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National Utility Service, Inc. Richard Soultanian, Co-President One Maynard Drive Park Ridge, NJ 07656

Re: **REG 2023-067 -** National Utility Service, Inc.

Renewal of Registration to Provide Natural Gas Aggregation Service

Dear Mr. Soultanian:

On July 7, 2023, National Utility Service, Inc. submitted an application to the Department of Energy (Department) to renew its registration as a provider of natural gas aggregation services.

Based on the Department's review of the application, it has been determined to be complete and to meets the requirements for registration under N.H. Code Admin. Rules Puc 3000.

Under RSA 12-P:15, effective on July 1, 2021, the Department is now responsible for registration and regulation of natural gas aggregators and competitive natural gas suppliers and for the adoption of related rules. The Department therefore is authorized to enforce the relevant provisions of the Puc 3000 rules, including those related to aggregator registration. *See* RSA 12-P:14.<sup>1</sup>

Pursuant to that statutory authority, National Utility Services application to renew its registration is approved, effective as of August 25, 2023. The registration is for a term of two years and expires at the close of business on August 25, 2025. Pursuant to Puc 3003.06(a), you must submit a renewal application at least 60 days prior to the expiration of the approved registration term, on or before June 26, 2025.

Please be aware that registered providers of natural gas aggregation services are subject to specific requirements contained in N.H. Code Admin. Rules Puc 3000 – Competitive Natural Gas Supplier and Aggregator Rules. Those rules are available at: <a href="http://www.puc.nh.gov/Regulatory/Rules/PUC3000.pdf">http://www.puc.nh.gov/Regulatory/Rules/PUC3000.pdf</a>.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> On July 1, 2021, the Department came into existence and many functions previously performed by the Public Utilities Commission (PUC) were transferred to the Department. Under RSA 12-P:14, "[e]xisting rules, orders, and approvals of the [PUC] which are associated with any functions, powers, and duties, transferred to the [Department] pursuant to RSA 12-P:11 or any other statutory provision, shall continue in effect and be enforced by the commissioner of the [Department] until they expire or are repealed or amended in accordance with applicable law." *See* 2021 N.H. Laws Chapter 91 (House Bill 2-FN-A-Local).

Sincerely,

Jared S. Chicoine Commissioner