FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION WASHINGTON, DC 20426

OFFICE OF ENERGY MARKET REGULATION

Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation Docket No. ER17-566-000

Issued: 2/10/17

National Grid USA Service Company, Inc. 40 Sylvan Road Waltham, MA 02451

Attention: Amanda C. Downey Senior Counsel

Reference: Cost Reimbursement Agreement

Dear Ms. Downey:

On December 16, 2016, Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation (Niagara Mohawk) filed a Cost Reimbursement Agreement (Reimbursement Agreement) between Niagara Mohawk and Erie Boulevard Hydropower, L.P. The Reimbursement Agreement is designated as Service Agreement No. 2324 under the New York Independent System Operator, Inc. (NYISO) Open Access Transmission Tariff.¹ The Reimbursement Agreement facilitates Niagara Mohawk's performance of certain work with respect to a specified electric substation property and right-of-way known as the Heuvelton Substation Easement.

Pursuant to the authority delegated to the Director, Division of Electric Power Regulation – East, under 18 C.F.R. § 375.307, your submittal is accepted for filing, effective November 18, 2016, as requested.

The filing was noticed on December 16, 2016, with comments, interventions, and protests due on or before January 6, 2017. Pursuant to Rule 214 (18 C.F.R. § 385.214 (2016)), to the extent that any timely filed motions to intervene and any motion to intervene out-of-time were filed before the issuance date of this order, such interventions are granted. Granting late interventions at this stage of the proceeding will not disrupt the

¹ New York Independent System Operator, Inc., NYISO Agreements, <u>Agreement</u> No. 2324, CRA No. 2324 - NMPC and Erie Boulevard Hydropower, 0.0.0. proceeding or place additional burdens on existing parties.

This acceptance for filing shall not be construed as constituting approval of the referenced filing or of any rate, charge, classification, or any rule, regulation, or practice affecting such rate or service contained in your filing; nor shall such acceptance be deemed as recognition of any claimed contractual right or obligation associated therewith; and such acceptance is without prejudice to any findings or orders which have been or may hereafter be made by the Commission in any proceeding now pending or hereafter instituted by or against Niagara Mohawk.

This order constitutes final agency action. Requests for rehearing by the Commission may be filed within 30 days of the date of issuance of this order, pursuant to 18 C.F.R. § 385.713.

Sincerely,

Kurt M. Longo, Director Division of Electric Power Regulation – East