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**Case No. 09-1042-EL-REN  
Bay Shore Unit 1  
Staff Interrogatories – Second Set**

Question 1: With regard to Question 6 of the first set of staff interrogatories, please describe the source of the biomass pellets, including the states or region from which the pellets originate, and the estimated number of suppliers that will be used.

Answer 1: At present the Company has obtained a one-time supply of southern yellow pine pellets for testing purposes from one supplier. The supplier is located in Florida and the feedstock for their pellets is harvested from the surrounding region. As the Company's fuel supply strategy develops and alternative biomass suppliers become known, the Company may entertain multiple longer term fuel supply agreements.

Question 2: Will the Company meet the documentation and reporting requirements for Multi-Fuel Generating Units in Section 6.5 and Appendix C of the GATS Operating Rules on an ongoing basis?

Answer 2: Yes

Question 3: Please indicate the commitment and measures that will be undertaken by the Company to ensure long-term procurement of an environmentally sustainable fuel supply.

Answer 3 : The Company has not entered into contracts for the supply of biomass product, therefore it has not yet determined the protocols which may be in place relating to sustainability certifications or sourcing standards. However, the Company intends to consider standards such as the Sustainable Forestry Initiative during the evaluation of potential suppliers. Moreover, the Company is a member of the Electric Power Research Institute (EPRI) and will be working with the EPRI and the National Renewable Energy Laboratories (NREL) to evaluate net carbon output.

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