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Re: Docket No. DE 11-184  
Wood Fired Purchase Power Agreements  
Staff Recommendation—Procedural Schedule

Dear Ms. Howland:

On September 22, 2011, the Commission approved a procedural schedule in the above captioned docket. The procedural schedule contained alternatives for hearing dates. In the first instance, if a settlement were reached and filed with the Commission by November 8, 2011, a hearing on the settlement would be held on November 17 and 18, 2011. In the event no settlement was reached, Joint Petitioners would have the opportunity to file rebuttal testimony on November 14, 2011 and a hearing on the merits would be held on November 30 and December 1, 2011.

No settlement has been reached and it is the understanding of non-advocate Staff that rebuttal testimony will be filed on November 14, 2011. Given this, non-advocate Staff proposed that the hearing dates of November 17 and 18, 2011 be cancelled consistent with the approved procedural schedule. Non-advocate Staff sought the position of the parties and intervenors in this docket on the proposal and all have concurred that these hearing dates be cancelled.

Non-advocate Staff respectfully requests that the hearing dates of November 17 and 18, 2011 be cancelled. Non-advocate Staff certifies that an electronic copy of this letter will be sent to the service list in this docket contemporaneous with the filing of this letter with the Commission.

Very Truly Yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Edward N. Damon".

Edward N. Damon  
Director, Legal Division

cc: Service List