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RE: Central Maine Power Company

Docket No. PP-438

Dear Mr. Lawrence:

Central Maine Power Company (CMP) hereby submits an update to its Application for a Presidential Permit in Docket No. PP-438 that would authorize the construction, operation, maintenance, and connection of the New England Clean Energy Connect (NECEC or the Project) at the Québec-Maine border in Beattie Township, Franklin County, Maine.

The purpose of this letter is to update the record to reflect NECEC's receipt of approvals from ISO-New England under Section I.3.9 of the ISO's tariff. ISO-New England has determined that there is "no significant adverse effect upon the reliability or operating characteristics of the Transmission Owner's transmission facilities, the transmission facilities of another Transmission Owner, or the system of a Market Participant."

Copies of ISO-New England's July 9, 2020 approval letters are attached and the letters also can be viewed at the following link: <a href="https://www.iso-ne.com/system-planning/transmission-planning/proposed-plan-applications">https://www.iso-ne.com/system-planning/transmission-planning/proposed-plan-applications</a>.

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Please let us know if you require additional information with respect to reliability or other issues.

Very truly yours,

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## **Attachments**

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Mr. Kevin Fougere Central Maine Power Company 83 Edison Drive Augusta, ME 04336

Subject: New England Clean Energy Connect HVDC Transmission Project – Coopers Mills to Maine Yankee Transmission Line and Breaker Project - Proposed Plan Application (PPA) CMP-20-T01

Dear Mr. Fougere:

This letter is to inform you that, pursuant to review under Section I.3.9 of the ISO Tariff, no significant adverse effect has been identified with regard to the following PPA:

**CMP-20-T01** – Transmission application from Central Maine Power Company (CMP), for the New England Clean Energy Connect HVDC Transmission Project – Coopers Mills to Maine Yankee Transmission Line and Breaker Project. The in-service date of the project is November 1, 2022. The Reliability Committee (RC) reviewed the materials presented in support of the proposed project and did not identify a significant adverse effect on the reliability or operating characteristics of the transmission facilities of CMP, the transmission facilities of another Transmission Owner or the system of any other Market Participant.

Having given due consideration to the RC review, ISO New England has determined that implementation of the plan will not have a significant adverse effect upon the reliability or operating characteristics of the Transmission Owner's transmission facilities, the transmission facilities of another Transmission Owner, or the system of a Market Participant.

A determination under Section I.3.9 of the ISO Tariff is limited to a review of the reliability impacts of a proposed project as submitted by Participants and does not constitute an approval of a proposed project under any other provisions of the ISO Tariff.

Sincerely,

/s/ Al McBride Alan McBride Director, Transmission Services and Resource Qualification



Mr. Kevin Fougere Central Maine Power Company 83 Edison Drive Augusta, ME 04336

Subject: New England Clean Energy Connect HVDC Transmission Project – Larrabee Road Transformer and Breaker Project - Proposed Plan Application (PPA) CMP-20-T02

Dear Mr. Fougere:

This letter is to inform you that, pursuant to review under Section I.3.9 of the ISO Tariff, no significant adverse effect has been identified with regard to the following PPA:

**CMP-20-T02** – Transmission application from Central Maine Power Company (CMP), for the New England Clean Energy Connect HVDC Transmission Project – Larrabee Road Transformer and Breaker Project. The in-service date of the project is November 1, 2022. The Reliability Committee (RC) reviewed the materials presented in support of the proposed project and did not identify a significant adverse effect on the reliability or operating characteristics of the transmission facilities of CMP, the transmission facilities of another Transmission Owner or the system of any other Market Participant.

Having given due consideration to the RC review, ISO New England has determined that implementation of the plan will not have a significant adverse effect upon the reliability or operating characteristics of the Transmission Owner's transmission facilities, the transmission facilities of another Transmission Owner, or the system of a Market Participant.

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Sincerely,

/s/ Al McBride Alan McBride Director, Transmission Services and Resource Qualification



Mr. Kevin Fougere Central Maine Power Company 83 Edison Drive Augusta, ME 04336

Subject: New England Clean Energy Connect HVDC Transmission Project – Buxton Reactor Project – Proposed Plan Application (PPA) CMP-20-T03

Dear Mr. Fougere:

This letter is to inform you that, pursuant to review under Section I.3.9 of the ISO Tariff, no significant adverse effect has been identified with regard to the following PPA:

**CMP-20-T06** – Transmission application from Central Maine Power Company (CMP), for the New England Clean Energy Connect HVDC Transmission Project – Buxton Reactor Project. The inservice date of the project is November 1, 2022. The Reliability Committee (RC) reviewed the materials presented in support of the proposed project and did not identify a significant adverse effect on the reliability or operating characteristics of the transmission facilities of CMP, the transmission facilities of another Transmission Owner or the system of any other Market Participant.

Having given due consideration to the RC review, ISO New England has determined that implementation of the plan will not have a significant adverse effect upon the reliability or operating characteristics of the Transmission Owner's transmission facilities, the transmission facilities of another Transmission Owner, or the system of a Market Participant.

A determination under Section I.3.9 of the ISO Tariff is limited to a review of the reliability impacts of a proposed project as submitted by Participants and does not constitute an approval of a proposed project under any other provisions of the ISO Tariff.

Sincerely,

/s/ Al McBride Alan McBride Director, Transmission Services and Resource Qualification



Mr. Kevin Fougere Central Maine Power Company 83 Edison Drive Augusta, ME 04336

Subject: New England Clean Energy Connect HVDC Transmission Project – 320 kV HVDC Transmission Line Installation from Applaches Substation, Quebec to Merrill Road Substation, Maine Project - Proposed Plan Application (PPA) CMP-20-T04

Dear Mr. Fougere:

This letter is to inform you that, pursuant to review under Section I.3.9 of the ISO Tariff, no significant adverse effect has been identified with regard to the following PPA:

**CMP-20-T04** – Transmission application from Central Maine Power Company (CMP), for the New England Clean Energy Connect HVDC Transmission Project – 320 kV HVDC Transmission Line Installation from Applaches Substation, Quebec to Merrill Road Substation, Maine Project. The in-service date of the project is November 1, 2022. The Reliability Committee (RC) reviewed the materials presented in support of the proposed project and did not identify a significant adverse effect on the reliability or operating characteristics of the transmission facilities of CMP, the transmission facilities of another Transmission Owner or the system of any other Market Participant.

Having given due consideration to the RC review, ISO New England has determined that implementation of the plan will not have a significant adverse effect upon the reliability or operating characteristics of the Transmission Owner's transmission facilities, the transmission facilities of another Transmission Owner, or the system of a Market Participant.

A determination under Section I.3.9 of the ISO Tariff is limited to a review of the reliability impacts of a proposed project as submitted by Participants and does not constitute an approval of a proposed project under any other provisions of the ISO Tariff.

Sincerely,

/s/ Al McBride Alan McBride Director, Transmission Services and Resource Qualification



Mr. Kevin Fougere Central Maine Power Company 83 Edison Drive Augusta, ME 04336

Subject: New England Clean Energy Connect HVDC Transmission Project – HVDC Converter at Merrill Road Substation Project - Proposed Plan Application (PPA) CMP-20-T05

Dear Mr. Fougere:

This letter is to inform you that, pursuant to review under Section I.3.9 of the ISO Tariff, no significant adverse effect has been identified with regard to the following PPA:

**CMP-20-T05** – Transmission application from Central Maine Power Company (CMP), for the New England Clean Energy Connect HVDC Transmission Project – HVDC Converter at Merrill Road Substation Project. The in-service date of the project is November 1, 2022. The Reliability Committee (RC) reviewed the materials presented in support of the proposed project and did not identify a significant adverse effect on the reliability or operating characteristics of the transmission facilities of CMP, the transmission facilities of another Transmission Owner or the system of any other Market Participant.

Having given due consideration to the RC review, ISO New England has determined that implementation of the plan will not have a significant adverse effect upon the reliability or operating characteristics of the Transmission Owner's transmission facilities, the transmission facilities of another Transmission Owner, or the system of a Market Participant.

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Sincerely,

/s/ Al McBride Alan McBride Director, Transmission Services and Resource Qualification



Mr. Kevin Fougere Central Maine Power Company 83 Edison Drive Augusta, ME 04336

Subject: New England Clean Energy Connect HVDC Transmission Project – 345 kV Transmission Line from Merrill Road to Larrabee Road Project - Proposed Plan Application (PPA) CMP-20-T06

Dear Mr. Fougere:

This letter is to inform you that, pursuant to review under Section I.3.9 of the ISO Tariff, no significant adverse effect has been identified with regard to the following PPA:

**CMP-20-T06** – Transmission application from Central Maine Power Company (CMP), for the New England Clean Energy Connect HVDC Transmission Project – 345 kV Transmission Line from Merrill Road to Larrabee Road Project. The in-service date of the project is November 1, 2022. The Reliability Committee (RC) reviewed the materials presented in support of the proposed project and did not identify a significant adverse effect on the reliability or operating characteristics of the transmission facilities of CMP, the transmission facilities of another Transmission Owner or the system of any other Market Participant.

Having given due consideration to the RC review, ISO New England has determined that implementation of the plan will not have a significant adverse effect upon the reliability or operating characteristics of the Transmission Owner's transmission facilities, the transmission facilities of another Transmission Owner, or the system of a Market Participant.

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Sincerely,

/s/ Al McBride Alan McBride Director, Transmission Services and Resource Qualification



Mr. James Di Luca Eversource Energy 56 Prospect Street Hartford, CT 06103

Subject: New England Clean Energy Connect HVDC Transmission Project – Thermal Uprate of B 112 115 kV Transmission Line Project - Proposed Plan Application (PPA) ES-20-T27

Dear Mr. Di Luca:

This letter is to inform you that, pursuant to review under Section I.3.9 of the ISO Tariff, no significant adverse effect has been identified with regard to the following PPA:

**ES-20-T27** – Transmission application from Eversource Energy (ES), for the New England Clean Energy Connect HVDC Transmission Project – Thermal Uprate of B 112 115 kV Transmission Line Road Project. The in-service date of the project is June, 2022. The Reliability Committee (RC) reviewed the materials presented in support of the proposed project and did not identify a significant adverse effect on the reliability or operating characteristics of the transmission facilities of ES, the transmission facilities of another Transmission Owner or the system of any other Market Participant.

Having given due consideration to the RC review, ISO New England has determined that implementation of the plan will not have a significant adverse effect upon the reliability or operating characteristics of the Transmission Owner's transmission facilities, the transmission facilities of another Transmission Owner, or the system of a Market Participant.

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