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To: Clients & Colleagues

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RE: Mass Clean Generation RFP Gathers Steam

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Transmission developers are moving quickly to prepare to participate in the forthcoming Massachusetts Clean Generation RFP. The Vermont Green Line, a 400 MW HVDC interconnection running from near Plattsburgh, NY to New Haven, VT being developed by Anbaric and National Grid, just announced an Open Season Process for transmission rights, with proposals due on or before February 1, 2017. Recall that the Vermont Green Line recently participated in the Tri-State Clean Energy RFP, with output from Invenergy wind projects and Hydro-Quebec who was backstopping the Invenergy wind. Emera announced at the CanWEA 2016 conference in October that it would be soliciting proposals for clean energy generation for its Atlantic Link project at the end of this year or first Quarter 2017.

Supporting this effort is the recently identified working schedule regarding the Mass Clean Energy Generation RFP, shown below. This schedule suggests that proposals will be due June 2, 2017. Given the potential complexity around commercial relationships between the transmission developer, Class I renewable energy developers, and hydroelectric project operators backstopping these Class I renewable energy, transmission developers are moving forward with these open season processes now.

December 23, 2016	Submission of RFP for Section 83D clean energy generation for approval by Department of Public Utilities
March 31, 2017	Section 83D clean energy generation RFP Approved by DPU and posted by EDCs
June 2, 2017	Section 83D clean energy generation RFP Proposal Submission Deadline
August 28 - November 17, 2017	Section 83D clean energy generation RFP bid selection process
October 23, 2017 – January 26, 2018	Section 83D clean energy generation RFP EDC contract execution