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GIS Certification #:
NON88610

#### RENEWABLE ENERGY RESOURCES ELIGIBILITY FORM

The Standard Application Form

Required of all Applicants for Certification of Eligibility of Renewable Energy Resource
(Version 8 – December 5, 2012)

## STATE OF RHODE ISLAND PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION Pursuant to the Renewable Energy Act

Section 39-26-1 et. seq. of the General Laws of Rhode Island

#### NOTICE:

When completing this Renewable Energy Resources Eligibility Form and any applicable Appendices, please refer to the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations Public Utilities Commission Rules and Regulations Governing the Implementation of a Renewable Energy Standard (RES Regulations, Effective Date: January 1, 2006), and the associated RES Certification Filing Methodology Guide. All applicable regulations, procedures and guidelines are available on the Commission's web site: <a href="www.ripuc.org/utilityinfo/res.html">www.ripuc.org/utilityinfo/res.html</a>. Also, all filings must be in conformance with the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, in particular, Rule 1.5, or its successor regulation, entitled "Formal Requirements as to Filings."

- · Please complete the Renewable Energy Resources Eligibility Form and Appendices using a typewriter or black ink.
- Please submit one original and three copies of the completed Application Form, applicable Appendices and all supporting documentation to the Commission at the following address:

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

In addition to the paper copies, electronic/email submittals are required under Commission regulations. Such electronic submittals should be sent to Res.filings@puc.ri.gov.

- In addition to filing with the Commission, Applicants are required to send, electronically or electronically and in paper
  format, a copy of the completed Application including all attachments and supporting documentation, to the Division of
  Public Utilities and Carriers and to all interested parties. A list of interested parties can be obtained from the
  Commission's website at <a href="https://www.ripuc.org/utilityinfo/res.html">www.ripuc.org/utilityinfo/res.html</a>.
- · Keep a copy of the completed Application for your records.
- The Commission will notify the Authorized Representative if the Application is incomplete.
- Pursuant to Section 6.0 of the RES Regulations, the Commission shall provide a thirty (30) day period for public comment following posting of any administratively complete Application.
- Please note that all information submitted on or attached to the Application is considered to be a public record unless the Commission agrees to deem some portion of the application confidential after consideration under section 1.2(g) of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure.
- In accordance with Section 6.2 of the RES Regulations, the Commission will provide prospective reviews for Applicants seeking a preliminary determination as to whether a facility would be eligible prior to the formal certification process described in Section 6.1 of the RES Regulations. Please note that space is provided on the Form for applicant to designate the type of review being requested.
- Questions related to this Renewable Energy Resources Eligibility Form should be submitted in writing, preferably via email and directed to: Luly E. Massaro, Commission Clerk at Res.filings@puc.ri.gov.

#### **SECTION I: Identification Information**

1.1	Name of Generation Unit (sufficient for full and unique identification):  Ball Mountain				
- 1.2	Type of Certification being requested (check one):				
	Standard Certification  Prospective Certification (Declaratory Judgment)				
1.3	This Application includes: (Check all that apply) <sup>1</sup>				
	☐ APPENDIX A: Authorized Representative Certification for Individual Owner or Operator				
	☐ APPENDIX B: Authorized Representative Certification for Non-Corporate Entities Other Than Individuals				
	<ul> <li>□ APPENDIX C: Existing Renewable Energy Resources</li> <li>□ APPENDIX D: Special Provisions for Aggregators of Customer-sited or Off-grid Generation Facilities</li> </ul>				
	APPENDIX E: Special Provisions for a Generation Unit Located in a Control Area Adjacent to NEPOOL				
	☐ APPENDIX F: Fuel Source Plan for Eligible Biomass Fuels				
1.4	Primary Contact Person name and title: Matt Ocwieja, Vice President Asset Management				
1.5	Primary Contact Person address and contact information:  Address: 65 Madison Avenue, Suite 500  Morristown, NJ 07960				
	Phone: 973-998-8409 Fax: 973-998-8401				
	Email:matt.ocwieja@eaglecreekre.com				
1.6	Backup Contact Person name and title: Lauren Keyes, Technical Assistant				
1.7	Backup Contact Person address and contact information:  Address: P.O. Box 1938  Manchester Center, VT 05255				
	Phone: 802-362-0748 Fax: 802-362-5496  Email:  keyes@veppi.org				

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Please note that all Applicants are required to complete the Renewable Energy Resources Eligibility Standard Application Form and all of the Appendices that apply to the Generation Unit or Owner or Operator that is the subject of this Form. Please omit Appendices that do not apply.

appendices, and whose signature will appear Eli Smith, Vice President		lication):
Appendix A or B (as appropriate) completed	and attach	ed? 🗆 Yes 🗀 No 💆 N/A
Authorized Representative address and contact Address: 65 Madison Avenue, Suite 500 Morristown, NJ 07960	ct informat	ion:
Mornstown, No 07900		
Phone: 973-998-8410 Email: eli.smith@eaglecreekre.com	Fax:	973-998-8401
Owner name and title: Blue Heron Hydro, L	LC	
Owner address and contact information: Address: 65 Madison Avenue, Suite 500		
Morristown, NJ 07960		
Phone: 973-998-8400 Email: powersales@eaglecreekre.com	Fax:	973-998-8401
Owner business organization type (check one Individual	):	
☐ Partnership ☐ Corporation ☐ Other: <u>functions</u> as a Corporation	LLCin	name only. See attached
Operator name and title: <u>Eagle Creek RE N</u>		0
Operator address and contact information:  Address: 65 Madison Avenue, Suite 500  Morristown, NJ 07960		
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Phone: <u>973-998-8400</u> Email: <u>powersales@eaglecreekre.com</u>	Fax:	973-998-8401
Operator business organization type (check o Individual La Partnership	ne):	
Corporation Cother:		

2.1		NE Generation Unit Asset Identification Number or NEPOOL GIS Identification per (either or both as applicable):					
2.2	Gene	ration Unit Nameplate Capacity: 2.2 AC MW					
2.3	Maxi	mum Demonstrated Capacity: <u> </u>					
2.4	the G D D T M Si B as ftt B B B	Please indicate which of the following Eligible Renewable Energy Resources are used by the Generation Unit: (Check ALL that apply) − per RES Regulations Section 5.0  □ Direct solar radiation □ The wind □ Movement of or the latent heat of the ocean □ The heat of the earth Small hydro facilities □ Biomass facilities using Eligible Biomass Fuels and maintaining compliance with all aspects of current air permits; Eligible Biomass Fuels may be co-fired with fossil fuels, provided that only the renewable energy fraction of production from multi-fuel facilities shall be considered eligible. □ Biomass facilities using unlisted biomass fuel □ Biomass facilities, multi-fueled or using fossil fuel co-firing □ Fuel cells using a renewable resource referenced in this section					
2.5		box checked in Section 2.4 above is "Small hydro facilities", please certify that the try's aggregate capacity does not exceed 30 MW. — per RES Regulations Section  Check this box to certify that the above statement is true  N/A or other (please explain)					
2.6	facili	box checked in Section 2.4 above is "Small hydro facilities", please certify that the ty does not involve any new impoundment or diversion of water with an average ty of twenty (20) parts per thousand or less. – per RES Regulations Section 3.32 — check this box to certify that the above statement is true — N/A or other (please explain)					
2.7	-	checked one of the Biomass facilities boxes in Section 2.4 above, please respond following:					
	A.	Please specify the fuel or fuels used or to be used in the Unit:					
	В.	Please complete and attach Appendix F, Eligible Biomass Fuel Source Plan.  Appendix F completed and attached?    Yes  No  N/A					

SECTION II: Generation Unit Information, Fuels, Energy Resources and Technologies

2.8	Has the Generation Unit been certified as a Renewable Energy Resource for eligibility in another state's renewable portfolio standard?							
	Yes Yes	☐ No	If yes, please	attach a copy o				
	Copy of Sta	ate's certifyin	g order attached	?	Yes Yes	□ No	□ N/A	
SEC	TION III: C	ommercial (	<b>Operation Date</b>					
Pleas	e provide doc	umentation to	support all clai	ms and respons	ses to the foll	owing que	estions:	
3.1	Date Genera site.	Date Generation Unit first entered Commercial Operation: <u>04</u> / <u>28</u> / <u>16</u> at the site.						
If the commercial operation date is after December 31, 1997, please proviverification, such as the utility log or metering data, showing that the metafter December 31, 1997. This is needed in order to verify that the facility New Renewable Energy Resource.					meter firs	st spun ifies as a		
	Documenta	tion attached	?		Y Ye	s 🗅 No	□ N/A	
3.2	Is there an l	Existing Ren	ewable Energy R	lesource locate	d at the site o	f Generati	on Unit?	
	Yes No							
3.3	If the date entered in response to question 3.1 is earlier than December 31, 1997 or if you checked "Yes" in response to question 3.2 above, please complete Appendix C.							
	Appendix (	C completed a	and attached?		☐ Ye	s 🗆 No	M N/A	
3.4 Was all or any part of the Generation Unit used on or before generate electricity at any other site?				efore Decemb	per 31, 199	97 to		
	☐ Yes No							
3.5	If you checked "Yes" to question 3.4 above, please specify the power production equipment used and the address where such power production equipment produced electricity (attach more detail if the space provided is not sufficient):  Additional information per PUC request: This project is the only project at the Bal Mountain impoundment. There has never been a prior powerhouse at the Ball Mountain impoundment.							
SEC'	TION IV: M	[etering						
4.1	that apply):	E Market Sett	Generation Unit <sup>*</sup> lement System NEPOOL GIS A		ergy output is	verified (	check all	

	Other (please specify below and see Appendix D: Eligil Generation Unit will be reported by VEPP Inc. acting as Rhod	bility for a	Aggregati approved li	ions): ndependent Verifier.
	Appendix D completed and attached?	☐ Yes	□ No	■ N/A
SECT	ΓΙΟΝ V: Location			
5.1	Please check one of the following that apply to the Generat	tion Unit:		
	Grid Connected Generation  ☐ Off-Grid Generation (not connected to a utility transmit ☐ Customer Sited Generation (interconnected on the endelectricity meter in such a manner that it displaces all or consumption of the end-use customer)	use custo	mer side o	of the retail
5.2	Generation Unit address: 88 Ball Mountain Lane, Ja	amaica, \	/T 05343	3
5.3	Please provide the Generation Unit's geographic location is  A. Universal Transverse Mercator Coordinates: 18 N  B. Longitude/Latitude: 43.12598 / -72.77597			<b>3</b> .
5.4	In the NEPOOL control area ☐ In a control area adjacent to the NEPOOL control area ☐ In a control area other than NEPOOL which is not adjacent area ← If you checked this box, then the generator does therefore, please do not complete/submit this form.	icent to th	e NEPOC lify for th	DL control e RI RES –
5.5	If you checked "In a control area adjacent to the NEPOOL above, please complete Appendix E.	control a	rea" in Se	ection 5.4
	Appendix E completed and attached?	☐ Yes	□ No	√ N/A

TION VI: Certification								
	Please attach documentation, using one of the applicable forms below, demonstrating the authority of the Authorized Representative indicated in Section 1.8 to certify and submit his Application.							
Corporations	Corporations							
If the Owner or Operator is a corporation, the Authorized Representative shall provide either:								
	(a) Evidence of a board of directors vote granting authority to the Authorized Representative to execute the Renewable Energy Resources Eligibility Form, or							
(b) A certification from the Corporate Clerk or Secretary of the Corporation that the Authorized Representative is authorized to execute the Renewable Energy Resour Eligibility Form or is otherwise authorized to legally bind the corporation in like matters.					Resources			
Evidence of Board Vo	te provided?		☐ Yes	V No	□ N/A			
Corporate Certification	n provided?	,	Yes	□ No	□ N/A			
<u>Individuals</u>								
If the Owner or Operator attach APPENDIX A, or Operator, duly notarized, authority to execute the R	a similar form of cer that certifies that the	tification fron Authorized F	n the Own Represent	ner or ative has				
Appendix A completed a	nd attached?		☐ Yes	□ No	√N/A			
Non-Corporate Entities			****					
(Proprietorships, Partners individual or a corporation resolution indicating that authority to execute the Regally bind the non-corporation of the property of	n, it shall complete a the Authorized Repr tenewable Energy Re	and attach API esentative nar esources Eligi	PENDIX ned in Se	B or execection 1.8	cute a has			

Appendix B completed and attached?

☐ Yes ☐ No ☑ N/A

#### 6.2 Authorized Representative Certification and Signature:

I hereby certify, under pains and penalties of perjury, that I have personally examined and am familiar with the information submitted herein and based upon my inquiry of those individuals immediately responsible for obtaining the information, I believe that the information is true, accurate and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties, both civil and criminal, for submitting false information, including possible fines and punishment. My signature below certifies all information submitted on this Renewable Energy Resources Eligibility Form. The Renewable Energy Resources Eligibility Form includes the Standard Application Form and all required Appendices and attachments. I acknowledge that the Generation Unit is obligated to and will notify the Commission promptly in the event of a change in a generator's eligibility status (including, without limitation, the status of the air permits) and that when and if, in the Commission's opinion, after due consideration, there is a material change in the characteristics of a Generation Unit or its fuel stream that could alter its eligibility, such Generation Unit must be re-certified in accordance with Section 9.0 of the RES Regulations. I further acknowledge that the Generation Unit is obligated to and will file such quarterly or other reports as required by the Regulations and the Commission in its certification order. I understand that the Generation Unit will be immediately de-certified if it fails to file such reports.

Signature of Authorized Representative:

(Title)



#### SECRETARY'S CERTIFICATE

I, Joseph Messana, being the Corporate Secretary of Blue Heron Hydro, LLC, (the "Company"), do hereby certify that the Board of Directors of the Company has granted certain executory powers to the Officers of the Company. I further certify that Eli Smith is Vice President of the Company and, as part of the executory powers granted to him as an Officer, he is authorized to execute the Rhode Island Renewable Energy Resources Eligibility Form.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of March, 2018.

Joseph Messana

#### VEPP Inc.

4.100 Purchasing Agent Standard Offer Facilitator

April 28, 2016

Diana Kunde Blue Heron Hydro, LLC c/o Eagle Creek Renewable Energy, LLC P.O. Box 167 Neshkoro, WI 54960

Re: Standard Offer Commissioning Milestone - Ball Mountain Hydro

Dear Ms. Kunde:

Congratulations! You have satisfied your Standard Offer Commissioning Milestone as of April 28, 2016. I will direct the bank to return your refundable deposit in the amount of \$22,000.

Thank you,

VEPP Inc.

Carolyn M.X. Alderman, Esq.

Executive Director

cc: Dave Youlen, Eagle Creek Renewable Energy, LLC; Vermont Public Service Board

#### STATE OF CONNECTICUT



### PUBLIC UTILITIES REGULATORY AUTHORITY TEN FRANKLIN SQUARE NEW BRITAIN, CT 06051

DOCKET NO. 16-09-40 APPLICATION OF BLUE HERON HYDRO, LLC FOR QUALIFICATION OF BALL MOUNTAIN HYDRO AS A CLASS I RENEWABLE ENERGY SOURCE

December 7, 2016

# DECISION APPROVING CLASS I CERTIFICATION

On September 29, 2016, the Public Utilities Regulatory Authority (Authority) received an application from Blue Heron Hydro, LLC (Company) requesting that the Authority determine that the Ball Mountain Hydro facility (Ball Mountain or Facility) located at 88 Ball Mountain Lane in Jamaica, Vermont qualifies as a Class I renewable energy source.

The Facility generates electricity using hydropower. Ball Mountain began commercial operation on April 28, 2016, and has a nameplate capacity of 2.2 MW. The Facility's New England Power Pool Generation Information System (NEPOOL GIS) Identification Number is NON88610. Ball Mountain is a behind-the-meter generation facility located in Vermont, which is within the control area of the Independent System Operator of New England. VEPP, Inc. from Manchester, Vermont will be the 3<sup>rd</sup> party verifier of the electricity produced by the Facility.

Ball Mountain is operated in a true run-of-the-river mode except when the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) takes control of the Facility for flood control or special maintenance operations. The Facility is not based on a new dam or a dam identified as a candidate for removal, as Ball Mountain uses the existing dam that has been owned and operated by the Corps since the dam's construction in 1961. Ball Mountain meets all applicable requirements, including applicable site-specific standards for water quality and fish passage.

The Authority reviewed all of the information in the record and finds that pursuant to §16-1(a)(20) of the General Statutes of Connecticut, the Facility qualifies as a Class I renewable energy source, effective July 1, 2016. The Authority assigns the Facility

Connecticut Renewable Portfolio Standard Registration No. CT160940. The Authority's determination in this docket is based on the information submitted by the Company. The Authority may reverse its ruling or revoke the Company's registration if any material information provided proves to be false or misleading. The Company is reminded that it is obligated to notify the Authority within 10 days of any changes to any of the information it has provided.

#### ORDER FOR COMPANY

To comply with the Order below, the Company shall submit one original of the required documentation to the Executive Secretary, Ten Franklin Square, New Britain, CT 06051, and file an electronic version through the Authority's website at www.ct.gov/pura. Submissions filed in compliance with the Authority's Orders must be identified by all three of the following: Docket Number, Title and Order Number.

1. Each Quarter, the Company shall file with the Authority, by the Report Due Date indicated in the table below: (a) date-stamped pictures or snapshots of the Facility's meter showing the meter read on the first and last day or each corresponding Class I Activity Calendar Quarter; and (b) the Quarterly Generation Report from the NEPOOL GIS that shows the number of renewable energy credits (RECs) created by the NEPOOL GIS Administrator based on the Class I activities of the Facility on the Creation Date [as defined in Section 2.1(b) of the NEPOOL GIS Operating Rules, as amended from time to time] for said quarter.

The first report is due February 15, 2017, with subsequent due dates as shown below:

Class I Activity Calendar Quarter	GIS REC Creation Date	Report Due Date
1. (Jan 01-Mar 31)	Jul 15	Aug 15
2. (Apr 01-Jun 30)	Oct 15	Nov 15
3. (Jul 01-Sep 30)	Jan 15	Feb 15
4. (Oct 01-Dec 31)	Apr 15	May 15

# DOCKET NO. 16-09-40 APPLICATION OF BLUE HERON HYDRO, LLC FOR QUALIFICATION OF BALL MOUNTAIN HYDRO AS A CLASS I RENEWABLE ENERGY SOURCE

This Decision is adopted by the following Commissioners:

Michael A. Caron

John W. Betkoski, III

Katherine S. Dykes

#### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The foregoing is a true and correct copy of the Decision issued by the Public Utilities Regulatory Authority, State of Connecticut, and was forwarded by Certified Mail to all parties of record in this proceeding on the date indicated.

Jeffrey R. Gaudiosi, Esq.

**Executive Secretary** 

Public Utilities Regulatory Authority

December 7, 2016

Date

#### Meghan vonBallmoos

From: Meghan vonBallmoos

Sent: Wednesday, October 4, 2017 11:59 AM To: 'michael.woods@gdsassociates.com' Cc:

Lauren Keyes; Carolyn Alderman

Subject: Vermont Standard Offer program PUC Order and Vermont Statute

Attachments: PUC Order 9\_30\_2009.pdf

#### Michael,

Thank you for the call today to address the RI-RES Certification applications for RI PUC Docket No. 4722-4731 and 4733-4744, as well as subsequent applications from VEPP Inc. for Vermont Standard Offer Program projects. We want to confirm for you that the Standard Offer Program projects are NOT net metered projects. The entire output from these facilities goes to the grid and is distributed pro rata to the Vermont utilities pursuant to the Vermont statute governing the Standard Offer Program referenced below.

Firstly, I have attached the Vermont Public Utility Commission Order in Docket No. 7533, which established the Standard Offer Program in 2009 and describes it at length.

Secondly, please follow the following link to 30 V.S.A. § 8005a (k)(2) the Vermont statute governing the Standard Offer Program <a href="http://legislature.vermont.gov/statutes/section/30/089/08005a">http://legislature.vermont.gov/statutes/section/30/089/08005a</a>.

Please let me know, if you have any questions. I can be reached today at 802-362-0748, but will be out of the office from 10/5 to 10/13. During that time, please contact Lauren Keyes at 802-362-0748 or lkeyes@veppi.org and she will be happy to assist.

Thank you so much!

Best regards, Meghan von Ballmoos



802-362-0748 meghan@veppi.org