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Executive Director and Secretary  
New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission  
21 South Fruit Street, Suite 10  
Concord, New Hampshire 03301-2429



Re: Petition for Clarification and Interpretation of Commission Orders  
Regarding Hemphill Power and Light Company  
Docket No. DE 07- 122

Dear Ms. Howland:

This letter will inform the Commission that Hemphill Power and Light Company ("Hemphill") and Public Service Company of New Hampshire ("PSNH") have decided to enter into settlement discussions to attempt to resolve the issues in this proceeding. We anticipate the participation of Staff and the Office of Consumer Advocate in these discussions.

It would be in the best interest of productive settlement for the Commission to defer any further action in this proceeding, and PSNH is hereby requesting that the Commission hold the docket in abeyance. Hemphill and PSNH are making the same request of the superior court in those proceedings. The Commission will be kept informed as to the progress of these discussions.

Very truly yours,

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