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Luly Massaro
Commission Clerk
Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission
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Warwick, Rhode Island 02888

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Re: Q3 2021 RI RES REC Relief Request

Dear Ms. Massaro:

According to Rhode Island Public Utility Commission Docket No. 4853, Cersosimo Lumber (NEPOOL-GIS ID # 107661) is an approved wood biomass generation facility for the sale of renewable energy credits (RECs) per the Rhode Island Renewable Energy Standard. Unfortunately, we failed to report the facility's Q3 2021 emissions to NEPOOL-GIS by the deadline of January 10, 2022. The NEPOOL-GIS administrator APX does not have the authority to make any exceptions to the deadline and directed us to contact the state to allow the RECs for sale in Rhode Island.

As a participant in the Vermont Standard Offer Program, Cersosimo RECs belong to the Vermont distribution utilities by prorata share, so as a result of the error, the Vermont utilities are now short 29 August 2021 Vintage RI approved RECs and 57 September 2021 Vintage RI approved RECs. We respectfully request relief by the Commission to allow those 86 RECs to be RI RES compliant.

Please note, the facility remains fully compliant with respect to Rhode Island's RES Regulation Section 6.3(i) Fuel Eligibility Reporting requirements, with the Q3 2021 filing submitted November 29, 2021, well in advance of the NEPOOL emissions deadline.

Thank you very much for considering this request for relief.

Best regards,

VEPP Inc.

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