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> Re: Docket No. DE 10-142 Granite State Electric Company d/b/a National Grid Least Cost Integrated Resource Plan Procedural Schedule—Suspend and Cancel Hearing

Dear Ms. Howland:

On September 21, 2010, Staff requested that the Commission cancel the technical session in the above-captioned docket scheduled for September 28, 2010 and the Commission graciously complied by issuing a secretarial letter to that effect on September 27, 2010.

Since the issuance of that secretarial letter, Staff has regrettably allowed additional events in the procedural schedule to pass without appropriately notifying the Commission. At this point, Staff and Granite State Electric Company d/b/a National Grid (National Grid) believe that this docket can be concluded via a settlement, and Staff agreed to compose the first draft of a settlement agreement. Due to the demands in other dockets, Staff has not completed a draft settlement for National Grid to review. Therefore, we respectfully request that the Commission suspend the entire procedural schedule and cancel the hearing currently scheduled for January 25, 2011. We will be discussing the schedule with National Grid next week and will propose a new hearing date after that discussion.

Thank you for your assistance. If you have any questions, please contact me at 271-6616.

Sincerely,

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Staff Attorney

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