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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION

Before Commissioners: Joseph T. Kelliher, Chairman;  
Sudeen G. Kelly, Marc Spitzer,  
Philip D. Moeller, and Jon Wellinghoff.

ISO New England Inc.  
New England Power Company

Docket No. ER06-269-000

ORDER APPROVING UNCONTESTED SETTLEMENT

(Issued January 24, 2008)

1. On June 25, 2007, New England Power Company, a National Grid USA Company (NEP), on behalf of itself and its affiliate, Massachusetts Electric Company (MECO), New England Wind, LLC (NE Wind)<sup>1</sup>, and ISO New England Inc. (ISO-NE) (collectively, the Parties) filed a Settlement Agreement (Settlement) that resolves all issues set for hearing in this docket. On July 16, 2007, FERC Trial Staff submitted comments in support of the Settlement. No other comments were received. On July 31, 2007, the Settlement Judge certified the Settlement to the Commission as uncontested.<sup>2</sup>
2. On November 30, 2005, ISO-NE and NEP filed with the Commission a Large Generator Interconnection Agreement (LGIA) providing the terms and conditions under which the Hoosac Wind Farm would be interconnected to the integrated transmission system at a point of interconnection that is located on facilities owned by NEP. NE Wind, the owner of the Hoosac Project, was unable to agree to all the terms and conditions in the LGIA as filed. As a result, the LGIA was filed without NE Wind's signature.
3. In addition to the LGIA, the Parties submit a Related Facilities Agreement (RFA) to govern the construction, ownership, operation and maintenance of approximately 5.5 miles of a 34.5kV line and associated structures, equipment and controls located on property owned by MECO. Under the terms of the RFA, NE Wind will construct the facilities, which will be owned, operated and maintained by MECO after construction.

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<sup>1</sup> NE Wind is a subsidiary of Scottish Power PLC.

<sup>2</sup> *ISO New England Inc.*, 120 FERC ¶ 63,007 (2007).

4. The Parties condition acceptance of this Settlement upon the acceptance of all provisions thereof by the Commission in accordance with section 602 of the Commission's regulations.<sup>3</sup> The Parties further condition acceptance of the Settlement upon the Commission's acceptance of the revised Large Generator Interconnection Agreement and Related Facilities Agreement, each without condition or modification.

5. The Commission finds that the proposed Settlement is fair and reasonable and in the public interest. Accordingly, the Commission approves the proposed Settlement. The Commission's approval of the Settlement does not constitute approval of, or precedent regarding, any principle or issue in this proceeding.

6. The Settlement also provides that the just and reasonable standard governs all future changes to this agreement by the parties and the Commission.<sup>4</sup> The Commission retains the right to investigate the rates, terms and conditions under the just and reasonable and not unduly discriminatory or preferential standard of section 206 of the FPA.<sup>5</sup>

7. This order terminates Docket No. ER06-269-000.

By the Commission.

( S E A L )

Kimberly D. Bose,  
Secretary.

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<sup>3</sup> 18 C.F.R. § 602(g) (2007).

<sup>4</sup> Settlement at P 9.

<sup>5</sup> 16 U.S.C. § 824e (2000).