibit 3, the bids had the lowest cost of the bids provided and did not require any adjustment for non-price benefits.

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bidders provided offers to sell National Grid RECs from existing renewable resources. Exhibit 4 provides an analysis and graphical summary of the bids received and National Grid's purchase selection.

National Grid evaluated the bids and selected the bids with the lowest cost until the amount requested in the RFP was met.

Summary of Award

Exhibit 5 is a list of the winning bidders by REC type and year. National Grid expects to purchase a total of 204,200 RECs at an expected cost of \$4,017,805.

The bids received were insufficient to meet the expected obligations for 2007. National Grid forecasts the shortages as:

- New RECs 13,300
- Existing RECs 2,600

National Grid will include a request for bids for 2007 vintage RECs in the next RFP. There are two more 2007 trading periods providing National Grid with an opportunity to purchase RECs.

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EXHIBIT 1 CALCULATION OF REQUESTED RECS

The Narragansett Electric Company Calculation of Renewable Energy Standard RFP Obligation

| | (a) | (b) | (c) | (d) | (e) | (f) | (g) | (h) | (i) | (j) | (k) | (1) |
|------|---|---------|-----------------------|--|-------------------------|-------|--------------|--|-------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------|
| Year | Annual Standard Offer Obligation (MWhs) | | RES RFP Obligation | Unfulfilled Last Resort Service Obligation | Total Obligation for | 9 | Obligation % | Resource REC Purchases from Previous | Purchases from Previous | Requirement from New or | RES REC Requirement from New | Total RES |
| 222 | - 050 050 | 100.00/ | | 057.400 | = 0.11.0== | 0.004 | 1.00/ | 70.000 | 22.222 | 70.000 | 22.222 | 100.000 |
| 2007 | , , - | | , , - | , | , , | | 1.0% | -, | , | 72,600 | , | , |
| 2008 | , , | 50.0% | - , , | | 3,568,875 | | 1.5% | , | , | 35,800 | , | 62,600 |
| 2009 | 7,155,731 | 33.0% | 2,361,391 | | 2,361,391 | 2.0% | 2.0% | 22,900 | 22,900 | 24,300 | 24,300 | 48,600 |

- (a) Updated forecast of Annual Standard Offer Obligation to include actual load since filing the Procurement Plan (Oct 2006 through September 2007).
- (b) As specified in the Procurement Plan
- (c) Column (a) times Column (b)
- (d) Updated forecast of Last Resort Obligation not served by the Last Resort Service supplier (through April 2008) to include actual load since filing the Procurement Plan (Oct 2006 through September 2007)
- (e) Sum of Column (c) and (d)
- (f) From Section 4.2 of the RES Regulations
- (g) From Section 4.2 of the RES Regulations
- (h) # of RECs from existing resources contracted for purchase in previous RFP
- (i) # of RECs from new resources contracted for purchase in previous RFP
- (j) Column (f) times Column (e) minus Column (h), rounded to nearest hundred
- (k) Column (g) times Column (e) minus Column (i), rounded to nearest hundred
- (I) Sum of Column (j) and Column (k)

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EXHIBIT 2 THROUGH 7 REDACTED

RHODE ISLAND CERTIFICATE PURCHASE AGREEMENT

This CERTIFICATE PURCHASE AGREEMENT ("Agreement") is dated as of November 28, 2007 and is by and between THE NARRAGANSETT ELECTRIC COMPANY d/b/a "National Grid", a Rhode Island corporation ("Buyer") and BROOKFIELD ENERGY MARKETING INC an Ontario Canada Corporation ("Seller"). This Agreement provides for the sale by Seller of NEPOOL-GIS Certificates, as defined herein, to Buyer. The Buyer and Seller are referred to herein individually as a "Party" and collectively as the "Parties".

ARTICLE 1. <u>BASIC UNDERSTANDINGS</u>

Seller, in response to a Request for Proposal dated October 15, 2007 issued by the Buyer, has been selected to supply a quantity of NEPOOL-GIS Certificates to meet a portion of the Buyer's requirements to comply with the RES Regulations, as defined herein. This Agreement sets forth the terms under which Seller will supply a quantity of NEPOOL-GIS Certificates to the Buyer.

ARTICLE 2. <u>DEFINITIONS</u>

As used in this Agreement, the following terms shall have the meanings specified in this Article. In addition, except as otherwise expressly provided, terms with initial capitalization used in this Agreement and not defined herein shall have the meaning as defined in the NEPOOL Rules.

<u>Affiliate</u> means, with respect to any Party, any entity (other than a person) that, directly or indirectly, controls, or is controlled by or is under common control with such Party. For this purpose, "control" means the direct or indirect ownership of fifty percent (50%) or more of the outstanding capital stock or other equity interests having ordinary voting power.

<u>Alternative Compliance Payment Rate means</u> the value as published by the Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission in accordance with Section 3.1 of the RES Regulations.

<u>Business Day</u> means a 24-hour period ending at 5:00 p.m. EPT, other than Saturday, Sunday and any day which is a legal holiday or a day on which banking institutions in Providence, Rhode Island are authorized by law or other governmental action to close.

Buyer means The Narragansett Electric Company, its successors, assigns, employees, agents and authorized representatives.

Commission means the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, or its successor.

<u>Credit Rating</u> means (i) the lower of the ratings assigned to an entity's unsecured, senior long-term debt obligations (not supported by third party credit enhancements) by S&P and Moody's, (ii) in the event the entity does not have a rating for its senior unsecured long-term debt, the lower of the rating assigned to the entity as an issuer rating by S&P and Moody's, or the rating RRRE

assigned to the entity as an issuer rating by any other rating agency agreed to by both Parties in each Party's sole and exclusive judgment.

EPT means Eastern Prevailing Time.

Existing Renewable Energy Resource means as defined in Section 3.9 of the RES Regulations.



Governing Documents means, with respect to any particular entity, (a) if a corporation, the (i) articles of organization, articles of incorporation or certificate of incorporation and (ii) the bylaws; (b) if a general partnership, the partnership agreement and any statement of partnership; (c) if a limited partnership, the limited partnership agreement and the certificate of limited partnership; (d) if a limited liability company, the articles or certificate of organization or formation and operating agreement; (e) if another type of entity, any other charter or similar document adopted or filed in connection with the creation, formation or organization of such entity; (f) all equity holders' agreements, voting agreements, voting trust agreements, joint venture agreements, registration rights agreements or other agreements or documents relating to the organization, management or operation of any entity or relating to the rights, duties and obligations of the equity holders of any entity; and (g) any amendment or supplement to any of the foregoing.

<u>Interest Rate</u> means, for any date, the lesser of (a) the per annum rate of interest equal to the prime lending rate as may from time to time be published in *The Wall Street Journal* under "Money Rates" on such day (or if not published on such day, on the most recent preceding day on which published), plus two percent (2%) and (b) the maximum rate permitted by applicable law

<u>Investment Grade</u> means (i) if any entity has a Credit Rating from both S&P and Moody's then, a Credit Rating from S&P equal to "BBB-" and a Credit Rating from Moody's equal to "Baa3"; or (ii) if an entity has a Credit Rating from only one of S&P and Moody's, then a Credit Rating from S&P equal to "BBB-" or a Credit Rating from Moody's equal to "Baa3 or (iii) if the Parties have mutually agreed in writing on an additional or alternative rating agency, then a credit rating equal to that mutually agreed to by the Parties in each Party's sole and exclusive judgment.

<u>ISO</u> means ISO New England Inc., authorized by the Commission to exercise for New England the functions required pursuant to the Commission's Order No. 2000 (and its progeny) and the Commission's regulations, and any successor organization (including, but not limited to, a Regional Transmission Organization.).

<u>ISO Tariff</u> means the ISO New England Inc. Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff, FERC Electric Tariff No. 3, as amended, modified, superseded and supplemented from time to time, and including the Market Rules and Procedures.

<u>ISO New England Operating Documents</u> means the ISO Tariff and the ISO New England Operating Procedures, as amended, modified, superseded and supplemented from time to time.

<u>Market Rules and Procedures</u> means the Market Rules, Manuals and Procedures adopted by the ISO and/or NEPOOL, as may be amended from time to time, and as administered by the ISO to govern the operation of the NEPOOL markets.

Material Adverse Effect means, with respect to a Party, any change in or effect on such Party after the date of this Agreement that is materially adverse to the transactions contemplated hereby, excluding any change or effect resulting from (a) changes in the international, national, regional or local wholesale or retail markets for electric power; (b) changes in the international, national, regional or local markets for any fuel; (c) changes in the North American, national, regional or local electric transmission or distribution systems; and (d) any action or inaction by a governmental authority, but in any such case not affecting the Parties or the transactions contemplated hereby in any manner or degree significantly different from others in the industry as a whole.

Moody's means Moody's Investors Service, its successors and assigns.

MWh means Megawatt-hour.

NEPOOL-GIS means the NEPOOL Generation Information System, which includes a generation information database and certificate system, operated by NEPOOL, its designee or successor entity, that accounts for generation attributes of electricity consumed within New England.

NEPOOL-GIS Certificates means an electronic record produced by the NEPOOL-GIS that identifies the relevant generation attributes of each MWh accounted for in the NEPOOL-GIS that complies with the RES Regulations. NEPOOL-GIS Certificates shall represent the Generation Attributes (as such term is defined in the RES Regulations) of Existing Renewable Energy Resources and conform to the eligibility criteria set forth in the RES Regulations, and shall represent title to and claim over all environmental attributes associated with the specified MWh of generation from Existing Renewable Energy Resource.

NEPOOL-GIS Certificate Purchase Price means the purchase price as set forth on Appendix B, attached hereto and hereby made a part hereof.

NEPOOL-GIS Certificate Quantity means

NEPOOL Agreement means the Second Restated New England Power Pool Agreement dated as of February 1, 2005, as amended or accepted by the Commission and as may be amended, modified, superseded, supplemented and/or restated from time to time.

<u>NEPOOL GIS Operating Rules</u> means the New England Power Pool Generation Information System Operating Rules as may be amended from time to time pursuant to the NEPOOL Agreement.

<u>NEPOOL Rules</u> means all rules adopted by NEPOOL or the ISO, as such rules may be amended, modified, supplemented or superseded and restated from time to time, including but not limited to, the NEPOOL Agreement, the ISO Tariff, the ISO New England Operating Documents, the Transmission Operating Agreement, the Participants Agreement, the NEPOOL Manuals, and the

NEPOOL Operating Procedures, as amended, superseded or restated from time to time.

<u>Net Worth</u> means total assets, exclusive of intangible assets, less total liabilities, as reflected on the most recent balance sheet prepared by a certified public accountant as part of a certified financial statement in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles consistently applied in the business sector of the Seller.

New Renewable Energy Resource means as defined in Section 3.22 of the RES Regulations.

RES means Renewable Energy Standard.

RES Regulations means the Rules and Regulations Governing The Implementation Of A Renewable Energy Standard promulgated pursuant to the Renewable Energy Standard Law Section 39-26-1 et seq. of the General Laws of Rhode Island that implement a Renewable Energy Standard to facilitate the development of renewable energy resources for the benefit of customers in Rhode Island.

RIPUC means the Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission, or its successor.



S&P means Standard & Poor's Rating Group, its successors and assigns.

<u>Trading Period</u> means the term as defined in the NEPOOL GIS Operating Rules.

<u>Vintage</u> means the calendar year that a NEPOOL-GIS Certificate represents as the relevant generation attributes for an energy resource.

ARTICLE 3. Effective Date; Condition Precedent; Filing Obligation; Term

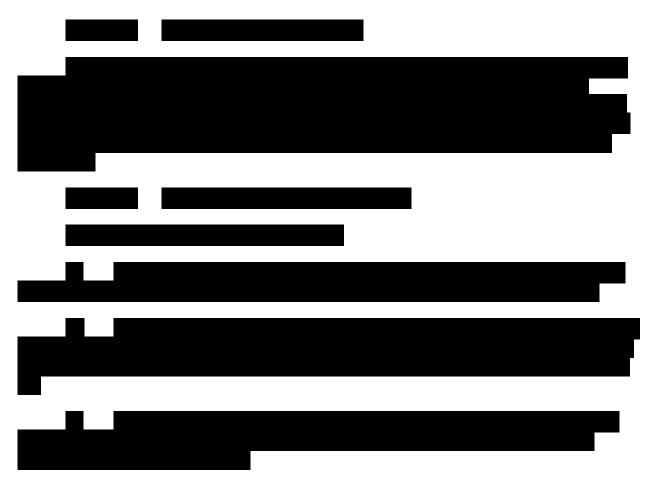
(a) No later than two Business Days from the date on which the Party signing last in time executes and delivers this Agreement ("Execution Date"), Buyer will file the results of the RES solicitation with the RIPUC. This Agreement shall take effect ("Effective Date") upon the close of business on the fifth Business Day following such filing (not including the date of filing) ("Five Day Waiting Period") unless the RIPUC communicates to the Buyer that it has concerns about the bid awards, requires further time for review for any reason, or otherwise does not desire the Buyer to go forward with the Agreement ("RIPUC Notice"). If the Buyer receives such RIPUC Notice, it will immediately notify Seller.

If Buyer receives a RIPUC Notice, as provided above, either Buyer or Seller may unilaterally terminate this Agreement upon written notice to the other at any time prior to RIPUC Approval (as defined below). If, however, neither party opts to terminate the Agreement, there shall be an additional thirty calendar day waiting period ("Extended Waiting Period") following

the Five Day Waiting Period. In such case, this Agreement shall not take effect unless and until the RIPUC affirmatively approves this Agreement without conditions ("RIPUC Approval") before the end of this Extended Waiting Period. If a RIPUC Approval is obtained by the end of the Extended Waiting Period, the Effective Date shall be the date on which the RIPUC Approval is issued. If RIPUC Approval is not obtained by the end of the Extended Waiting Period, this Agreement shall terminate and have no legal force or effect

(b) The term of this Agreement ("Term") shall commence on the Effective Date and expire effective on the later of (i) the date on which all performances of the Parties under this Agreement have been completed, including, but not limited to, the delivery of all NEPOOL GIS-Certificates and the payment of all amounts due as required by this Agreement, and (ii) the date that all disputes, if any, arising under this Agreement are resolved in a final manner. As of the expiration of this Agreement or, if earlier, its termination, the Parties shall no longer be bound by the terms and provisions hereof, except (a) to the extent necessary to enforce the rights and obligations of the Parties arising under this Agreement before such expiration or termination and (b) the obligations of the Parties hereunder with respect to audit rights, remedies for default, damages claims, indemnification and defense of claims shall survive the termination or expiration of this Agreement to the full extent necessary for their enforcement and the protection of the Party in whose favor they run, subject to any time limits specifically set forth in this Agreement with respect thereto.





ARTICLE 5. AMOUNT, BILLING and PAYMENT

Section 5.1 Amount

The amount payable by Buyer to Seller for NEPOOL-GIS Certificates shall be the product of (a) the number of NEPOOL-GIS Certificates transferred and confirmed during a Trading Period and (b) the NEPOOL-GIS Certificate Purchase Price for the applicable Vintage in such Trading Period. The total quantity of NEPOOL-GIS Certificates transferred and confirmed for each Vintage shall not exceed, the NEPOOL-GIS Certificates Quantity for such Vintage.

Section 5.2 Billing and Payment

- (a) After each NEPOOL-GIS Certificate transfer has been confirmed, the Seller shall calculate the amount due and payable to Seller pursuant to this Article and provide an invoice ("Invoice") for such amount. The Invoice shall be provided to the Buyer and shall include sufficient detail for the Buyer to verify its formulation and computation.
- (b) The Buyer shall pay Seller the amount due and owing in accordance with Section 5.1 on the fifteenth (15th) Business Day after receiving the Invoice (the "Due Date"). If all or any part of such amount remains unpaid after the Due Date, interest shall accrue after but not including the Due Date and be payable to Seller on such unpaid amount at a rate per annum equal to the Interest Rate in effect on the Due Date.
- (c) Each Party shall notify the other Party upon becoming aware of any error in an Invoice (whether the amount is paid or not) and Seller shall promptly issue a corrected Invoice. Overpayments shall be returned by the receiving Party upon request or deducted by the receiving Party from subsequent invoices, with interest accrued at a rate per annum equal to the Interest Rate in effect on the Due Date from the date of the receipt of the overpayment until the date paid or deducted.

Section 5.3 Challenge to Invoices

Unless otherwise agreed: (i) either Party may challenge, in writing, the accuracy of Invoices (or the data utilized in the forgoing) and payments no later than twenty-four (24) months after the Due Date of the Invoice in which the disputed information is contained; (ii) if a Party does not challenge the accuracy within such twenty-four (24) month period, such Invoice shall be binding upon that Party and shall not be subject to challenge. If an Invoice is paid and thereafter the payment or the Invoice on which the payment was based is disputed, upon notice of dispute, the Party receiving payment shall hold the amount in dispute in escrow for the benefit of the prevailing Party until the resolution of such dispute. If any amount in dispute is ultimately determined (under the terms herein) to be due to the other Party, it shall be paid or returned (as the case may be) to the other Party within three (3) Business Days of such determination along with interest accrued at the Interest Rate from the (i) date due and owing in accordance with the Invoice until the date paid or (ii) if the amount was paid and is to be returned, from the date paid, until the date returned.

Section 5.4 Taxes, Fees and Levies

Seller shall be obligated to pay all present and future taxes, fees and levies ("Taxes") which may be assessed by any entity upon the Seller's provision of NEPOOL-GIS Certificates to the Buyer.

Section 5.5 <u>Netting and Setoff</u>

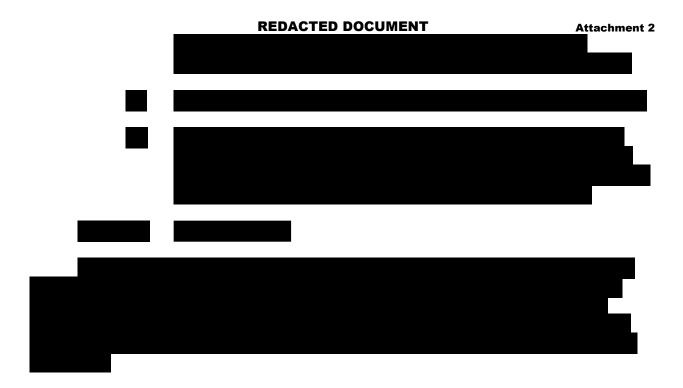
Except for security provided pursuant to Section 6.3 (which shall not be considered for purposes of this Section 5.5) and unless otherwise specified in another written agreement between the Parties, if the Parties are required to pay an amount on the same date each to the other under this Agreement or any other agreement between the Parties, such amounts shall be netted, and the Party owing the greater aggregate amount shall pay to the other Party any difference between the amounts owed. Each Party reserves all rights, setoffs, counterclaims and other remedies and defenses (to the extent not expressly herein or therein waived or denied) that such Party has or to which such Party may be entitled arising from or out of this Agreement or such other written agreement. Further, if the Buyer incurs any costs or charges that are the responsibility of Seller under this Agreement, such costs or charges may, at the Buyer's election, be netted against any amount due to Seller under this Agreement. All outstanding obligations to make payment under this Agreement or any other written agreement between the Parties may be netted against each other, set off or recouped therefrom.

ARTICLE 6. DEFAULT AND TERMINATION









ARTICLE 7. NOTICES, REPRESENTATIVES OF THE PARTIES

Section 7.1 Notices

Any notice, demand, or request required or authorized by this Agreement to be given by one Party to another Party shall be in writing. It shall either be sent by facsimile (with receipt confirmed by telephone and electronic transmittal receipt), courier, personally delivered (including overnight delivery service) or mailed, postage prepaid, to the representative of the other Party designated in accordance with this Article. Any such notice, demand, or request shall be deemed to be given (i) when sent by facsimile confirmed by telephone and electronic transmittal receipt, (ii) when actually received if delivered by courier or personal delivery (including overnight delivery service) or (iii) seven (7) days after deposit in the United States mail, if sent by first class mail return receipt requested.

Notices and other communications by Seller to the Buyer shall be addressed to:

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Director, Regulated Electric Load & Distributed Generation
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and

Notices concerning Article 6 shall also be sent to:

General Counsel National Grid

Attachment 2

REDACTED DOCUMENT

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Notices and other communications by the Buyer to Seller shall be addressed to:

General Counsel Brookfield Energy Marketing Inc. 480 de la Cité Blvd Gatineau, Quebec J8T 8R3 Phone: (819) 561-8659

Fax: (819) 561-2421

Any Party may change its representative or address for notices by written notice to the other Party; however such notice shall not be effective until it is received by the other Party.

Section 7.2 <u>Authority of Representative</u>

The Parties' representatives shall have full authority to act for their respective Party in all matters relating to the performance of this Agreement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a Party's representative shall not have the authority to amend, modify, or waive any provision of this Agreement unless they are duly authorized officers of their respective entities and such amendment, modification or waiver is made in accordance with Article 15.

ARTICLE 8. LIABILITY; INDEMNIFICATION; RELATIONSHIP OF PARTIES

Section 8.1 <u>Limitation on Consequential, Incidental and Indirect Damages</u>

EXCEPT AS EXPRESSLY PROVIDED IN SECTION 8.2, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMISSIBLE BY LAW, NEITHER THE BUYER NOR SELLER, NOR THEIR RESPECTIVE OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, AGENTS, EMPLOYEES, PARENT OR AFFILIATES, SUCCESSOR OR ASSIGNS, OR THEIR RESPECTIVE OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, AGENTS, OR EMPLOYEES, SUCCESSORS, OR ASSIGNS, SHALL BE LIABLE TO THE OTHER PARTY OR ITS PARENT, SUBSIDIARIES, AFFILIATES, OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, AGENTS, EMPLOYEES, SUCCESSORS OR ASSIGNS, FOR CLAIMS, SUITS, ACTIONS OR CAUSES OF ACTION FOR INCIDENTAL, INDIRECT, SPECIAL, PUNITIVE, MULTIPLE OR CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES (INCLUDING ATTORNEY'S FEES OR LITIGATION COSTS EXCEPT AS EXPRESSLY PROVIDED IN 13.2 AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LIMITATION THEREUNDER) CONNECTED WITH OR RESULTING FROM PERFORMANCE OR NON-PERFORMANCE OF THIS AGREEMENT, OR ANY ACTIONS UNDERTAKEN IN CONNECTION WITH OR RELATED TO THIS AGREEMENT, INCLUDING WITHOUT LIMITATION ANY SUCH DAMAGES WHICH ARE BASED UPON CAUSES OF ACTION FOR BREACH OF CONTRACT, TORT (INCLUDING NEGLIGENCE AND MISREPRESENTATION), BREACH OF WARRANTY, STRICT LIABILITY, STATUTE, OPERATION OF LAW, OR ANY OTHER THEORY OF RECOVERY. THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION SHALL APPLY REGARDLESS OF FAULT AND SHALL SURVIVE TERMINATION,

CANCELLATION, SUSPENSION, COMPLETION OR EXPIRATION OF THIS AGREEMENT.

Section 8.2 Indemnification

- (a) Seller agrees to defend, indemnify and save the Buyer, its officers, directors, employees, agents, successors, assigns, and Affiliates and their officers, directors, employees and agents harmless from and against any and all third-party claims, suits, actions or causes of action and any resulting losses, damages, charges, costs or expenses, (including reasonable attorneys' fees and court costs), arising from or in connection with any (a) breach of a representation or warranty or failure to perform any covenant or agreement in this Agreement by Seller, (b) any violation of applicable law, regulation or order by Seller, (c) any act or omission by Seller with respect to this Agreement, first arising, occurring or existing during the term of this Agreement, whether incurred by settlement or otherwise, and whether such claims or actions are threatened or filed prior to or after the termination of this Agreement, except to the extent caused by an act of gross negligence or willful misconduct by an officer, director, agent, employee, or Affiliate of the Buyer or its respective successors or assigns.
- (b) The Buyer agrees to defend, indemnify and save Seller, its officers, directors, employees, agents, successors, assigns, and Affiliates and their officers, directors, employees and agents harmless from and against any and all third-party claims, suits, actions or causes of action and any resulting losses, damages, charges, costs or expenses, (including reasonable attorneys' fees and court costs), arising from or in connection with any (a) breach of representation or warranty or failure to perform any covenant or agreement in this Agreement by said Buyer, (b) any violation of applicable law, regulation or order by Buyer, (c) any act or omission by the Buyer, with respect to this Agreement first arising, occurring or existing during the term of this Agreement, whether incurred by settlement or otherwise, and whether such claims or actions are threatened or filed prior to or after the termination of this Agreement, except to the extent caused by an act of gross negligence or willful misconduct by an officer, director, agent, employee or Affiliate of Seller or its respective successors or assigns.
- (c) If any Party intends to seek indemnification under this Section from the other Party with respect to any action or claim, the Party seeking indemnification shall give the other Party notice of such claim or action within thirty (30) days of the later of the commencement of, or actual knowledge of, such claim or action; provided, however, that in the event such notice is delivered more than thirty (30) days after the Party seeking indemnification knows of such claim or action, the indemnifying Party shall be relieved of its indemnity hereunder only if and to the extent such indemnifying Party was actually prejudiced by such delay. The Party seeking indemnification shall have the right, at its sole cost and expense, to participate in the defense of any such claim or action. The Party seeking indemnification shall not compromise or settle any such claim or action without the prior consent of the other Party, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld.

Section 8.3 <u>Independent Contractor Status</u>

Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed as creating any relationship between the Buyer and Seller other than that of independent contractors for the sale and delivery of NEPOOL-GIS Certificates.

ARTICLE 9. ASSIGNMENT

Section 9.1 General Prohibition Against Assignments

Except as provided in Section 9.2, neither Party shall assign, pledge or otherwise transfer this Agreement or any right or obligation under this Agreement without first obtaining the other Party's written consent, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld.

Section 9.2 Exceptions to Prohibition Against Assignments

- (a) Seller may, without the Buyer's prior written consent, collaterally assign this Agreement in connection with financing arrangements provided that any such collateral assignment that provides for the Buyer to direct payments to the collateral agent (i) shall be in writing, and (ii) shall not be altered or amended without prior written notice to the Buyer from both Seller and the collateral agent; provided, that, any payment made by the Buyer to the collateral agent shall discharge the Buyer's obligation as fully and to the same extent as if it had been made to the Seller. Seller must provide the Buyer at least ten (10) days advance written notice of collateral assignment and provide copies of any such assignment and relevant agreements or writings.
- (b) The Buyer may assign all or a portion of its rights and obligations under this Agreement to any Affiliate of the Buyer without consent of Seller. Either Party may, upon written notice, assign its rights and obligations hereunder, or transfer such rights and obligations by operation of law, to any entity with which or into which such Party shall merge or consolidate or to which such Party shall transfer all or substantially all of its assets, provided that such other entity agrees to be bound by the terms hereof and provided further, that such other entity's creditworthiness is comparable to or higher than that of such Party at the time this Agreement was executed and such Party is not relieved of any obligation or liability hereunder as a result of such assignment

ARTICLE 10. SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS

This Agreement shall inure to the benefit of, and shall be binding upon the Parties hereto and their respective successors and permitted assigns.

ARTICLE 11. WAIVERS

No delay or omission in the exercise of any right under this Agreement shall impair any such right or shall be taken, construed or considered as a waiver or relinquishment thereof, but any such right may be exercised from time to time and as often as may be deemed expedient. The waiver of any single breach or default of any term or condition of this Agreement shall not

be deemed to constitute the waiver of any other prior or subsequent breach or default of the Agreement or any other term or condition.

ARTICLE 12. LAWS AND REGULATIONS

- (a) This Agreement and all rights, obligations, and performances of the Parties hereunder, are subject to all applicable federal and state laws, and to all duly promulgated orders and other duly authorized action of governmental authorities having jurisdiction hereof.
- (b) The rates, terms and conditions contained in this Agreement are not subject to change under Section 205 of the Federal Power Act as that section may be amended or superseded, absent the mutual written agreement of the Parties. Each Party irrevocably waives its rights, including its rights under §§ 205-206 of the Federal Power Act, unilaterally to seek or support a change in the rate(s), charges, classifications, terms or conditions of this Agreement or any other agreements entered into in connection with this Agreement. By this provision, each Party expressly waives its right to seek or support: (i) an order from the Commission finding that the market-based rate(s), charges, classifications, terms or conditions agreed to by the Parties in the Agreement are unjust and unreasonable; or (ii) any refund with respect thereto. Each Party agrees (x) not to make or support such a filing or request, (y) that these covenants and waivers shall be binding notwithstanding any regulatory or market changes that may occur hereafter and (z) that it shall not challenge or support a challenge to the enforceability of the waiver in this Section (b).
- (c) Absent the agreement of all Parties to a proposed change, the standard of review for changes to this Agreement proposed by a non-party or the Commission acting *sua sponte* shall be the "public interest" standard of review set forth in <u>United Gas Pipe Line Co. v. Mobile Gas Service Corp.</u>, 350 U.S. 332 (1956) and <u>Federal Power Commission v. Sierra Pacific Power Co.</u>, 350 U.S. 348 (1956) (the "<u>Mobile-Sierra</u>" doctrine).
- (d) The Parties agree that, if and to the extent that the Commission adopts a final rule or order which requires that, in order to exclude application of the just and reasonable standard of review and to mandate application of the public interest standard of review under the Mobile-Sierra doctrine for a proposed change to this Agreement which is not agreed to by all Parties, the Parties must agree to language which varies from that set forth in Article 12(c) then, without further action of either Party, Article 12(c) will be deemed amended to incorporate the specific language required by such final rule or order as is necessary to have the public interest standard of review under the Mobile-Sierra doctrine apply to any proposed change to this Agreement to which all Parties do not agree.
- (e) Nothing in this Article 12 is intended to modify any Party's right to enforce the terms of this Agreement as written.

ARTICLE 13. INTERPRETATION, DISPUTE RESOLUTION

Section 13.1 Governing Law

The Agreement shall be governed by and construed and performed in accordance with the laws of the State of Rhode Island, without giving effect to its conflict of laws principles.

Section 13.2 <u>Dispute Resolution</u>

All disputes between the Buyer and Seller under this Agreement shall be referred, upon notice by one Party to the other Party, to a senior manager of Seller designated by Seller, and a senior manager of the Buyer designated by the Buyer, for resolution on an informal basis as promptly as practicable. In the event the designated senior managers are unable to resolve the dispute within ten (10) days of receipt of the notice, or such other period to which the Parties may jointly agree, such dispute shall be submitted to arbitration and resolved in accordance with the arbitration procedure set forth in this Section. The arbitration shall be conducted in Boston, Massachusetts before a single neutral arbitrator mutually agreed to and appointed by the Parties. If the Parties fail to agree upon a single arbitrator within ten (10) days of the referral of the dispute to arbitration, Seller and the Buyer shall each choose one arbitrator, who shall sit on a three-member arbitration panel. The two arbitrators so chosen shall within ten (10) days select a third arbitrator to act as chairman of the arbitration panel. In either case, the arbitrator(s) shall be knowledgeable in electric utility matters, including wholesale power transactions and power market issues, and shall not have any current or past material business or financial relationships with either Party or a witness for either Party and shall not have a direct or indirect interest in any Party or the subject matter of the arbitration. The arbitrator(s) shall afford each of the Parties an opportunity to be heard and, except as otherwise provided herein, shall generally conduct the arbitration in accordance with the then-current arbitration rules of the CPR Institute for Dispute Resolution (formerly known as the Center for Public Resources), unless otherwise mutually agreed by the Parties. There shall be no formal discovery conducted in connection with the arbitration unless otherwise mutually agreed by the Parties; provided, however, that the Parties shall exchange witness lists and copies of any exhibits that they intend to utilize in their direct presentations at any hearing before the arbitrator(s) at least ten (10) days prior to such hearing, along with any other information or documents specifically requested by the arbitrator(s) prior to the hearing. Any offer made and the details of any negotiations to resolve the dispute shall not be admissible in the arbitration or otherwise. Unless otherwise agreed, the arbitrator(s) shall render a decision within ninety (90) days of his, her or their appointment and shall notify the Parties in writing of such decision and the reasons therefore, and shall make an award apportioning the payment of the costs and expenses of arbitration among the Parties; provided, however, that each Party shall bear the costs and expenses of its own attorneys, expert witnesses and consultants unless the arbitrator(s), based upon a determination of good cause, awards attorneys fees and legal and other costs to the prevailing Party. The arbitrator(s) shall be authorized only to interpret and apply the provisions of this Agreement and shall have no power to modify or change the Agreement in any manner. The decision of the arbitrator(s) shall be final and binding upon the Parties, and judgment on the award may be entered in any court having jurisdiction, subject expressly to Section 13.3. The decision of the arbitrator(s) may be appealed solely on the grounds that the conduct of the arbitrator(s), or the decision itself, violated the standards set forth in the Federal Arbitration Act and/or the Administrative Dispute Resolution Act. Nothing in this paragraph shall impair the ability of a Party to exercise any rights or remedy it has under this Agreement, including those in Article 6. To the fullest extent permitted by law, any arbitration proceeding and the arbitrator's award shall be maintained in confidence by the Parties; provided, however, that either Party, or any of its Affiliates, may provide information regarding the arbitration without limitation to any regulatory agency requesting or requiring such information or to a court in a proceeding to confirm, appeal (as such appeal is limited hereby) or enforce the award; provided, further, that any such provision of information must include a request for confidential treatment

Section 13.3 <u>Venue; Waiver of Jury Trial</u>

Each Party hereto irrevocably (i) submits to the exclusive jurisdiction of the federal and state courts located in the State of Rhode Island; (ii) waives any objection which it may have to the laying of venue of any proceedings brought in any such court; and (iii) waives any claim that such proceedings have been brought in an inconvenient forum. EACH PARTY WAIVES, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, ANY RIGHT IT MAY HAVE TO A TRIAL BY JURY IN RESPECT OF ANY SUIT, ACTION OR PROCEEDING RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT.

ARTICLE 14. SEVERABILITY

Any provision declared or rendered unlawful by any applicable court of law or regulatory agency or deemed unlawful because of a statutory change will not otherwise affect the remaining provisions and lawful obligations that arise under this Agreement. If any provision of this Agreement, or the application thereof to any Party or any circumstance, is invalid or unenforceable, (a) a suitable and equitable provision shall be substituted therefor in order to carry out, so far as may be valid and enforceable, the intent and purpose of such invalid or unenforceable provision, and (b) the remainder of this Agreement and the application of such provision or circumstances shall not be affected by such invalidity or unenforceability.

ARTICLE 15. MODIFICATIONS

No modification or amendment of this Agreement will be binding on any Party unless it is in writing and signed by both Parties.

ARTICLE 16. ENTIRE AGREEMENT

This Agreement, including the Appendices, the tariffs and agreements referred to herein or therein, embody the entire agreement and understanding of the Parties in respect of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement. There are no restrictions, promises, representations, warranties, covenants or undertakings, other than those expressly set forth or referred to herein or therein. It is expressly acknowledged and agreed that there are no restrictions, promises, representations, warranties, covenants or undertakings contained in any material provided or otherwise made available by the Seller or the Buyer to each other. This Agreement supersedes all prior agreements and understandings between the Parties with respect to the transactions contemplated hereby.

ARTICLE 17. COUNTERPARTS

This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, and each executed counterpart shall have the same force and effect as an original instrument.

REDACTED DOCUMENT ARTICLE 18. INTERPRETATION; CONSTRUCTION

The article and section headings contained in this Agreement are solely for the purpose of reference, are not part of the agreement of the Parties and shall not in any way affect the meaning or interpretation of this Agreement. For purposes of this Agreement, the term "including" shall mean "including, without limitation". The Parties acknowledge that, each Party and its counsel have reviewed and or revised this Agreement and that any rule of construction to the effect that any ambiguities are to be resolved against the drafting Party shall not be employed in the interpretation of this Agreement, and it is the result of joint discussion and negotiation.

ARTICLE 19. REPRESENTATIONS; WARRANTIES AND COVENANTS

Each Party represents to the other Party, upon execution and continuing throughout the term of this Agreement, as follows:

- (a) It is duly organized in the form of business entity set forth in the first paragraph of this Agreement, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of its state of its organization and has all requisite power and authority to carry on its business as is now being conducted, including all regulatory authorizations as necessary for it to legally perform its obligations hereunder.
- (b) It has full power and authority to execute and deliver this Agreement and to consummate and perform the transactions contemplated hereby. This Agreement has been duly and validly executed and delivered by it, and, assuming that this Agreement constitutes a valid and binding agreement of the other Party, constitutes its valid and binding agreement, enforceable against it in accordance with its terms, subject to bankruptcy, insolvency, fraudulent transfer, reorganization, moratorium and similar laws of general applicability relating to or affecting creditors' rights and to general equity principles.
- (c) Such execution, delivery and performance do not violate or conflict with any law applicable to it, any provision of its constitutional documents, or the terms of any note, bond, mortgage, indenture, deed of trust, license, franchise, permit, concession, contract, lease or other instrument to which it is bound, any order or judgment of any court or other agency of government applicable to it or any of its assets or any contractual restriction binding on or affecting it or any of its assets.
- (d) No declaration, filing with, notice to, or authorization, permit, consent or approval of any governmental authority is required for the execution and delivery of this Agreement by it or the performance by it of its obligations hereunder, other than such declarations, filings, registrations, notices, authorizations, permits, consents or approvals which, if not obtained or made, will not, in the aggregate, have a Material Adverse Effect.
- (e) Neither the execution and delivery of this Agreement by it will nor the performance by it of its obligations under this Agreement will or does (i) conflict with or result in any breach of any provision of its Governing Documents, (ii) result in a default (or give rise to any right of termination, cancellation or acceleration) under any of the terms, conditions or provisions of any note, bond, mortgage, indenture, license, agreement or other instrument or obligation to which it or any of its subsidiaries is a party or by which it or any of its subsidiaries is bound, except for such defaults (or rights of termination, cancellation or acceleration) as to which requisite waivers or consents have been obtained or which, in the aggregate, would not

have a Material Adverse Effect; or (iii) violate any order, writ, injunction, decree, statute, rule or regulation applicable to it, which violation would have a Material Adverse Effect.

- (f) There are no claims, actions, proceedings or investigations pending or, to its knowledge, threatened against or relating to it before any governmental authority acting in an adjudicative capacity relating to the transactions contemplated hereby that could have a Material Adverse Effect. It is not subject to any outstanding judgment, rule, order, writ, injunction or decree of any court or governmental authority which, individually or in the aggregate, would create a Material Adverse Effect.
- (g) There are no bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, receivership or other similar proceedings pending or being contemplated by it, or of its knowledge threatened against it.
- (h) It is acting for its own account, has made its own independent decision to enter into this Agreement and as to whether this Agreement is appropriate or proper for it based upon its own judgment, is not relying upon the advice or recommendations of the other Party hereto, and is capable of assessing the merits of and understanding, and understands and accepts, the terms, conditions and risks of this Agreement.

ARTICLE 20. CONSENTS AND APPROVALS

The Parties shall cooperate in a reasonable manner so that each Party may take such actions as necessary and required for the other Party to effectuate and comply with this Agreement including to (i) promptly prepare and file all necessary documentation, (ii) effect all necessary applications, notices, petitions and filings and execute all agreements and documents, and (iii) use all commercially reasonable efforts to obtain all necessary consents, approvals and authorizations of all other entities, in the case of each of the foregoing clauses (i), (ii) and (iii), necessary or advisable to consummate the transactions contemplated by this Agreement. The Buyer shall have the right to review and approve in advance all characterizations of the information relating to the transactions contemplated by this Agreement which appear in any filing, press release or public announcement made in connection with the transactions contemplated hereby.

ARTICLE 21. SURVIVAL

Subject to Section 3(b), as of the expiration of this Agreement in accordance with Article 3 or, if earlier, its termination, the Parties shall no longer be bound by the terms and provisions hereof, except (a) to the extent necessary to enforce the rights and obligations of the Parties arising under this Agreement before such expiration or termination and (b) the obligations of the Parties hereunder with respect to indemnification and defense of claims.

ARTICLE 22. CONFIDENTIALITY

Neither Seller nor the Buyer shall provide copies of NEPOOL-GIS Certificate Purchase Price, NEPOOL-GIS Certificate Quantity, Generating Unit, Security, Article 4, Article 6 or Appendix B or disclose the contents or terms thereof, (the "Confidential Terms") to any third party without the prior written consent of the other Party; provided, however, that either Party may provide a copy of the Confidential Terms, in whole or in part to (1) any regulatory agency

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requesting and/or requiring such Confidential Terms, provided that any such disclosure must include a request for confidential treatment of the Confidential Terms, and (2) an Affiliate if related to the Party's performance of its obligations hereunder, provided that such Affiliate agrees to treat the Confidential Terms as confidential in accordance with this clause.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have caused their duly authorized representatives to execute this Agreement on their behalf as of the date first above written.

| THE NARRAGANSETT ELECTRIC COMPAN |
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| Name: Michael J. Hager Title: Authorized Signatory |
| BROOKFIELD ENERGY MARKETING INC |
| Name (print): |

REDACTED DOCUMENT APPENDIX A FORM OF GUARANTY

Guaranty

| This Guaranty (this "Guaranty"), dated effective as of November [|], 2007 (the |
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| "Effective Date"), is made and entered into by Brookfield Power Inc., an Ontario | corporation |
| ("Guarantor"). | |

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, The Narragansett Electric Company ("the Buyer") and **BROOKFIELD ENERGY MARKETING INC**, a corporation organized under the laws of the Province of Ontario, Canada ("Seller") and a subsidiary of Guarantor, have entered into the Certificate Purchase Agreement dated as of November XX, 2007 (as such agreement may be amended and modified by the Buyer and Seller from time to time, the "Agreement"); and

WHEREAS, Guarantor will directly or indirectly benefit from the Agreement between Seller and the Buyer;

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the Buyer entering into the Agreement, Guarantor hereby covenants and agrees as follows:

- (1) <u>GUARANTY</u>. Subject to the provisions hereof, Guarantor hereby irrevocably and unconditionally guarantees the full and faithful timely performance and payment when due of the obligations of Seller that are now due or may hereafter become due and payable to the Buyer under the Agreement (the "Obligations"). This Guaranty shall constitute a guarantee of performance and payment and not of collection. The liability of Guarantor under this Guaranty shall be specifically limited to performance and payments expressly required to be made under the Agreement up to a maximum amount of TBD UNITED STATES DOLLARS (US\$TBD) (even if such payments are or are deemed to be damages) as well as costs of collection and enforcement of this Guaranty (including attorney's fees) to the extent reasonably and actually incurred by the Buyer (all of which such costs of collection and enforcement shall be subject to the limitation set forth herein) but in no event shall Guarantor be subject hereunder to consequential, exemplary, equitable, loss of profits, punitive or tort damages, or, except to the extent specifically provided in the Agreement, any other damages.
- (2) <u>DEMANDS AND NOTICE</u>. Upon the occurrence and during the continuance of an Event of Default or termination, as may be defined in the Agreement, if Seller fails or refuses to perform or pay any Obligations and the Buyer elects to exercise its rights under this Guaranty, the Buyer shall make a demand upon Guarantor (hereinafter referred to as a "Demand"). A Demand shall be in writing and shall reasonably and briefly specify in what manner and what amount Seller has failed to perform or pay and an explanation of why such performance or payment is due, with a specific statement that the Buyer is calling upon Guarantor to perform and/or pay under this Guaranty. A Demand satisfying the foregoing requirements shall be required with respect to Obligations before Guarantor is required to perform or pay (free of any deductions or withholdings) such Obligations hereunder and shall be deemed sufficient notice to Guarantor that it must perform the Obligations within two (2) Business Days, or pay the Obligations within five (5) Business Days, after its receipt of the Demand. A single written Demand shall be effective as to any specific default during the continuance of

such default, until Seller or Guarantor has cured such default, and additional written demands concerning such default shall not be required until such default is cured. As used herein, the term "Business Day" shall mean a day on which commercial banks or financial institutions are open for business in the State of Rhode Island.

- (3) <u>REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES</u>. Guarantor represents and warrants that:
- (a) it is a corporation duly organized and validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the Province of Ontario, Canada and has the corporate power and authority to execute, deliver and carry out the terms and provisions of the Guaranty;
- (b) the execution, delivery and performance of this Guaranty and each transaction contemplated by this Guaranty, do not and will not (with or without the lapse of time, the giving of notice or both), contravene, conflict with or result in a breach of or default under any provision of its constitutional or organizational documents or any writ, order, judgment, law, rule or regulation to which it is a party or is subject or by which it is bound; and
- (c) no authorization, approval, consent or order of, or registration or filing with, any court or other governmental body having jurisdiction over Guarantor is required on the part of Guarantor for the execution and delivery of this Guaranty; and
- (d) this Guaranty, when executed and delivered, will constitute a valid and legally binding agreement of Guarantor, except as the enforceability of this Guaranty may be limited by the effect of any applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium or similar laws affecting creditors' rights generally and by general principles of equity.
- (4) <u>SETOFFS AND COUNTERCLAIMS</u>. Without limiting Guarantor's own defenses and rights hereunder, Guarantor reserves to itself all rights, setoffs, counterclaims and other defenses to which Seller or any other affiliate of Guarantor is or may be entitled to arising from or out of the Agreement or otherwise, except for defenses arising out of the bankruptcy, insolvency, dissolution or liquidation of Seller, the lack of power or authority of Seller to enter into, amend and/or perform the Agreement, or waiver or consent with respect to any provision thereof, or a claim as to the Agreement's validity regularity or enforceability, or any similar circumstance which might otherwise constitute a legal or equitable discharge or defense of a guarantor generally.
- (5) <u>AMENDMENT OF GUARANTY</u>. No term or provision of this Guaranty shall be amended, modified, altered, waived or supplemented except in a writing signed by Guarantor and the Buyer.
- (6) <u>WAIVER; TERMINATION</u>. Except as required in Section 2 above, Guarantor hereby waives (a) notice of acceptance of this Guaranty; (b) presentment, demand and notice of dishonor concerning the liabilities of Guarantor; and (c) any right to require that any action or proceeding be brought against Seller or any other person, or to require that the Buyer exhaust its remedies against Seller or seek enforcement of any performance against Seller or any other person, or against any collateral pledged by Seller or any other person liable for payment or performance of the Obligations, prior to any action against Guarantor under the terms hereof. Buyer shall not be obligated to file any claim relating to the Obligations in the event that Seller becomes subject to a bankruptcy,

reorganization or similar proceeding, and the failure of the Buyer to so file shall not affect the Guarantor's obligations hereunder.

Except as to applicable statutes of limitation, no delay of the Buyer in the exercise of, or failure to exercise, any rights hereunder shall operate as a waiver of such rights, a waiver of any other rights or a release of Guarantor from any obligations hereunder.

Guarantor consents to the renewal, compromise, extension, acceleration or other changes, including, without limitation, in the time of payment of and other changes in, the terms of the Obligations, or any part thereof and amendments thereto, or any changes and modifications to the terms of the Agreement or waivers thereunder.

Guarantor shall not be discharged or released from its obligations hereunder by any proceeding, voluntary or involuntary, involving the bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership, reorganization, liquidation or arrangement of Seller or by any defense which Seller may have by reason of the order, decree or decision of any court or administrative body resulting from any such proceeding. Guarantor agrees that this Guaranty shall continue to be effective or shall be reinstated, as the case may be, if all or any part of any payment made hereunder or made by Seller in connection with the Agreement is at any time avoided or rescinded or must otherwise be restored or repaid by the Buyer as a result of the bankruptcy of Seller, or otherwise, all as though such payments had not been made.

This Guaranty and the Guarantor's obligations hereunder shall remain in effect for [six (6) months following the expiration of] the Term of the Agreement.

<u>NOTICE</u>. Any Demand, notice, request, instruction, correspondence or other document to be given hereunder by any party to another (herein collectively called "Notice") shall be in writing and delivered personally or mailed by certified mail, postage prepaid and return receipt requested, or by telegram or facsimile, as follows:

To the Buyer: To Guarantor:

Director, Regulated Electric Load & Executive VP & CFO

Distributed Generation

National Grid Inc.

55 Bearfoot Road

Brookfield Power Inc.
480 de la Cite Blvd.

Northborough, MA 01532 Gatineau, Quebec J8T 8R3

Fax No.: (508) 421-7335 Fax No.: 819-561-7188 Phone No.: (518) 421-7350 Phone No.: 819-561-2722

Notice given by personal delivery or mail shall be effective upon actual receipt. Notice given by telegram shall be effective upon actual receipt if received during the recipient's normal business hours, or at the beginning of the recipient's next Business Day after receipt if not received during the recipient's normal business hours. Notice given by facsimile shall be effective upon (i) actual receipt if received during the recipient's normal business hours, or at the beginning of the recipient's next Business Day after receipt if not received during the recipient's normal business hours and (ii) confirmation of receipt by telephone. All Notices by telegram or facsimile shall be confirmed promptly after transmission in writing by certified mail or personal delivery. Any party may change any address to which Notice is to be given to it by giving notice in accordance with the requirements of this Section.

<u>MISCELLANEOUS</u>. This Guaranty shall in all respects be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the law of the State of Rhode Island, without regard to principles of conflicts of laws.

This Guaranty shall be binding upon Guarantor and its successors and permitted assigns and inure to the benefit of and be enforceable by the Buyer and its successors and permitted assigns. The Guarantor may not assign this Guaranty in part or in whole without the prior written consent of the Buyer. The Buyer may not assign its rights or benefits under this Guaranty in part or in whole except (i) with the prior written consent of the Guarantor, or (ii) pursuant to a permitted assignment of Agreement ("Assigned Agreement"), in which case the assignee will succeed to the rights of the Buyer hereunder arising after the date of such assignment. The Guarantor's liability hereunder with respect to any and all such Assigned Agreement, together with any other liability of the Guarantor hereunder, will in all cases be subject to the Guarantor's maximum aggregate liability set forth in herein. Neither the Guarantor nor the Buyer will unreasonably withhold or delay consent to assignment.

This Guaranty embodies the entire agreement and understanding between Guarantor and the Buyer and supersedes all prior agreements and understandings relating to the subject matter hereof. The headings in this Guaranty are for purposes of reference only, and shall not affect the meaning hereof.

Time is of the essence of this Guaranty. The remedies provided to the Buyer in this Guaranty are cumulative and not exclusive of any other remedies provided by law.

Words importing the singular number hereunder shall include the plural number and vice versa and any pronouns used herein shall be deemed to cover all genders. The term "person" as used herein means any individual, corporation, partnership, joint venture, association, joint-stock company, trust, unincorporated association, or government (or any agency or political subdivision thereof).

Wherever possible, any provision in this Guaranty which is prohibited or unenforceable in any jurisdiction shall, as to such jurisdiction, be ineffective only to the extent of such prohibition or unenforceability without invalidating the remaining provisions hereof, and any such prohibition or unenforceability in any one jurisdiction shall not invalidate or render unenforceable such provision in any other jurisdiction.

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APPENDIX B

NEPOOL-GIS CERTIFICATE QUANTITIES, VINTAGE AND PURCHASE PRICE

| | NEPOOL-GIS CERTIFICATE | |
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RHODE ISLAND CERTIFICATE PURCHASE AGREEMENT

This **CERTIFICATE PURCHASE AGREEMENT** ("Agreement") is dated as of **November 28, 2007** and is by and between **THE NARRAGANSETT ELECTRIC COMPANY d/b/a "National Grid"**, a Rhode Island corporation ("Buyer")and **CONSERVATION SERVICES GROUP** a Massachusetts Corporation ("Seller"). This Agreement provides for the sale by Seller of NEPOOL-GIS Certificates, as defined herein, to Buyer. The Buyer and Seller are referred to herein individually as a "Party" and collectively as the "Parties".

ARTICLE 1. <u>BASIC UNDERSTANDINGS</u>

Seller, in response to a Request for Proposal dated October 15, 2007 issued by the Buyer, has been selected to supply a quantity of NEPOOL-GIS Certificates to meet a portion of the Buyer's requirements to comply with the RES Regulations, as defined herein. This Agreement sets forth the terms under which Seller will supply a quantity of NEPOOL-GIS Certificates to the Buyer.

ARTICLE 2. DEFINITIONS

As used in this Agreement, the following terms shall have the meanings specified in this Article. In addition, except as otherwise expressly provided, terms with initial capitalization used in this Agreement and not defined herein shall have the meaning as defined in the NEPOOL Rules.

<u>Affiliate</u> means, with respect to any Party, any entity (other than a person) that, directly or indirectly, controls, or is controlled by or is under common control with such Party. For this purpose, "control" means the direct or indirect ownership of fifty percent (50%) or more of the outstanding capital stock or other equity interests having ordinary voting power.

<u>Alternative Compliance Payment Rate means</u> the value as published by the Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission in accordance with Section 3.1 of the RES Regulations.

<u>Business Day</u> means a 24-hour period ending at 5:00 p.m. EPT, other than Saturday, Sunday and any day which is a legal holiday or a day on which banking institutions in Providence, Rhode Island are authorized by law or other governmental action to close.

<u>Buyer</u> means The Narragansett Electric Company, its successors, assigns, employees, agents and authorized representatives.

Commission means the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, or its successor.

<u>Credit Rating</u> means (i) the lower of the ratings assigned to an entity's unsecured, senior long-term debt obligations (not supported by third party credit enhancements) by S&P and Moody's, (ii) in the event the entity does not have a rating for its senior unsecured long-term debt, the lower of the rating assigned to the entity as an issuer rating by S&P and Moody's, or the rating assigned to the entity as an issuer rating by any other rating agency agreed to by both Parties in each Party's sole and exclusive judgment.

EPT means Eastern Prevailing Time.

Existing Renewable Energy Resource means as defined in Section 3.9 of the RES Regulations.

<u>Firm Delivery</u> means the Seller unconditionally guarantees to provide the NEPOOL-GIS Certificate Quantity to Buyer.



Governing Documents means, with respect to any particular entity, (a) if a corporation, the (i) articles of organization, articles of incorporation or certificate of incorporation and (ii) the bylaws; (b) if a general partnership, the partnership agreement and any statement of partnership; (c) if a limited partnership, the limited partnership agreement and the certificate of limited partnership; (d) if a limited liability company, the articles or certificate of organization or formation and operating agreement; (e) if another type of entity, any other charter or similar document adopted or filed in connection with the creation, formation or organization of such entity; (f) all equity holders' agreements, voting agreements, voting trust agreements, joint venture agreements, registration rights agreements or other agreements or documents relating to the organization, management or operation of any entity or relating to the rights, duties and obligations of the equity holders of any entity; and (g) any amendment or supplement to any of the foregoing.

<u>Interest Rate</u> means, for any date, the lesser of (a) the per annum rate of interest equal to the prime lending rate as may from time to time be published in *The Wall Street Journal* under "Money Rates" on such day (or if not published on such day, on the most recent preceding day on which published), plus two percent (2%) and (b) the maximum rate permitted by applicable law.

<u>Investment Grade</u> means (i) if any entity has a Credit Rating from both S&P and Moody's then, a Credit Rating from S&P equal to "BBB-" and a Credit Rating from Moody's equal to "Baa3"; or (ii) if an entity has a Credit Rating from only one of S&P and Moody's, then a Credit Rating from S&P equal to "BBB-" or a Credit Rating from Moody's equal to "Baa3 or (iii) if the Parties have mutually agreed in writing on an additional or alternative rating agency, then a credit rating equal to that mutually agreed to by the Parties in each Party's sole and exclusive judgment.

ISO means ISO New England Inc., authorized by the Commission to exercise for New England the functions required pursuant to the Commission's Order No. 2000 (and its progeny) and the Commission's regulations, and any successor organization (including, but not limited to, a Regional Transmission Organization.).

ISO Tariff means the ISO New England Inc. Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff, FERC Electric Tariff No. 3, as amended, modified, superseded and supplemented from time to time, and including the Market Rules and Procedures.

<u>ISO New England Operating Documents</u> means the ISO Tariff and the ISO New England Operating Procedures, as amended, modified, superseded and supplemented from time to time.

<u>Market Rules and Procedures</u> means the Market Rules, Manuals and Procedures adopted by the ISO and/or NEPOOL, as may be amended from time to time, and as administered by the ISO to govern the operation of the NEPOOL markets.

Material Adverse Effect means, with respect to a Party, any change in or effect on such Party after the date of this Agreement that is materially adverse to the transactions contemplated hereby, excluding any change or effect resulting from (a) changes in the international, national, regional or local wholesale or retail markets for electric power; (b) changes in the international, national, regional or local markets for any fuel; (c) changes in the North American, national, regional or local electric transmission or distribution systems; and (d) any action or inaction by a governmental authority, but in any such case not affecting the Parties or the transactions contemplated hereby in any manner or degree significantly different from others in the industry as a whole.

Moody's means Moody's Investors Service, its successors and assigns.

MWh means Megawatt-hour.

<u>NEPOOL-GIS</u> means the NEPOOL Generation Information System, which includes a generation information database and certificate system, operated by NEPOOL, its designee or successor entity, that accounts for generation attributes of electricity consumed within New England.

NEPOOL-GIS Certificates means an electronic record produced by the NEPOOL-GIS that identifies the relevant generation attributes of each MWh accounted for in the NEPOOL-GIS that complies with the RES Regulations. NEPOOL-GIS Certificates shall represent the Generation Attributes (as such term is defined in the RES Regulations) of either New Renewable Energy Resources or Existing Renewable Energy Resources and conform to the eligibility criteria set forth in the RES Regulations, and shall represent title to and claim over all environmental attributes associated with the specified MWh of generation from either a New Renewable Energy Resource or Existing Renewable Energy Resource.

NEPOOL-GIS Certificate Purchase Price means the purchase price as set forth on Attachment A, attached hereto and hereby made a part hereof..

NEPOOL-GIS Certificate Quantity means the quantities as set forth on Attachment A, attached hereto and hereby made a part hereof.

NEPOOL Agreement means the Second Restated New England Power Pool Agreement dated as of February 1, 2005, as amended or accepted by the Commission and as may be amended, modified, superseded, supplemented and/or restated from time to time.

<u>NEPOOL GIS Operating Rules</u> means the New England Power Pool Generation Information System Operating Rules as may be amended from time to time pursuant to the NEPOOL Agreement.

<u>NEPOOL Rules</u> means all rules adopted by NEPOOL or the ISO, as such rules may be amended, modified, supplemented or superseded and restated from time to time, including but not limited to, the NEPOOL Agreement, the ISO Tariff, the ISO New England Operating Documents, the Transmission Operating Agreement, the Participants Agreement, the NEPOOL Manuals, and the NEPOOL Operating Procedures, as amended, superseded or restated from time to time.

<u>Net Worth</u> means total assets, exclusive of intangible assets, less total liabilities, as reflected on the most recent balance sheet prepared by a certified public accountant as part of a certified financial statement in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles consistently applied in the business sector of the Seller.

New Renewable Energy Resource means as defined in Section 3.22 of the RES Regulations.

RES means Renewable Energy Standard.

RES Regulations means the Rules and Regulations Governing The Implementation Of A Renewable Energy Standard promulgated pursuant to the Renewable Energy Standard Law Section 39-26-1 et seq. of the General Laws of Rhode Island that implement a Renewable Energy Standard to facilitate the development of renewable energy resources for the benefit of customers in Rhode Island.

RIPUC means the Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission, or its successor.

<u>Security</u> means the product of (i) the NEPOOL-GIS Certificate Quantity in a year and (ii) the positive difference between the Alternative Compliance Rate and the NEPOOL-GIS Certificate Purchase Price.

S&P means Standard & Poor's Rating Group, its successors and assigns.

<u>Trading Period</u> means the term as defined in the NEPOOL GIS Operating Rules.

<u>Unit Contingent</u> means utilizing specifically named Generating Units to provide a certain quantity of 2007 NE-GIS Certificates to the Buyer contingent upon the actual production of the Generating Units above and beyond the Committed Generation. The Seller is not obligated to fulfill the quantity of NE-GIS Certificates if the Generating Units fail to generate sufficient energy.

<u>Vintage</u> means the calendar year that a NEPOOL-GIS Certificate represents as the relevant generation attributes for an energy resource.

ARTICLE 3. Effective Date; Condition Precedent; Filing Obligation; Term

(a) No later than two Business Days from the date on which the Party signing last in time executes and delivers this Agreement ("Execution Date"), Buyer will file the results of the RES solicitation with the RIPUC. This Agreement shall take effect ("Effective Date") upon the close of business on the fifth Business Day following such filing (not including the date of filing) ("Five Day Waiting Period") unless the RIPUC communicates to the Buyer that it has concerns about the bid awards, requires further time for review for any reason, or otherwise does not desire the Buyer to go forward with the Agreement ("RIPUC Notice"). If the Buyer receives such RIPUC Notice, it will immediately notify Seller.

If Buyer receives a RIPUC Notice, as provided above, either Buyer or Seller may unilaterally terminate this Agreement upon written notice to the other at any time prior to RIPUC Approval (as defined below). If, however, neither party opts to terminate the Agreement, there shall be an additional thirty calendar day waiting period ("Extended Waiting Period") following the Five Day Waiting Period. In such case, this Agreement shall not take effect unless and until the RIPUC affirmatively approves this Agreement without conditions ("RIPUC Approval") before the end of this Extended Waiting Period. If a RIPUC Approval is obtained by the end of the Extended Waiting Period, the Effective Date shall be the date on which the RIPUC Approval is issued. If RIPUC Approval is not obtained by the end of the Extended Waiting Period, this Agreement shall terminate and have no legal force or effect

(b) The term of this Agreement ("Term") shall commence on the Effective Date and expire effective on the later of (i) the date on which all performances of the Parties under this Agreement have been completed, including, but not limited to, the delivery of all NEPOOL GIS-Certificates and the payment of all amounts due as required by this Agreement, and (ii) the date that all disputes, if any, arising under this Agreement are resolved in a final manner. As of the expiration of this Agreement or, if earlier, its termination, the Parties shall no longer be bound by the terms and provisions hereof, except (a) to the extent necessary to enforce the rights and obligations of the Parties arising under this Agreement before such expiration or termination and (b) the obligations of the Parties hereunder with respect to audit rights, remedies for default, damages claims, indemnification and defense of claims shall survive the termination or expiration of this Agreement to the full extent necessary for their enforcement and the protection

of the Party in whose favor they run, subject to any time limits specifically set forth in this Agreement with respect thereto.

ARTICLE 4. SALE AND PURCHASE

Section 4.1 <u>Provision Delivery and Receipt</u>

Seller shall sell and deliver and the Buyer shall purchase and receive the NEPOOL-GIS Certificate Quantity. Seller shall deliver all quantities as utilizing the non-revocable certificate transfer mechanism in the NEPOOL-GIS. Seller shall utilize the NEPOOL-GIS to transfer NEPOOL-GIS Certificates to an account within the NEPOOL-GIS designated by the Buyer. Seller shall initiate monthly non-revocable Forward Certificate Transfers within twenty-five (25) Business Days after the close of a calendar month. In the event that the NEPOOL-GIS Certificates are not delivered as a non-revocable Forward Certificate Transfer transaction, Seller shall deliver such NEPOOL-GIS Certificates at least five (5) Business Days prior to the end of the applicable Trading Period.

Section 4.2 <u>Seller Representations and Warranties:</u>

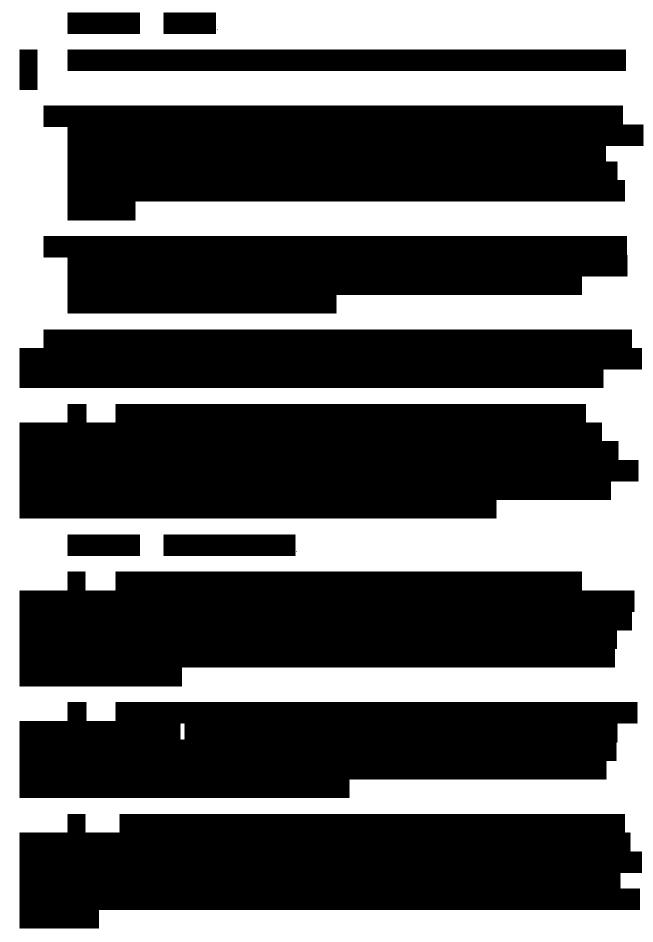
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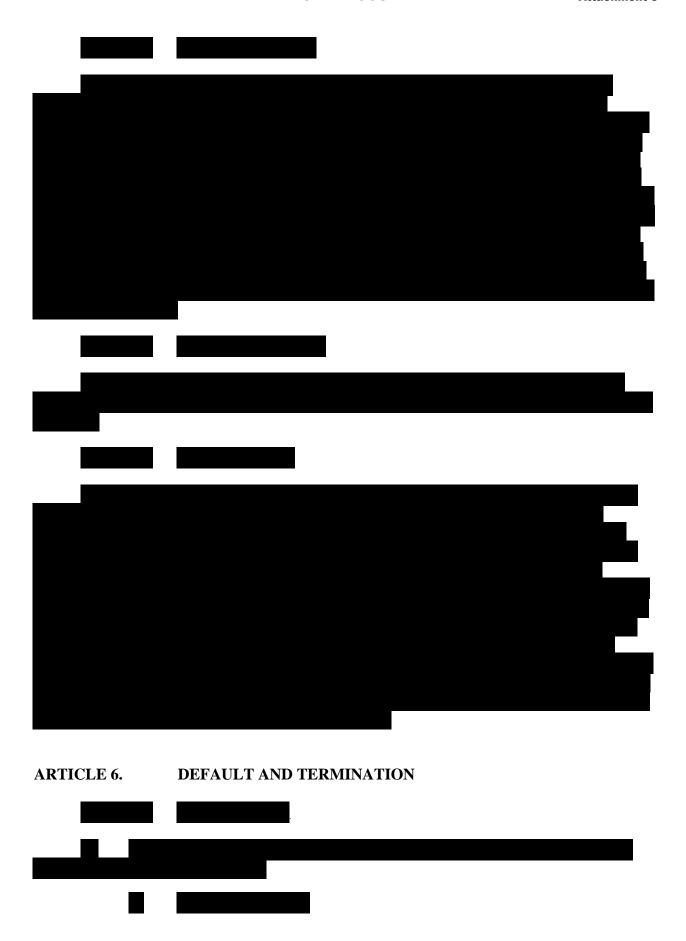
- (a) The NEPOOL-GIS Certificates sold and delivered to the Buyer's account under this Agreement are and shall be free and clear of any liens, encumbrances and title defects;
- (b) Seller has obtained, and will maintain, all necessary regulatory approvals required to enable it to provide the NEPOOL-GIS Certificates as required by this Agreement and that the NEPOOL-GIS Certificates sold hereunder are and will be compliant with the RES Regulations; and
- (c) The NEPOOL-GIS Certificates sold hereunder have not been, and shall not be, sold, retired, claimed or represented as part of electricity output or sales, or used to satisfy obligations in any other jurisdiction.

Section 4.3 Production Report

On or before the tenth (10th) day of each month during the Term, Seller shall provide to Buyer a report stating (i) the quantity of MWhs produced by each Generating Unit in the preceding calendar month, (ii) the number of NEPOOL-GIS Certificates produced by each Generating Unit in the preceding calendar month, and (iii) any adjustments to any such data previously reported by Seller to Buyer (such report, the "Production Report", the data including adjustments thereto, the "Generator Data"). The first Production Report provided by Seller shall include Generator Data beginning as of the effective date of this Agreement. Each Production Report shall be signed by an officer of Seller verifying that the Production Report is true and accurate.

ARTICLE 5. AMOUNT, BILLING and PAYMENT







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ARTICLE 7. NOTICES, REPRESENTATIVES OF THE PARTIES

Section 7.1 Notices

Any notice, demand, or request required or authorized by this Agreement to be given by one Party to another Party shall be in writing. It shall either be sent by facsimile (with receipt confirmed by telephone and electronic transmittal receipt), courier, personally delivered (including overnight delivery service) or mailed, postage prepaid, to the representative of the other Party designated in accordance with this Article. Any such notice, demand, or request shall be deemed to be given (i) when sent by facsimile confirmed by telephone and electronic transmittal receipt, (ii) when actually received if delivered by courier or personal delivery (including overnight delivery service) or (iii) seven (7) days after deposit in the United States mail, if sent by first class mail return receipt requested.

Notices and other communications by Seller to the Buyer shall be addressed to:

Mr. Michael J. Hager
Director, Regulated Electric Load & Distributed Generation
National Grid
55 Bearfoot Road
Northborough, MA 01532
(508) 421-7350 (phone)
(508) 421-7335 (fax)

and

With a copy to:

General Counsel National Grid 25 Research Drive Westborough, MA 01582 (508) 389-9000 (phone) (508) 389-2605 (fax)

Notices and other communications by the Buyer to Seller shall be addressed to:

Wanda Reindorf Conservation Services Group 40 Washington Street Westborough MA 01581 Phone: 508-836-9500

Fax: 508-836-3181

Any Party may change its representative or address for notices by written notice to the other Party; however such notice shall not be effective until it is received by the other Party.

Section 7.2 Authority of Representative

The Parties' representatives shall have full authority to act for their respective Party in all matters relating to the performance of this Agreement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a Party's representative shall not have the authority to amend, modify, or waive any provision of this Agreement unless they are duly authorized officers of their respective entities and such amendment, modification or waiver is made in accordance with Article 15.

ARTICLE 8. LIABILITY; INDEMNIFICATION; RELATIONSHIP OF PARTIES

Section 8.1 Limitation on Consequential, Incidental and Indirect Damages

EXCEPT AS EXPRESSLY PROVIDED IN SECTION 8.2, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMISSIBLE BY LAW, NEITHER THE BUYER NOR SELLER, NOR THEIR RESPECTIVE OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, AGENTS, EMPLOYEES, PARENT OR AFFILIATES, SUCCESSOR OR ASSIGNS, OR THEIR RESPECTIVE OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, AGENTS, OR EMPLOYEES, SUCCESSORS, OR ASSIGNS, SHALL BE LIABLE TO THE OTHER PARTY OR ITS PARENT, SUBSIDIARIES, AFFILIATES, OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, AGENTS, EMPLOYEES, SUCCESSORS OR ASSIGNS, FOR CLAIMS, SUITS, ACTIONS OR CAUSES OF ACTION FOR INCIDENTAL, INDIRECT, SPECIAL, PUNITIVE, MULTIPLE OR CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES (INCLUDING ATTORNEY'S FEES OR LITIGATION COSTS EXCEPT AS EXPRESSLY PROVIDED IN 13.2 AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LIMITATION THEREUNDER) CONNECTED WITH OR RESULTING FROM PERFORMANCE OR NON-PERFORMANCE OF THIS AGREEMENT, OR ANY ACTIONS UNDERTAKEN IN CONNECTION WITH OR RELATED TO THIS AGREEMENT, INCLUDING WITHOUT LIMITATION ANY SUCH DAMAGES WHICH ARE BASED UPON CAUSES OF ACTION FOR BREACH OF CONTRACT, TORT (INCLUDING NEGLIGENCE AND MISREPRESENTATION), BREACH OF WARRANTY, STRICT LIABILITY, STATUTE, OPERATION OF LAW, OR ANY OTHER THEORY OF RECOVERY. THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION SHALL APPLY REGARDLESS OF FAULT AND SHALL SURVIVE TERMINATION, CANCELLATION, SUSPENSION, COMPLETION OR EXPIRATION OF THIS AGREEMENT.

Section 8.2 <u>Indemnification</u>

(a) Seller agrees to defend, indemnify and save the Buyer, its officers, directors, employees, agents, successors, assigns, and Affiliates and their officers, directors, employees and agents harmless from and against any and all third-party claims, suits, actions or causes of action and any resulting losses, damages, charges, costs or expenses, (including reasonable attorneys' fees and court costs), arising from or in connection with any (a) breach of a representation or warranty or failure to perform any covenant or agreement in this Agreement by Seller, (b) any violation of applicable law, regulation or order by Seller, (c) any act or omission by Seller with respect to this Agreement, first arising, occurring or existing during the term of this Agreement, whether incurred by settlement or otherwise, and whether such claims or actions are threatened or filed prior to or after the termination of this Agreement, except to the extent caused by an act of gross negligence or willful misconduct by an officer, director, agent, employee, or Affiliate of the Buyer or its respective successors or assigns.

- (b) The Buyer agrees to defend, indemnify and save Seller, its officers, directors, employees, agents, successors, assigns, and Affiliates and their officers, directors, employees and agents harmless from and against any and all third-party claims, suits, actions or causes of action and any resulting losses, damages, charges, costs or expenses, (including reasonable attorneys' fees and court costs), arising from or in connection with any (a) breach of representation or warranty or failure to perform any covenant or agreement in this Agreement by said Buyer, (b) any violation of applicable law, regulation or order by Buyer, (c) any act or omission by the Buyer, with respect to this Agreement first arising, occurring or existing during the term of this Agreement, whether incurred by settlement or otherwise, and whether such claims or actions are threatened or filed prior to or after the termination of this Agreement, except to the extent caused by an act of gross negligence or willful misconduct by an officer, director, agent, employee or Affiliate of Seller or its respective successors or assigns.
- (c) If any Party intends to seek indemnification under this Section from the other Party with respect to any action or claim, the Party seeking indemnification shall give the other Party notice of such claim or action within thirty (30) days of the later of the commencement of, or actual knowledge of, such claim or action; provided, however, that in the event such notice is delivered more than thirty (30) days after the Party seeking indemnification knows of such claim or action, the indemnifying Party shall be relieved of its indemnity hereunder only if and to the extent such indemnifying Party was actually prejudiced by such delay. The Party seeking indemnification shall have the right, at its sole cost and expense, to participate in the defense of any such claim or action. The Party seeking indemnification shall not compromise or settle any such claim or action without the prior consent of the other Party, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld.

Section 8.3 Independent Contractor Status

Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed as creating any relationship between the Buyer and Seller other than that of independent contractors for the sale and delivery of NEPOOL-GIS Certificates.

ARTICLE 9. ASSIGNMENT

Section 9.1 <u>General Prohibition Against Assignments</u>

Except as provided in Section 9.2, neither Party shall assign, pledge or otherwise transfer this Agreement or any right or obligation under this Agreement without first obtaining the other Party's written consent, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld.

Section 9.2 Exceptions to Prohibition Against Assignments

(a) Seller may, without the Buyer's prior written consent, collaterally assign this Agreement in connection with financing arrangements provided that any such collateral assignment that provides for the Buyer to direct payments to the collateral agent (i) shall be in writing, and (ii) shall not be altered or amended without prior written notice to the Buyer from both Seller and the collateral agent; provided, that, any payment made by the Buyer to the collateral agent shall discharge the Buyer's obligation as fully and to the same extent as if it had

been made to the Seller. Seller must provide the Buyer at least ten (10) days advance written notice of collateral assignment and provide copies of any such assignment and relevant agreements or writings.

(b) The Buyer may assign all or a portion of its rights and obligations under this Agreement to any Affiliate of the Buyer without consent of Seller. Either Party may, upon written notice, assign its rights and obligations hereunder, or transfer such rights and obligations by operation of law, to any entity with which or into which such Party shall merge or consolidate or to which such Party shall transfer all or substantially all of its assets, provided that such other entity agrees to be bound by the terms hereof and provided further, that such other entity's creditworthiness is comparable to or higher than that of such Party at the time this Agreement was executed and such Party is not relieved of any obligation or liability hereunder as a result of such assignment

ARTICLE 10. SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS

This Agreement shall inure to the benefit of, and shall be binding upon the Parties hereto and their respective successors and permitted assigns.

ARTICLE 11. WAIVERS

No delay or omission in the exercise of any right under this Agreement shall impair any such right or shall be taken, construed or considered as a waiver or relinquishment thereof, but any such right may be exercised from time to time and as often as may be deemed expedient. The waiver of any single breach or default of any term or condition of this Agreement shall not be deemed to constitute the waiver of any other prior or subsequent breach or default of the Agreement or any other term or condition.

ARTICLE 12. LAWS AND REGULATIONS

- (a) This Agreement and all rights, obligations, and performances of the Parties hereunder, are subject to all applicable federal and state laws, and to all duly promulgated orders and other duly authorized action of governmental authorities having jurisdiction hereof.
- (b) The rates, terms and conditions contained in this Agreement are not subject to change under Section 205 of the Federal Power Act as that section may be amended or superseded, absent the mutual written agreement of the Parties. Each Party irrevocably waives its rights, including its rights under §§ 205-206 of the Federal Power Act, unilaterally to seek or support a change in the rate(s), charges, classifications, terms or conditions of this Agreement or any other agreements entered into in connection with this Agreement. By this provision, each Party expressly waives its right to seek or support: (i) an order from the Commission finding that the market-based rate(s), charges, classifications, terms or conditions agreed to by the Parties in the Agreement are unjust and unreasonable; or (ii) any refund with respect thereto. Each Party agrees (x) not to make or support such a filing or request, (y) that these covenants and waivers shall be binding notwithstanding any regulatory or market changes that may occur

hereafter and (z) that it shall not challenge or support a challenge to the enforceability of the waiver in this Section (b).

- (c) Absent the agreement of all Parties to a proposed change, the standard of review for changes to this Agreement proposed by a non-party or the Commission acting *sua sponte* shall be the "public interest" standard of review set forth in <u>United Gas Pipe Line Co. v. Mobile Gas Service Corp.</u>, 350 U.S. 332 (1956) and <u>Federal Power Commission v. Sierra Pacific Power Co.</u>, 350 U.S. 348 (1956) (the "<u>Mobile-Sierra</u>" doctrine).
- (d) The Parties agree that, if and to the extent that the Commission adopts a final rule or order which requires that, in order to exclude application of the just and reasonable standard of review and to mandate application of the public interest standard of review under the Mobile-Sierra doctrine for a proposed change to this Agreement which is not agreed to by all Parties, the Parties must agree to language which varies from that set forth in Article 12(c) then, without further action of either Party, Article 12(c) will be deemed amended to incorporate the specific language required by such final rule or order as is necessary to have the public interest standard of review under the Mobile-Sierra doctrine apply to any proposed change to this Agreement to which all Parties do not agree.
- (e) Nothing in this Article 12 is intended to modify any Party's right to enforce the terms of this Agreement as written.

ARTICLE 13. INTERPRETATION, DISPUTE RESOLUTION

Section 13.1 Governing Law

The Agreement shall be governed by and construed and performed in accordance with the laws of the State of Rhode Island, without giving effect to its conflict of laws principles.

Section 13.2 Dispute Resolution

All disputes between the Buyer and Seller under this Agreement shall be referred, upon notice by one Party to the other Party, to a senior manager of Seller designated by Seller, and a senior manager of the Buyer designated by the Buyer, for resolution on an informal basis as promptly as practicable. In the event the designated senior managers are unable to resolve the dispute within ten (10) days of receipt of the notice, or such other period to which the Parties may jointly agree, such dispute shall be submitted to arbitration and resolved in accordance with the arbitration procedure set forth in this Section. The arbitration shall be conducted in Boston, Massachusetts before a single neutral arbitrator mutually agreed to and appointed by the Parties. If the Parties fail to agree upon a single arbitrator within ten (10) days of the referral of the dispute to arbitration, Seller and the Buyer shall each choose one arbitrator, who shall sit on a three-member arbitration panel. The two arbitrators so chosen shall within ten (10) days select a third arbitrator to act as chairman of the arbitration panel. In either case, the arbitrator(s) shall be knowledgeable in electric utility matters, including wholesale power transactions and power market issues, and shall not have any current or past material business or financial relationships with either Party or a witness for either Party and shall not have a direct or indirect interest in any Party or the subject matter of the arbitration. The arbitrator(s) shall afford each of the Parties an opportunity to be heard and, except as otherwise provided herein, shall generally

conduct the arbitration in accordance with the then-current arbitration rules of the CPR Institute for Dispute Resolution (formerly known as the Center for Public Resources), unless otherwise mutually agreed by the Parties. There shall be no formal discovery conducted in connection with the arbitration unless otherwise mutually agreed by the Parties; provided, however, that the Parties shall exchange witness lists and copies of any exhibits that they intend to utilize in their direct presentations at any hearing before the arbitrator(s) at least ten (10) days prior to such hearing, along with any other information or documents specifically requested by the arbitrator(s) prior to the hearing. Any offer made and the details of any negotiations to resolve the dispute shall not be admissible in the arbitration or otherwise. Unless otherwise agreed, the arbitrator(s) shall render a decision within ninety (90) days of his, her or their appointment and shall notify the Parties in writing of such decision and the reasons therefore, and shall make an award apportioning the payment of the costs and expenses of arbitration among the Parties; provided, however, that each Party shall bear the costs and expenses of its own attorneys, expert witnesses and consultants unless the arbitrator(s), based upon a determination of good cause, awards attorneys fees and legal and other costs to the prevailing Party. The arbitrator(s) shall be authorized only to interpret and apply the provisions of this Agreement and shall have no power to modify or change the Agreement in any manner. The decision of the arbitrator(s) shall be final and binding upon the Parties, and judgment on the award may be entered in any court having jurisdiction, subject expressly to Section 13.3. The decision of the arbitrator(s) may be appealed solely on the grounds that the conduct of the arbitrator(s), or the decision itself, violated the standards set forth in the Federal Arbitration Act and/or the Administrative Dispute Resolution Act. Nothing in this paragraph shall impair the ability of a Party to exercise any rights or remedy it has under this Agreement, including those in Article 6. To the fullest extent permitted by law, any arbitration proceeding and the arbitrator's award shall be maintained in confidence by the Parties; provided, however, that either Party, or any of its Affiliates, may provide information regarding the arbitration without limitation to any regulatory agency requesting or requiring such information or to a court in a proceeding to confirm, appeal (as such appeal is limited hereby) or enforce the award; provided, further, that any such provision of information must include a request for confidential treatment

Section 13.3 Venue; Waiver of Jury Trial

Each Party hereto irrevocably (i) submits to the exclusive jurisdiction of the federal and state courts located in the State of Rhode Island; (ii) waives any objection which it may have to the laying of venue of any proceedings brought in any such court; and (iii) waives any claim that such proceedings have been brought in an inconvenient forum. EACH PARTY WAIVES, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, ANY RIGHT IT MAY HAVE TO A TRIAL BY JURY IN RESPECT OF ANY SUIT, ACTION OR PROCEEDING RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT.

ARTICLE 14. SEVERABILITY

Any provision declared or rendered unlawful by any applicable court of law or regulatory agency or deemed unlawful because of a statutory change will not otherwise affect the remaining provisions and lawful obligations that arise under this Agreement. If any provision of this Agreement, or the application thereof to any Party or any circumstance, is invalid or unenforceable, (a) a suitable and equitable provision shall be substituted therefor in order to carry out, so far as may be valid and enforceable, the intent and purpose of such invalid or

unenforceable provision, and (b) the remainder of this Agreement and the application of such provision or circumstances shall not be affected by such invalidity or unenforceability.

ARTICLE 15. MODIFICATIONS

No modification or amendment of this Agreement will be binding on any Party unless it is in writing and signed by both Parties.

ARTICLE 16. ENTIRE AGREEMENT

This Agreement, including the Appendices, the tariffs and agreements referred to herein or therein, embody the entire agreement and understanding of the Parties in respect of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement. There are no restrictions, promises, representations, warranties, covenants or undertakings, other than those expressly set forth or referred to herein or therein. It is expressly acknowledged and agreed that there are no restrictions, promises, representations, warranties, covenants or undertakings contained in any material provided or otherwise made available by the Seller or the Buyer to each other. This Agreement supersedes all prior agreements and understandings between the Parties with respect to the transactions contemplated hereby.

ARTICLE 17. COUNTERPARTS

This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, and each executed counterpart shall have the same force and effect as an original instrument.

ARTICLE 18. INTERPRETATION; CONSTRUCTION

The article and section headings contained in this Agreement are solely for the purpose of reference, are not part of the agreement of the Parties and shall not in any way affect the meaning or interpretation of this Agreement. For purposes of this Agreement, the term "including" shall mean "including, without limitation". The Parties acknowledge that, each Party and its counsel have reviewed and or revised this Agreement and that any rule of construction to the effect that any ambiguities are to be resolved against the drafting Party shall not be employed in the interpretation of this Agreement, and it is the result of joint discussion and negotiation.

ARTICLE 19. REPRESENTATIONS; WARRANTIES AND COVENANTS

Each Party represents to the other Party, upon execution and continuing throughout the term of this Agreement, as follows:

(a) It is duly organized in the form of business entity set forth in the first paragraph of this Agreement, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of its state of its organization and has all requisite power and authority to carry on its business as is now being conducted, including all regulatory authorizations as necessary for it to legally perform its obligations hereunder.

- (b) It has full power and authority to execute and deliver this Agreement and to consummate and perform the transactions contemplated hereby. This Agreement has been duly and validly executed and delivered by it, and, assuming that this Agreement constitutes a valid and binding agreement of the other Party, constitutes its valid and binding agreement, enforceable against it in accordance with its terms, subject to bankruptcy, insolvency, fraudulent transfer, reorganization, moratorium and similar laws of general applicability relating to or affecting creditors' rights and to general equity principles.
- (c) Such execution, delivery and performance do not violate or conflict with any law applicable to it, any provision of its constitutional documents, or the terms of any note, bond, mortgage, indenture, deed of trust, license, franchise, permit, concession, contract, lease or other instrument to which it is bound, any order or judgment of any court or other agency of government applicable to it or any of its assets or any contractual restriction binding on or affecting it or any of its assets.
- (d) No declaration, filing with, notice to, or authorization, permit, consent or approval of any governmental authority is required for the execution and delivery of this Agreement by it or the performance by it of its obligations hereunder, other than such declarations, filings, registrations, notices, authorizations, permits, consents or approvals which, if not obtained or made, will not, in the aggregate, have a Material Adverse Effect.
- (e) Neither the execution and delivery of this Agreement by it will nor the performance by it of its obligations under this Agreement will or does (i) conflict with or result in any breach of any provision of its Governing Documents, (ii) result in a default (or give rise to any right of termination, cancellation or acceleration) under any of the terms, conditions or provisions of any note, bond, mortgage, indenture, license, agreement or other instrument or obligation to which it or any of its subsidiaries is a party or by which it or any of its subsidiaries is bound, except for such defaults (or rights of termination, cancellation or acceleration) as to which requisite waivers or consents have been obtained or which, in the aggregate, would not have a Material Adverse Effect; or (iii) violate any order, writ, injunction, decree, statute, rule or regulation applicable to it, which violation would have a Material Adverse Effect.
- (f) There are no claims, actions, proceedings or investigations pending or, to its knowledge, threatened against or relating to it before any governmental authority acting in an adjudicative capacity relating to the transactions contemplated hereby that could have a Material Adverse Effect. It is not subject to any outstanding judgment, rule, order, writ, injunction or decree of any court or governmental authority which, individually or in the aggregate, would create a Material Adverse Effect.
- (g) There are no bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, receivership or other similar proceedings pending or being contemplated by it, or of its knowledge threatened against it.
- (h) It is acting for its own account, has made its own independent decision to enter into this Agreement and as to whether this Agreement is appropriate or proper for it based upon its own judgment, is not relying upon the advice or recommendations of the other Party hereto, and is capable of assessing the merits of and understanding, and understands and accepts, the terms, conditions and risks of this Agreement.

ARTICLE 20. CONSENTS AND APPROVALS

The Parties shall cooperate in a reasonable manner so that each Party may take such actions as necessary and required for the other Party to effectuate and comply with this Agreement including to (i) promptly prepare and file all necessary documentation, (ii) effect all necessary applications, notices, petitions and filings and execute all agreements and documents, and (iii) use all commercially reasonable efforts to obtain all necessary consents, approvals and authorizations of all other entities, in the case of each of the foregoing clauses (i), (ii) and (iii), necessary or advisable to consummate the transactions contemplated by this Agreement. The Buyer shall have the right to review and approve in advance all characterizations of the information relating to the transactions contemplated by this Agreement which appear in any filing, press release or public announcement made in connection with the transactions contemplated hereby.

ARTICLE 21. SURVIVAL

Subject to Section 3(b), as of the expiration of this Agreement in accordance with Article 3 or, if earlier, its termination, the Parties shall no longer be bound by the terms and provisions hereof, except (a) to the extent necessary to enforce the rights and obligations of the Parties arising under this Agreement before such expiration or termination and (b) the obligations of the Parties hereunder with respect to indemnification and defense of claims.

ARTICLE 22. CONFIDENTIALITY

Neither Seller nor the Buyer shall provide copies of Committed Generation, Generating Units, Article 5, Article 6 or Attachment A or disclose the contents or terms thereof, (the "Confidential Terms") to any third party without the prior written consent of the other Party; provided, however, that either Party may provide a copy of the Confidential Terms, in whole or in part to (1) any regulatory agency requesting and/or requiring such Confidential Terms, provided that any such disclosure must include a request for confidential treatment of the Confidential Terms, and (2) an Affiliate if related to the Party's performance of its obligations hereunder, provided that such Affiliate agrees to treat the Confidential Terms as confidential in accordance with this clause.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have caused their duly authorized representatives to execute this Agreement on their behalf as of the date first above written.

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THE NARRAGANSETT ELECTRIC COMPANY

ATTACHMENT A

NEPOOL-GIS CERTIFICATE QUANTITIES AND PURCHASE PRICE

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RHODE ISLAND CERTIFICATE PURCHASE AGREEMENT

This **CERTIFICATE PURCHASE AGREEMENT** ("Agreement") is dated as of **November 26, 2007** and is by and between **THE NARRAGANSETT ELECTRIC COMPANY d/b/a "National Grid"**, a Rhode Island corporation ("Buyer") and **PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**, a New Hampshire Corporation ("Seller"). This Agreement provides for the sale by Seller of NEPOOL-GIS Certificates, as defined herein, to Buyer. The Buyer and Seller are referred to herein individually as a "Party" and collectively as the "Parties".

ARTICLE 1. BASIC UNDERSTANDINGS

Seller, in response to a Request for Proposal dated October 15, 2007 issued by the Buyer, has been selected to supply a quantity of NEPOOL-GIS Certificates to meet a portion of the Buyer's requirements to comply with the RES Regulations, as defined herein. This Agreement sets forth the terms under which Seller will supply a quantity of NEPOOL-GIS Certificates to the Buyer.

ARTICLE 2. DEFINITIONS

As used in this Agreement, the following terms shall have the meanings specified in this Article. In addition, except as otherwise expressly provided, terms with initial capitalization used in this Agreement and not defined herein shall have the meaning as defined in the NEPOOL Rules.

<u>Affiliate</u> means, with respect to any Party, any entity (other than a person) that, directly or indirectly, controls, or is controlled by or is under common control with such Party. For this purpose, "control" means the direct or indirect ownership of fifty percent (50%) or more of the outstanding capital stock or other equity interests having ordinary voting power.

<u>Alternative Compliance Payment Rate means</u> the value as published by the Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission in accordance with Section 3.1 of the RES Regulations.

<u>Business Day</u> means a 24-hour period ending at 5:00 p.m. EPT, other than Saturday, Sunday and any day which is a legal holiday or a day on which banking institutions in Providence, Rhode Island are authorized by law or other governmental action to close.

<u>Buyer</u> means The Narragansett Electric Company, its successors, assigns, employees, agents and authorized representatives.

<u>Commission</u> means the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, or its successor.

<u>Credit Rating</u> means (i) the lower of the ratings assigned to an entity's unsecured, senior long-term debt obligations (not supported by third party credit enhancements) by S&P and Moody's, (ii) in the event the entity does not have a rating for its senior unsecured long-term debt, the lower of the rating assigned to the entity as an issuer rating by S&P and Moody's, or the rating

assigned to the entity as an issuer rating by any other rating agency agreed to by both Parties in each Party's sole and exclusive judgment.

EPT means Eastern Prevailing Time.



Good Utility Practice means any of the practices, methods, and acts engaged in or approved by a significant portion of the electric utility industry during the relevant time period, or any of the practices, methods, and acts, which, in the exercise of reasonable judgment in light of the facts known at the time the decision was made, could have been expected to accomplish the desired result at a reasonable cost consistent with good business practices, reliability, safety and expedition. Good Utility Practice is not limited to a single, optimum practice, method or act to the exclusion of others, but rather is intended to include acceptable practices, methods, or acts generally accepted in the region.

Governing Documents means, with respect to any particular entity, (a) if a corporation, the (i) articles of organization, articles of incorporation or certificate of incorporation and (ii) the bylaws; (b) if a general partnership, the partnership agreement and any statement of partnership; (c) if a limited partnership, the limited partnership agreement and the certificate of limited partnership; (d) if a limited liability company, the articles or certificate of organization or formation and operating agreement; (e) if another type of entity, any other charter or similar document adopted or filed in connection with the creation, formation or organization of such entity; (f) all equity holders' agreements, voting agreements, voting trust agreements, joint venture agreements, registration rights agreements or other agreements or documents relating to the organization, management or operation of any entity or relating to the rights, duties and obligations of the equity holders of any entity; and (g) any amendment or supplement to any of the foregoing.

<u>Interest Rate</u> means, for any date, the lesser of (a) the per annum rate of interest equal to the prime lending rate as may from time to time be published in *The Wall Street Journal* under "Money Rates" on such day (or if not published on such day, on the most recent preceding day on which published), plus two percent (2%) and (b) the maximum rate permitted by applicable law.

<u>Investment Grade</u> means (i) if any entity has a Credit Rating from both S&P and Moody's then, a Credit Rating from S&P equal to "BBB-" and a Credit Rating from Moody's equal to "Baa3"; or (ii) if an entity has a Credit Rating from only one of S&P and Moody's, then a Credit Rating from S&P equal to "BBB-" or a Credit Rating from Moody's equal to "Baa3 or (iii) if the Parties have mutually agreed in writing on an additional or alternative rating agency, then a credit rating equal to that mutually agreed to by the Parties in each Party's sole and exclusive judgment.

<u>ISO</u> means ISO New England Inc., authorized by the Commission to exercise for New England the functions required pursuant to the Commission's Order No. 2000 (and its progeny) and the Commission's regulations, and any successor organization (including, but not limited to, a Regional Transmission Organization.).

<u>ISO Tariff</u> means the ISO New England Inc. Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff, FERC Electric Tariff No. 3, as amended, modified, superseded and supplemented from time to time, and including the Market Rules and Procedures.

<u>ISO New England Operating Documents</u> means the ISO Tariff and the ISO New England Operating Procedures, as amended, modified, superseded and supplemented from time to time.

<u>Market Rules and Procedures</u> means the Market Rules, Manuals and Procedures adopted by the ISO and/or NEPOOL, as may be amended from time to time, and as administered by the ISO to govern the operation of the NEPOOL markets.

Material Adverse Effect means, with respect to a Party, any change in or effect on such Party after the date of this Agreement that is materially adverse to the transactions contemplated hereby, excluding any change or effect resulting from (a) changes in the international, national, regional or local wholesale or retail markets for electric power; (b) changes in the international, national, regional or local markets for any fuel; (c) changes in the North American, national, regional or local electric transmission or distribution systems; and (d) any action or inaction by a governmental authority, but in any such case not affecting the Parties or the transactions contemplated hereby in any manner or degree significantly different from others in the industry as a whole.

<u>Moody's</u> means Moody's Investors Service, its successors and assigns.

MWh means Megawatt-hour.

NEPOOL-GIS means the NEPOOL Generation Information System, which includes a generation information database and certificate system, operated by NEPOOL, its designee or successor entity, that accounts for generation attributes of electricity consumed within New England.

NEPOOL-GIS Certificates means an electronic record produced by the NEPOOL-GIS that identifies the relevant generation attributes of each MWh accounted for in the NEPOOL-GIS that complies with the RES Regulations. NEPOOL-GIS Certificates shall represent the Generation Attributes (as such term is defined in the RES Regulations) of New Renewable Energy Resources and conform to the eligibility criteria set forth in the RES Regulations, and shall represent title to and claim over all environmental attributes associated with the specified MWh of generation from a New Renewable Energy Resource.

NEPOOL-GIS Certificate Purchase Price means NEPOOL-GIS Certificate Quantity means

NEPOOL Agreement means the Second Restated New England Power Pool Agreement dated as of February 1, 2005, as amended or accepted by the Commission and as may be amended, modified, superseded, supplemented and/or restated from time to time.

<u>NEPOOL GIS Operating Rules</u> means the New England Power Pool Generation Information System Operating Rules as may be amended from time to time pursuant to the NEPOOL Agreement.

<u>NEPOOL Rules</u> means all rules adopted by NEPOOL or the ISO, as such rules may be amended, modified, supplemented or superseded and restated from time to time, including but not limited to, the NEPOOL Agreement, the ISO Tariff, the ISO New England Operating Documents, the Transmission Operating Agreement, the Participants Agreement, the NEPOOL Manuals, and the NEPOOL Operating Procedures, as amended, superseded or restated from time to time.

<u>Net Worth</u> means total assets, exclusive of intangible assets, less total liabilities, as reflected on the most recent balance sheet prepared by a certified public accountant as part of a certified financial statement in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles consistently applied in the business sector of the Seller.

New Renewable Energy Resource means as defined in Section 3.22 of the RES Regulations.

RES means Renewable Energy Standard.

RES Regulations means the Rules and Regulations Governing The Implementation Of A Renewable Energy Standard promulgated pursuant to the Renewable Energy Standard Law Section 39-26-1 et seq. of the General Laws of Rhode Island that implement a Renewable Energy Standard to facilitate the development of renewable energy resources for the benefit of customers in Rhode Island.

RIPUC means the Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission, or its successor.

<u>Security</u> means the product of (i) the NEPOOL-GIS Certificate Quantity in a year and (ii) the positive difference between the Alternative Compliance Rate and the NEPOOL-GIS Certificate Purchase Price.

S&P means Standard & Poor's Rating Group, its successors and assigns.

Trading Period means the term as defined in the NEPOOL GIS Operating Rules.

Unit Contingency means the term as defined in Section 4.1(b).

<u>Vintage</u> means the calendar year that a NEPOOL-GIS Certificate represents as the relevant generation attributes for an energy resource.

ARTICLE 3. Effective Date; Condition Precedent; Filing Obligation; Term

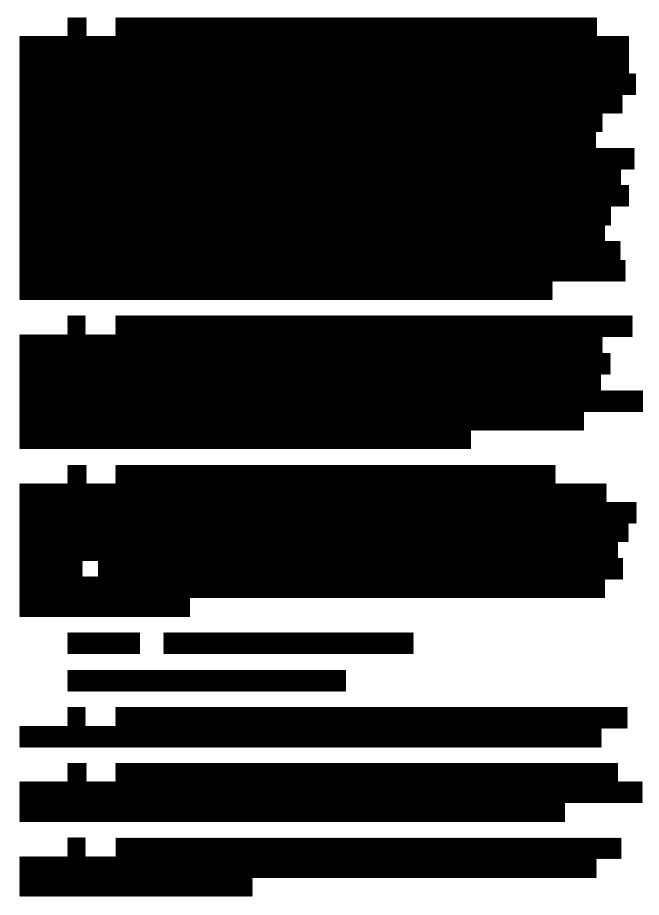
(a) No later than two Business Days from the date on which the Party signing last in time executes the Agreement ("Execution Date"), Buyer will file the results of the RES solicitation with the RIPUC. This Agreement shall take effect ("Effective Date") upon the close of business on the fifth Business Day following such filing (not including the date of filing) ("Five Day Waiting Period") unless the RIPUC communicates to the Buyer that it has concerns about the bid awards, requires further time for review for any reason, or otherwise does not desire the Buyer to go forward with the Agreement ("RIPUC Notice"). If the Buyer receives such RIPUC Notice, it will immediately notify Seller.

If Buyer receives a RIPUC Notice, as provided above, either Buyer or Seller may unilaterally terminate this Agreement upon written notice to the other at any time prior to RIPUC Approval (as defined below). If, however, neither party opts to terminate the Agreement, there shall be an additional thirty calendar day waiting period ("Extended Waiting Period") following the Five Day Waiting Period. In such case, this Agreement shall not take effect unless and until the RIPUC affirmatively approves this Agreement without conditions ("RIPUC Approval") before the end of this Extended Waiting Period. If a RIPUC Approval is obtained on or before the end of the Extended Waiting Period, the Effective Date shall be the date on which the RIPUC Approval is issued. If RIPUC Approval is not obtained by the end of the Extended Waiting Period, this Agreement shall terminate and have no legal force and effect.

(b) The term of this Agreement ("Term") shall commence on the Effective Date and expire effective on the later of (i) the date on which all performances of the Parties under this Agreement have been completed, including, but not limited to, the delivery of all NEPOOL GIS-Certificates and the payment of all amounts due as required by this Agreement, and (ii) the date that all disputes, if any, arising under this Agreement are resolved in a final manner. As of the expiration of this Agreement or, if earlier, its termination, the Parties shall no longer be bound by the terms and provisions hereof, except (a) to the extent necessary to enforce the rights and obligations of the Parties arising under this Agreement before such expiration or termination and (b) the obligations of the Parties hereunder with respect to audit rights, remedies for default, damages claims, indemnification and defense of claims shall survive the termination or expiration of this Agreement to the full extent necessary for their enforcement and the protection of the Party in whose favor they run, subject to any time limits specifically set forth in this Agreement with respect thereto.

ARTICLE 4. SALE AND PURCHASE







ARTICLE 5. AMOUNT, BILLING and PAYMENT

Section 5.1 Amount

The amount payable by Buyer to Seller for NEPOOL-GIS Certificates shall be the product of (a) the number of NEPOOL-GIS Certificates transferred and confirmed during a Trading Period and (b) NEPOOL-GIS Certificate Purchase Price for the applicable Vintage in that Trading Period. The total quantity of NEPOOL-GIS Certificates transferred and confirmed in a Trading Period shall not exceed the NEPOOL-GIS Certificates Quantity for the applicable Vintage.

Section 5.2 <u>Billing and Payment</u>

- (a) After each NEPOOL-GIS Certificate transfer has been confirmed, the Seller shall calculate the amount due and payable to Seller pursuant to this Article and provide an invoice ("Invoice") for such amount. The Invoice shall be provided to the Buyer and shall include sufficient detail for the Buyer to verify its formulation and computation.
- (b) The Buyer shall pay Seller the amount due and owing in accordance with Section 5.1 on the fifteenth (15th) Business Day after receiving the Invoice (the "Due Date"). If all or any part of such amount remains unpaid after the Due Date, interest shall accrue after but not including the Due Date and be payable to Seller on such unpaid amount at a rate per annum equal to the Interest Rate in effect on the Due Date.
- (c) Each Party shall notify the other Party upon becoming aware of an error in an Invoice (whether the amount is paid or not) and Seller shall promptly issue a corrected Invoice. Overpayments shall be returned by the receiving Party upon request or deducted by the receiving Party from subsequent invoices, with interest accrued at a rate per annum equal to the Interest Rate in effect on the Due Date from the date of the receipt of the overpayment until the date paid or deducted.

Section 5.3 Challenge to Invoices

Unless otherwise agreed: (i) either Party may challenge, in writing, the accuracy of Invoices (or the data utilized in the forgoing) and payments no later than twenty-four (24) months after the Due Date of the Invoice in which the disputed information is contained; (ii) if a

Party does not challenge the accuracy within such twenty-four (24) month period, such Invoice shall be binding upon that Party and shall not be subject to challenge. If an Invoice is paid and thereafter the payment or the Invoice on which the payment was based is disputed, upon notice of dispute, the Party receiving payment shall hold the amount in dispute in escrow for the benefit of the prevailing Party until the resolution of such dispute. If any amount in dispute is ultimately determined (under the terms herein) to be due to the other Party, it shall be paid or returned (as the case may be) to the other Party within three (3) Business Days of such determination along with interest accrued at the Interest Rate from the (i) date due and owing in accordance with the Invoice until the date paid or (ii) if the amount was paid and is to be returned, from the date paid, until the date returned.

Section 5.4 Taxes, Fees and Levies

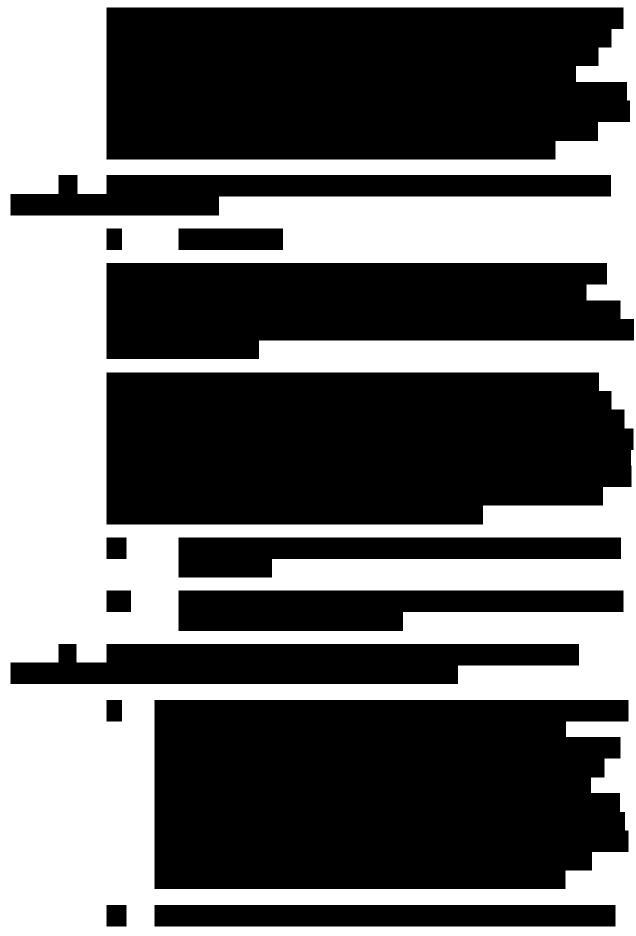
Seller shall be obligated to pay all present and future taxes, fees and levies ("Taxes") which may be assessed by any entity upon the Seller's provision of NEPOOL-GIS Certificates to the Buyer.

Section 5.5 <u>Netting and Setoff</u>

Except for security provided pursuant to Section 6.3 (which shall not be considered for purposes of this Section 5.5) and unless otherwise specified in another written agreement between the Parties, if the Parties are required to pay an amount on the same date each to the other under this Agreement or any other agreement between the Parties, such amounts shall be netted, and the Party owing the greater aggregate amount shall pay to the other Party any difference between the amounts owed. Each Party reserves all rights, setoffs, counterclaims and other remedies and defenses (to the extent not expressly herein or therein waived or denied) that such Party has or to which such Party may be entitled arising from or out of this Agreement or such other written agreement. Further, if the Buyer incurs any costs or charges that are the responsibility of Seller under this Agreement, such costs or charges may, at the Buyer's election, be netted against any amount due to Seller under this Agreement. All outstanding obligations to make payment under this Agreement or any other written agreement between the Parties may be netted against each other, set off or recouped there from.















ARTICLE 7. NOTICES, REPRESENTATIVES OF THE PARTIES

Section 7.1 Notices

Any notice, demand, or request required or authorized by this Agreement to be given by one Party to another Party shall be in writing. It shall either be sent by facsimile (with receipt confirmed by telephone and electronic transmittal receipt), courier, personally delivered (including overnight delivery service) or mailed, postage prepaid, to the representative of the other Party designated in accordance with this Article. Any such notice, demand, or request

shall be deemed to be given (i) when sent by facsimile confirmed by telephone and electronic transmittal receipt, (ii) when actually received if delivered by courier or personal delivery (including overnight delivery service) or (iii) seven (7) days after deposit in the United States mail, if sent by first class mail return receipt requested.

Notices and other communications by Seller to the Buyer shall be addressed to:

Mr. Michael J. Hager
Director, Regulated Electric Load & Distributed Generation
National Grid
55 Bearfoot Road
Northborough, MA 01532
(508) 421-7350 (phone)
(508) 421-7335 (fax)

and

Notices concerning Article 6 shall also be sent to:

General Counsel National Grid 25 Research Drive Westborough, MA 01582 (508) 389-9000 (phone) (508) 389-2605 (fax)

Notices and other communications by the Buyer to Seller shall be addressed to:

Patrick Smith Manager – Wholesale Power Northeast Utilities Services Company 107 Selden Street, Berlin, CT 06037 860-665-4573 (W), 860-665-4588 (F) smithpp@nu.com

Any Party may change its representative or address for notices by written notice to the other Party; however such notice shall not be effective until it is received by the other Party.

Section 7.2 <u>Authority of Representative</u>

The Parties' representatives shall have full authority to act for their respective Party in all matters relating to the performance of this Agreement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a Party's representative shall not have the authority to amend, modify, or waive any provision of this Agreement unless they are duly authorized officers of their respective entities and such amendment, modification or waiver is made in accordance with Article 15.

ARTICLE 8. LIABILITY; INDEMNIFICATION; RELATIONSHIP OF PARTIES

Section 8.1 Limitation on Consequential, Incidental and Indirect Damages

EXCEPT AS EXPRESSLY PROVIDED IN SECTION 8.2, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMISSIBLE BY LAW, NEITHER THE BUYER NOR SELLER, NOR THEIR RESPECTIVE OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, AGENTS, EMPLOYEES, PARENT OR AFFILIATES, SUCCESSOR OR ASSIGNS, OR THEIR RESPECTIVE OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, AGENTS, OR EMPLOYEES, SUCCESSORS, OR ASSIGNS, SHALL BE LIABLE TO THE OTHER PARTY OR ITS PARENT, SUBSIDIARIES, AFFILIATES, OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, AGENTS, EMPLOYEES, SUCCESSORS OR ASSIGNS, FOR CLAIMS, SUITS, ACTIONS OR CAUSES OF ACTION FOR INCIDENTAL, INDIRECT, SPECIAL, PUNITIVE, MULTIPLE OR CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES (INCLUDING ATTORNEY'S FEES OR LITIGATION COSTS EXCEPT AS EXPRESSLY PROVIDED IN 13.2 AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LIMITATION THEREUNDER) CONNECTED WITH OR RESULTING FROM PERFORMANCE OR NON-PERFORMANCE OF THIS AGREEMENT, OR ANY ACTIONS UNDERTAKEN IN CONNECTION WITH OR RELATED TO THIS AGREEMENT, INCLUDING WITHOUT LIMITATION ANY SUCH DAMAGES WHICH ARE BASED UPON CAUSES OF ACTION FOR BREACH OF CONTRACT, TORT (INCLUDING NEGLIGENCE AND MISREPRESENTATION), BREACH OF WARRANTY, STRICT LIABILITY, STATUTE, OPERATION OF LAW, OR ANY OTHER THEORY OF RECOVERY. THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION SHALL APPLY REGARDLESS OF FAULT AND SHALL SURVIVE TERMINATION, CANCELLATION, SUSPENSION, COMPLETION OR EXPIRATION OF THIS AGREEMENT.

Section 8.2 Indemnification

- (a) Seller agrees to defend, indemnify and save the Buyer, its officers, directors, employees, agents, successors, assigns, and Affiliates and their officers, directors, employees and agents harmless from and against any and all third-party claims, suits, actions or causes of action and any resulting losses, damages, charges, costs or expenses, (including reasonable attorneys' fees and court costs), arising from or in connection with any (a) breach of a representation or warranty or failure to perform any covenant or agreement in this Agreement by Seller, (b) any violation of applicable law, regulation or order by Seller, (c) any act or omission by Seller with respect to this Agreement, first arising, occurring or existing during the term of this Agreement, whether incurred by settlement or otherwise, and whether such claims or actions are threatened or filed prior to or after the termination of this Agreement, except to the extent caused by an act of gross negligence or willful misconduct by an officer, director, agent, employee, or Affiliate of the Buyer or its respective successors or assigns.
- (b) The Buyer agrees to defend, indemnify and save Seller, its officers, directors, employees, agents, successors, assigns, and Affiliates and their officers, directors, employees and agents harmless from and against any and all third-party claims, suits, actions or causes of action and any resulting losses, damages, charges, costs or expenses, (including reasonable attorneys' fees and court costs), arising from or in connection with any (a) breach of representation or warranty or failure to perform any covenant or agreement in this Agreement by said Buyer, (b) any violation of applicable law, regulation or order by Buyer, (c) any act or omission by the Buyer, with respect to this Agreement first arising, occurring or existing during

the term of this Agreement, whether incurred by settlement or otherwise, and whether such claims or actions are threatened or filed prior to or after the termination of this Agreement, except to the extent caused by an act of gross negligence or willful misconduct by an officer, director, agent, employee or Affiliate of Seller or its respective successors or assigns.

(c) If any Party intends to seek indemnification under this Section from the other Party with respect to any action or claim, the Party seeking indemnification shall give the other Party notice of such claim or action within thirty (30) days of the later of the commencement of, or actual knowledge of, such claim or action; provided, however, that in the event such notice is delivered more than thirty (30) days after the Party seeking indemnification knows of such claim or action, the indemnifying Party shall be relieved of its indemnity hereunder only if and to the extent such indemnifying Party was actually prejudiced by such delay. The Party seeking indemnification shall have the right, at its sole cost and expense, to participate in the defense of any such claim or action. The Party seeking indemnification shall not compromise or settle any such claim or action without the prior consent of the other Party, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld.

Section 8.3 <u>Independent Contractor Status</u>

Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed as creating any relationship between the Buyer and Seller other than that of independent contractors for the sale and delivery of NEPOOL-GIS Certificates.

ARTICLE 9. ASSIGNMENT

Section 9.1 General Prohibition Against Assignments

Except as provided in Section 9.2, neither Party shall assign, pledge or otherwise transfer this Agreement or any right or obligation under this Agreement without first obtaining the other Party's written consent, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld.

Section 9.2 Exceptions to Prohibition Against Assignments

- (a) Seller may, without the Buyer's prior written consent, collaterally assign this Agreement in connection with financing arrangements provided that any such collateral assignment that provides for the Buyer to direct payments to the collateral agent (i) shall be in writing, (ii) shall not be altered or amended without prior written notice to the Buyer from both Seller and the collateral agent, and (iii) provided that any payment made by the Buyer to the collateral agent shall discharge the Buyer's obligation as fully and to the same extent as if it had been made to the Seller. Seller must provide the Buyer at least ten (10) days advance written notice of collateral assignment and provide copies of any such assignment and relevant agreements or writings.
- (b) The Buyer may assign all or a portion of its rights and obligations under this Agreement to any Affiliate of the Buyer without consent of Seller. Either Party may, upon written notice, assign its rights and obligations hereunder, or transfer such rights and obligations by operation of law, to any entity with which or into which such Party shall merge or consolidate or to which such Party shall transfer all or substantially all of its assets, provided that such other

entity agrees to be bound by the terms hereof and provided further, that such other entity's creditworthiness is comparable to or higher than that of such Party at the time this Agreement was executed and such Party is not relieved of any obligation or liability hereunder as a result of such assignment

ARTICLE 10. SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS

This Agreement shall inure to the benefit of, and shall be binding upon the Parties hereto and their respective successors and permitted assigns.

ARTICLE 11. WAIVERS

No delay or omission in the exercise of any right under this Agreement shall impair any such right or shall be taken, construed or considered as a waiver or relinquishment thereof, but any such right may be exercised from time to time and as often as may be deemed expedient. The waiver of any single breach or default of any term or condition of this Agreement shall not be deemed to constitute the waiver of any other prior or subsequent breach or default of the Agreement or any other term or condition.

ARTICLE 12. LAWS AND REGULATIONS

- (a) This Agreement and all rights, obligations, and performances of the Parties hereunder, are subject to all applicable federal and state laws, and to all duly promulgated orders and other duly authorized action of governmental authorities having jurisdiction hereof.
- (b) The rates, terms and conditions contained in this Agreement are not subject to change under Section 205 of the Federal Power Act as that section may be amended or superseded, absent the mutual written agreement of the Parties. Each Party irrevocably waives its rights, including its rights under §§ 205-206 of the Federal Power Act, unilaterally to seek or support a change in the rate(s), charges, classifications, terms or conditions of this Agreement or any other agreements entered into in connection with this Agreement. By this provision, each Party expressly waives its right to seek or support: (i) an order from the Commission finding that the market-based rate(s), charges, classifications, terms or conditions agreed to by the Parties in the Agreement are unjust and unreasonable; or (ii) any refund with respect thereto. Each Party agrees (x) not to make or support such a filing or request, (y) that these covenants and waivers shall be binding notwithstanding any regulatory or market changes that may occur hereafter and (z) that it shall not challenge or support a challenge to the enforceability of the waiver in this Section (b).
- (c) Absent the agreement of all Parties to a proposed change, the standard of review for changes to this Agreement proposed by a non-party or the Commission acting sua sponte shall be the "public interest" standard of review set forth in <u>United Gas Pipe Line Co. v. Mobile Gas Service Corp.</u>, 350 U.S. 332 (1956) and <u>Federal Power Commission v. Sierra Pacific Power Co.</u>, 350 U.S. 348 (1956) (the "<u>Mobile-Sierra</u>" doctrine).

- (d) The Parties agree that, if and to the extent that the Commission adopts a final rule or order which requires that, in order to exclude application of the just and reasonable standard of review and to mandate application of the public interest standard of review under the Mobile-Sierra doctrine for a proposed change to this Agreement which is not agreed to by all Parties, the Parties must agree to language which varies from that set forth in Article 12(c) then, without further action of either Party, Article 12(c) will be deemed amended to incorporate the specific language required by such final rule or order as is necessary to have the public interest standard of review under the Mobile-Sierra doctrine apply to any proposed change to this Agreement to which all Parties do not agree.
- (e) Nothing in this Article 12 is intended to modify any Party's right to enforce the terms of this Agreement as written.

ARTICLE 13. INTERPRETATION, DISPUTE RESOLUTION

Section 13.1 Governing Law

The Agreement shall be governed by and construed and performed in accordance with the laws of the State of Rhode Island, without giving effect to its conflict of laws principles.

Section 13.2 Dispute Resolution

All disputes between the Buyer and Seller under this Agreement shall be referred, upon notice by one Party to the other Party, to a senior manager of Seller designated by Seller, and a senior manager of the Buyer designated by the Buyer, for resolution on an informal basis as promptly as practicable. In the event the designated senior managers are unable to resolve the dispute within ten (10) days of receipt of the notice, or such other period to which the Parties may jointly agree, such dispute shall be submitted to arbitration and resolved in accordance with the arbitration procedure set forth in this Section. The arbitration shall be conducted in Boston, Massachusetts before a single neutral arbitrator mutually agreed to and appointed by the Parties. If the Parties fail to agree upon a single arbitrator within ten (10) days of the referral of the dispute to arbitration, Seller and the Buyer shall each choose one arbitrator, who shall sit on a three-member arbitration panel. The two arbitrators so chosen shall within ten (10) days select a third arbitrator to act as chairman of the arbitration panel. In either case, the arbitrator(s) shall be knowledgeable in electric utility matters, including wholesale power transactions and power market issues, and shall not have any current or past material business or financial relationships with either Party or a witness for either Party and shall not have a direct or indirect interest in any Party or the subject matter of the arbitration. The arbitrator(s) shall afford each of the Parties an opportunity to be heard and, except as otherwise provided herein, shall generally conduct the arbitration in accordance with the then-current arbitration rules of the CPR Institute for Dispute Resolution (formerly known as the Center for Public Resources), unless otherwise mutually agreed by the Parties. There shall be no formal discovery conducted in connection with the arbitration unless otherwise mutually agreed by the Parties; provided, however, that the Parties shall exchange witness lists and copies of any exhibits that they intend to utilize in their direct presentations at any hearing before the arbitrator(s) at least ten (10) days prior to such hearing, along with any other information or documents specifically requested by the arbitrator(s) prior to the hearing. Any offer made and the details of any negotiations to resolve the dispute shall not be admissible in the arbitration or otherwise. Unless otherwise agreed, the

arbitrator(s) shall render a decision within ninety (90) days of his, her or their appointment and shall notify the Parties in writing of such decision and the reasons therefore, and shall make an award apportioning the payment of the costs and expenses of arbitration among the Parties; provided, however, that each Party shall bear the costs and expenses of its own attorneys, expert witnesses and consultants unless the arbitrator(s), based upon a determination of good cause, awards attorneys fees and legal and other costs to the prevailing Party. The arbitrator(s) shall be authorized only to interpret and apply the provisions of this Agreement and shall have no power to modify or change the Agreement in any manner. The decision of the arbitrator(s) shall be final and binding upon the Parties, and judgment on the award may be entered in any court having jurisdiction, subject expressly to Section 13.3. The decision of the arbitrator(s) may be appealed solely on the grounds that the conduct of the arbitrator(s), or the decision itself, violated the standards set forth in the Federal Arbitration Act and/or the Administrative Dispute Resolution Act. Nothing in this paragraph shall impair the ability of a Party to exercise any rights or remedy it has under this Agreement, including those in Article 6. To the fullest extent permitted by law, any arbitration proceeding and the arbitrator's award shall be maintained in confidence by the Parties; provided, however, that either Party, or any of its Affiliates, may provide information regarding the arbitration without limitation to any regulatory agency requesting or requiring such information or to a court in a proceeding to confirm, appeal (as such appeal is limited hereby) or enforce the award; provided, further, that any such provision of information must include a request for confidential treatment

Section 13.3 Venue; Waiver of Jury Trial

Each Party hereto irrevocably (i) submits to the exclusive jurisdiction of the federal and state courts located in the State of Rhode Island; (ii) waives any objection which it may have to the laying of venue of any proceedings brought in any such court; and (iii) waives any claim that such proceedings have been brought in an inconvenient forum. EACH PARTY WAIVES, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, ANY RIGHT IT MAY HAVE TO A TRIAL BY JURY IN RESPECT OF ANY SUIT, ACTION OR PROCEEDING RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT.

ARTICLE 14. SEVERABILITY

Any provision declared or rendered unlawful by any applicable court of law or regulatory agency or deemed unlawful because of a statutory change will not otherwise affect the remaining provisions and lawful obligations that arise under this Agreement. If any provision of this Agreement, or the application thereof to any Party or any circumstance, is invalid or unenforceable, (a) a suitable and equitable provision shall be substituted therefor in order to carry out, so far as may be valid and enforceable, the intent and purpose of such invalid or unenforceable provision, and (b) the remainder of this Agreement and the application of such provision or circumstances shall not be affected by such invalidity or unenforceability.

ARTICLE 15. MODIFICATIONS

No modification or amendment of this Agreement will be binding on any Party unless it is in writing and signed by both Parties.

ARTICLE 16. ENTIRE AGREEMENT

This Agreement, including the Appendices, the tariffs and agreements referred to herein or therein, embody the entire agreement and understanding of the Parties in respect of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement. There are no restrictions, promises, representations, warranties, covenants or undertakings, other than those expressly set forth or referred to herein or therein. It is expressly acknowledged and agreed that there are no restrictions, promises, representations, warranties, covenants or undertakings contained in any material provided or otherwise made available by the Seller or the Buyer to each other. This Agreement supersedes all prior agreements and understandings between the Parties with respect to the transactions contemplated hereby.

ARTICLE 17. COUNTERPARTS

This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, and each executed counterpart shall have the same force and effect as an original instrument.

ARTICLE 18. INTERPRETATION; CONSTRUCTION

The article and section headings contained in this Agreement are solely for the purpose of reference, are not part of the agreement of the Parties and shall not in any way affect the meaning or interpretation of this Agreement. For purposes of this Agreement, the term "including" shall mean "including, without limitation". The Parties acknowledge that, each Party and its counsel have reviewed and or revised this Agreement and that any rule of construction to the effect that any ambiguities are to be resolved against the drafting Party shall not be employed in the interpretation of this Agreement, and it is the result of joint discussion and negotiation.

ARTICLE 19. REPRESENTATIONS; WARRANTIES AND COVENANTS

Each Party represents to the other Party, upon execution and continuing throughout the term of this Agreement, as follows:

- (a) It is duly organized in the form of business entity set forth in the first paragraph of this Agreement, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of its state of its organization and has all requisite power and authority to carry on its business as is now being conducted, including all regulatory authorizations as necessary for it to legally perform its obligations hereunder.
- (b) It has full power and authority to execute and deliver this Agreement and to consummate and perform the transactions contemplated hereby. This Agreement has been duly and validly executed and delivered by it, and, assuming that this Agreement constitutes a valid and binding agreement of the other Party, constitutes its valid and binding agreement, enforceable against it in accordance with its terms, subject to bankruptcy, insolvency, fraudulent transfer, reorganization, moratorium and similar laws of general applicability relating to or affecting creditors' rights and to general equity principles.

- (c) Such execution, delivery and performance do not violate or conflict with any law applicable to it, any provision of its constitutional documents, or the terms of any note, bond, mortgage, indenture, deed of trust, license, franchise, permit, concession, contract, lease or other instrument to which it is bound, any order or judgment of any court or other agency of government applicable to it or any of its assets or any contractual restriction binding on or affecting it or any of its assets.
- (d) No declaration, filing with, notice to, or authorization, permit, consent or approval of any governmental authority is required for the execution and delivery of this Agreement by it or the performance by it of its obligations hereunder, other than such declarations, filings, registrations, notices, authorizations, permits, consents or approvals which, if not obtained or made, will not, in the aggregate, have a Material Adverse Effect.
- (e) Neither the execution and delivery of this Agreement by it will nor the performance by it of its obligations under this Agreement will or does (i) conflict with or result in any breach of any provision of its Governing Documents, (ii) result in a default (or give rise to any right of termination, cancellation or acceleration) under any of the terms, conditions or provisions of any note, bond, mortgage, indenture, license, agreement or other instrument or obligation to which it or any of its subsidiaries is a party or by which it or any of its subsidiaries is bound, except for such defaults (or rights of termination, cancellation or acceleration) as to which requisite waivers or consents have been obtained or which, in the aggregate, would not have a Material Adverse Effect; or (iii) violate any order, writ, injunction, decree, statute, rule or regulation applicable to it, which violation would have a Material Adverse Effect.
- (f) There are no claims, actions, proceedings or investigations pending or, to its knowledge, threatened against or relating to it before any governmental authority acting in an adjudicative capacity relating to the transactions contemplated hereby that could have a Material Adverse Effect. It is not subject to any outstanding judgment, rule, order, writ, injunction or decree of any court or governmental authority which, individually or in the aggregate, would create a Material Adverse Effect.
- (g) There are no bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, receivership or other similar proceedings pending or being contemplated by it, or of its knowledge threatened against it.
- (h) It is acting for its own account, has made its own independent decision to enter into this Agreement and as to whether this Agreement is appropriate or proper for it based upon its own judgment, is not relying upon the advice or recommendations of the other Party hereto, and is capable of assessing the merits of and understanding, and understands and accepts, the terms, conditions and risks of this Agreement.

ARTICLE 20. CONSENTS AND APPROVALS

The Parties shall cooperate so that each Party may take such actions as necessary and required for the other Party to effectuate and comply with this Agreement including to (i) promptly prepare and file all necessary documentation, (ii) effect all necessary applications, notices, petitions and filings and execute all agreements and documents, and (iii) use all commercially reasonable efforts to obtain all necessary consents, approvals and authorizations of all other entities, in the case of each of the foregoing clauses (i), (ii) and (iii), necessary or

advisable to consummate the transactions contemplated by this Agreement. The Buyer shall have the right to review and approve in advance all characterizations of the information relating to the transactions contemplated by this Agreement which appear in any filing, press release or public announcement made in connection with the transactions contemplated hereby.

ARTICLE 21. SURVIVAL

Subject to Section 3(b), as of the expiration of this Agreement in accordance with Article 3.1 or, if earlier, its termination, the Parties shall no longer be bound by the terms and provisions hereof, except (a) to the extent necessary to enforce the rights and obligations of the Parties arising under this Agreement before such expiration or termination and (b) the obligations of the Parties hereunder with respect to indemnification and defense of claims.

ARTICLE 22. CONFIDENTIALITY

Neither Seller nor the Buyer shall provide copies of definitions of NEPOOL-GIS Certificate Purchase Price, NEPOOL-GIS Certificate Quantity, Generating Unit, Article 4, Article 6, Exhibit A or disclose the contents or terms thereof, (the "Confidential Terms") to any third party without the prior written consent of the other Party; provided, however, that either Party may provide a copy of the Confidential Terms, in whole or in part to (1) any regulatory agency requesting and/or requiring such Confidential Terms, provided that any such disclosure must include a request for confidential treatment of the Confidential Terms, and (2) an Affiliate if related to the Party's performance of its obligations hereunder, provided that such Affiliate agrees to treat the Confidential Terms as confidential in accordance with this clause.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have caused their duly authorized representatives to execute this Agreement on their behalf as of the date first above written.

THE NARRAGANSETT ELECTRIC COMPANY

Name: Michael J. Hager Title: Authorized Signatory

PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

Name: Gary A. Long

Title: President and Chief Operating Officer

EXHIBIT A NEPOOL-GIS CERTIFICATE QUANTITIES, VINTAGE AND PURCHASE PRICE

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RHODE ISLAND CERTIFICATE PURCHASE AGREEMENT

This **CERTIFICATE PURCHASE AGREEMENT** ("Agreement") is dated as of **November 28, 2007** and is by and between **THE NARRAGANSETT ELECTRIC COMPANY d/b/a "National Grid"**, a Rhode Island corporation ("Buyer") and **TRANSCANADA POWER MARKETING LTD**. a Delaware Corporation ("Seller"). This Agreement provides for the sale by Seller of NEPOOL-GIS Certificates, as defined herein, to Buyer. The Buyer and Seller are referred to herein individually as a "Party" and collectively as the "Parties".

ARTICLE 1. BASIC UNDERSTANDINGS

Seller, in response to a Request for Proposal dated October 15, 2007 issued by the Buyer, has been selected to supply a quantity of NEPOOL-GIS Certificates to meet a portion of the Buyer's requirements to comply with the RES Regulations, as defined herein. This Agreement sets forth the terms under which Seller will supply a quantity of NEPOOL-GIS Certificates to the Buyer.

ARTICLE 2. <u>DEFINITIONS</u>

As used in this Agreement, the following terms shall have the meanings specified in this Article. In addition, except as otherwise expressly provided, terms with initial capitalization used in this Agreement and not defined herein shall have the meaning as defined in the NEPOOL Rules.

<u>Affiliate</u> means, with respect to any Party, any entity (other than a person) that, directly or indirectly, controls, or is controlled by or is under common control with such Party. For this purpose, "control" means the direct or indirect ownership of fifty percent (50%) or more of the outstanding capital stock or other equity interests having ordinary voting power.

<u>Alternative Compliance Payment Rate</u> means the value as published by the Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission in accordance with Section 3.2 of the RES Regulations.

<u>Applicable Law</u> means all legally binding constitutions, treaties, statutes, laws, ordinances, rules, regulations, orders, interpretations, permits, judgments, decrees, injunctions, writs and orders of any Governmental Authority or arbitrator that apply to the RES or any one or both of the Parties or the terms hereof.

<u>Business Day</u> means a 24-hour period ending at 5:00 p.m. EPT, other than Saturday, Sunday and any day which is a legal holiday or a day on which banking institutions in Providence, Rhode Island are authorized by law or other governmental action to close.

<u>Buyer</u> means The Narragansett Electric Company, its successors, assigns, employees, agents and authorized representatives.

<u>Certification</u> means, if applicable, the certification by the applicable RES Certification Authority of (i) the creation and characteristics of a NEPOOL-GIS Certificate, (ii) the qualification of generating facility under the RES, (iii) delivery of a NEPOOL-GIS Certificate or (iv) other compliance with the requirements of the RES.

<u>Certification Authority</u> means an entity that certifies the generation, characteristics or delivery of a NEPOOL-GIS Certificate, or the qualification of a generating facility under the RES, and includes, as applicable, the NEPOOL-GIS, a Governmental Authority, or such other administrator, person or entity specified by the RES to perform Certification.

Commission means the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, or its successor.

<u>Credit Rating</u> means (i) the lower of the ratings assigned to an entity's unsecured, senior long-term debt obligations (not supported by third party credit enhancements) by S&P and Moody's, (ii) in the event the entity does not have a rating for its senior unsecured long-term debt, the lower of the rating assigned to the entity as an issuer rating by S&P and Moody's, or the rating assigned to the entity as an issuer rating by any other rating agency agreed to by both Parties in each Party's sole and exclusive judgment.

<u>Delivery or Delivered or Deliver</u> means the electronic transfer of NEPOOL-GIS Certificates to an account within the NEPOOL-GIS specified by the Buyer in accordance with, and utilizing, the NEPOOL GIS.

Effective Date means the term as defined in Article 3(a) of this Agreement.

EPT means Eastern Prevailing Time.

Existing Renewable Energy Resource means as defined in Section 3.8 of the RES Regulations.

<u>Governmental Authority</u> means any international, national, federal, provincial, state, municipal, county, regional or local government, administrative, judicial or regulatory entity operating under any Applicable Laws and includes any department, commission, bureau, board, administrative agency or regulatory body of any government.

Governing Documents means, with respect to any particular entity, (a) if a corporation, the (i) articles of organization, articles of incorporation or certificate of incorporation and (ii) the bylaws; (b) if a general partnership, the partnership agreement and any statement of partnership; (c) if a limited partnership, the limited partnership agreement and the certificate of limited partnership; (d) if a limited liability company, the articles or certificate of organization or formation and operating agreement; (e) if another type of entity, any other charter or similar document adopted or filed in connection with the creation, formation or organization of such entity; (f) all equity holders' agreements, voting agreements, voting trust agreements, joint venture agreements, registration rights agreements or other agreements or documents relating to the organization, management or operation of any entity or relating to the rights, duties and

obligations of the equity holders of any entity; and (g) any amendment or supplement to any of the foregoing.

<u>Interest Rate</u> means, for any date, the lesser of (a) the per annum rate of interest equal to the prime lending rate as may from time to time be published in *The Wall Street Journal* under "Money Rates" on such day (or if not published on such day, on the most recent preceding day on which published), plus two percent (2%) and (b) the maximum rate permitted by applicable law.

<u>Investment Grade</u> means (i) if any entity has a Credit Rating from both S&P and Moody's then, a Credit Rating from S&P equal to "BBB-" and a Credit Rating from Moody's equal to "Baa3"; or (ii) if an entity has a Credit Rating from only one of S&P and Moody's, then a Credit Rating from S&P equal to "BBB-" or a Credit Rating from Moody's equal to "Baa3 or (iii) if the Parties have mutually agreed in writing on an additional or alternative rating agency, then a credit rating equal to that mutually agreed to by the Parties in each Party's sole and exclusive judgment.

<u>ISO</u> means ISO New England Inc., authorized by the Commission to exercise for New England the functions required pursuant to the Commission's Order No. 2000 (and its progeny) and the Commission's regulations, and any successor organization (including, but not limited to, a Regional Transmission Organization.).

<u>ISO Tariff</u> means the ISO New England Inc. Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff, FERC Electric Tariff No. 3, as amended, modified, superseded and supplemented from time to time, and including the Market Rules and Procedures.

<u>ISO New England Operating Documents</u> means the ISO Tariff and the ISO New England Operating Procedures, as amended, modified, superseded and supplemented from time to time.

<u>Market Rules and Procedures</u> means the Market Rules, Manuals and Procedures adopted by the ISO and/or NEPOOL, as may be amended from time to time, and as administered by the ISO to govern the operation of the NEPOOL markets.

Material Adverse Effect means, with respect to a Party, any change in or effect on such Party after the date of this Agreement that is materially adverse to the transactions contemplated hereby, excluding any change or effect resulting from (a) changes in the international, national, regional or local wholesale or retail markets for electric power; (b) changes in the international, national, regional or local markets for any fuel; (c) changes in the North American, national, regional or local electric transmission or distribution systems; and (d) any action or inaction by a governmental authority, but in any such case not affecting the Parties or the transactions contemplated hereby in any manner or degree significantly different from others in the industry as a whole.

Moody's means Moody's Investors Service, its successors and assigns.

MWh means Megawatt-hour.

<u>NEPOOL-GIS</u> means the NEPOOL Generation Information System, which includes a generation information database and certificate system, operated by NEPOOL, its designee or successor entity, that accounts for generation attributes of electricity consumed within New

England.

NEPOOL-GIS Certificates means an electronic record produced by the NEPOOL-GIS that identifies the relevant generation attributes of each MWh accounted for in the NEPOOL-GIS that complies with the RES Regulations. NEPOOL-GIS Certificates shall represent the Generation Attributes (as such term is defined in the RES Regulations) of Existing Renewable Energy Resources and conform to the eligibility criteria set forth in the RES Regulations, and shall represent title to and claim over all environmental attributes associated with the specified MWh of generation from Existing Renewable Energy Resource.

NEPOOL-GIS Certificate Purchase Price means the purchase price as set forth on Appendix B, attached hereto and hereby made a part hereof



NEPOOL Agreement means the Second Restated New England Power Pool Agreement dated as of February 1, 2005, as amended or accepted by the Commission and as may be amended, modified, superseded, supplemented and/or restated from time to time.

<u>NEPOOL GIS Operating Rules</u> means the New England Power Pool Generation Information System Operating Rules as may be amended from time to time pursuant to the NEPOOL Agreement.

<u>NEPOOL Rules</u> means all rules adopted by NEPOOL or the ISO, as such rules may be amended, modified, supplemented or superseded and restated from time to time, including but not limited to, the NEPOOL Agreement, the ISO Tariff, the ISO New England Operating Documents, the Transmission Operating Agreement, the Participants Agreement, the NEPOOL Manuals, and the NEPOOL Operating Procedures, as amended, superseded or restated from time to time.

<u>Net Worth</u> means total assets, exclusive of intangible assets, less total liabilities, as reflected on the most recent balance sheet prepared by a certified public accountant as part of a certified financial statement in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles consistently applied in the business sector of the Seller.

<u>RES</u> means the Renewable Energy Standard as enacted under Section 39-26-1 et seq. of the General Laws of Rhode Island.

RES Regulations means the Rules and Regulations Governing The Implementation Of A Renewable Energy Standard promulgated pursuant to the RES that implements a Renewable Energy Standard to facilitate the development of renewable energy resources for the benefit of customers in Rhode Island.

RIPUC means the Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission, or its successor.



S&P means Standard & Poor's Rating Group, its successors and assigns.

Term means the term as defined in Article 3 (b) of this Agreement.

Trading Period means the term as defined in the NEPOOL GIS Operating Rules.

<u>Vintage</u> means the calendar year that a NEPOOL-GIS Certificate represents as the relevant Generation Attributes (as defined in the RES) for the applicable generating facility.

ARTICLE 3. Effective Date; Condition Precedent; Filing Obligation; Term

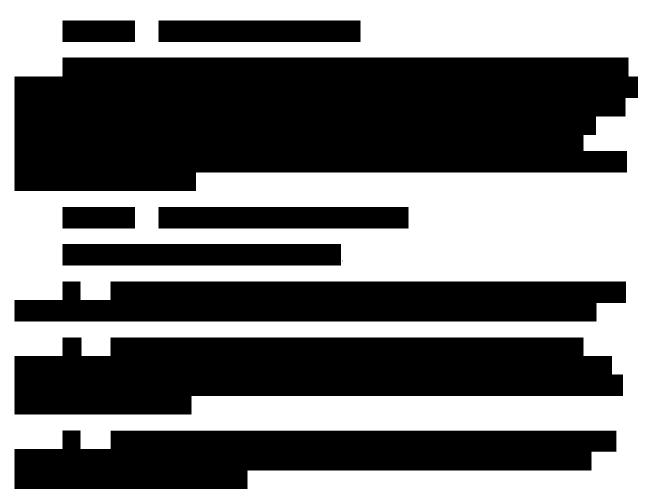
(a) No later than two Business Days from the date on which the Party signing last in time executes this Agreement, Buyer will file the results of the RES solicitation with the RIPUC. This Agreement shall take effect ("Effective Date") upon the close of business on the fifth Business Day following such filing (not including the date of filing) ("Five Day Waiting Period") unless the RIPUC communicates to the Buyer within the Five Day Waiting Period that it has concerns about the bid awards, requires further time for review for any reason, or otherwise does not desire the Buyer to go forward with the Agreement ("RIPUC Notice"). If the Buyer receives such RIPUC Notice, it will immediately notify Seller.

If Buyer receives a RIPUC Notice, as provided above, either Buyer or Seller may unilaterally terminate this Agreement upon written notice to the other at any time prior to RIPUC Approval (as defined below). If, however, neither party opts to terminate the Agreement, there shall be an additional thirty calendar day waiting period ("Extended Waiting Period") following the Five Day Waiting Period. In such case, this Agreement shall not take effect unless and until the RIPUC affirmatively approves this Agreement without conditions ("RIPUC Approval") before the end of this Extended Waiting Period. If a RIPUC Approval is obtained on or before the end of the Extended Waiting Period, the Effective Date shall be the date on which the RIPUC Approval is issued. If RIPUC Approval is not obtained by the end of the Extended Waiting Period, this Agreement shall terminate and have no legal force and effect.

(b) The term of this Agreement ("Term") shall commence on the Effective Date and expire effective on the later of (i) the date on which all obligations of the Parties under this Agreement have been completed, including, but not limited to, the Delivery of all NEPOOL GIS-Certificates and the payment of all amounts due as required by this Agreement, and (ii) the date that all disputes, if any, arising under this Agreement are resolved in a final manner. As of the expiration of this Agreement or, if earlier, its termination, the Parties shall no longer be bound by the terms and provisions hereof, except (a) to the extent necessary to enforce the rights and obligations of the Parties arising under this Agreement before such expiration or termination and (b) the obligations of the Parties hereunder with respect to audit rights, remedies for default, damages claims, indemnification and defense of claims shall survive the termination or

expiration of this Agreement to the full extent necessary for their enforcement and the protection of the Party in whose favor they run, subject to any time limits specifically set forth in this Agreement with respect thereto.





ARTICLE 5. AMOUNT, BILLING and PAYMENT

Section 5.1 <u>Amount</u>

The amount payable by Buyer to Seller for NEPOOL-GIS Certificates shall be the product of (a) the number of NEPOOL-GIS Certificates Delivered during a Trading Period and (b) NEPOOL-GIS Certificate Purchase Price for the applicable Vintage in that Trading Period. The total quantity of NEPOOL-GIS Certificates Delivered for each Vintage shall not exceed the NEPOOL-GIS Certificates Quantity for such Vintage.

Section 5.2 Billing and Payment

- (a) After each NEPOOL-GIS Certificate transfer has been confirmed, the Seller shall calculate the amount due and payable to Seller pursuant to this Article and provide an invoice ("Invoice") for such amount. The Invoice shall be provided to the Buyer and shall include sufficient detail for the Buyer to verify its formulation and computation.
- (b) The Buyer shall pay Seller the amount due and owing in accordance with Section 5.1 on the fifteenth (15th) Business Day after receiving the Invoice (the "Due Date"). If all or any part of such amount remains unpaid after the Due Date, interest shall accrue after but not including the Due Date and be payable to Seller on such unpaid amount at a rate per annum equal to the Interest Rate in effect on the Due Date.
- (c) Each Party shall notify the other Party upon becoming aware of an error in an Invoice (whether the amount is paid or not) and Seller shall promptly issue a corrected Invoice. Overpayments shall be returned by the receiving Party upon request or deducted by the receiving Party from subsequent invoices, with interest accrued at a rate per annum equal to the Interest Rate in effect on the Due Date from the date of the receipt of the overpayment until the date paid or deducted.

Section 5.3 <u>Challenge to Invoices</u>

Unless otherwise agreed: (i) either Party may challenge, in writing, the accuracy of Invoices (or the data utilized in the forgoing) and payments no later than twenty-four (24) months after the Due Date of the Invoice in which the disputed information is contained; (ii) if a Party does not challenge the accuracy within such twenty-four (24) month period, such Invoice shall be binding upon that Party and shall not be subject to challenge. If an Invoice is paid and thereafter the payment or the Invoice on which the payment was based is disputed, upon notice of dispute, the Party receiving payment shall hold the amount in dispute in escrow for the benefit of the prevailing Party until the resolution of such dispute. If any amount in dispute is ultimately determined (under the terms herein) to be due to the other Party, it shall be paid or returned (as the case may be) to the other Party within three (3) Business Days of such determination along with interest accrued at the Interest Rate from the (i) date due and owing in accordance with the Invoice until the date paid or (ii) if the amount was paid and is to be returned, from the date paid, until the date returned.

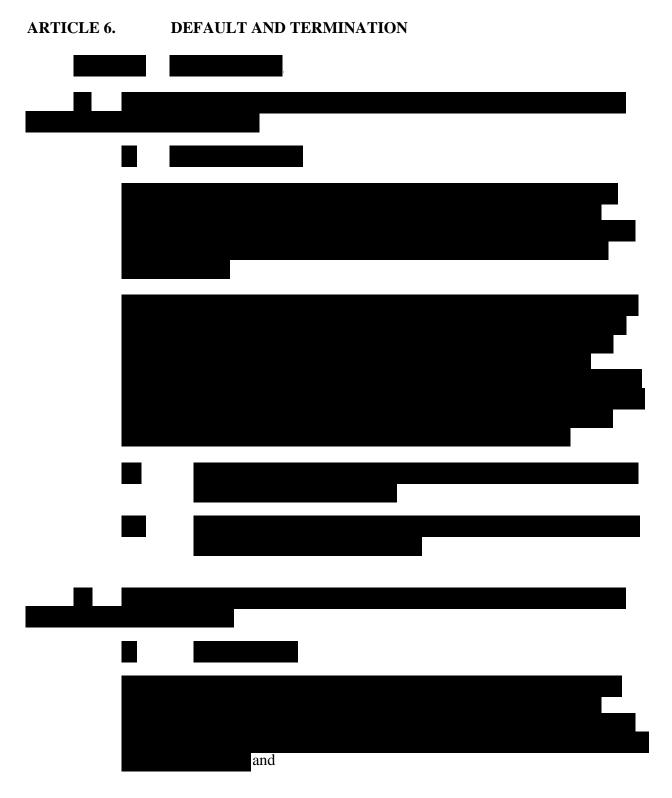
Section 5.4 Taxes, Fees and Levies

Seller shall be obligated to pay all present and future taxes, fees and levies ("Taxes") which may be assessed by any entity upon the Seller's provision of NEPOOL-GIS Certificates to the Buyer.

Section 5.5 Netting and Setoff

Except for security provided pursuant to Section 6.3 (which shall not be considered for purposes of this Section 5.5), if the Parties are required to pay an amount on the same date each to the other under this Agreement, such amounts shall be netted, and the Party owing the greater aggregate amount shall pay to the other Party any difference between the amounts owed. Each Party reserves all rights, setoffs, counterclaims and other remedies and defenses (to the extent

not expressly herein or therein waived or denied) that such Party has or to which such Party may be entitled arising from or out of this Agreement. Further, if the Buyer incurs any costs or charges that are the responsibility of Seller under this Agreement, such costs or charges may, at the Buyer's election, be netted against any amount due to Seller under this Agreement. All outstanding obligations to make payment under this Agreement between the Parties may be netted against each other, set off or recouped there from, or otherwise adjusted.







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ARTICLE 7. NOTICES, REPRESENTATIVES OF THE PARTIES

Section 7.1 Notices

Any notice, demand, or request required or authorized by this Agreement to be given by one Party to another Party shall be in writing. It shall either be sent by facsimile (with receipt confirmed by telephone and electronic transmittal receipt), courier, personally delivered (including overnight delivery service) or mailed, postage prepaid, to the representative of the other Party designated in accordance with this Article. Any such notice, demand, or request shall be deemed to be given (i) when sent by facsimile confirmed by telephone and electronic transmittal receipt, (ii) when actually received if delivered by courier or personal delivery (including overnight delivery service) or (iii) seven (7) days after deposit in the United States mail, if sent by first class mail return receipt requested.

Notices and other communications by Seller to the Buyer shall be addressed to:

Mr. Michael J. Hager Director, Regulated Electric Load & Distributed Generation National Grid 55 Bearfoot Road Northborough, MA 01532 (508) 421-7350 (phone) (508) 421-7335 (fax)

and

Notices concerning Article 6 shall also be sent to:

General Counsel National Grid 25 Research Drive Westborough, MA 01582 (508) 389-9000 (phone) (508) 389-2605 (fax)

Notices and other communications by the Buyer to Seller shall be addressed to:

Mike Hachey, Director TransCanada Power Marketing Ltd. 110 Turnpike Road, Suite 203 Westborough, MA 01581 (508) 871-1852 (phone) (508) 898-0433 (fax)

Any Party may change its representative or address for notices by written notice to the other Party; however such notice shall not be effective until it is received by the other Party.

Section 7.2 <u>Authority of Representative</u>

The Parties' representatives shall have full authority to act for their respective Party in all matters relating to the performance of this Agreement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a Party's representative shall not have the authority to amend, modify, or waive any provision of this Agreement unless they are duly authorized officers of their respective entities and such amendment, modification or waiver is made in accordance with Article 15.

ARTICLE 8. LIABILITY; INDEMNIFICATION; RELATIONSHIP OF PARTIES

Section 8.1 Limitation on Consequential, Incidental and Indirect Damages

EXCEPT AS EXPRESSLY PROVIDED IN SECTION 8.2, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMISSIBLE BY LAW, NEITHER THE BUYER NOR SELLER, NOR THEIR RESPECTIVE OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, AGENTS, EMPLOYEES, PARENT OR AFFILIATES, SUCCESSOR OR ASSIGNS, OR THEIR RESPECTIVE OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, AGENTS, OR EMPLOYEES, SUCCESSORS, OR ASSIGNS, SHALL BE LIABLE TO THE OTHER PARTY OR ITS PARENT, SUBSIDIARIES, AFFILIATES, OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, AGENTS, EMPLOYEES, SUCCESSORS OR ASSIGNS, FOR CLAIMS, SUITS, ACTIONS OR CAUSES OF ACTION FOR INCIDENTAL, INDIRECT,

SPECIAL, PUNITIVE, MULTIPLE OR CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES (INCLUDING ATTORNEY'S FEES OR LITIGATION COSTS EXCEPT AS EXPRESSLY PROVIDED IN 13.2 AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LIMITATION THEREUNDER) CONNECTED WITH OR RESULTING FROM PERFORMANCE OR NON-PERFORMANCE OF THIS AGREEMENT, OR ANY ACTIONS UNDERTAKEN IN CONNECTION WITH OR RELATED TO THIS AGREEMENT, INCLUDING WITHOUT LIMITATION ANY SUCH DAMAGES WHICH ARE BASED UPON CAUSES OF ACTION FOR BREACH OF CONTRACT, TORT (INCLUDING NEGLIGENCE AND MISREPRESENTATION), BREACH OF WARRANTY, STRICT LIABILITY, STATUTE, OPERATION OF LAW, OR ANY OTHER THEORY OF RECOVERY. THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION SHALL APPLY REGARDLESS OF FAULT AND SHALL SURVIVE TERMINATION, CANCELLATION, SUSPENSION, COMPLETION OR EXPIRATION OF THIS AGREEMENT.

Section 8.2 <u>Indemnification</u>

- (a) Seller agrees to defend, indemnify and save the Buyer, its officers, directors, employees, agents, successors, assigns, and Affiliates and their officers, directors, employees and agents harmless from and against any and all third-party claims, suits, actions or causes of action and any resulting losses, damages, charges, costs or expenses, (including reasonable attorneys' fees and court costs), arising from or in connection with any (a) breach of a representation or warranty or failure to perform any covenant or agreement in this Agreement by Seller, (b) any violation of applicable law, regulation or order by Seller, (c) any act or omission by Seller with respect to this Agreement, first arising, occurring or existing during the Term of this Agreement, whether incurred by settlement or otherwise, and whether such claims or actions are threatened or filed prior to or after the termination of this Agreement, except to the extent caused by an act of gross negligence or willful misconduct by an officer, director, agent, employee, or Affiliate of the Buyer or its respective successors or assigns.
- (b) The Buyer agrees to defend, indemnify and save Seller, its officers, directors, employees, agents, successors, assigns, and Affiliates and their officers, directors, employees and agents harmless from and against any and all third-party claims, suits, actions or causes of action and any resulting losses, damages, charges, costs or expenses, (including reasonable attorneys' fees and court costs), arising from or in connection with any (a) breach of representation or warranty or failure to perform any covenant or agreement in this Agreement by said Buyer, (b) any violation of applicable law, regulation or order by Buyer, (c) any act or omission by the Buyer, with respect to this Agreement first arising, occurring or existing during the Term of this Agreement, whether incurred by settlement or otherwise, and whether such claims or actions are threatened or filed prior to or after the termination of this Agreement, except to the extent caused by an act of gross negligence or willful misconduct by an officer, director, agent, employee or Affiliate of Seller or its respective successors or assigns.
- (c) If any Party intends to seek indemnification under this Section from the other Party with respect to any action or claim, the Party seeking indemnification shall give the other Party notice of such claim or action within thirty (30) days of the later of the commencement of, or actual knowledge of, such claim or action; provided, however, that in the event such notice is delivered more than thirty (30) days after the Party seeking indemnification knows of such claim or action, the indemnifying Party shall be relieved of its indemnity hereunder only if and to the extent such indemnifying Party was actually prejudiced by such delay. The Party seeking

indemnification shall have the right, at its sole cost and expense, to participate in the defense of any such claim or action. The Party seeking indemnification shall not compromise or settle any such claim or action without the prior consent of the other Party, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld.

Section 8.3 <u>Independent Contractor Status</u>

Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed as creating any relationship between the Buyer and Seller other than that of independent contractors for the sale and delivery of NEPOOL-GIS Certificates.

ARTICLE 9. ASSIGNMENT

Section 9.1 General Prohibition Against Assignments

Except as provided in Section 9.2, neither Party shall assign, pledge or otherwise transfer this Agreement or any right or obligation under this Agreement without first obtaining the other Party's written consent, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld.

Section 9.2 Exceptions to Prohibition Against Assignments

- (a) Seller may, without the Buyer's prior written consent, collaterally assign this Agreement in connection with financing arrangements provided that any such collateral assignment that provides for the Buyer to direct payments to the collateral agent (i) shall be in writing, (ii) shall not be altered or amended without prior written notice to the Buyer from both Seller and the collateral agent, and (iii) provided that any payment made by the Buyer to the collateral agent shall discharge the Buyer's obligation as fully and to the same extent as if it had been made to the Seller. Seller must provide the Buyer at least ten (10) days advance written notice of collateral assignment and provide copies of any such assignment and relevant agreements or writings.
- (b) Either Party may, upon written notice, assign its rights and obligations hereunder, or transfer such rights and obligations by operation of law, to any entity with which or into which such Party shall merge or consolidate or to which such Party shall transfer all or substantially all of its assets, provided that such other entity agrees to be bound by the terms hereof and provided further, that such other entity's creditworthiness is comparable to or higher than that of such Party at the time this Agreement was executed and such Party is not relieved of any obligation or liability hereunder as a result of such assignment

ARTICLE 10. SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS

This Agreement shall inure to the benefit of, and shall be binding upon the Parties hereto and their respective successors and permitted assigns.

ARTICLE 11. WAIVERS

No delay or omission in the exercise of any right under this Agreement shall impair any such right or shall be taken, construed or considered as a waiver or relinquishment thereof, but any such right may be exercised from time to time and as often as may be deemed expedient. The waiver of any single breach or default of any term or condition of this Agreement shall not be deemed to constitute the waiver of any other prior or subsequent breach or default of the Agreement or any other term or condition.

ARTICLE 12. LAWS AND REGULATIONS

- (a) This Agreement and all rights, obligations, and performances of the Parties hereunder, are subject to all applicable federal and state laws, and to all duly promulgated orders and other duly authorized action of governmental authorities having jurisdiction hereof.
- (b) The rates, terms and conditions contained in this Agreement are not subject to change under Section 205 of the Federal Power Act as that section may be amended or superseded, absent the mutual written agreement of the Parties. Each Party irrevocably waives its rights, including its rights under §§ 205-206 of the Federal Power Act, unilaterally to seek or support a change in the rate(s), charges, classifications, terms or conditions of this Agreement or any other agreements entered into in connection with this Agreement. By this provision, each Party expressly waives its right to seek or support: (i) an order from the Commission finding that the market-based rate(s), charges, classifications, terms or conditions agreed to by the Parties in the Agreement are unjust and unreasonable; or (ii) any refund with respect thereto. Each Party agrees (x) not to make or support such a filing or request, (y) that these covenants and waivers shall be binding notwithstanding any regulatory or market changes that may occur hereafter and (z) that it shall not challenge or support a challenge to the enforceability of the waiver in this Section (b).
- (c) Absent the agreement of all Parties to a proposed change, the standard of review for changes to this Agreement proposed by a non-party or the Commission acting *sua sponte* shall be the "public interest" standard of review set forth in <u>United Gas Pipe Line Co. v. Mobile Gas Service Corp.</u>, 350 U.S. 332 (1956) and <u>Federal Power Commission v. Sierra Pacific Power Co.</u>, 350 U.S. 348 (1956) (the "<u>Mobile-Sierra</u>" doctrine).
- (d) The Parties agree that, if and to the extent that the Commission adopts a final rule or order which requires that, in order to exclude application of the just and reasonable standard of review and to mandate application of the public interest standard of review under the Mobile-Sierra doctrine for a proposed change to this Agreement which is not agreed to by all Parties, the Parties must agree to language which varies from that set forth in Article 12(c) then, without further action of either Party, Article 12(c) will be deemed amended to incorporate the specific language required by such final rule or order as is necessary to have the public interest standard of review under the Mobile-Sierra doctrine apply to any proposed change to this Agreement to which all Parties do not agree.
- (e) Nothing in this Article 12 is intended to modify any Party's right to enforce the terms of this Agreement as written.

ARTICLE 13. INTERPRETATION, DISPUTE RESOLUTION

Section 13.1 Governing Law

The Agreement shall be governed by and construed and performed in accordance with the laws of the State of Rhode Island, without giving effect to its conflict of laws principles.

Section 13.2 Dispute Resolution

All disputes between the Buyer and Seller under this Agreement shall be referred, upon notice by one Party to the other Party, to a senior manager of Seller designated by Seller, and a senior manager of the Buyer designated by the Buyer, for resolution on an informal basis as promptly as practicable. In the event the designated senior managers are unable to resolve the dispute within ten (10) days of receipt of the notice, or such other period to which the Parties may jointly agree, such dispute shall be submitted to arbitration and resolved in accordance with the arbitration procedure set forth in this Section. The arbitration shall be conducted in Boston, Massachusetts before a single neutral arbitrator mutually agreed to and appointed by the Parties. If the Parties fail to agree upon a single arbitrator within ten (10) days of the referral of the dispute to arbitration, Seller and the Buyer shall each choose one arbitrator, who shall sit on a three-member arbitration panel. The two arbitrators so chosen shall within ten (10) days select a third arbitrator to act as chairman of the arbitration panel. In either case, the arbitrator(s) shall be knowledgeable in electric utility matters, including wholesale power transactions and power market issues, and shall not have any current or past material business or financial relationships with either Party or a witness for either Party and shall not have a direct or indirect interest in any Party or the subject matter of the arbitration. The arbitrator(s) shall afford each of the Parties an opportunity to be heard and, except as otherwise provided herein, shall generally conduct the arbitration in accordance with the then-current arbitration rules of the CPR Institute for Dispute Resolution (formerly known as the Center for Public Resources), unless otherwise mutually agreed by the Parties. There shall be no formal discovery conducted in connection with the arbitration unless otherwise mutually agreed by the Parties; provided, however, that the Parties shall exchange witness lists and copies of any exhibits that they intend to utilize in their direct presentations at any hearing before the arbitrator(s) at least ten (10) days prior to such hearing, along with any other information or documents specifically requested by the arbitrator(s) prior to the hearing. Any offer made and the details of any negotiations to resolve the dispute shall not be admissible in the arbitration or otherwise. Unless otherwise agreed, the arbitrator(s) shall render a decision within ninety (90) days of his, her or their appointment and shall notify the Parties in writing of such decision and the reasons therefore, and shall make an award apportioning the payment of the costs and expenses of arbitration among the Parties; provided, however, that each Party shall bear the costs and expenses of its own attorneys, expert witnesses and consultants unless the arbitrator(s), based upon a determination of good cause, awards attorneys fees and legal and other costs to the prevailing Party. The arbitrator(s) shall be authorized only to interpret and apply the provisions of this Agreement and shall have no power to modify or change the Agreement in any manner. The decision of the arbitrator(s) shall be final and binding upon the Parties, and judgment on the award may be entered in any court having jurisdiction, subject expressly to Section 13.3. The decision of the arbitrator(s) may be appealed solely on the grounds that the conduct of the arbitrator(s), or the decision itself, violated the standards set forth in the Federal Arbitration Act and/or the Administrative Dispute Resolution Act. Nothing in this paragraph shall impair the ability of a Party to exercise any rights or remedy it has under this Agreement, including those in Article 6. To the fullest extent permitted by law, any arbitration proceeding and the arbitrator's award shall be maintained in confidence by the Parties; provided, however, that either Party, or any of its Affiliates, may

provide information regarding the arbitration without limitation to any regulatory agency requesting or requiring such information or to a court in a proceeding to confirm, appeal (as such appeal is limited hereby) or enforce the award; provided, further, that any such provision of information must include a request for confidential treatment.

Section 13.3 Venue; Waiver of Jury Trial

Each Party hereto irrevocably (i) submits to the exclusive jurisdiction of the federal and state courts located in the State of Rhode Island; (ii) waives any objection which it may have to the laying of venue of any proceedings brought in any such court; and (iii) waives any claim that such proceedings have been brought in an inconvenient forum. EACH PARTY WAIVES, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, ANY RIGHT IT MAY HAVE TO A TRIAL BY JURY IN RESPECT OF ANY SUIT, ACTION OR PROCEEDING RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT.

ARTICLE 14. SEVERABILITY

Any provision declared or rendered unlawful by any applicable court of law or regulatory agency or deemed unlawful because of a statutory change will not otherwise affect the remaining provisions and lawful obligations that arise under this Agreement. If any provision of this Agreement, or the application thereof to any Party or any circumstance, is invalid or unenforceable, (a) a suitable and equitable provision shall be substituted therefor in order to carry out, so far as may be valid and enforceable, the intent and purpose of such invalid or unenforceable provision, and (b) the remainder of this Agreement and the application of such provision or circumstances shall not be affected by such invalidity or unenforceability.

ARTICLE 15. MODIFICATIONS

No modification or amendment of this Agreement will be binding on any Party unless it is in writing and signed by both Parties.

ARTICLE 16. ENTIRE AGREEMENT

This Agreement, including the Appendices, the tariffs and agreements referred to herein or therein, embody the entire agreement and understanding of the Parties in respect of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement. There are no restrictions, promises, representations, warranties, covenants or undertakings, other than those expressly set forth or referred to herein or therein. It is expressly acknowledged and agreed that there are no restrictions, promises, representations, warranties, covenants or undertakings contained in any material provided or otherwise made available by the Seller or the Buyer to each other. This Agreement supersedes all prior agreements and understandings between the Parties with respect to the transactions contemplated hereby.

ARTICLE 17. COUNTERPARTS

This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, and each executed counterpart shall have the same force and effect as an original instrument.

ARTICLE 18. INTERPRETATION; CONSTRUCTION

The article and section headings contained in this Agreement are solely for the purpose of reference, are not part of the agreement of the Parties and shall not in any way affect the meaning or interpretation of this Agreement. For purposes of this Agreement, the term "including" shall mean "including, without limitation". The Parties acknowledge that, each Party and its counsel have reviewed and or revised this Agreement and that any rule of construction to the effect that any ambiguities are to be resolved against the drafting Party shall not be employed in the interpretation of this Agreement, and it is the result of joint discussion and negotiation.

ARTICLE 19. REPRESENTATIONS; WARRANTIES AND COVENANTS

Each Party represents to the other Party, upon execution and continuing throughout the Term of this Agreement, as follows:

- (a) It is duly organized in the form of business entity set forth in the first paragraph of this Agreement, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of its state of its organization and has all requisite power and authority to carry on its business as is now being conducted, including all regulatory authorizations as necessary for it to legally perform its obligations hereunder.
- (b) It has full power and authority to execute and deliver this Agreement and to consummate and perform the transactions contemplated hereby. This Agreement has been duly and validly executed and delivered by it, and, assuming that this Agreement constitutes a valid and binding agreement of the other Party, constitutes its valid and binding agreement, enforceable against it in accordance with its terms, subject to bankruptcy, insolvency, fraudulent transfer, reorganization, moratorium and similar laws of general applicability relating to or affecting creditors' rights and to general equity principles.
- (c) Such execution, delivery and performance do not violate or conflict with any law applicable to it, any provision of its constitutional documents, or the terms of any note, bond, mortgage, indenture, deed of trust, license, franchise, permit, concession, contract, lease or other instrument to which it is bound, any order or judgment of any court or other agency of government applicable to it or any of its assets or any contractual restriction binding on or affecting it or any of its assets.
- (d) No declaration, filing with, notice to, or authorization, permit, consent or approval of any governmental authority is required for the execution and delivery of this Agreement by it or the performance by it of its obligations hereunder, other than such declarations, filings, registrations, notices, authorizations, permits, consents or approvals which, if not obtained or made, will not, in the aggregate, have a Material Adverse Effect.

- (e) Neither the execution and delivery of this Agreement by it will nor the performance by it of its obligations under this Agreement will or does (i) conflict with or result in any breach of any provision of its Governing Documents, (ii) result in a default (or give rise to any right of termination, cancellation or acceleration) under any of the terms, conditions or provisions of any note, bond, mortgage, indenture, license, agreement or other instrument or obligation to which it or any of its subsidiaries is a party or by which it or any of its subsidiaries is bound, except for such defaults (or rights of termination, cancellation or acceleration) as to which requisite waivers or consents have been obtained or which, in the aggregate, would not have a Material Adverse Effect; or (iii) violate any order, writ, injunction, decree, statute, rule or regulation applicable to it, which violation would have a Material Adverse Effect.
- (f) There are no claims, actions, proceedings or investigations pending or, to its knowledge, threatened against or relating to it before any governmental authority acting in an adjudicative capacity relating to the transactions contemplated hereby that could have a Material Adverse Effect. It is not subject to any outstanding judgment, rule, order, writ, injunction or decree of any court or governmental authority which, individually or in the aggregate, would create a Material Adverse Effect.
- (g) There are no bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, receivership or other similar proceedings pending or being contemplated by it, or of its knowledge threatened against it.
- (h) It is acting for its own account, has made its own independent decision to enter into this Agreement and as to whether this Agreement is appropriate or proper for it based upon its own judgment, is not relying upon the advice or recommendations of the other Party hereto, and is capable of assessing the merits of and understanding, and understands and accepts, the terms, conditions and risks of this Agreement.

ARTICLE 20. CONSENTS AND APPROVALS

The Parties shall cooperate in a reasonable manner so that each Party may take such actions as necessary and required for the other Party to effectuate and comply with this Agreement including to (i) promptly prepare and file all necessary documentation, (ii) effect all necessary applications, notices, petitions and filings and execute all agreements and documents, and (iii) use all commercially reasonable efforts to obtain all necessary consents, approvals and authorizations of all other entities, in the case of each of the foregoing clauses (i), (ii) and (iii), necessary or advisable to consummate the transactions contemplated by this Agreement. The Buyer shall have the right to review and approve in advance all characterizations of the information relating to the transactions contemplated by this Agreement which appear in any filing, press release or public announcement made in connection with the transactions contemplated hereby.

ARTICLE 21. SURVIVAL

Subject to Section 3(b), as of the expiration of this Agreement in accordance with Article 3 or, if earlier, its termination, the Parties shall no longer be bound by the terms and provisions hereof, except (a) to the extent necessary to enforce the rights and obligations of the Parties

arising under this Agreement before such expiration or termination and (b) the obligations of the Parties hereunder with respect to indemnification and defense of claims.

ARTICLE 22. CONFIDENTIALITY

Neither Seller nor the Buyer shall provide copies of NEPOOL-GIS Certificate Purchase Price, NEPOOL-GIS Certificate Quantity, Buyer Security, Seller Security, Article 4, Article 6 or Appendix B or disclose the contents or terms thereof, (the "Confidential Terms") to any third party without the prior written consent of the other Party; provided, however, that either Party may provide a copy of the Confidential Terms, in whole or in part to (1) any regulatory agency requesting and/or requiring such Confidential Terms, provided that any such disclosure must include a request for confidential treatment of the Confidential Terms, and (2) an Affiliate if related to the Party's performance of its obligations hereunder, provided that such Affiliate agrees to treat the Confidential Terms as confidential in accordance with this clause.

ARTICLE 23. FORCE MAJEURE

If either Party is rendered unable, wholly or in part, by Force Majeure to carry out its obligations with respect to this Agreement, that upon such Party's (the "Claiming Party") giving notice and full particulars of such Force Majeure as soon as reasonably possible after the occurrence of the cause relied upon, confirmed in writing, the obligations of the Claiming Party will, to the extent they are affected by such Force Majeure, be suspended during the continuance of said inability, but for no longer period, and the Claiming Party will not be in breach hereof or liable to the other Party for, or on account of, any loss, damage, injury or expense resulting from, or arising out of such event of Force Majeure. The Party receiving such notice of Force Majeure will have until the end of the Business Day following such receipt to notify the Claiming Party that it objects to or disputes the existence of Force Majeure. "Force Majeure" means an event or circumstance which materially adversely affects the ability of a Party to perform its obligations under this Agreement, which event or circumstance was not reasonably anticipated as of the date of the Agreement and which is not within the reasonable control of, or the result of the negligence of, the Claiming Party, and which the Claiming Party is unable to overcome or avoid or cause to be avoided, by the exercise of due diligence. Force Majeure may not be based on (i) the loss or failure of Buyer's markets; (ii) Buyer's inability economically to use or resell the NEPOOL-GIS Certificates purchased hereunder; (iii) Seller's ability to sell the NEPOOL-GIS Certificates to another at a price greater than the NEPOOL-GIS Certificate Purchase Price; or (iv) Seller's inability to purchase NEPOOL-GIS Certificates at a price below the applicable NEPOOL-GIS Certificate Purchase Price. Force Majeure includes a change in Applicable Law, or the failure or disruption in any deliveries or responsibilities of any Certification Authority. In the case of a Party's obligation to make payments hereunder, Force Majeure will be only an event or act of a Governmental Authority that on any day disables the banking system through which a Party makes such payments. For the avoidance of doubt, whenever Delivery of any NEPOOL-GIS Certificates is suspended as a result of a Force Majeure as contemplated above, any obligations of Buyer in connection with such un-Delivered NEPOOL-GIS Certificates shall also be suspended. If a Force Majeure continues for a period of twelve (12) months or longer, either Party may terminate this Agreement without any liability to the other.

ARTICLE 24. MUTUAL RESERVATION OF RIGHTS

The Parties, including any of their affiliates, hereby reserve any and all rights that either Party and any of its affiliates has against the other with respect to any action, suit, investigation, litigation or proceeding, where the Parties interest are or may be adverse to each other, that are pending or threatened before any court, governmental authority, governmental agency, regulatory body or arbitrator with respect to any prior contracts and/or agreements between the Parties or any of their affiliates (collectively the "Disputes"). The Parties agree that this Agreement shall not be used by either Party as evidence in any Disputes between the Parties and or any of their affiliates. Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed as an admission against interest by either Party or any of their affiliates with respect to any such Disputes.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have caused their duly authorized representatives to execute this Agreement on their behalf as of the date first above written.

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APPENDIX A FORM OF GUARANTY

Guaranty

| This Guaranty (this "Guaranty"), dated effective as of [| _], 2007 (the "Effective |
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| Date"), is made and entered into by TransCanada PipeLines Limited or Trans | nsCanada PipeLine USA |
| Ltd. or both of them, jointly and severally, a Canadian and a Nevada of | corporation respectively |
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WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, The Narragansett Electric Company ("the Buyer") and TransCanada Power Marketing Ltd., a corporation organized under the laws of the State of Delaware ("Seller") and a wholly owned indirect subsidiary of Guarantor, have entered into the Certificate Purchase Agreement dated as of [], 2007 for the Term of [] (as such agreement may be amended and modified by the Buyer and Seller from time to time, the "Agreement"); and

WHEREAS, Guarantor will directly or indirectly benefit from the Agreement between Seller and the Buyer;

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the Buyer entering into the Agreement, Guarantor hereby covenants and agrees as follows:

- (1) GUARANTY. (a) Subject to the provisions hereof, Guarantor hereby irrevocably and unconditionally guarantees the full and faithful timely payment when due of the obligations of Seller that are now due or may hereafter become due and payable to the Buyer under the Agreement (the "Obligations"). Notwithstanding anything to the contrary, the maximum aggregate liability of the Guarantor under this Guarantee is limited to [xxxxx] UNITED STATES DOLLARS (US\$ xx); (b) This Guaranty shall constitute a guarantee of payment and not of collection. The liability of Guarantor under this Guaranty shall be specifically limited to payments expressly required to be made under the Agreement (even if such payments are or are deemed to be damages) as well as costs of collection and enforcement of this Guaranty (including attorney's fees) to the extent reasonably and actually incurred by the Buyer (all of which such costs of collection and enforcement shall be subject to the limitation set forth herein) but in no event shall Guarantor be subject hereunder to consequential, exemplary, equitable, loss of profits, punitive or tort damages, or, except to the extent specifically provided in the Agreement, any other damages.
- (2) <u>DEMANDS AND NOTICE</u>. Upon the occurrence and during the continuance of an Event of Default or termination, as defined in the Agreement, if Seller fails or refuses to pay any Obligations and the Buyer elects to exercise its rights under this Guaranty, the Buyer shall make a demand upon Guarantor (hereinafter referred to as a "Demand"). A Demand shall be in writing and shall reasonably and briefly specify in what manner and what amount Seller has failed to perform or pay and an explanation of why such performance or payment is due, with a specific statement that the Buyer is calling upon Guarantor to pay under this Guaranty. A Demand satisfying the foregoing requirements shall be required with respect to Obligations before Guarantor is required to pay (free of any deductions or withholdings) such Obligations hereunder and shall be deemed sufficient notice to Guarantor that it must pay the Obligations within five (5) Business

Days, after its receipt of the Demand. A single written Demand shall be effective as to any specific default during the continuance of such default, until Seller or Guarantor has cured such default, and additional written demands concerning such default shall not be required until such default is cured. As used herein, the term "Business Day" shall mean a day on which commercial banks or financial institutions are open for business in the State of Rhode Island.

- (3) <u>REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES</u>. Guarantor represents and warrants that:
- (a) in the case of TransCanada PipeLines Limited, it is a corporation duly organized and validly existing and in good standing under the laws of Canada, and in the case of TransCanada PipeLine USA Ltd., it is a corporation duly organized and validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the State of Nevada and each have the corporate power and authority to execute, deliver and carry out the terms and provisions of the Guaranty;
- (b) the execution, delivery and performance of this Guaranty and each transaction contemplated by this Guaranty, do not and will not (with or without the lapse of time, the giving of notice or both, contravene, conflict with or result in a breach of or default under any provision of its constitutional or organizational documents or any writ, order, judgment, law, rule or regulation to which it is a party or is subject or by which it is bound; and
- (c) no authorization, approval, consent or order of, or registration or filing with, any court or other governmental body having jurisdiction over Guarantor is required on the part of Guarantor for the execution and delivery of this Guaranty; and
- (d) this Guaranty, when executed and delivered, will constitute a valid and legally binding agreement of Guarantor, except as the enforceability of this Guaranty may be limited by the effect of any applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium or similar laws affecting creditors' rights generally and by general principles of equity.
- (4) <u>SETOFFS AND COUNTERCLAIMS</u>. Without limiting Guarantor's own defenses and rights hereunder, Guarantor reserves to itself all rights, setoffs, counterclaims and other defenses to which Seller or any other affiliate of Guarantor is or may be entitled to arising from or out of the Agreement or otherwise, except for defenses arising out of the bankruptcy, insolvency, dissolution or liquidation of Seller, the lack of power or authority of Seller to enter into, amend and/or perform the Agreement, or waiver or consent with respect to any provision thereof, or a claim as to the Agreement's validity regularity or enforceability, or any similar circumstance which might otherwise constitute a legal or equitable discharge or defense of a guarantor generally.
- (5) <u>AMENDMENT OF GUARANTY</u>. No term or provision of this Guaranty shall be amended, modified, altered, waived or supplemented except in a writing signed by Guarantor and the Buyer.
- (6) <u>WAIVER; TERMINATION</u>. Except as required in Section 2 above, Guarantor hereby waives (a) notice of acceptance of this Guaranty; (b) presentment, demand and notice of dishonor concerning the liabilities of Guarantor; and (c) any right to require that any action or proceeding be brought against Seller or any other person, or to require that the

Buyer exhaust its remedies against Seller or seek enforcement of any performance against Seller or any other person, or against any collateral pledged by Seller or any other person liable for payment or performance of the Obligations, prior to any action against Guarantor under the terms hereof. Buyer shall not be obligated to file any claim relating to the Obligations in the event that Seller becomes subject to a bankruptcy, reorganization or similar proceeding, and the failure of the Buyer to so file shall not affect the Guarantor's obligations hereunder.

- (7) <u>NO WAIVER</u>. Except as to applicable statutes of limitation, no delay of the Buyer in the exercise of, or failure to exercise, any rights hereunder shall operate as a waiver of such rights, a waiver of any other rights or a release of Guarantor from any obligations hereunder.
- (8) <u>CONSENTS</u>. Guarantor consents to the renewal, compromise, extension, acceleration or other changes including, without limitation, in the time of payment of and other changes in the terms of the Obligations, or any part thereof and amendments thereto, or any changes and modifications to the terms of the Agreement or waivers thereunder.
- (9) NO RELEASE. Guarantor shall not be discharged or released from its obligations hereunder by any proceeding, voluntary or involuntary, involving the bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership, reorganization, liquidation or arrangement of Seller or by any defense which Seller may have by reason of the order, decree or decision of any court or administrative body resulting from any such proceeding. Guarantor agrees that this Guaranty shall continue to be effective or shall be reinstated, as the case may be, if all or any part of any payment made hereunder or made by Seller in connection with the Agreement is at any time avoided or rescinded or must otherwise be restored or repaid by the Buyer as a result of the bankruptcy of Seller, or otherwise, all as though such payments had not been made.
- (10) <u>TERM.</u> This Guaranty and the Guarantor's obligations hereunder shall remain in effect for six (6) months following the expiration of the Term of the Agreement.
- (11) NOTICE. Any Demand, notice, request, instruction, correspondence or other document to be given hereunder by any party to another (herein collectively called "Notice") shall be in writing and delivered personally or mailed by certified mail, postage prepaid and return receipt requested, or by telegram or facsimile, as follows:

<u>To the Buyer:</u> <u>To Guarantor:</u>

Director, Regulated Vice-President, Risk Management

Electric Load &

Distributed Generation

National Grid Inc. TransCanada PipeLines Limited

55 Bearfoot Road 450 – 1st Street SW

Northborough, MA 01532 Calgary, Alberta

Canada T2P 5H1

Fax No.: (508) 421-7335 Fax No.: (403) 920-2359 Phone No.: (518) 421- Phone No.: (403) 920-2727

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Notice given by personal delivery or mail shall be effective upon actual receipt. Notice given by telegram shall be effective upon actual receipt if received during the recipient's normal business hours, or at the beginning of the recipient's next Business Day after receipt if not received during the recipient's normal business hours. Notice given by facsimile shall be effective upon (i) actual receipt if received during the recipient's normal business hours, or at the beginning of the recipient's next Business Day after receipt if not received during the recipient's normal business hours and (ii) confirmation of receipt by telephone. All Notices by telegram or facsimile shall be confirmed promptly after transmission in writing by certified mail or personal delivery. Any party may change any address to which Notice is to be given to it by giving notice in accordance with the requirements of this Section. The term "Business Day", as used herein, means the term as defined in the Agreement.

(12) MISCELLANEOUS. This Guaranty shall in all respects be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the law of the State of Rhode Island, without regard to principles of conflicts of laws.

(A) This Guaranty shall be binding upon Guarantor and its successors and permitted assigns and inure to the benefit of and be enforceable by the Buyer and its successors and permitted assigns. The Guarantor may not assign this Guaranty in part or in whole without the prior written consent of the Buyer. The Buyer may not assign its rights or benefits under this Guaranty in part or in whole except (i) with the prior written consent of the Guarantor, or (ii) pursuant to a permitted assignment of Agreement ("Assigned Agreement"), in which case the assignee will succeed to the rights of the Buyer hereunder arising after the date of such assignment. The Guarantor's liability hereunder with respect to any and all such Assigned Agreement, together with any other liability of the Guarantor hereunder, will in all cases be subject to the Guarantor's maximum aggregate liability set forth in Section 1(a) herein. Neither the Guarantor nor the Buyer will unreasonably withhold or delay consent to assignment. This Guaranty embodies the entire agreement and understanding between Guarantor and the Buyer and supersedes all prior agreements and understandings relating to the subject matter hereof. The headings in this Guaranty are for purposes of reference only, and shall not affect the meaning hereof.

- (B) Time is of the essence of this Guaranty. The remedies provided to the Buyer in this Guaranty are cumulative and not exclusive of any other remedies provided by law.
- (C) Words importing the singular number hereunder shall include the plural number and vice versa and any pronouns used herein shall be deemed to cover all genders. The term "person" as used herein means any individual, corporation, partnership, joint venture, association, joint-stock company, trust, unincorporated association, or government (or any agency or political subdivision thereof).
- (D) Wherever possible, any provision in this Guaranty which is prohibited or unenforceable in any jurisdiction shall, as to such jurisdiction, be ineffective only to the extent of such prohibition or unenforceability without invalidating the remaining provisions hereof, and any such prohibition or unenforceability in any one jurisdiction shall not invalidate or render unenforceable such provision in any other jurisdiction.

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REDACTED DOCUMENT

Attachment 5

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Guarantor has executed this Guaranty on _______, 2007, but it is effective as of the Effective Date.

| TRANSCANADA PIPELINES LIMITED | TRANSCANADA PIPELINE USA LTD. |
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| Per: | Per: |
| Name: | Name: |
| Title: | Title: |
| Per: | Per: |
| Name: | Name: |
| Title: | Title: |

APPENDIX B NEPOOL-GIS CERTIFICATE QUANTITIES, VINTAGE AND PURCHASE PRICE

