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NH PUC Staff Responses to Data Requests of TransCanada

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REQUEST:

Did PSNH present the information referred to in questions 8, 9 and 10 above to the Commission in DE 08-103? If so, please provide any and all documentation indicating that any of this information was presented to the Commission in that docket.

RESPONSE:

All documents filed in DE 08-103 are available to TransCanada at: http://www.puc.nh.gov/Regulatory/Docketbk/2008/08-103.htm

In response to the question, I provide the following information. I have not, however, performed a search of all documents filed in that docket.

Regarding questions 8, 9 and 10, the following information was provided to the Commission in DE 08-103:

PSNH's September 2, 2008 Report to the Commission:

- Page 14 "D. Sensitivity analyses were conducted to test the impact of changes to each of the key assumptions (capital cost, coal cost and equivalent CO₂ allowance cost) on the overall bus bar cost of Merrimack Station. These sensitivity analyses indicated the economics of the project are most sensitive to variations in the future price of coal, and far less sensitive to variations in the capital cost or equivalent CO₂ allowance cost."
- Pages 14 16. PSNH explained its methodology and provided its coal and gas price
 assumptions used in evaluating scenarios involving market purchases and construction of
 new coal and natural gas generating stations. Clearly, coal and natural gas price
 assumptions were important factors in those analyses.