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VIA FIRST CLASS MAIL

Jeffrey M. Bernstein, Esq. BCK Law, P.C. One Gateway Center, Suite 809 Newton, Massachusetts 02458

RE: Cape Light Compact Municipal Aggregation Plan

Dear Attorney Bernstein:

On August 27, 2013, the Department of Public Utilities ("Department") sent the Cape Light Compact ("Compact") a letter requesting that the Compact review its municipal aggregation plan and determine whether the Compact should file a revised plan. Specifically, the Department requested that the Compact should ensure that its municipal aggregation plan reflects the Compact's current structure and operations, and at a minimum, remove references to standard offer service and Commonwealth Electric Company. The Department stated that the Compact's municipal aggregation plan must comply with any applicable laws, regulations and Department precedent, including the Department's Orders in <u>City of Lowell Municipal Aggregation</u>, D.P.U. 12-124. In October 2013, the Compact verbally notified the Department of its intention to file a revised municipal aggregation plan after a final Order issued in D.P.U. 12-124, consistent with the directives in the Department's August 27, 2013 letter to the Compact.

On November 27, 2013, the Department issued a final Order in D.P.U. 12-124. On December 11, 2013, the Department sent the Compact a letter directing the Compact to comply with certain provisions of the final Order in D.P.U. 12-124, including the requirement to submit an annual report to the Department on December 1st of each year.

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In order to ensure that the Department's review of the Compact's municipal aggregation plan can proceed in a timely manner, the Department requests that the Compact file its revised municipal aggregation plan no later than April 4, 2014. Once the revised plan has been received, the Department will review the filing, issue a notice, and establish a procedural schedule for investigation. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me, at 617-305-3634 or jonathan.goldberg@state.ma.us.

Sincerely,

/s/

Jonathan A. Goldberg Hearing Officer

cc: Steven Venezia, Deputy General Counsel, DOER Jesse Reyes, Division Chief, Office of the Attorney General Sandra Merrick, Deputy Division Chief, Office of the Attorney General