

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

BETWEEN

*THE NATIONAL ELECTRICAL ENERGY AGENCY*

BRAZIL

AND

*THE FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION*

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

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In view of the growing and consolidated bilateral cooperation between the Federative Republic of Brazil and the United States of America and in recognition of the benefits that result from the exchange of information about regulatory experiences and practices, the **NATIONAL ELECTRICAL ENERGY AGENCY (ANEEL)**<sup>1</sup> on the Brazilian side, and the **FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION (FERC)**<sup>2</sup> on the U.S. side, hereby declare their intentions to cooperate through this Memorandum of Understanding (MOU).

1. This MOU identifies topics on which **ANEEL** and **FERC** intend to exchange technical information as follows:

- a) Experiences and best practices related to the integration into the grid of renewable energy, distributed energy resources and demand response;
- b) Smart grid development;
- c) Monitoring and oversight of wholesale energy markets;
- d) Planning and reliability of the electric system; and
- e) Energy storage technologies.

2. The list of topics above is not exhaustive and **ANEEL** and **FERC** may choose to cooperate on other issues of mutual interest.

3. Cooperation under this MOU may include, but is not limited to, the following:

- a) Sharing technical information on energy issues of mutual interest;
- b) Joint visits that could include ANEEL, FERC and other regulatory institutions in Brazil and the United States;
- c) Meetings, webinars, workshops, teleconferences and/or email exchanges;
- d) Studies that may include the participation of experts from the industrial sector; and
- e) Professional training activities.

4. Nothing contained in this MOU requires either **ANEEL** or **FERC** to adopt any measure or take any action with respect to any current or future laws, regulations and/or policy directive applicable to it.

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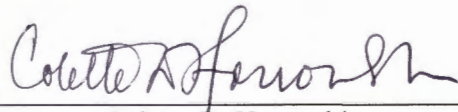
<sup>1</sup> For further information about ANEEL see <http://www.aneel.gov.br/>

<sup>2</sup> For further information about FERC see <http://www.ferc.gov/default.asp>



5. **ANEEL** and **FERC** activities carried out under this MOU are subject to their respective programs and policies, and to each institution's resources and priorities.
6. **ANEEL** and **FERC** are responsible for their own resources for the activities stipulated in this MOU. All the activities are subject to budgetary approval by each institution.
7. Cooperation under this MOU may continue for an indefinite period.
8. Both **ANEEL** and **FERC** may discontinue this MOU at any time and for any reason, and will strive to give the other institution 60 days written notice.

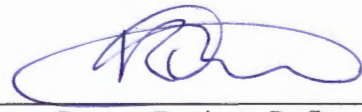
Signed in Brasilia, Brazil, on December 5, 2016, in the English and Portuguese languages.



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Commission



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