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## **HAND DELIVERED**

Debra A. Howland Executive Director & Secretary New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission 21 South Fruit St., Suite 10 Concord, NH 03301



Re: Public Service Company of New Hampshire – Petition for License to Construct and Maintain Electric Lines Under and Across Bow Lake in the Town of Strafford, New Hampshire

Dear Ms. Howland:

Enclosed for filing with the Commission please find the original and six copies of Public Service Company of New Hampshire's Petition for License to Construct and Maintain Electric Lines Under and Across Bow Lake in the Town of Strafford, New Hampshire, with attached exhibits. A copy of this filing is being provided to the Office of Consumer Advocate. PSNH respectfully requests that the Commission issue an Order Nisi with respect to this Petition.

PSNH respectfully requests that, as the Commission's resources allow, expedited treatment be given to the handling of this Petition, due to the deteriorating condition of the underwater service cable to be replaced, and the need to complete directional drilling as soon as possible before unfavorable weather conditions set in.

Should there be any technical questions pertaining to this filing, they may be directed to PSNH Project Engineer David M. Still, P. E., who can be reached at 634-2078. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

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Very truly yours,

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D. M. Still, P. E.