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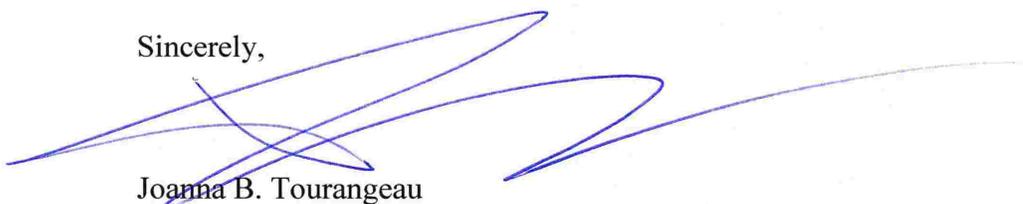
RE: CMP NECEC Project
Docket No. 2017-00232

Dear Jim:

For filing, enclosed please find NextEra Energy Resources, LLC's Petition to Intervene in the above referenced matter.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. Please do not hesitate to reach out to me should you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,



Joanna B. Tourangeau

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Enclosure

CENTRAL MAINE POWER COMPANY)
Applications Pursuant to SLODA and NRPA for)
the New England Clean Energy Connect)
Consisting of the Construction of a 1,200 MW)
HVDC Transmission Line from the Quebec-Maine)
Border to Lewiston (NECEC))
And Related Network Upgrades)
)

**PETITION TO
INTERVENE OF
NEXTERA ENERGY
RESOURCES, LLC**

NextEra Energy Resources, LLC (“NEXTERA”), by and through its undersigned attorney, hereby files this request to intervene in the above captioned proceeding. On September 27, 2017, Central Maine Power (“CMP”) filed an Application with the Maine Department of Environmental Protection (“Department”) pursuant to Maine’s Site Location of Development Act and Natural Resource Protection Act to construct the New England Clean Energy Connect 1,200 MW high voltage direct current (“HVDC”) transmission line from the Quebec-Maine border to a new converter station in Lewiston and related upgrades (“NECEC”).

In accordance with the Maine Administrative Procedure Act, as amended, any person demonstrating that he or she is or may be “substantially and directly affected” by an agency proceeding may “intervene as a party to the proceeding.” 5 M.R.S. § 9054. On June 27, 2018, the Department issued a Notice of Opportunity to Intervene. For the reasons described more fully below, NEXTERA is substantially and directly affected by CMP’s Application due to NEXTERA’S development of wind and solar projects in close proximity to the proposed NECEC project and by its ownership of existing generation assets in Maine. NEXTERA, therefore, requests that THE DEPARTMENT grant this petition for leave to intervene as a party in Department proceedings regarding the CMP Application.

NEXTERA is a limited liability company organized under the laws of Delaware, with its principle place of business at 700 Universe Blvd, Juno Beach, Florida 33408. NEXTERA is the indirect owner of the 36 megawatt (“MW”) Cape Energy Station; the 827 MW W.F. Wyman Station (100% owner of Units 1, 2, and 3 and majority owner of Unit 4); and the 16.2 MW Casco Bay Storage Project, as well as a number of wind, solar, and storage projects under development in Maine, including Penobscot Wind, LLC and Moose Wind, LLC. For example, the proposed NECEC transmission line would route directly through the proposed development area of the Moose Wind, LLC project, which directly and adversely impacts the ability of this wind generation project to access and interconnect to the transmission grid and the ISO-NE market, because the NECEC line is proposed a high voltage direct current line which is not conducive to interconnecting Maine-based renewable generating projects. . NEXTERA is consequently substantially and directly affected by the proposed amendment.

NEXTERA therefore respectfully requests Intervenor status in the above captioned proceedings.

NEXTERA also asks that the following parties be added to the service list for this matter:

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