

## **Merger Partners**

(posted pursuant to 18 C.F.R. § 358.7(e)(3))

On **February 9, 2016**, The Empire District Electric Company (Empire) (NYSE: EDE) announced that it had entered into an agreement to which Liberty Utilities Co., a subsidiary of Algonquin Power & Utilities Corp. (APUC) (TSX: AQN), would acquire Empire and its subsidiaries.

On **January 1, 2017**, the acquisition of Empire by Liberty Utilities Co. was completed.

In compliance with FERC's affiliate restrictions under 18 C.F.R. § 35.39, Empire and its subsidiaries will treat APUC and its subsidiaries as affiliates.