EXECUTION VERSION

RPS CLASS I RENEWABLE GENERATION UNIT POWER PURCHASE AGREEMENT

BETWEEN

THE CONNECTICUT LIGHT AND POWER COMPANY d/b/a EVERSOURCE ENERGY [Buyer]

AND

PLAINFIELD RENEWABLE ENERGY, LLC [Seller]

As of April 12, 2019

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POWER PURCHASE AGREEMENT

This POWER PURCHASE AGREEMENT (as amended from time to time in accordance with the terms hereof, this "<u>Agreement</u>") is entered into as of April 12, 2019 (the "<u>Effective Date</u>"), by and between The Connecticut Light and Power Company d/b/a Eversource Energy, a Connecticut corporation ("<u>Buver</u>"), and Plainfield Renewable Energy, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("<u>Seller</u>"). Buyer and Seller are individually referred to herein as a "Party" and are collectively referred to herein as the "Parties".

WHEREAS, Seller owns and operates the biomass electric generation facility located in Plainfield, Connecticut, which is more fully described in Exhibit A hereto (the "<u>Facility</u>"), from which the Buyer's Percentage Entitlement of the Products (as defined below) is to be delivered to Buyer pursuant to the terms of this Agreement; and

WHEREAS, as of the Effective Date the Facility qualifies as a RPS Class I Renewable Generation Unit in the state of Connecticut; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Conn. Public Act 18-50, Buyer is required to file a long-term contract for the purchase of energy and renewable energy certificates from a biomass facility that is a Class I renewable energy source that began operation after December 1, 2013 meeting the requirements of Conn. Public Act 18-50; and

WHEREAS, Buyer and Seller desire to enter into this Agreement pursuant to Conn. Public Act 18-50 whereby Buyer shall purchase from Seller certain Energy and RECs (each as defined herein) generated by or associated with the Facility;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises and of the mutual agreements contained herein, and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the Parties hereby agree as follows:

1. **DEFINITIONS**

In addition to terms defined in the recitals hereto, the following terms shall have the meanings set forth below. Any capitalized terms used in this Agreement and not defined herein shall have the same meaning as ascribed to such terms under the ISO-NE Practices and ISO-NE Rules.

- "Adverse Determination" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 19.7.
- "<u>Affiliate</u>" shall mean, with respect to any Person, any other Person that directly or indirectly through one or more intermediaries Controls, is Controlled by, or is under common Control with, such first Person.
- "Agreement" shall have the meaning set forth in the first paragraph of this Agreement.
- "<u>Alternative Compliance Payment Rate</u>" means the rate per MWh paid by electricity suppliers under applicable Law for failure to supply RECs in accordance with the RPS.
- "Bankruptcy Default" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 9.1(d) hereof.

- "Business Day" means a day on which Federal Reserve member banks in New York, New York are open for business; and a Business Day shall start at 8:00 a.m. and end at 5:00 p.m. Eastern Prevailing Time.
- "Buyer's Percentage Entitlement" shall mean Buyer's rights to twenty percent (20 %) of the Products.
- "Buyer's Taxes" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 5.4(a) hereof.
- "Certificate" shall mean an electronic certificate created pursuant to the GIS Operating Rules or any successor thereto to represent certain Environmental Attributes of each MWh of energy generated within the ISO-NE control area and the generation attributes of certain energy imported into the ISO-NE control area.
- "Contract Maximum Amount" shall mean seven and one-half (7.500) MWh per hour of Energy and a corresponding portion of all other Products.
- "Contract Year" shall mean the twelve (12) consecutive calendar months starting on the Delivery Term Start Date and each subsequent twelve (12) consecutive calendar month period; provided that the first Contract Year shall include the days in the prior month in which the Delivery Term Start Date occurred.
- "Control" shall mean the possession, directly or indirectly, of the power to direct or cause the direction of the management and policies of a Person, whether through the ownership of voting securities, by contract or otherwise.
- "Cover Damages" shall mean, with respect to any Delivery Failure, an amount equal to (a) the positive net amount, if, any, by which the Replacement Price exceeds the applicable Price that would have been paid for the Products pursuant to Section 5.1 hereof, multiplied by the quantity of that Delivery Failure, plus (b) any other costs incurred by Buyer in purchasing Replacement Energy and/or Replacement RECs due to that Delivery Failure, plus (c) any applicable penalties and other costs assessed by ISO-NE or any other Person against Buyer as a result of that Delivery Failure, plus (d) any other costs and losses incurred by Buyer as a result of that Delivery Failure. Buyer shall provide a statement for the applicable period explaining in reasonable detail the calculation of any Cover Damages.
- "Credit Support" shall mean collateral in the form of (a) cash or (b) a letter of credit issued by a Qualified Bank in a form reasonably acceptable to the Buyer.
- "Day-Ahead Energy Market" shall have the meaning set forth in the ISO-NE Rules.
- "<u>Default</u>" shall mean any event or condition which, with the giving of notice or passage of time or both, could become an Event of Default.
- "<u>Defaulting Party</u>" shall mean the Party with respect to which a Default or Event of Default has occurred.

- "<u>Deliver</u>" or "<u>Delivery</u>" shall mean with respect to (i) Energy, to supply Energy into Buyer's ISO-NE account at the Delivery Point in accordance with the terms of this Agreement and the ISO-NE Rules, and (ii) RECs, to supply RECs in accordance with Section 4.7(e).
- "<u>Delivery Failure</u>" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 4.3 hereof.
- "<u>Delivery Point</u>" shall mean the specific location on the Pool Transmission Facilities where Seller shall Deliver its Energy to Buyer, as set forth in Section 4.2(d).
- "<u>Delivery Term Start Date</u>" shall mean the date on which the conditions set forth in Section 3.1(b) have been satisfied, as set out in a written notice from Seller to Buyer.
- "<u>Department</u>" shall mean the Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection and its successors.
- "<u>Dispute</u>" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 11.1 hereof.
- "Eastern Prevailing Time" shall mean either Eastern Standard Time or Eastern Daylight Savings Time, as in effect from time to time.
- "Effective Date" shall have the meaning set forth in the first paragraph hereof.
- "Energy" shall mean electric "energy," as such term is defined in the ISO-NE Tariff, generated by the Facility as measured in MWh in Eastern Prevailing Time, less such Facility's station service use, generator lead losses and transformer losses, which quantity for purposes of this Agreement will never be less than zero.
- "Environmental Attributes" shall mean any and all generation attributes under the RPS laws and regulations of the state of Connecticut, and under any and all other international, federal, regional, state or other law, rule, regulation, bylaw, treaty or other intergovernmental compact, decision, administrative decision, program (including any voluntary compliance or membership program), competitive market or business method (including all credits, certificates, benefits, and emission measurements, reductions, offsets and allowances related thereto) that are attributable, now or in the future to the favorable generation or environmental attributes of a Generation Unit or the products produced by a Generation Unit during the Services Term including, but not limited to: (a) any such credits, certificates, benefits, offsets and allowances computed on the basis of the Generation Unit's generation using renewable technology or displacement of fossil-fuel derived or other conventional energy generation; (b) any Certificates issued pursuant to the GIS in connection with energy generated by the Generation Unit; and (c) any voluntary emission reduction credits obtained or obtainable by Seller in connection with the generation of energy by the Generation Unit; provided, however, that Environmental Attributes shall not include: (i) any state or federal production tax credits; (ii) any state or federal investment tax credits or other tax credits associated with the construction or ownership of the Facility; or (iii) any state, federal or private grants, financing, guarantees or other credit support relating to the construction or ownership, operation or maintenance of the Facility or the output thereof.

- "Event of Default" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 9.1 hereof and shall include the events and conditions described in Section 9.1 and Section 9.2 hereof.
- "EWG" shall mean an exempt wholesale generator under 15 U.S.C. § 79z-5a, as amended from time to time.
- "<u>Facility</u>" shall have the meaning set forth in the Recitals.
- "<u>Federal Funds Rate</u>" shall mean the annualized interest rate for the applicable month as set forth in the statistical release designated as H.15, or any successor publication, published by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.
- "<u>FERC</u>" shall mean the United States Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, and shall include its successors.
- "Financing" shall mean indebtedness, whether secured or unsecured, loans, guarantees, notes, convertible debt, bond issuances adequate for the construction of the Facility
- "Force Majeure" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 10.1(a) hereof.
- "Generation Unit" shall mean a facility that converts a fuel or an energy resource into electrical energy.
- "GIS" shall mean the NEPOOL Generation Information System or any successor thereto, which includes a generation information database and certificate system, operated by NEPOOL, its designee or successor entity, that accounts for generation attributes of electricity generated or consumed within New England.
- "GIS Operating Rules" are the NEPOOL Generation Information System Operating Rules effective as of the Effective Date, as amended, superseded, or restated from time to time.
- "Good Utility Practice" shall mean compliance with all applicable laws, codes, rules and regulations, all ISO-NE Rules and ISO-NE Practices, and any practices, methods and acts engaged in or approved by a significant portion of the electric industry in New England during the relevant time period, or any of the practices, methods and acts which, in the exercise of reasonable judgment in light of the facts known at the time the decision is made, could have been expected to accomplish the desired result consistent with good business practices, reliability, safety and expedition. Good Utility Practice is not intended to be limited to the optimum practice, method or act to the exclusion of all others, but rather is intended to include acceptable practices, methods and acts generally accepted in the electric industry in New England.
- "Governmental Entity" shall mean any federal, state or local governmental agency, authority, department, instrumentality or regulatory body, and any court or tribunal, with jurisdiction over Seller, Buyer or the Facility.

- "Interconnecting Utility" shall mean the utility (which may or may not be Buyer or an Affiliate of Buyer) providing interconnection service for the Facility to the distribution system or Transmission System, as applicable, of that utility.
- "Interconnection Agreement" shall mean an agreement between Seller and the Interconnecting Utility and ISO-NE, as applicable, regarding the interconnection of the Facility to the distribution system or Transmission System, as applicable, of the Interconnecting Utility, as the same may be amended from time to time.
- "Interconnection Point" shall have the meaning set forth in the Interconnection Agreement.
- "ISO" or "ISO-NE" shall mean ISO New England Inc., the independent system operator established in accordance with the RTO arrangements for New England, or its successor.
- "ISO-NE Practices" shall mean the ISO-NE practices and procedures for delivery and transmission of energy in effect from time to time and shall include, without limitation, applicable requirements of the NEPOOL Agreement, and any applicable successor practices and procedures.
- "ISO-NE Rules" shall mean all rules and procedures adopted by NEPOOL, ISO-NE, or the RTO, and governing wholesale power markets and transmission in New England, as such rules may be amended from time to time, including but not limited to, the ISO-NE Tariff, the ISO-NE Operating Procedures (as defined in the ISO-NE Tariff), the Transmission Operating Planning Procedures (as defined in the ISO-NE Tariff), the Transmission Operating Agreement (as defined in the ISO-NE Tariff), the ISO-NE Participants Agreement, the manuals, procedures and business process documents published by ISO-NE via its web site and/or by its e-mail distribution to appropriate NEPOOL participants and/or NEPOOL committees, as amended, superseded or restated from time to time.
- "ISO-NE Tariff" shall mean ISO-NE's Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff, FERC Electric Tariff No. 3, as amended, superseded or restated from time to time.
- "ISO Settlement Market System" shall have the meaning as set forth in the ISO-NE Tariff.
- "Late Payment Rate" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 5.3 hereof.
- "<u>Law</u>" shall mean all federal, state and local statutes, regulations, rules, orders, executive orders, decrees, policies, judicial decisions and notifications.
- "<u>Lender</u>" shall mean a party providing Financing and receiving a security interest in the Facility, and shall include any assignee or transferee of such a party and any trustee, collateral agent or similar entity acting on behalf of such a party.
- "<u>Locational Marginal Price</u>" or "<u>LMP</u>" shall have the meaning set forth in the ISO-NE Rules.

- "Market Price" shall mean the price received by Buyer by selling the Energy into either the ISO-NE-administered Day-Ahead or Real-Time Markets, as applicable.
- "Meters" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 4.6(a) hereof.
- "Moody's" shall mean Moody's Investors Service, Inc., and any successor thereto.
- "MW" shall mean a megawatt AC.
- "MWh" shall mean a megawatt-hour (one MWh shall equal 1,000 kWh).
- "NEPOOL" shall mean the New England Power Pool and any successor organization.
- "<u>NERC</u>" shall mean the North American Electric Reliability Corporation and shall include any successor thereto.
- "Network Upgrades" shall mean upgrades to the Pool Transmission Facilities and the Transmission Provider's transmission and distribution systems, as determined and identified in the interconnection study approved in connection with construction of the Facility, necessary for Delivery of the Energy to the Delivery Point
- "New England Control Area" shall have the meaning as set forth in the ISO-NE Tariff.
- "Node" shall have the meaning set forth in ISO-NE Rules.
- "Non-Defaulting Party" shall mean the Party with respect to which a Default or Event of Default has not occurred.
- "Party" and "Parties" shall have the meaning set forth in the first paragraph of this Agreement.
- "Payment Default" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 9.1(b) hereof.
- "Performance Assurance" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 6.1 hereof.
- "Permits" shall mean any permit, authorization, license, order, consent, waiver, exception, exemption, variance or other approval by or from, and any filing, report, certification, declaration, notice or submission to or with, any Governmental Entity required to authorize action, including any of the foregoing relating to the ownership, siting, operation, use or maintenance of the Facility under any applicable Law and the Delivery of the Products in accordance with this Agreement.
- "<u>Person</u>" shall mean an individual, partnership, corporation, limited liability company, limited liability partnership, limited partnership, association, trust, unincorporated organization, or a government authority or agency or political subdivision thereof.
- "Pool Transmission Facilities" has the meaning given that term in the ISO-NE Rules.

- "<u>Price</u>" shall mean the purchase price(s) for Products referenced in Section 5.1 hereof and set forth on Exhibit B.
- "Products" shall mean Energy and RECs; provided, however, that Energy and RECs generated by or associated with the Facility in excess of the Contract Maximum Amount and RECs not purchased by Buyer under Section 4.1(b) shall not be deemed Products.
- "<u>PURA</u>" shall mean the Connecticut Public Utilities Regulatory Authority and shall include its successors.
- "OF" shall mean a cogeneration or small power production facility which meets the criteria as defined by FERC in Title 18, Code of Federal Regulations, §§ 292.201 through 292.207, as amended from time to time.
- "Qualified Bank" shall mean a U.S. commercial bank or the U.S. branch office of a foreign bank, in either case, having (x) assets on its most recent audited balance sheet of at least \$10,000,000,000 and (y) a rating for its senior long-term unsecured debt obligations of at least (A) "A-" by S&P and "A3" by Moody's, if such entity is rated by both S&P and Moody's or (B) "A-" by S&P or "A3" by Moody's, if such entity is rated by either S&P or Moody's but not both.
- "Real-Time Energy Market" shall have the meaning as set forth in the ISO-NE Rules.
- "Regulatory Approval" shall mean PURA's issuance of a final decision approving this Agreement (including any amendment of this Agreement as provided for herein), including the continuing authorization for recovery by Buyer of all net costs incurred under this Agreement and the reasonable costs incurred in connection with this Agreement for the entire Term of this Agreement, which approval is acceptable in form and substance to Buyer, does not include any conditions or modifications that Buyer deems to be unacceptable, and is final and not subject to appeal or rehearing. Without limiting the foregoing, the Regulatory Approval will provide that all costs incurred under this Agreement and reasonable costs incurred in connection with this Agreement shall be recovered by Buyer through a fully reconciling component of electric rates, such that Buyer is made whole for such costs, and that PURA and any successor agency will not refuse full and complete recovery to make Buyer whole for such costs.
- "Rejected Purchase" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 4.4 hereof.
- "Reliability Curtailment" shall mean any curtailment of Delivery of Energy resulting from (i) an emergency condition as defined in the Interconnection Agreement or the ISO-NE Tariff, or (ii) any other order or directive of the Interconnecting Utility or the Transmission Provider pursuant to an Interconnection Agreement or tariff.
- "Renewable Energy Certificates" or "RECs" shall mean all of the Certificates and any and all other Environmental Attributes associated with the Energy or otherwise produced by the Facility which satisfy the RPS for a RPS Class I Renewable Generation Unit, and shall represent title to and claim over all Environmental Attributes associated with the specified MWh of generation from such RPS Class I Renewable Generation Unit.

"Replacement Energy" shall mean energy purchased by Buyer as replacement for any Delivery Failure relating to the Energy to be provided hereunder.

"Replacement Price" shall mean the price at which Buyer, acting in a commercially reasonable manner, (A) purchases Replacement Energy and/or Replacement RECs plus (i) costs incurred by Buyer in purchasing such Replacement Energy and/or Replacement RECs, (ii) additional transmission charges, if any, incurred by Buyer to transmit Replacement Energy to the Delivery Point, and (iii) any other costs and losses incurred by Buyer as a result of the Delivery Failure; provided, however, that in no event shall Buyer be required to utilize or change its utilization of its owned or controlled assets, contracts or market positions to minimize Seller's liability, or (B) elects in its sole discretion not to purchase Replacement Energy and/or Replacement RECs, the market value of Energy and/or the Alternative Compliance Payment Rate as of the date and the time of the Delivery Failure plus any other costs and losses incurred by Buyer as a result of the Delivery Failure will replace the price at which Buyer purchases Replacement Energy and/or Replacement RECs in the calculation of the Replacement Price relating to the Energy and/or RECs to be purchased and sold hereunder.

"Replacement RECs" shall mean any generation or Environmental Attributes, including any Certificates or other certificates or credits related thereto reflecting generation by a RPS Class I Renewable Generation Unit that are purchased by Buyer as replacement for any RECs not Delivered as required hereunder.

"Resale Damages" shall mean, with respect to any Rejected Purchase, an amount equal to (a) the positive net amount, if any, by which the applicable Price that would have been paid pursuant to Section 5.1 hereof for such Rejected Purchase, had it been accepted, exceeds the Resale Price multiplied by the quantity of that Rejected Purchase (in MWh and/or RECs, as applicable), plus (b) any applicable penalties assessed by ISO-NE or any other Person against Seller as a result of Buyer's failure to accept such Products in accordance with the terms of this Agreement. Seller shall provide a written statement for the applicable period explaining in reasonable detail the calculation of any Resale Damages.

"Resale Price" shall mean the price at which Seller, acting in a commercially reasonable manner, sells or is paid for a Rejected Purchase, plus transaction and other administrative costs reasonably incurred by Seller in re-selling such Rejected Purchase that Seller would not have incurred but for the Rejected Purchase; provided, however, that in no event shall Seller be required to utilize or change its utilization of the Facility or its other assets, contracts or market positions in order to minimize Buyer's liability for such Rejected Purchase.

"RPS" shall mean the requirements established pursuant to Conn. Gen. Stat. Section 16-245a and the regulations promulgated thereunder that require all retail electricity suppliers in Connecticut to provide a minimum percentage of electricity from RPS Class I Renewable Generation Units, and such successor laws and regulations as may be in effect from time to time.

- "RPS Class I Renewable Generation Unit" shall mean a "Class I renewable energy source" as defined in Conn. Gen. Stat. Section 16-1 that produces RECs that qualify for the RPS.
- "RTO" shall mean ISO-NE and any successor organization or entity to ISO-NE, as authorized by FERC to exercise the functions pursuant to FERC's Order No. 2000 and FERC's corresponding regulations, or any successor organization, or any other entity authorized to exercise comparable functions in subsequent orders or regulations of FERC.
- "S&P" shall mean Standard & Poor's Financial Services LLC and any successor thereto.
- "Schedule" or "Scheduling" shall mean the actions of Seller and/or its designated representatives pursuant to Section 4.2, of notifying, requesting and confirming to ISO-NE the quantity of Energy to be delivered on any given day or days (or in any given hour or hours) during the Services Term at the Delivery Point.
- "Services Term" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.2(b) hereof.
- "Seller's Taxes" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 5.4(a) hereof.
- "<u>Term</u>" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.2(a) hereof.
- "Transmission Provider" shall mean (a) ISO-NE, its respective successor or Affiliates; (b) Interconnecting Utility; and/or (c) such other third parties from whom transmission services are necessary for Seller to fulfill its performance obligations to Buyer hereunder, as the context requires.
- "<u>Transmission System</u>" shall mean the transmission facilities operated by a Transmission Provider, now or hereafter in existence, which provide energy transmission service for the Energy to or from the Delivery Point.
- "<u>Unit Contingent</u>" shall mean that the Products are to be supplied only from the Facility and only to the extent that the Facility is generating energy.

2. EFFECTIVE DATE; TERM

2.1 <u>Effective Date</u>. Subject in all respects to Article 8, this Agreement is effective as of the Effective Date.

2.2 Term.

- (a) The "<u>Term</u>" of this Agreement is the period beginning on the Effective Date and ending upon the final settlement of all obligations hereunder after the expiration of the Services Term or the earlier termination of this Agreement in accordance with its terms.
- (b) The "<u>Services Term</u>" is the period during which Buyer is obligated to purchase Products Delivered to Buyer by Seller commencing on the Delivery Term Start Date

and continuing for a period of ten (10) years from the Delivery Term Start Date, unless this Agreement is earlier terminated in accordance with the provisions hereof.

(c) At the expiration of the Term or earlier termination of this Agreement pursuant to the terms hereof, the Parties shall no longer be bound by the terms and provisions hereof, except (i) to the extent necessary to make payments of any amounts owed to the other Party arising prior to or resulting from termination of, or on account of a breach of, this Agreement, (ii) to the extent necessary to enforce the rights and the obligations of the Parties arising under this Agreement before such expiration or termination, and (iii) the obligations of the Parties hereunder with respect to confidentiality and indemnification shall survive the expiration or termination of this Agreement.

3. FACILITY OPERATION

3.1 <u>Delivery Term Start Date.</u>

- (a) Seller's obligation to Deliver the Products and Buyer's obligation to pay Seller for such Products commences on the Delivery Term Start Date.
- (b) The Delivery Term Start Date shall be the first day of the first calendar month following the receipt of Regulatory Approval, provided that Seller has satisfied all requirements of the ISO-NE Rules and ISO-NE Practices for the delivery of the Products to the Buyer, and further provided Seller has satisfied the following conditions precedent as of such date:
 - (i) Seller has obtained and demonstrated possession of all Permits required for the lawful operation of the Facility, for the interconnection of the Facility to the Interconnecting Utility (including any Network Upgrades) and for Seller to perform its obligations under this Agreement, including but not limited to Permits related to environmental matters;
 - (ii) Seller (or the party with whom Seller contracts pursuant to Section 3.2(e)) has established all ISO-NE-related accounts and entered into all ISO-NE-related agreements required for the performance of Seller's obligations in connection with the Facility and this Agreement, which agreements shall be in full force and effect, including the registration of the Facility in the GIS;
 - (iii) no Default or Event of Default by Seller shall have occurred and remain uncured;
 - (iv) the Facility is owned or leased by, and under the care, custody and control of, Seller;
 - (v) Seller has delivered to Buyer:

- (A) certificates of insurance evidencing the coverages required under Section 3.2(i); and
- (B) the Performance Assurance.

3.2 Operation of the Facility.

- (a) Compliance with Utility Requirements. Seller shall comply with, and shall cause the Facility to comply with: (i) Good Utility Practice; (ii) the Operational Limitations; and (iii) all applicable rules, procedures, operating policies, criteria, guidelines and requirements imposed by ISO-NE, any Transmission Provider, any Interconnecting Utility, NERC and/or any regional reliability entity, including, in each case, all practices, requirements, rules, procedures and standards related to Seller's ownership, operation and maintenance of the Facility and its performance of its obligations under this Agreement (including obligations related to the generation, Scheduling, interconnection, and transmission of Energy, and the transfer of RECs), whether such requirements were imposed prior to or after the Effective Date. Seller shall be solely responsible for registering as the "Generator Owner" and "Generator Operator" of the Facility with NERC and any applicable regional reliability entities, as applicable.
- (b) <u>Permits</u>. Seller shall maintain or cause to be maintained in full force and effect all Permits necessary for it to perform its obligations under this Agreement, including all Permits necessary to operate and maintain the Facility.
- (c) <u>Maintenance and Operation of Facility</u>. Seller shall, at all times during the Term, maintain and operate the Facility in accordance with Good Utility Practice and in accordance with Exhibit A to this Agreement. Seller shall bear all costs related thereto. Seller may contract with other Persons to provide operation and maintenance functions, so long as Seller maintains overall control over the operation and maintenance of the Facility throughout the Term.
- (d) <u>Interconnection Agreement</u>. Seller shall comply with the terms and conditions of the Interconnection Agreement and shall be responsible for obtaining interconnection of the Facility at the Interconnection Point at a level that is capable of satisfying the Capacity Capability Interconnection Standard under the ISO-NE Rules.
- (e) <u>ISO-NE Status</u>. Seller shall, at all times during the Services Term, either: (i) be an ISO-NE "Market Participant" pursuant to the ISO-NE Rules; or (ii) have entered into an agreement with a Market Participant that shall perform all of Seller's ISO-NE-related obligations in connection with the Facility and this Agreement.
- (f) <u>Forecasts</u>. Upon Buyer's request, commencing at least thirty (30) days prior to the anticipated Delivery Term Start Date and continuing throughout the Term, Seller shall update and deliver to Buyer on an annual basis and in a form reasonably acceptable to Buyer, twelve (12) month rolling forecasts of Energy production by the Facility, which forecasts shall be prepared in good faith and in accordance with Good Utility Practice based on historical performance, maintenance schedules, Seller's generation projections and other relevant data and considerations. Any notable changes from prior forecasts or historical energy delivery shall be

noted and an explanation provided. The provisions of this section are in addition to Seller's requirements under ISO-NE Rules and ISO-NE Practices, including ISO-NE Operating Procedure No. 5.

- (g) <u>RPS Class I Renewable Generation Unit</u>. Subject to Section 4.7(b), Seller shall be solely responsible at Seller's cost for qualifying the Facility as a RPS Class I Renewable Generation Unit and maintaining such qualification throughout the Services Term. Seller shall take all actions necessary to register for and maintain participation in the GIS to register, monitor, track, and transfer RECs. Seller shall provide such additional information as Buyer may request relating to such qualification and participation and the registration, monitoring, tracking and transfer of RECs.
- (h) <u>Compliance Reporting</u>. Upon Buyer's request, within thirty (30) days following the end of each calendar quarter, Seller shall provide Buyer information pertaining to emissions, fuel types, labor information and any other information to the extent required by Buyer to comply with the disclosure requirements contained under applicable Law and any other such disclosure regulations which may be imposed upon Buyer during the Term, which information requirements will be provided to Seller by Buyer at least fifteen (15) days before the beginning of the calendar quarter for which the information is required. To the extent Buyer is subject to any other certification or compliance reporting requirement with respect to the Products produced by Seller and delivered to Buyer hereunder, Seller shall provide any information in its possession (or, if not in Seller's possession, reasonably available to it and not reasonably available to Buyer) requested by Buyer to permit Buyer to comply with any such reporting requirement.
- (i) <u>Insurance</u>. Throughout the Term, and without limiting any liabilities or any other obligations of Seller hereunder, Seller shall secure and continuously carry with an insurance company or companies rated not lower than "A-" by the A.M. Best Company (or any successor thereto) the insurance coverage and with the deductibles that are customary for a generating facility of the type and size of the Facility and as otherwise legally required. Upon the execution of this Agreement, and at each subsequent policy renewal date thereafter, Seller shall provide Buyer with a certificate of insurance which (i) shall include Buyer as an additional insured on each policy, (ii) shall not include the legend "certificate is not evidence of coverage" or any statement with similar effect, if such evidence of insurance is not issued on a standard ACORD form, (iii) shall evidence a firm obligation of the insurer to provide Buyer with thirty (30) days prior written notice of cancellation or non-renewal of coverage (for coverage modifications that may adversely affect Buyer, Seller shall provide Buyer with thirty (30) days prior written notice), and (iv) shall be endorsed by a Person who has authority to bind the insurer. If any coverage is written on a "claims-made" basis, the certification accompanying the policy shall conspicuously state that the policy is "claims made."
- (j) <u>Contacts</u>. Each Party shall identify a principal contact or contacts, which contact(s) shall have adequate authority and expertise to make day-to-day decisions with respect to the administration of this Agreement.
- (k) <u>Compliance with Law</u>. Without limiting the generality of any other provision of this Agreement, Seller shall be responsible for complying with all applicable

requirements of Law, including all applicable rules, procedures, operating policies, criteria, guidelines and requirements imposed by FERC and any other Governmental Entity, whether imposed pursuant to existing Law or procedures or pursuant to changes enacted or implemented during the Term, including all risks of operational and environmental matters relating to the Facility or the Facility site. Seller shall indemnify Buyer against any and all claims arising out of or related to such environmental matters and against any costs imposed on Buyer as a result of Seller's violation of any applicable Law, or ISO-NE or NERC requirements. For the avoidance of doubt, Seller shall be responsible for procuring, at its expense, all Permits and governmental approvals required for the operation of the Facility in compliance with applicable requirements of Law.

- (l) <u>FERC Status</u>. Seller shall be responsible for ensuring that it is in compliance with all FERC directives and requirements necessary for Seller to fulfill its obligations under this Agreement. As part of Seller's satisfaction of this responsibility, it shall maintain the Facility's status as a QF or EWG (to the extent Seller meets the criteria for such status) at all times on and after the Delivery Term Start Date and shall obtain and maintain any requisite authority to sell the output of the Facility at market-based rates, including market-based rate authority to the extent applicable. If Seller certifies the Facility as a QF, for so long as this Agreement is in effect, Seller waives, and agrees not to assert, any rights Seller may have to require Buyer to purchase or transmit electric power or to pay a specified price for electric power by virtue of the status of the Facility as a QF.
- (m) Emissions. Seller shall be responsible for all costs associated with the Facility's emissions, including the cost of procuring emission reductions, offsets, allowances or similar items associated with the Facility's emissions, to the extent required to operate the Facility. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, failure or inability of Seller to procure emission reductions, offsets, allowances or similar items associated with the Facility's emissions shall not constitute a Force Majeure.
- (n) <u>Maintenance.</u> No later than (a) the Delivery Term Start Date and (b) two months prior to the end of each calendar year thereafter during the Term, Seller shall submit to Buyer a schedule of planned maintenance for the following calendar year for the Facility. Throughout the Term, Seller shall coordinate all planned maintenance with ISO-NE, consistent with ISO-NE Rules, and shall promptly provide applicable information concerning scheduled outages, as determined by ISO-NE, to Buyer. To maximize the value of the Products, to the extent possible and consistent with ISO-NE Rules, Seller shall not schedule maintenance of the Facility during the months of December, January and February or June through September, and shall operate the Facility so as to maximize energy production during the hours of anticipated peak load and Energy prices in New England; provided, however, that planned maintenance may be scheduled during such period to the extent the failure to perform such planned maintenance is contrary to operation of the Facility in accordance with Good Utility Practice.

3.3 Interconnection and Delivery Services.

(a) Seller shall be responsible for all costs associated with interconnection of the Facility at the Interconnection Point at a level that is capable of satisfying the Capacity Capability Interconnection Standard under the ISO-NE Rules and with Delivery of the Energy at

the Delivery Point, including the costs of the Network Upgrades, consistent with all standards and requirements set forth by the FERC, ISO-NE, any other applicable Governmental Entity and the Interconnecting Utility. Seller shall be responsible for procuring delivery service and all costs associated with it.

(b) Seller shall defend, indemnify and hold Buyer harmless against any and all liabilities, fees, costs and expenses, including but not limited to reasonable attorneys' fees arising due to Seller's performance or failure to perform under the Interconnection Agreement or any agreement for delivery service associated with Seller's performance of its obligations under this Agreement.

4. **DELIVERY OF PRODUCTS**

4.1 Obligation to Sell and Purchase Products.

- (a) Beginning on the Delivery Term Start Date and subject to Section 4.1(b) and 4.2(a), Seller shall sell and Deliver, and Buyer shall purchase and receive all right, title and interest in and to, Buyer's Percentage Entitlement of the Products in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement. The aforementioned obligations for Seller to sell and Deliver the Products and for Buyer to purchase and receive the same are Unit Contingent and shall be subject to the operation of the Facility. Seller agrees that Seller will not curtail or otherwise reduce deliveries of the Products in order to sell such Products to other purchasers. To maximize the value of the Products, to the extent possible and consistent with ISO-NE Rules and Good Utility Practice, Seller shall use commercially reasonable efforts to maximize the production and Delivery of Energy during the time periods of anticipated peak load and peak Energy prices in New England.
- (b) Buyer shall not be obligated to accept or pay for any REC or comparable certificate, credit, attribute or other similar product produced by or associated with the Facility which fails to satisfy the RPS as an Environmental Attribute associated with the specified MWh of generation from a RPS Class I Renewable Generation Unit, and, to the extent that Buyer does not purchase any such REC or comparable certificate, credit, attribute or other similar product associated with the Facility, Seller may, in its sole discretion, sell, transfer or otherwise dispose of that REC or comparable certificate, credit, attribute or other similar product. In the event that the Buyer notifies Seller that it will not purchase any REC or comparable certificate, credit, attribute or other similar product produced by the Facility which fails to satisfy the RPS as an Environmental Attribute associated with the specified MWh of generation from a RPS Class I Renewable Generation Unit, then Buyer may resume purchasing such RECs or comparable certificates, credits, attributes or other similar products produced by the Facility upon thirty (30) days' prior written notice to Seller, unless otherwise agreed by Buyer and Seller.
- (c) Seller shall Deliver Buyer's Percentage Entitlement of the Products produced by or associated with the Facility, up to and including the Contract Maximum Amount, exclusively to Buyer, and Seller shall not sell, divert, grant, transfer or assign such Products or any right, claim, certificate or other attribute associated with such Products to any Person other than Buyer during the Term. Seller shall not enter into any agreement or arrangement under which such Buyer's Percentage Entitlement of the Products can be claimed by any Person other

than Buyer. Buyer shall have the exclusive right to resell or convey the Products in its sole discretion.

4.2 <u>Scheduling and Delivery</u>.

- During the Services Term and in accordance with Section 4.1, Seller shall Schedule and Deliver Energy hereunder with ISO-NE within the defined Operational Limitations of the Facility and in accordance with this Agreement and all ISO-NE Practices and ISO-NE Rules. Seller shall transfer the Energy to Buyer in the Day-Ahead Energy Market or Real-Time Energy Market, as reasonably agreed from time to time by Buyer and Seller and consistent with ISO-NE Rules and ISO-NE Practices at the time and Buyer shall have no obligation to pay for any Energy not transferred to Buyer in the Day-Ahead Energy Market or Real-Time Energy Market or for which Buyer is not credited in the ISO-NE Settlement Market System (including, without limitation, as a result of an outage on any electric transmission system). Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, if during the Term of this Agreement the LMP at the Delivery Point is negative, or, in the reasonable opinion of Seller, is likely to become negative, then Seller may deliver to Buyer a written notice stating that such condition has occurred or is likely to occur and the period during which such condition has occurred or is likely to occur. Buyer and Seller hereby agree that in such event Seller shall be under no obligation to schedule or Deliver Products to the Delivery Point during such period. Seller shall provide Buyer with detailed information, including but not limited to, the start and stop times of such periods of curtailment under this Section 4.2(a) as well as the quantity curtailed, for all such periods of non-delivery during the preceding calendar month which information shall be provided prior to Seller's delivery of the invoice to Buyer.
- (b) The Parties agree to use commercially reasonable efforts to comply with all applicable ISO-NE Rules and ISO-NE Practices in connection with the Scheduling and Delivery of Energy hereunder. Penalties or similar charges assessed by a Transmission Provider and caused by Seller's noncompliance with the Scheduling obligations set forth in this Section 4.2 shall be the responsibility of Seller.
- (c) Without limiting the generality of this Section 4.2, Seller or the party with whom Seller contracts pursuant to Section 3.2(e) shall at all times during the Services Term be designated with ISO-NE as the "Lead Market Participant" (or any successor designation) for the Facility and shall be solely responsible for any obligations and liabilities imposed by NERC, the Interconnecting Utility, ISO-NE or under the ISO-NE Rules and ISO-NE Practices with respect to the Facility, including all charges, penalties, financial assurance obligations, losses, transmission charges, ancillary service charges, line losses, congestion charges and other ISO-NE or applicable system costs or charges associated with distribution and transmission. To the extent Buyer incurs such costs, charges, penalties or losses which are the responsibility of Seller, (including amounts not credited to Buyer as described in Section 4.2(a)), Seller shall reimburse Buyer for the same.
- (d) Settlement in the ISO-NE energy market system will occur when Energy is supplied into Buyer's ISO-NE settlement account at the ISO-NE pricing node ("pnode") for the Facility established in accordance with ISO-NE Rules. The "<u>Delivery Point</u>" is the ISO-NE Pool Transmission Facilities ("PTF") in the vicinity of the referenced pnode. Seller shall be

responsible for all charges, fees and losses required for Delivery of Energy from the Facility to the Delivery Point, including but not limited to (1) all non-PTF and/or distribution system losses, (2) all transmission and/or distribution interconnection charges associated with the Facility, and (3) the cost of Delivery of the Products to the Delivery Point, including all related administrative fees and non-PTF and/or distribution wheeling charges. In addition Seller shall also be responsible to apply for and schedule all such services.

- 4.3 Failure of Seller to Deliver Products. In the event that Seller fails to satisfy any of its obligations to Deliver any of the Products or any portion of the Products hereunder in accordance with Section 4.1, Section 4.2 and Section 4.7, and such failure is not excused under the express terms of this Agreement (a "Delivery Failure"), Seller shall pay Buyer an amount for such Delivery Failure (measured in MWh and/or RECs, as applicable) equal to the Cover Damages for such Delivery Failure. Such payment shall be due no later than the date for Buyer's payment for the applicable month as set forth in Section 5.2 hereof. Each Party agrees and acknowledges that (i) the damages that Buyer would incur due to a Delivery Failure would be difficult or impossible to predict with certainty, and (ii) it is impractical and difficult to assess actual damages in the circumstances stated, and therefore the Cover Damages as agreed to by the Parties and set forth herein is a fair and reasonable calculation of such damages.
- 4.4 Failure by Buyer to Accept Delivery of Products. If Buyer fails to accept all or part of any of the Products to be purchased by Buyer hereunder, and such failure to accept (a) is not the result of Reliability Curtailment or (b) is not otherwise excused under the terms of this Agreement (a "Rejected Purchase"), then Buyer shall pay Seller, on the date payment would otherwise be due in respect of the month in which the failure occurred, an amount for such Rejected Purchase equal to the Resale Damages. Each Party agrees and acknowledges that (i) the damages that Seller would incur due to a Rejected Purchase would be difficult or impossible to predict with certainty, and (ii) it is impractical and difficult to assess actual damages in the circumstances stated, and therefore the Resale Damages as agreed to by the Parties and set forth herein is a fair and reasonable calculation of such damages.

4.5 Delivery Point.

- (a) All Energy shall be Delivered hereunder by Seller to Buyer at the Delivery Point. Seller shall be responsible for the costs of delivering its Energy to the Delivery Point consistent with all standards and requirements set forth by the FERC, ISO-NE, and any other applicable Governmental Entity or applicable tariff.
- (b) Seller shall be responsible for all applicable charges associated with distribution or transmission interconnection, service and delivery charges, including all related ISO-NE administrative fees, uplift, socialized charges, all costs for Network Upgrades, and all other charges in connection with the satisfaction of Seller's obligations hereunder, including without limitation the Delivery of Energy to and at the Delivery Point. Seller shall indemnify and hold harmless Buyer for any such charges, fees, costs or expenses imposed upon Buyer by operation of ISO-NE Rules or otherwise in connection with Seller's performance of its obligations hereunder.

4.6 Metering.

- (a) Metering. All electric metering associated with the Facility, including the Facility meter and any other real-time meters, billing meters and back-up meters (collectively, the "Meters"), shall be installed, operated, maintained and tested at Seller's expense in accordance with Good Utility Practice and any applicable requirements and standards issued by NERC, the Interconnecting Utility, and ISO-NE; provided that each Meter shall be tested at Seller's expense once each Contract Year. All Meters used to provide data for the computation of payments shall be sealed and Seller shall break the seal only when such Meters are to be inspected and tested (or adjusted) in accordance with this Section 4.6. Seller shall provide Buyer with a copy of all metering and calibration information and documents regarding the Meters promptly following receipt thereof by Seller.
- (b) Measurements. Readings of the Meters at the Facility by the Interconnecting Utility in whose territory the Facility is located (or an independent Person mutually acceptable to the Parties) shall be conclusive as to the amount of Energy generated by the Facility; provided however, that Seller, upon request of Buyer and at Buyer's expense (if more frequently than annually as provided for in Section 4.6(a)), shall cause the Meters to be tested by the Interconnecting Utility in whose territory the Facility is located, in accordance with the filed tariff of such Interconnecting Utility or the ISO-NE Tariff, whichever is applicable, and any adjustment shall be reflected in the next invoice provided by Seller to Buyer hereunder and Seller shall reimburse Buyer for the cost of such test of the Meters. Meter readings shall be adjusted to take into account the losses to Deliver the Energy to the Delivery Point. Seller shall make recorded meter data available monthly to the Buyer at no cost.
- (c) <u>Inspection, Testing and Calibration</u>. Buyer shall have the right to inspect and test (at its own expense) any of the Meters at the Facility at reasonable times and upon reasonable notice from Buyer to Seller. Buyer shall have the right to have a representative present during any testing or calibration of the Meters at the Facility by Seller. Seller shall provide Buyer with timely notice of any such testing or calibration.
- (d) <u>Audit of Meters</u>. Buyer shall have access to the Meters and the right to audit all information and test data related to such Meters.
- (e) <u>Notice of Malfunction</u>. Seller shall provide Buyer with prompt notice of any malfunction or other failure of the Meters or other telemetry equipment necessary to accurately report the quantity of Energy being produced by the Facility. If any Meter is found to be inaccurate by more than two percent (2%), the meter readings shall be adjusted as far back as can reasonably be ascertained, but in no event shall such period exceed six (6) months from the date that such inaccuracy was discovered, and any adjustment shall be reflected in the next invoice provided by Seller to Buyer hereunder.
- (f) <u>Telemetry</u>. The Meters shall be capable of sending meter telemetry data, and Seller shall provide Buyer with simultaneous access to such data at no additional cost to Buyer. This provision is in addition to Seller's requirements under ISO-NE Rules and Practices, including ISO-NE Operating Procedure No. 18

4.7 RECs.

(a) Seller shall transfer to Buyer all of the right, title and interest in and to Buyer's Percentage Entitlement of the Facility's Environmental Attributes, including any and all RECs, generated by, or associated with, the Facility during the Services Term in accordance with the terms of this Section 4.7.

(b) Regarding the RPS:

- (i) Except as provided in subsection (ii) of this Section 4.7(b), all Energy provided by Seller to Buyer from the Facility under this Agreement shall meet the requirements for eligibility pursuant to the RPS, and Seller's failure to satisfy such requirements shall constitute an Event of Default pursuant to Section 9.2 (h) of this Agreement except as provided in Section 4.7(b)(ii), below; and
- (ii) It shall not be an Event of Default under Article 9 if, solely as a result of change in Law, Energy provided by Seller to Buyer from the Facility under this Agreement no longer meets the requirements for eligibility pursuant to the RPS, provided Seller promptly uses commercially reasonable efforts to ensure that qualification will continue after the change in Law. If, notwithstanding such commercially reasonable efforts and solely as a result of change in Law, the Facility does not qualify as a RPS Class I Renewable Generation Unit, then (A) Seller shall continue to sell, and Buyer shall continue to purchase Energy under this Agreement at the Price for such Energy in accordance with Section 5.1 and (B) any purchases and sales of RECs shall be in accordance with Section 4.1(b).
- (c) At Seller's sole cost, Seller shall also obtain and maintain throughout the Services Term qualification as a RPS Class I generation resource under the renewable portfolio standard or similar law of the New England states of Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, and Rhode Island, to the extent the renewable energy technology used in the Facility is eligible under such renewable portfolio standard or similar law. At Buyer's request and at Seller's sole cost, Seller shall also obtain qualification under the renewable portfolio standard or similar law of New York and/or any federal renewable energy standard, to the extent the renewable energy technology used in the Facility is eligible under such renewable portfolio standard, renewable energy standard or similar law, and Seller shall use commercially reasonable efforts, consistent with Good Utility Practice, to maintain such qualifications at all times during the Services Term unless otherwise agreed by Buyer. Seller shall also submit to Buyer or as directed by Buyer any information required by any state or federal agency with regard to administration of its rules regarding Environmental Attributes or its renewable energy standard or renewable portfolio standard or Seller's qualification under the foregoing.
- (d) Seller shall comply with all GIS Operating Rules, including without limitation such Rules relating to the creation, tracking, recording and transfer of all RECs to be

purchased by Buyer under this Agreement. In addition, at Buyer's request, Seller shall register with and comply with the rules and requirements of any other tracking system or program that tracks, monetizes or otherwise creates or enhances value for Environmental Attributes, which compliance shall be at Seller's sole cost if such registration and compliance is requested in connection with Section 4.7(c) above and shall be at Buyer's sole cost in other instances.

- (e) Prior to the delivery of any Energy hereunder, either (i) Seller shall cause Buyer to be registered in the GIS as the initial owner of all Certificates to be Delivered hereunder to Buyer or (ii) Seller and Buyer shall effect an irrevocable Forward Certificate Transfer (as defined in the GIS Operating Rules) of the Certificates to be Delivered hereunder to Buyer in the GIS for the Services Term; provided, however, that no payment shall be due to Seller for any RECs until the Certificates are actually deposited in Buyer's GIS account or a GIS account designated by Buyer to Seller in writing.
- (f) The Parties intend for the transactions entered into hereunder to be physically settled, meaning that the RECs are intended to be Delivered in the GIS account of Buyer or its designee as set forth in this Section 4.7.

5. PRICE AND PAYMENTS FOR PRODUCTS

5.1 Price for Products. All Products Delivered to Buyer in accordance with this Agreement shall be purchased by Buyer at the Price specified in Exhibit B; provided, however, that if the RECs fail to satisfy the RPS as an Environmental Attribute associated with the specified MWh of generation from a RPS Class I Renewable Generation Unit and Buyer does not purchase the RECs pursuant to Section 4.1(b), then all Energy Delivered to Buyer in accordance with this Agreement shall be purchased by Buyer at the Price for Energy only, as specified in Exhibit B. Other than the (i) payment for the Products under this Section 5.1, (ii) payments related to Meter testing under Section 4.6(b), (iii) payments related to Meter malfunctions under Section 4.6(e), (iv) payment of any Resale Damages under Section 4.4, (v) payment of interest on late payments under Section 5.3, (vi) payments for reimbursement of Buyer's Taxes under Section 5.4(a), and (vii) return of any Credit Support under Section 6.3, Buyer shall not be required to make any other payments to Seller under this Agreement, and Seller shall be solely responsible for all costs and losses incurred by it in connection with the performance of its obligations under this Agreement. In the event that the LMP for the Energy at the Delivery Point is less than \$0.00 per MWh in any hour, Seller shall credit to Buyer, on the appropriate monthly invoice, an amount equal to the product of (i) such Energy delivered in such hour and (ii) the absolute value of the hourly LMP at the Delivery Point.

5.2 <u>Payment and Netting.</u>

(a) <u>Billing Period</u>. The calendar month shall be the standard period for all charges and payments under this Agreement. On or before the fifteenth (15th) day following the end of each month, Seller shall render to Buyer an invoice for the payment obligations incurred hereunder during the preceding month, based on the Energy Delivered in the preceding month, and any RECs deposited in Buyer's GIS account or a GIS account designated by Buyer to Seller in writing in the preceding month. Such invoice shall contain supporting detail for all charges

reflected on the invoice, and Seller shall provide Buyer with additional supporting documentation and information as Buyer may request.

(b) <u>Timeliness of Payment</u>. All undisputed charges shall be due and payable in accordance with each Party's invoice instructions on or before the later of (x) fifteen (15) days from receipt of the applicable invoice or (y) the last day of the calendar month in which the applicable invoice was received (or in either event the next Business Day if such day is not a Business Day). Each Party shall make payments by electronic funds transfer, or by other mutually agreeable method(s), to the account designated by the other Party. Any undisputed amounts not paid by the due date shall be deemed delinquent and shall accrue interest at the Late Payment Rate, such interest to be calculated from and including the due date to, but excluding, the date the delinquent amount is paid in full.

(c) <u>Disputes and Adjustments of Invoices.</u>

- (i) All invoices rendered under this Agreement shall be subject to adjustment after the end of each month in order to true-up charges based on changes resulting from ISO-NE billing statements or revisions, if any, to previous ISO-NE billing statements. If ISO-NE resettles any invoice which relates to the Products sold under this Agreement and (a) any charges thereunder are the responsibility of the other Party under this Agreement or (b) any credits issued thereunder would be due to the other Party under this Agreement, then the Party receiving the invoice from ISO-NE shall in the case of (a) above invoice the other Party or in the case of (b) above pay the amount due to the other Party. Any invoices issued or amounts due pursuant to this Section shall be invoiced or paid as provided in this Section 5.2.
- (ii) Within twelve (12) months of the issuance of an invoice the Seller shall adjust any invoice for any arithmetic or computational error and shall provide documentation and information supporting such adjustment to Buyer. Within twelve (12) months of the receipt of an invoice (or an adjusted invoice), the Buyer may dispute any charges on that invoice. In the event of such a dispute, the Buyer shall give notice to the Seller and shall state the basis for the dispute. Payment of the disputed amount shall not be required until the dispute is resolved. Upon resolution of the dispute, any required payment or refund shall be made within ten (10) days of such resolution along with interest accrued at the Late Payment Rate from and including the due date (or in the case of a refund, the payment date) but excluding the date paid. Any claim for additional payment is waived unless the Seller issues an adjusted invoice within twelve (12) months of issuance of the original invoice. Any dispute of charges is waived unless the Buyer provides notice of the dispute to the Seller within twelve (12)

months of receipt of the invoice (or adjusted invoice) including such charges.

- (d) Netting of Payments. The Parties hereby agree that they may discharge mutual debts and payment obligations due and owing to each other under this Agreement on the same date through netting of such monetary obligations, in which case all amounts owed by each Party to the other Party for the purchase and sale of Products during the monthly billing period under this Agreement, including any related damages calculated pursuant to this Agreement, interest, and payments or credits, may be netted so that only the excess amount remaining due shall be paid by the Party who owes it. If no mutual debts or payment obligations exist and only one Party owes a debt or obligation to the other during the monthly billing period, such Party shall pay such sum in full when due. The Parties agree to provide each other with reasonable detail of such net payment or net payment request.
- 5.3 <u>Interest on Late Payment or Refund</u>. A late payment charge shall accrue on any late payment or refund as specified above at the lesser of (a) the prime rate specified in the "Money & Investing" section of <u>The Wall Street Journal</u> (or, if such rate is not published therein, in a successor index mutually selected by the Parties) plus 1% per cent, and (b) the maximum rate permitted by applicable Law in transactions involving entities having the same characteristics as the Parties (the "<u>Late Payment Rate</u>").

5.4 Taxes, Fees and Levies.

- (a) Seller shall be obligated to pay all present and future taxes, fees and levies, imposed on or associated with the Facility or Delivery or sale of the Products ("Seller's Taxes"). Buyer shall be obligated to pay all present and future taxes, fees and levies, imposed on or associated with such Products after Delivery of such Products to Buyer, or imposed on or associated with the purchase of such Products by Buyer (other than ad valorem, franchise or income taxes which are related to the sale of the Products and are, therefore, the responsibility of Seller) ("Buyer's Taxes"). In the event Seller shall be required by law or regulation to remit or pay any Buyer's Taxes, Buyer shall reimburse Seller for such payment. In the event Buyer shall be required by law or regulation to remit or pay any Seller's Taxes, Seller shall reimburse Buyer for such payment, and Buyer may also elect to deduct any of the amount of any such Seller's Taxes from the amount due to Seller under Section 5.2. Buyer shall have the right to all credits, deductions and other benefits associated with taxes paid by Buyer or reimbursed to Seller by Buyer as described herein. Nothing shall obligate or cause a Party to pay or be liable to pay any taxes, fees and levies for which it is exempt under law.
- (b) Seller shall bear all risks, financial and otherwise, throughout the Term, associated with Seller's or the Facility's eligibility to receive any federal or state tax credits, to qualify for accelerated depreciation for Seller's accounting, reporting or tax purposes, or to receive any other favorable tax or accounting right or benefit, or any grant or subsidy from a Governmental Entity or other Person. Seller's obligations under this Agreement shall be effective regardless of whether the Facility is eligible for or receives, or the transactions contemplated under this Agreement are eligible for or receives, any federal or state tax credits, grants or other subsidies or any particular accounting, reporting or tax treatment.

6. SECURITY FOR PERFORMANCE

- 6.1 <u>Seller's Support</u>. Seller shall be required to post Credit Support in the amount of one hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000) to secure Seller's obligations under this Agreement in the period beginning on the Effective Date and continuing through and including the date that all of Seller's obligations under this Agreement are satisfied ("**Performance Assurance**"). Performance Assurance shall be provided to Buyer within fifteen (15) Business Days after receipt of the Regulatory Approval. If the amount of Performance Assurance is reduced as a result of Buyer's draw upon such Performance Assurance to less than the amount of Performance Assurance required to be provided by Seller, within five (5) Business Days of that draw Seller shall replenish such Performance Assurance to the total amount required under this Section 6.1.
- 6.2 <u>Cash Deposits</u>. Any cash provided by Seller as Credit Support under this Agreement shall be held in an account selected by Buyer in its reasonable discretion. Interest shall accrue on that cash deposit at the daily Federal Funds Rate and shall be remitted to Seller upon written request to Buyer, with such request not more often than on a quarterly basis and Buyer shall remit such accrued interest to the Seller within a reasonable time following receipt of such request. Seller agrees to comply with the commercially reasonable requirements of Buyer in connection with the receipt and retention of any cash provided as Credit Support under this Agreement.
- 6.3 <u>Return of Credit Support</u>. Any unused Credit Support provided under this Agreement shall be returned to Seller only after any such Credit Support has been used to satisfy any outstanding obligations of Seller in existence at the time of the expiration or termination of this Agreement.
- 6.4 <u>Buyer's Rights and Remedies.</u> If at any time an Event of Default with respect to Seller has occurred and is continuing, then, unless Seller has paid in full all of its obligations hereunder that are then due, without limiting any other rights and remedies Buyer may have under this Agreement or otherwise at law or in equity, Buyer may exercise one or more of the following rights and remedies: (i) all rights and remedies available to a secured party under applicable Law with respect to Credit Support held by Buyer, and (ii) the right to liquidate any Credit Support held by Buyer and to apply the proceeds of such liquidation to any amounts payable to Buyer with respect to Seller's obligations hereunder in such order as Buyer may elect. For the purpose of this Section 6.4, Buyer may draw on the undrawn portion of any letter of credit provided as Credit Support up to the amount of Seller's outstanding obligations hereunder. Seller shall remain liable for amounts due and owed to Buyer that remain unpaid after the application of Credit Support pursuant to this Section 6.4.

7. REPRESENTATIONS, WARRANTIES, COVENANTS AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

7.1 <u>Representations and Warranties of Buyer</u>. Buyer hereby represents and warrants to Seller as follows:

- (a) <u>Organization and Good Standing; Power and Authority</u>. Buyer is a corporation duly incorporated, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the State of Connecticut. Subject to the receipt of the Regulatory Approval, Buyer has all requisite power and authority to execute, deliver, and perform its obligations under this Agreement.
- (b) <u>Due Authorization; No Conflicts</u>. The execution and delivery by Buyer of this Agreement, and the performance by Buyer of its obligations hereunder, have been duly authorized by all necessary actions on the part of Buyer and do not and, under existing facts and Law, shall not: (i) contravene its certificate of incorporation or any other governing documents; (ii) conflict with, result in a breach of, or constitute a default under any note, bond, mortgage, indenture, deed of trust, license, contract or other agreement to which it is a party or by which any of its properties may be bound or affected; (iii) subject to receipt of the Regulatory Approval, violate any order, writ, injunction, decree, judgment, award, statute, law, rule, regulation or ordinance of any Governmental Entity or agency applicable to it or any of its properties; or (iv) result in the creation of any lien, charge or encumbrance upon any of its properties pursuant to any of the foregoing.
- (c) <u>Binding Agreement</u>. This Agreement has been duly executed and delivered on behalf of Buyer and, assuming the due execution hereof and performance hereunder by Seller and receipt of the Regulatory Approval, constitutes a legal, valid and binding obligation of Buyer, enforceable against it in accordance with its terms, except as such enforceability may be limited by law or principles of equity.
- (d) No Proceedings. As of the Effective Date, except to the extent relating to the Regulatory Approval, and except for proceedings before PURA in Docket Nos. 16-03-08RE01 and 16-09-26 and any appeals thereof there are no actions, suits or other proceedings, at law or in equity, by or before any Governmental Entity or agency or any other body pending or, to the best of its knowledge, threatened against or affecting Buyer or any of its properties (including, without limitation, this Agreement) which relate in any manner to this Agreement or any transaction contemplated hereby, or which Buyer reasonably expects to lead to a material adverse effect on (i) the validity or enforceability of this Agreement or (ii) Buyer's ability to perform its obligations under this Agreement.
- (e) <u>Consents and Approvals</u>. Except to the extent associated with the Regulatory Approval, the execution, delivery and performance by Buyer of its obligations under this Agreement do not and, under existing facts and Law, shall not, require any Permit or any other action by, any Person which has not been duly obtained, made or taken or that shall be duly obtained, made or taken on or prior to the date required, and all such approvals, consents, permits, licenses, authorizations, filings, registrations and actions are in full force and effect, final and non-appealable as required under applicable Law.
- (f) <u>Negotiations</u>. The terms and provisions of this Agreement are the result of arm's length and good faith negotiations on the part of Buyer and equal bargaining power of the Parties. No principle of law or equity regarding construing ambiguities in this Agreement against the drafting Party shall apply.

- (g) <u>Bankruptcy</u>. There are no bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, receivership or other such proceedings pending against or being contemplated by Buyer, or, to Buyer's knowledge, threatened against it.
- (h) <u>No Default</u>. No Default or Event of Default has occurred and is continuing and no Default or Event of Default shall occur as a result of the performance by Buyer of its obligations under this Agreement.
- 7.2 <u>Representations and Warranties of Seller</u>. Seller hereby represents and warrants to Buyer as of the Effective Date as follows:
- (a) <u>Organization and Good Standing; Power and Authority</u>. Seller is a limited liability company, duly formed, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the state of Delaware. Seller has all requisite power and authority to execute, deliver, and perform its obligations under this Agreement.
- (b) <u>Authority</u>. Seller (i) has the power and authority to own and operate its businesses and properties, to own or lease the property it occupies and to conduct the business in which it is currently engaged; (ii) is duly qualified and in good standing under the laws of each jurisdiction where its ownership, lease or operation of property or the conduct of its business requires such qualification; and (iii) holds all rights and entitlements necessary to own and operate the Facility and to deliver the Products to the Buyer in accordance with this Agreement.
- (c) <u>Due Authorization; No Conflicts.</u> The execution and delivery by Seller of this Agreement, and the performance by Seller of its obligations hereunder, have been duly authorized by all necessary actions on the part of Seller and do not and, under existing facts and Law, shall not: (i) contravene any of its governing documents; (ii) conflict with, result in a breach of, or constitute a default under any note, bond, mortgage, indenture, deed of trust, license, contract or other agreement to which it is a party or by which any of its properties may be bound or affected; (iii) violate any order, writ, injunction, decree, judgment, award, statute, law, rule, regulation or ordinance of any Governmental Entity or agency applicable to it or any of its properties; or (iv) result in the creation of any lien, charge or encumbrance upon any of its properties pursuant to any of the foregoing. Seller is qualified to perform as a Market Participant under the ISO-NE Tariff, or is qualified to transact through another Market Participant under the ISO-NE Tariff. Seller will not be disqualified from or be materially adversely affected in the performance of any of its obligations under this Agreement by reason of market power or affiliate transaction issues under federal or state regulatory requirements.
- (d) <u>Binding Agreement</u>. This Agreement has been duly executed and delivered on behalf of Seller and, assuming the due execution hereof and performance hereunder by Buyer, constitutes a legal, valid and binding obligation of Seller, enforceable against it in accordance with its terms, except as such enforceability may be limited by law or principles of equity.
- (e) <u>No Proceedings</u>. There are no actions, suits or other proceedings, at law or in equity, by or before any Governmental Entity or agency or any other body pending or, to the best of its knowledge, threatened against or affecting Seller or any of its properties

(including, without limitation, this Agreement) which relate in any manner to this Agreement or any transaction contemplated hereby, or which Seller reasonably expects to lead to a material adverse effect on (i) the validity or enforceability of this Agreement or (ii) Seller's ability to perform its obligations under this Agreement.

- (f) <u>Consents and Approvals</u>. The execution, delivery and performance by Seller of its obligations under this Agreement do not and, under existing facts and Law, shall not, require any Permit or any other action by, any Person which has not been duly obtained, made or taken, and all such approvals, consents, permits, licenses, authorizations, filings, registrations and actions are in full force and effect, final and non-appealable.
- (g) <u>RPS Class I Renewable Generation Unit</u>. The Facility is, or shall be, a RPS Class I Renewable Generation Unit, qualified by the PURA as eligible to participate in the RPS program, under Conn. Gen. Stat. Section 16-245a (subject to Section 4.7(b) in the event of a change in Law affecting such qualification as a RPS Class I Renewable Generation Unit).
- (h) <u>Title to Products</u>. Seller has and shall have good and marketable title to all Products sold and Delivered to Buyer under this Agreement, free and clear of all liens, charges and encumbrances. Seller has not sold and shall not sell any such Products to any other Person, and no Person other than Seller can claim an interest in any Product to be sold to Buyer under this Agreement.
- (i) <u>Negotiations</u>. The terms and provisions of this Agreement are the result of arm's length and good faith negotiations on the part of Seller and equal bargaining power of the Parties. No principle of law or equity regarding construing ambiguities in this Agreement against the drafting Party shall apply.
- (j) <u>Bankruptcy</u>. There are no bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, receivership or other such proceedings pending against or being contemplated by Seller, or, to Seller's knowledge, threatened against it.
- (k) <u>No Misrepresentations.</u> The reports and other submittals by Seller to Buyer under this Agreement are not false or misleading in any material respect.
- (1) <u>No Default</u>. No Default or Event of Default has occurred and is continuing and no Default or Event of Default shall occur as a result of the performance by Seller of its obligations under this Agreement.
- (m) <u>Site Control</u>. As of the Effective Date, Seller has either (i) acquired all real property rights to operate the Facility, or (ii) an unconditional right to acquire such rights.
- (n) <u>Existing Biomass Facility</u>. The Facility is a biomass facility within the service territory of the Buyer that began operation after December 1, 2013 and meets the requirements of Conn. Public Act 18-50.
- 7.3 <u>Continuing Nature of Representations and Warranties</u>. The representations and warranties set forth in this Article are made as of the Effective Date and deemed made continually throughout the Term, subject to the removal of the references to the Regulatory

Approval as and when the Regulatory Approval is obtained. If at any time during the Term, a Party has knowledge of any event or information which causes any of the representations and warranties in this Article 7 to be untrue or misleading, such Party shall provide the other Party with prompt written notice of the event or information, the representations and warranties affected, and the corrective action such Party shall take. The notice required pursuant to this Section shall be given as soon as practicable after the occurrence of each such event.

8. REGULATORY APPROVAL

8.1 Receipt of Regulatory Approval. The obligations of the Parties to perform this Agreement, other than the Parties' obligations under Article 12, are conditioned upon and shall not become effective or binding until the receipt of the Regulatory Approval. Buyer shall notify Seller within five (5) Business Days after receipt of the Regulatory Approval or receipt of an order of the PURA regarding this Agreement. This Agreement may be terminated by either Buyer or Seller in the event that Regulatory Approval is not received within 180 days after filing, without liability as a result of such termination, subject to the return of Credit Support as provided in Section 6.3.

9. BREACHES; REMEDIES

- 9.1 <u>Events of Default by Either Party</u>. It shall constitute an event of default ("<u>Event of Default</u>") by either Party hereunder if:
- (a) Representation or Warranty. Any breach of any representation or warranty of such Party set forth herein, or in filings or reports made pursuant to this Agreement occurs where such breach is not fully cured and corrected within thirty (30) days after the Non-Defaulting Party has provided written notice to the Defaulting Party, provided, however, that such period shall be extended for an additional period of up to thirty (30) days if the Defaulting Party is unable to cure within the initial thirty (30) day period so long as such cure is diligently pursued by the Defaulting Party until such Default has been corrected, but in any event shall be cured within sixty (60) days of the notice from the Non-Defaulting Party; or
- (b) <u>Payment Obligations</u>. Any undisputed payment due and payable hereunder is not made on the date due ("**Payment Default**"), and such failure continues for more than ten (10) Business Days after notice thereof is given by the Non-Defaulting Party to the Defaulting Party; or

(c) Other Covenants. Other than:

- (i) a Delivery Failure of ten (10) continuous days or more, which is addressed in Section 9.2(g),
- (ii) failure of the Facility to achieve the Delivery Term Start Date,
- (iii) a failure to maintain the RPS eligibility requirements set forth in Section 4.7(b) due to a change in Law,
- (iv) a Rejected Purchase, or

(v) an Event of Default described in Section 9.1(a), 9.1(b), 9.1(d) or 9.2,

such Party fails to perform, observe or otherwise to comply with any obligation hereunder and such failure continues for more than thirty (30) days after notice thereof is given by the Non-Defaulting Party to the Defaulting Party; provided, however, that such period shall be extended for an additional period of up to thirty (30) days if, despite using commercially reasonable efforts, the Defaulting Party is unable to cure within the initial thirty (30) day period so long as such cure is diligently pursued by the Defaulting Party until such Default has been corrected, but in any event shall be cured within sixty (60) days of the notice from the Non-Defaulting Party; or

- (d) <u>Bankruptcy</u>. Such Party (i) is adjudged bankrupt or files a petition in voluntary bankruptcy under any provision of any bankruptcy law or consents to the filing of any bankruptcy or reorganization petition against such Party under any such law, or (without limiting the generality of the foregoing) files a petition to reorganize pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 101 or any similar statute applicable to such Party, as now or hereinafter in effect, (ii) makes an assignment for the benefit of creditors, or admits in writing an inability to pay its debts generally as they become due, or consents to the appointment of a receiver or liquidator or trustee or assignee in bankruptcy or insolvency of such Party, or (iii) is subject to an order of a court of competent jurisdiction appointing a receiver or liquidator or custodian or trustee of such Party or of a major part of such Party's property, which is not dismissed within sixty (60) days ("Bankruptcy Default").
- 9.2 <u>Events of Default by Seller</u>. In addition to the Events of Default described in Section 9.1, each of the following shall constitute an Event of Default by Seller hereunder:
- (a) <u>Taking of Facility Assets</u>. Any asset of Seller that is material to the operation or maintenance of the Facility or the performance of its obligations hereunder is taken upon execution or by other process of law directed against Seller, or any such asset is taken upon or subject to any attachment by any creditor of or claimant against Seller and such attachment is not disposed of within sixty (60) days after such attachment is levied; or
- (b) Failure to Maintain Credit Support. The failure of Seller to provide, maintain and/or replenish the Performance Assurance as required pursuant to Article 6 of this Agreement, and such failure continues for more than five (5) Business Days after Buyer has provided written notice thereof to Seller. For the avoidance of doubt, it shall be deemed an Event of Default if Seller provides Credit Support in the form of a letter of credit and, with respect to an outstanding letter of credit, one of the following events occurs with respect to the issuer of such letter of credit: (i) such issuer shall fail to be a Qualified Bank; (ii) such issuer shall fail to comply with or perform its obligations under such letter of credit; or (iii) such issuer shall disaffirm, disclaim, repudiate or reject, in whole or in part, or challenge the validity of, such letter of credit, and such failure disaffirmation, disclamation, repudiation or rejection continues for more than five (5) Business Days after Buyer has provided written notice thereof to Seller; or
- (c) <u>Energy Output</u>. The failure of the Facility to produce Energy for twelve (12) consecutive months during the Services Term for any reason, other than due to a Force Majeure; or

- (d) <u>Failure to Satisfy ISO-NE Obligations</u>. The failure of Seller to satisfy, or cause to be satisfied (other than by Buyer), any material obligation under the ISO-NE Rules or ISO-NE Practices or any other obligation with respect to ISO-NE and such failure has an adverse effect on the Facility or Seller's ability to perform its obligations under this Agreement or on Buyer or Buyer's rights or ability to receive the benefits under this Agreement; provided, that Seller shall have the opportunity to cure such failure within five (5) days of its occurrence; provided, however, if Seller's failure to satisfy any obligation under the ISO-NE Rules or ISO-NE Practices does not have an adverse effect on Buyer or Buyer's ability to receive the benefits under this Agreement, Seller shall have the opportunity to cure such failure within thirty (30) days of its occurrence; or
- (e) <u>Abandonment.</u> On or after the Delivery Term Start Date, the permanent relinquishment by Seller of all of its possession and control of the Facility, other than a transfer permitted under this Agreement; or
- (f) <u>Assignment</u>. The assignment of this Agreement by Seller, or Seller's sale or transfer of its interest (or any part thereof) in the Facility, except as permitted in accordance with Article 14; or
- (g) <u>Recurring Delivery Failure</u>. A Delivery Failure of ten (10) continuous days or more; or
- (h) <u>Failure to Maintain RPS Eligibility.</u> A failure to maintain RPS eligibility requirements set forth in Section 4.7(b); or
- (i) Permit Compliance. Such Party fails to obtain and maintain or cause to be obtained and maintained in full force and effect any Permit (other than the Regulatory Approval) necessary for such Party to perform its obligations under this Agreement where such failure is not fully cured and corrected within thirty (30) days after such Party has knowledge of such failure; provided, however, that such period shall be extended for an additional period of up to forty-five (45) days if such Party is unable to cure within the initial thirty (30) day period so long as such cure is diligently pursued by such Party until such Default has been corrected, but in any event shall be cured within seventy-five (75) days of such Party's knowledge of such Default.

9.3 Remedies.

- (a) Upon either Party's failure to perform any obligation of this Agreement, the other Party, in addition to the rights described in specific sections of this Agreement, and except to the extent specifically limited by this Agreement, may exercise, at its election, any rights or remedies it may have at law or in equity including but not limited to monetary compensation for damages, injunctive relief and specific performance.
- (b) If either Party fails to perform any obligation of this Agreement, then, in addition to the remedies specified in Section 9.3(a), the other Party may on sixty (60) days prior written notice terminate this Agreement; provided, however, if the non-performing Party cures such failure to perform during such sixty (60) days period or submits evidence that it is taking all reasonable steps necessary to cure such event and such event is in fact cured within 180 days of such notice from the performing Party, such termination shall not occur; and further provided

that during any period in which the Project does not retain Class 1 status pursuant to the requirements of 4.7(b), Buyer will reimburse Seller for Products delivered by Seller to Buyer at the same rate that Buyer is paid for the Energy component of such Products by ISO-NE

- (c) <u>Set-off</u>. The Non-Defaulting Party shall be entitled, at its option and in its discretion, to withhold and set off any amounts owed by the Non-Defaulting Party to the Defaulting Party against any payments and any other amounts owed by the Defaulting Party to the Non-Defaulting Party.
- (d) <u>Notice to Lenders</u>. Seller may provide Buyer with a notice identifying no more than a single Lender (if any) to whom notices of Default are to be issued. Buyer shall provide a copy of any notice of Default provided by Buyer to Seller under this Article 9 to such Lender.
- Limitation of Remedies, Liability and Damages. EXCEPT AS EXPRESSLY SET FORTH HEREIN, THERE IS NO WARRANTY OF MERCHANTABILITY OR FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE, AND ANY AND ALL IMPLIED WARRANTIES ARE DISCLAIMED. THE PARTIES CONFIRM THAT THE EXPRESS REMEDIES AND MEASURES OF DAMAGES PROVIDED IN THIS AGREEMENT SATISFY THE ESSENTIAL PURPOSES HEREOF. FOR BREACH OF ANY PROVISION FOR WHICH AN EXPRESS REMEDY OR MEASURE OF DAMAGES IS PROVIDED, SUCH EXPRESS REMEDY OR MEASURE OF DAMAGES SHALL BE THE SOLE AND EXCLUSIVE REMEDY, THE OBLIGOR'S LIABILITY SHALL BE LIMITED AS SET FORTH IN SUCH PROVISION AND ALL OTHER REMEDIES OR DAMAGES AT LAW OR IN EQUITY ARE WAIVED. IF NO REMEDY OR MEASURE OF DAMAGES IS EXPRESSLY PROVIDED HEREIN, THE OBLIGOR'S LIABILITY SHALL BE LIMITED TO DIRECT ACTUAL DAMAGES ONLY, SUCH DIRECT ACTUAL DAMAGES SHALL BE THE SOLE AND EXCLUSIVE REMEDY, AND ALL OTHER REMEDIES OR DAMAGES AT LAW OR IN EQUITY ARE WAIVED. UNLESS EXPRESSLY HEREIN PROVIDED, NEITHER PARTY SHALL BE LIABLE FOR CONSEQUENTIAL, INCIDENTAL, PUNITIVE, EXEMPLARY OR INDIRECT DAMAGES, LOST PROFITS OR OTHER BUSINESS INTERRUPTION DAMAGES, BY STATUTE, IN TORT OR CONTRACT, UNDER ANY INDEMNITY PROVISION OR OTHERWISE. TO THE EXTENT ANY DAMAGES REQUIRED TO BE PAID HEREUNDER ARE LIQUIDATED, THE PARTIES ACKNOWLEDGE THAT THE DAMAGES ARE DIFFICULT OR IMPOSSIBLE TO DETERMINE, OR OTHERWISE OBTAINING AN ADEQUATE REMEDY IS INCONVENIENT AND THE DAMAGES CALCULATED HEREUNDER CONSTITUTE A REASONABLE APPROXIMATION OF THE HARM OR LOSS.

10. FORCE MAJEURE

10.1 Force Majeure.

(a) The term "<u>Force Majeure</u>" means an unusual, unexpected and significant event: (i) that was not within the control of the Party claiming its occurrence; (ii) that could not have been prevented or avoided by such Party through the exercise of reasonable diligence; and (iii) that directly prohibits or prevents such Party from performing its obligations under this

Agreement. Under no circumstances shall Force Majeure include (v) any full or partial curtailment in the electric output of the Facility that is caused by or arises from a mechanical or equipment breakdown or other mishap or events or conditions attributable to normal wear and tear or flaws, unless such curtailment or mishap is caused by one of the following: acts of God such as floods, hurricanes or tornados; sabotage; terrorism; or war, (w) any occurrence or event that merely increases the costs or causes an economic hardship to a Party, (x) any occurrence or event that was caused by or contributed to by the Party claiming the Force Majeure, (y) Seller's ability to sell the Products at a price greater than that set out in this Agreement, or (z) Buyer's ability to procure the Products at a price lower than that set out in this Agreement. In addition, a delay or inability to perform attributable to a Party's lack of preparation, a Party's failure to timely obtain and maintain all necessary Permits (excepting the Regulatory Approval) or qualifications, a failure to satisfy contractual conditions or commitments, or lack of or deficiency in funding or other resources shall each not constitute a Force Majeure or be the basis for a claim of Force Majeure. Neither Party may raise a claim of Force Majeure based in whole or in part on curtailment by a Transmission Provider unless (i) such Party has contracted for firm transmission with a Transmission Provider for the Products to be delivered to or received at the Delivery Point and (ii) such curtailment is due to "force majeure" or "uncontrollable force" or a similar term as defined under the Transmission Provider's tariff; provided, however, that existence of the foregoing factors shall not be sufficient to conclusively or presumptively prove the existence of a Force Majeure absent a showing of other facts and circumstances which in the aggregate with such factors establish that a Force Majeure as defined herein has occurred.

- If either Party is unable, wholly or in part, by Force Majeure to perform (b) obligations under this Agreement, such performance shall be excused and suspended so long as the circumstances that give rise to such inability exist or for such shorter term as would have existed if the Party claiming the Force Majeure had used commercially reasonable efforts to cure such circumstances, but for no longer period. The Party whose performance is affected shall give prompt notice thereof; such notice may be given orally or in writing but, if given orally, it shall be promptly confirmed in writing, providing details regarding the nature, extent and expected duration of the Force Majeure, its anticipated effect on the ability of such Party to perform obligations under this Agreement, and the estimated duration of any interruption in service or other adverse effects resulting from such Force Majeure, and shall be updated or supplemented to keep the other Party advised of the effect and remedial measures being undertaken to overcome the Force Majeure. Such inability shall be promptly corrected to the extent it may be corrected through the exercise of due diligence. Neither party shall be liable for any losses or damages arising out of a suspension of performance that occurs because of Force Majeure.
- (c) Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Force Majeure prevents full or partial performance under this Agreement for a period of twelve (12) months or more, the Party whose performance is not prevented by Force Majeure shall have the right to terminate this Agreement upon written notice to the other Party and without further recourse. In no event will any delay or failure of performance caused by any conditions or events of Force Majeure extend this Agreement beyond its stated Term.

11. DISPUTE RESOLUTION

- Dispute Resolution. In the event of any dispute, controversy or claim between the Parties arising out of or relating to this Agreement or as to the interpretation of any part of this Agreement (collectively, a "Dispute"), in addition to any other remedies provided hereunder, the Parties shall attempt to resolve such Dispute through referral of the matter to duly authorized representatives of the Parties for resolution. If the Dispute has not been resolved within ten (10) Business Days after such referral, then the Parties agree that any such dispute, except for those which PURA and/or FERC has authority to resolve under applicable law, will not be referred to any court but will be resolved pursuant to the provisions of this Article 11. It is the intent of the Parties that, to the extent that the PURA and/or FERC has authority to resolve any dispute between the Parties that is related to this Agreement, such dispute will be resolved by the PURA and/or FERC. If the Parties do not agree as to whether the PURA and/or FERC has authority to resolve a particular dispute, either Party may petition the PURA and/or FERC to make a determination as to whether it has such authority. Mediation and arbitration proceedings regarding any such dispute shall be stayed pending the PURA's and/or FERC's determination as to whether it has authority to resolve the dispute in question. All negotiations pursuant to this clause are confidential and shall be treated as compromise and settlement negotiations for purposes of applicable rules of evidence.
- 11.2 <u>Mediation</u>. Except in cases where PURA and/or FERC is involved in dispute resolution, if the dispute has not been resolved by negotiation within ten (10) Business Days of referral the Parties shall endeavor to settle the dispute by mediation under the then current CPR Mediation Procedure. Unless otherwise agreed, the Parties will select a mediator from the CPR Panels of Distinguished Neutrals.
- Arbitration. Except in cases where the Authority and/or FERC is involved in dispute resolution, any dispute arising out of or relating to this Agreement, including the breach, termination or validity thereof, which is not resolved as provided in Sections 11.1 and 11.2 within fifty (50) Business Days of referral, shall be finally resolved by arbitration in accordance with the then current CPR Rules for Non-Administered Arbitration by a sole arbitrator, for disputes involving amounts in the aggregate under three million dollars (\$3,000,000), or three arbitrators, for disputes involving amounts in the aggregate equal to or greater than three million dollars (\$3,000,000), of whom each Party shall designate one in accordance with the "screened" appointment procedure provided in rule 5.4: provided, however, that if either Party will not participate in a non-binding procedure, the other may initiate arbitration before expiration of the above period. The arbitration shall be governed by the Federal Arbitration Act, 9 U.S.C Sections 1-16, and judgment upon the award rendered by the arbitrators(s) may be entered by any court having jurisdiction thereof. The place of arbitration shall be Hartford, Connecticut. The arbitrator(s) are not empowered to award damages in excess of compensatory damages and each Party expressly waives and foregoes any right to punitive, exemplary or similar damages unless a statute requires that compensatory damages be increased in a specified manner.
- 11.4 <u>Allocation of Dispute Costs</u>. The fees and expenses associated with mediation and arbitration including reasonable attorneys' fees, shall be divided equally between the Parties, unless otherwise agreed or unless the award shall specify a different division of the costs. Each Party shall be responsible for its own costs associated with the PURA resolution. The

Parties may, by written agreement signed by both Parties, alter any time deadline, location(s) for meeting(s), or procedure outlined herein or in the CPR Rules. The procedure specified herein shall be the sole and exclusive procedure for the resolution of disputes arising out of or related to this Agreement. To the fullest extent permitted by law, any PURA resolution, mediation or arbitration proceeding and the settlement or arbitrator's award shall be maintained in confidence by the Parties.

11.5 Waiver of Jury Trial and Inconvenient Forum Claim. EACH PARTY HEREBY WAIVES TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY LAW ANY RIGHT IT MAY HAVE TO A TRIAL BY JURY IN RESPECT OF ANY SUIT, ACTION OR PROCEEDING ARISING OUT OF, RESULTING FROM OR IN ANY WAY RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT. BOTH PARTIES IRREVOCABLY WAIVE, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY LAW, ANY OBJECTION THAT THEY MAY NOW OR HEREAFTER HAVE TO THE LAYING OF VENUE AS SET FORTH IN THIS ARTICLE 11 AND ANY CLAIM THAT ANY SUCH PROCEEDING HAS BEEN BROUGHT IN ANY INCONVENIENT FORUM.

12. CONFIDENTIALITY

- 12.1 <u>Nondisclosure</u>. Buyer and Seller each agrees not to disclose to any Person and to keep confidential, and to cause and instruct its Affiliates, officers, directors, employees, partners and representatives not to disclose to any Person and to keep confidential, any non-public information relating to the terms and provisions of this Agreement, and any information relating to the Products to be supplied by Seller hereunder, and such other non-public information that is designated as "Confidential." Notwithstanding the foregoing, any such information may be disclosed:
- (a) to the extent Buyer determines it is appropriate in connection with efforts to obtain or maintain the Regulatory Approval or to seek rate recovery for amounts expended by Buyer under this Agreement;
- (b) as required by applicable laws, regulations, filing requirements, rules or orders or by any subpoena or similar legal process of any Governmental Entity so long as the receiving Party gives the non-disclosing Party written notice at least three (3) Business Days prior to such disclosure, if practicable;
- (c) to the Affiliates of either Party and to the consultants, attorneys, auditors, financial advisors, lenders or potential lenders and their advisors of either Party or their Affiliates, but solely to the extent they have a need to know that information;
- (d) in order to comply with any rule or regulation of ISO-NE, any stock exchange or similar Person or for financial disclosure purposes;
- (e) to the extent the non-disclosing Party shall have consented in writing prior to any such disclosure; and
- (f) to the extent that the information was previously made publicly available other than as a result of a breach of this Section 12.1;

provided, however, in each case, that the Party seeking such disclosure shall, to the extent practicable, use commercially reasonable efforts to prevent or limit the disclosure. The Parties shall be entitled to all remedies available at law or in equity to enforce or seek relief in connection with this Section 12.1.

12.2 <u>Public Statements</u>. No public statement, press release or other voluntary publication regarding this Agreement or the transactions to be made hereunder shall be made or issued without the prior consent of the other Party.

13. INDEMNIFICATION

- 13.1 <u>Indemnification Obligations</u>. Seller shall indemnify, defend and hold Buyer and its partners, shareholders, directors, officers, employees and agents (including, but not limited to, Affiliates and contractors and their employees), harmless from and against all liabilities, damages, losses, penalties, claims, demands, suits and proceedings of any nature whatsoever arising from or related to Seller's execution, delivery or performance of this Agreement, or Seller's negligence, gross negligence, or willful misconduct, or Seller's failure to satisfy any obligation or liability under this Agreement, or Seller's failure to satisfy any regulatory requirement or commitment associated with this Agreement.
- 13.2 <u>Failure to Defend</u>. If Seller fails to assume the defense of a claim meriting indemnification, Buyer may at the expense of Seller contest, settle or pay such claim, and Seller shall promptly reimburse Buyer for all costs incurred by Buyer associated therewith.

14. ASSIGNMENT AND CHANGE OF CONTROL

- Agreement (and any portion thereof) may not be assigned by either Party without the prior written consent of the other Party, which consent may not be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed. The Party requesting the other Party's consent to an assignment of this Agreement will reimburse such other Party for all "out of pocket" costs and expenses such other Party incurs in connection with that consent, without regard to whether such consent is provided. When assignable, this Agreement shall be binding upon, shall inure to the benefit of, and may be performed by, the successors and assignees of the Parties, except that no assignment, pledge or other transfer of this Agreement by either Party shall operate to release the assignor, pledgor, or transferor from any of its obligations under this Agreement (and shall not impair any Credit Support given by Seller hereunder) unless the other Party (or its successors or assigns) consents in writing to the assignment, pledge or other transfer and expressly releases the assignor, pledgor, or transferor from its obligations thereunder.
- 14.2 <u>Permitted Assignment by Seller</u>. Buyer's consent shall not be required for Seller to pledge or assign the Facility, this Agreement or the revenues under this Agreement to any Lender as security for any Financing of the Facility; provided, however, if Seller requests Buyer's consent to such an assignment, (i) Buyer shall provide that consent subject to Buyer's execution of a consent to assignment in a form acceptable to Buyer and Seller, and (ii) Seller will reimburse Buyer for all "out of pocket" costs and expenses Buyer incurs in connection with that consent, without regarding to whether such consent is provided.

- 14.3 Change in Control over Seller. Buyer's consent shall be required for any change in Control over Seller, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed and shall be provided if Buyer reasonably determines that such change in Control does not have a material adverse effect on Seller's creditworthiness or Seller's ability to perform its obligations under this Agreement; provided, however, following the Delivery Term Start Date, (a) a change of Control of the ultimate parent entity of Seller (defined under Section 7A of the Clayton Act, 15 U.S.C. § 18a, aka the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976) shall not require the consent of Buyer; and (b) transactions among Affiliates of Seller, any corporate reorganization, merger, combination or similar transaction or transfer of assets or ownership interests involving Seller and its Affiliates shall not constitute a change in Control for purposes of this Section 14.3; provided further that, in each case, Seller provides written notice of such change to Buyer within thirty (30) days after such change.
- 14.4 Permitted Assignment by Buyer. Buyer shall have the right to assign this Agreement without consent of Seller (a) in connection with any merger or consolidation of the Buyer with or into another Person or any exchange of all of the common stock or other equity interests of Buyer or Buyer's parent for cash, securities or other property or any acquisition, reorganization, or other similar corporate transaction involving all or substantially all of the common stock or other equity interests in, or assets of, Buyer, or (b) to any substitute purchaser of the Products so long as in the case of either clause (a) or clause (b) of this Section 14.4, either (1) the proposed assignee's credit rating is at least either BBB- from S&P or Baa3 from Moody's or (2) the proposed assignee's credit rating is equal to or better than that of Buyer at the time of the proposed assignment, or (3) such assignment, or in the case of clause (a) above the transaction associated with such assignment, has been approved by the PURA or the appropriate Government Entity.
- 14.5 <u>Prohibited Assignments</u>. Any purported assignment of this Agreement not in compliance with the provisions of this Article 14 shall be null and void.

15. TITLE; RISK OF LOSS

Title to and risk of loss related to Buyer's Percentage Entitlement of the Energy shall transfer from Seller to Buyer at the Delivery Point. Title and risk of loss related to Buyer's Percentage Entitlement of the RECs shall transfer to Buyer when the same are credited to Buyer's GIS account(s) or the GIS account(s) designated by Buyer to Seller in writing. Seller warrants that it shall deliver to Buyer the Products free and clear of all liens and claims therein or thereto by any Person.

16. AUDIT

16.1 <u>Audit</u>. Each Party shall have the right, upon reasonable advance notice, and at its sole expense (unless the other Party has defaulted under this Agreement, in which case the Defaulting Party shall bear the expense) and during normal working hours, to examine the records of the other Party to the extent reasonably necessary to verify the accuracy of any statement, charge or computation made pursuant to this Agreement. If requested, a Party shall provide to the other Party additional information documenting the quantities of Products delivered or provided hereunder. If any such examination reveals any overcharge, the necessary

adjustments in such statement and the payments thereof shall be made promptly and shall include interest at the Late Payment Rate from the date the overpayment was made until credited or paid.

16.2 <u>Access to Financial Information</u>. Seller shall provide to Buyer within fifteen (15) days of receipt of Buyer's written request financial information and statements applicable to Seller as well as access to financial personnel, so that Buyer may address any inquiries relating to Seller's financial resources.

17. NOTICES

Any notice or communication given pursuant hereto shall be in writing and (1) delivered personally (personally delivered notices shall be deemed given upon written acknowledgment of receipt after delivery to the address specified or upon refusal of receipt); or (2) mailed by registered or certified mail, postage prepaid (mailed notices shall be deemed given on the actual date of delivery, as set forth in the return receipt, or upon refusal of receipt); or (3) by reputable overnight courier; in each case addressed as follows or to such other addresses as may hereafter be designated by either Party to the other in writing:

If to Buyer:

For U.S. Mail Deliveries:

Director - Energy Supply Eversource Energy Service Company P.O. Box 270 Hartford, CT 06141-0270

For Hand Deliveries:

Director- Energy Supply Eversource Energy Service Company 107 Selden Street Berlin, CT 06037

With a copy to:

For U.S. Mail Deliveries: General Counsel Eversource Energy Service Company P.O. Box 270 Hartford, CT 06141-0270

For Hand Deliveries:

General Counsel Eversource Energy Service Company 107 Selden Street Berlin, CT 06037

If to Seller:

President
Plainfield Renewable Energy LLC
2600 Capitol Avenue
Suite 430
Sacramento, CA 95816

With a copy to:

President Greenleaf Power Consolidated 2600 Capitol Avenue Suite 430 Sacramento, CA 95816

18. WAIVER AND MODIFICATION

This Agreement may be amended and its provisions and the effects thereof waived only by a writing executed by the Parties, and no subsequent conduct of any Party or course of dealings between the Parties shall effect or be deemed to effect any such amendment or waiver. No waiver of any of the provisions of this Agreement shall be deemed or shall constitute a waiver of any other provision hereof (whether or not similar), nor shall such waiver constitute a continuing waiver unless otherwise expressly provided. The failure of either Party to enforce any provision of this Agreement shall not be construed as a waiver of or acquiescence in or to such provision. Buyer shall determine in its sole discretion whether any amendment or waiver of the provisions of this Agreement shall require Regulatory Approval or PURA filing and/or approval. If Buyer determines that any such approval or filing is required, then such amendment or waiver shall not become effective unless and until Regulatory Approval or such other approval is received, or such PURA filing is made and any requested PURA approval is received.

19. INTERPRETATION

- 19.1 <u>Choice of Law</u>. Interpretation and performance of this Agreement shall be in accordance with, and shall be controlled by, the laws of the State of Connecticut (without regard to its principles of conflicts of law).
- 19.2 <u>Headings</u>. Article and Section headings are for convenience only and shall not affect the interpretation of this Agreement. References to articles, sections and exhibits are, unless the context otherwise requires, references to articles, sections and exhibits of this Agreement. The words "hereof" and "hereunder" shall refer to this Agreement as a whole and not to any particular provision of this Agreement.
- 19.3 <u>Forward Contract</u>. The Parties acknowledge and agree that this Agreement and the transactions contemplated hereunder are a "forward contract" within the meaning of the United States Bankruptcy Code.

- 19.4 <u>Standard of Review</u>. The Parties acknowledge and agree that the standard of review for any avoidance, breach, rejection, termination or other cessation of performance of or changes to any portion of this integrated, non-severable Agreement (as described in Section 22) over which FERC has jurisdiction, whether proposed by Seller, by Buyer, by a non-party of, by FERC acting *sua sponte* shall be the "public interest" standard of review set forth in <u>United Gas Pipe Line Co. v. Mobile Gas Serv. Co.</u>, 350 U.S. 332 (1956) and <u>Federal Power Comm'n v. Sierra Pac. Power Co.</u>, 350 U.S. 348 (1956) as clarified by *Morgan Stanley Capital Group, Inc. v. Public Util. Dist. No. 1 of Snohomish*, 554 U.S. 527 (2008) and *NRG Power Marketing, LLC v. Maine Pub. Util. Comm'n*, 558 U.S. 165 (2010). Each Party agrees that if it seeks to amend any applicable power sales tariff during the Term, such amendment shall not in any way materially and adversely affect this Agreement without the prior written consent of the other Party. Each Party further agrees that it shall not assert, or defend itself, on the basis that any applicable tariff is inconsistent with this Agreement.
- 19.5 Change in ISO-NE Rules and Practices. This Agreement is subject to the ISO-NE Rules and ISO-NE Practices. If, during the Term of this Agreement, any ISO-NE Rule or ISO-NE Practice is terminated, modified or amended or is otherwise no longer applicable, resulting in a material alteration of a material right or obligation of a Party hereunder, the Parties agree to negotiate in good faith in an attempt to amend or clarify this Agreement to embody the Parties' original intent regarding their respective rights and obligations under this Agreement, provided that neither Party shall have any obligation to agree to any particular amendment or clarification of this Agreement. The intent of the Parties is that any such amendment or clarification reflect, as closely as possible, the intent, substance and effect of the ISO-NE Rule or ISO-NE Practice being replaced, modified, amended or made inapplicable as such ISO-NE Rule or ISO-NE Practice was in effect prior to such termination, modification, amendment, or inapplicability, provided that such amendment or clarification shall not in any event alter (i) the purchase and sale obligations of the Parties pursuant to this Agreement, or (ii) the Price.
- 19.6 <u>Dodd Frank Act Representations</u>. The Parties agree that this Agreement (including all transactions reflected herein) is not a "swap" within the meaning of the Commodity Exchange Act ("CEA") and the rules, interpretations and other guidance of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission ("CFTC rules"), and that the primary intent of this Agreement is physical settlement (i.e., actual transfer of ownership) of the nonfinancial commodity and not solely to transfer price risk. In reliance upon such agreement, each Party represents to the other that:
- (a) With respect to the commodity to be purchased and sold hereunder, it is a commercial market participant, a commercial entity and a commercial party, as such terms are used in the CFTC rules, and it is a producer, processor, or commercial user of, or a merchant handling, the commodity and it is entering into this Agreement for purposes related to its business as such;
- (b) It is not registered or required to be registered under the CFTC rules as a swap dealer or a major swap participant;

- (c) It has entered into this Agreement in connection with the conduct of its regular business and it has the capacity or ability to regularly make or take delivery of the commodity to be purchased and sold hereunder;
- (d) With respect to the commodity to be purchased and sold hereunder, it intends to make or take physical delivery of the commodity;
- (e) At the time that the Parties enter into this Agreement, any embedded volumetric optionality in this Agreement is primarily intended by the holder of such option or optionality to address physical factors or regulatory requirements that reasonably influence demand for, or supply of, the commodity to be purchased and sold hereunder;
- (f) With respect to any embedded commodity option in this Agreement, such option is intended to be physically settled so that, if exercised, the option would result in the sale of the commodity to be purchased or sold hereunder for immediate or deferred shipment or delivery;
- (g) The commodity to be purchased and sold hereunder is a nonfinancial commodity, and is also an exempt commodity or an agricultural commodity, as such terms are defined and interpreted in the CFTC rules.

To the extent that reporting of any transactions related to this Agreement is required by the CFTC rules, the Parties agree that Seller shall be responsible for such reporting (the "Reporting Party"). The Reporting Party's reporting obligations shall continue until the reporting obligation has expired or has been terminated in accordance with CFTC rules. The Buyer, as the Party that is not undertaking the reporting obligations shall timely provide the Reporting Party all necessary information requested by the Reporting Party for it to comply with CFTC rules.

19.7 <u>Change in Law or Buyer's Accounting Treatment, Subsequent Judicial or Regulatory Action.</u>

(a) If, during the Term of this Agreement, there is a change in Law or accounting standards or rules or a change in the interpretation or applicability thereof that would result in adverse balance sheet or creditworthiness impacts on Buyer associated with this Agreement or the amounts paid for Products purchased hereunder the Buyer shall prepare an amendment to this Agreement to avoid or mitigate such impacts. Buyer shall prepare such amendment in a manner that is designed to be limited to changes required to avoid or mitigate the adverse balance sheet or creditworthiness impact on Buyer. Buyer shall use commercially reasonable efforts to prepare such amendment in a manner that mitigates any material adverse effect(s) on Seller (as identified by Seller, acting reasonably) that could reasonably be expected to result from such amendment, but only to the extent that such mitigation can be accomplished in a manner that is consistent with the purpose of such amendment. Seller agrees to execute such amendment; provided that such amendment does not (unless Seller otherwise agrees) alter: (i) the purchase and sale obligations of the Parties pursuant to this Agreement, or (ii) the Price.

(b) Upon a determination by a court or regulatory body having jurisdiction (i) over this Agreement or any of the Parties hereto, or (ii) over the establishment and enforcement of any of the statutes or regulations or orders or actions of regulatory agencies (including the Department or PURA) supporting this Agreement or (iii) over the rights or obligations of the Parties hereunder that any of the statutes or regulations supporting this Agreement or the rights or obligations of the Parties hereunder, or orders of or actions of regulatory agencies (including the Department or PURA) implementing such statutes or regulations, or this Agreement on its face or as applied, in the reasonable determination by a Party, violates any Law (including the State or Federal Constitution) (an "Adverse Determination"), each Party shall have the right to suspend performance under this Agreement without liability. Seller may deliver and sell Products to a third party during any period of time for which Buyer suspends payments or purchases under this Section.

Upon an Adverse Determination becoming final and non-appealable, Buyer shall make a good faith determination regarding whether the Adverse Determination does or may adversely affect the enforceability of any provision of this Agreement and/or Buyer's continued ability to recover all net costs incurred under this Agreement and the reasonable costs incurred in connection with this Agreement for the entire Term of this Agreement and whether such adverse effect(s) of the Adverse Determination can reasonably be mitigated by amending the Agreement in a manner that allows the Agreement to continue with modification. If, in Buyer's sole reasonable judgment, such adverse effect(s) of the Adverse Determination cannot be reasonably mitigated by amending the Agreement, either Party shall have the right to terminate the Agreement. If Buyer determines that such effect(s) can be so mitigated, it shall promptly prepare an amendment to this Agreement designed to be limited to changes required to avoid or mitigate such effect(s). Thereafter, Buyer and Seller shall negotiate the terms of such amendment in good faith; provided, however, that neither Buyer nor Seller will be required to agree to any particular amendment. If Seller and Buyer cannot reach agreement on such amendment within sixty (60) days after Buyer delivers to Seller the first draft thereof, then either Party may terminate this Agreement by written notice to the other Party delivered within thirty (30) days after such sixty (60) day period. Upon a termination pursuant to this section, (I) Seller shall: (a) prepare a final invoice to Buyer for Products delivered to Buyer, which Buyer shall pay in the normal course pursuant to Section 5.2(b), and (b) have no further obligations or liabilities to Buyer, (II) Seller shall have the right to sell Energy and RECs to third parties, and (III) neither Seller nor Buyer shall have any further obligations or liabilities to the other Party under this Agreement.

20. COUNTERPARTS; FACSIMILE SIGNATURES

Any number of counterparts of this Agreement may be executed, and each shall have the same force and effect as an original. Facsimile signatures hereon or on any notice or other instrument delivered under this Agreement shall have the same force and effect as original signatures.

21. NO DUTY TO THIRD PARTIES

Except as provided in any consent to assignment of this Agreement, nothing in this Agreement nor any action taken hereunder shall be construed to create any duty, liability or standard of care to any Person not a Party to this Agreement.

22. SEVERABILITY

If any term or provision of this Agreement or the interpretation or application of any term or provision to any prior circumstance is held to be unenforceable, illegal or invalid by a court or agency of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of this Agreement and the interpretation or application of all other terms or provisions to Persons or circumstances other than those which are unenforceable, illegal or invalid shall not be affected thereby, and each term and provision shall be valid and be enforced to the fullest extent permitted by law so long as all essential terms and conditions of this Agreement for both Parties remain valid, binding and enforceable and have not been declared to be unenforceable, illegal or invalid by a Governmental Entity of competent jurisdiction. The Parties acknowledge and agree that essential terms and conditions of this Agreement for each Party include, without limitation, all pricing and payment terms and conditions of this Agreement, and that the essential terms and conditions of this Agreement for Buyer also include, without limitation, the terms and conditions of Section 19.6 of this Agreement.

23. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR

Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed as creating any relationship between Buyer and Seller other than that of Seller as independent contractor for the sale of Products, and Buyer as principal and purchaser of the same. Neither Party shall be deemed to be the agent of the other Party for any purpose by reason of this Agreement, and no partnership or joint venture or fiduciary relationship between the Parties is intended to be created hereby. Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed as creating any relationship between Buyer and the Interconnecting Utility.

24. ENTIRE AGREEMENT

This Agreement shall constitute the entire agreement and understanding between the Parties hereto and shall supersede all prior agreements and communications.

[Signature page follows]

CL&P dba Eversource Energy Docket No. 18-07-02 April 15, 2019

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, each of Buyer and Seller has caused this Agreement to be duly executed on its behalf as of the date first above written.

The Connecticut Light and Power Company dba Eversource Energy

By: Name: James G. Daly
Title: VP Energy Supply

Plainfield Renewable Energy, LLC

By: _____ Name: Title: IN WITNESS WHEREOF, each of Buyer and Seller has caused this Agreement to be duly executed on its behalf as of the date first above written.

The Connecticut Light and Power Company dba Eversource Energy

Ву: _		
•	Name:	
	Title:	

Plainfield Renewable Energy, LLC

ву: ___

Name: Charles L. Abbott Title: President i CEO

EXHIBIT A

DESCRIPTION OF FACILITY

Facility:

The Plainfield Renewable Energy project is an existing 37.5 MW (net) AC Class I biomass gasification power plant that is located in Plainfield, Connecticut on an approximately 27 acre industrial zoned parcel of land. The Project site is located in the Town of Plainfield, Windham County, Connecticut. The Site is approximately one mile west of Interstate 395 at exit 88, on the south edge of the Town near Mill Brook Road and State Highway 12.

Facility Size: Thirty-seven and one-half (37.500) MWs (AC)

EXHIBIT B

PRODUCTS AND PRICING

- 1. <u>Price for Buyer's Percentage Entitlement of Products up to the Contract Maximum Amount.</u> The Price for the Buyer's Percentage Entitlement of Delivered Products up to the Contract Maximum Amount in nominal dollars shall be as follows:
 - (a) Commencing on the Delivery Term Start Date, the Price per MWh or REC for the Products shall be as follows:

• Fixed Contract Price

Contract Year		Energy Price	REC Price
		(\$/MWh)	(\$/REC)
1		42.40	10.00
2		42.40	10.00
3		42.40	10.00
4		42.40	10.00
5		42.40	10.00
6		42.40	10.00
7		42.40	10.00
8		42.40	10.00
9		42.40	10.00
10	•	42.40	10.00

If the market price at the Delivery Point in the Real-Time or Day-Ahead markets, as applicable, for Energy Delivered by Seller is negative in any hour, the payment to Seller for deliveries of Energy shall be reduced by the difference between the absolute value of the hourly LMP at the Delivery Point and \$0.00 per MWh for that Energy for each such hour. Each monthly invoice shall reflect a reduction for all hours in the applicable month in which the LMP for the Energy at the Delivery Point is less than \$0.00 per MWh.

Examples. If delivered Energy equals 1 MWh and Price equals \$50.00/MWh:

LMP at the Delivery Point equals (or is greater than) \$0.00/MWh Buyer payment of Price to Seller \$50.00 Seller credit/reimbursement for negative LMP to Buyer \$0.00 Net Result: Buyer pays Seller \$50 for that hour

LMP at the Delivery Point equals -\$150.00/MWh Buyer payment of Price to Seller \$50.00

- Seller credit/reimbursement for negative LMP to Buyer \$150.00 Net Result: Seller credits or reimburses Buyer \$100 for that hour
- (b) Price for Buyer's Percentage Entitlement of Energy and RECs Delivered in excess of Contract Maximum Amount. The Energy and RECs Delivered in excess of the Contract Maximum Amount shall be purchased by Buyer at a Price equal to the product of (x) the Buyer's Percentage Entitlement of the MWhs of Energy in excess of the Contract Maximum Amount Delivered to the Delivery Point and (y) the lesser of (i) ninety percent (90%) of the Real-Time LMP at such Delivery Point, or (ii) the Price determined in accordance with Section 1(a) of this Exhibit B for each hour of the month during which such Energy in excess of the Contract Maximum Amount is Delivered to Buyer.
- (c) Negative LMP. For those hours when the Real-Time LMP at the Delivery Point (as determined by ISO-NE) is negative, the payment from Buyer to Seller shall be reduced for Products Delivered in excess of the Contract Maximum Amount by an amount equal to the product of (x) the Buyer's Percentage Entitlement of the MWhs of Energy in excess of the Contract Maximum Amount Delivered to the Delivery Point and (y) one hundred percent (100%) of the absolute value of the Real-Time LMP at such Delivery Point for each hour of the month during which such Energy in excess of the Contract Maximum Amount is Delivered to Buyer.
- (d) All rights and title to RECs associated with Energy Delivered in excess of the Contract Maximum Amount shall remain with Buyer whether the Real-Time LMP is positive or negative. In the event that Seller received RECs associated with Energy Delivered in excess of the Contract Maximum Amount, Seller shall not hold or claim to hold equitable title to such RECs and shall promptly transfer such RECs to Buyer's GIS account.