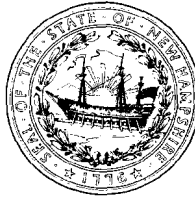


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Re: Docket No. DE 08-053
Public Service Company of New Hampshire
Application of Hydro Facilities for Class IV Renewable Energy Credit Status
Report from Technical Session Following Prehearing Conference

Dear Ms. Howland:

On October 28, 2008, the Commission issued Order No. 24,908 which opened an adjudicative proceeding in the above-captioned docket. The Order scheduled a prehearing conference which was held today. Present at the prehearing conference were representatives for Public Service Company of New Hampshire (PSNH), Granite State Hydropower Association (GSHA) and Ashuelot River Hydro and Commission Staff.

At the prehearing conference, it was noted that FPL Energy Maine Hydro LLC had filed a motion for intervention as a party in the docket, a copy of which had not been served on all parties. It was further noted that Representative Suzanne Harvey had filed a letter requesting intervenor status and that comments she previously filed in this docket be considered in this proceeding. Finally, the Chairman noted that the N.H. Department of Environmental Services (DES) filed comments in connection with this proceeding but did not request intervenor status. Neither party requesting intervenor status nor the DES was represented at the prehearing conference. GSHA and the Staff did not oppose the motions to intervene and PSNH reserved its rights with respect to the motions until after it had reviewed them.

At the prehearing conference, the Chairman noted that the contested issue in this proceeding is one of statutory interpretation and expressed a preference that the issue be resolved after the parties filed one round of legal briefs. He instructed the parties to meet in technical session discuss the extent to which they could stipulate to the facts and to propose a procedural schedule for the Commission's consideration.

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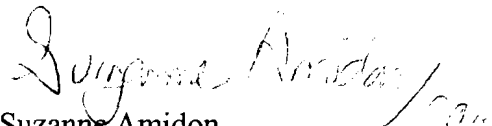
At the technical session, GSHA explained that PSNH and GSHA had commenced work on stipulated facts. GSHA stated its preference that the following be included in the stipulation: 1) the facts in the draft stipulation, 2) the relevant portions of the transcript from the Senate Hearing on HB 873, the legislation which became law as RSA 362-F, 3) letters previously filed by DES and Representative Harvey in this docket, and 4) information regarding the total potential supply and demand for Class IV renewable energy certificates. PSNH agreed to work with GSHA to prepare the stipulation of facts.

As to a procedural schedule, PSNH and GSHA agreed to file the stipulation by November 17, 2008 and to file briefs on November 24, 2008. Also on November 17, PSNH and GSHA agree to inform the Commission if any factual disagreements exist which could require additional procedural events, thereby potentially impacting the November 24 briefing schedule.

I certify that I have provided an electronic copy of this letter to parties on the service list.

If you have any questions, please let me know.

Sincerely,



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