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Re: DE 09-135, Low Income Electric Assistance Program
Motion for Confidential Treatment

Dear Attorney Knowlton:

We have recently discussed whether the Commission needs to rule on the motion for confidential treatment filed in this docket on October 10, 2010. We agreed that, in light of the Commission's general letter of clarification and guidance dated January 13, 2011, regarding the handling of materials for which a claim of confidentiality has been made in non-adjudicative proceedings, and the fact that the motion was filed in connection with an EAP audit conducted long after the adjudicative phase of this docket had been completed, the Commission will treat the materials for which confidential treatment was sought in the motion in accordance with the Commission's general letter. Accordingly, we have agreed that the Commission need not rule on the motion at this time. I am filing a copy of this letter with the Commission and Audit Staff in order to memorialize our discussion.

Sincerely,

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

Edward N. Damon, Director
Legal Division

cc DE 09-135 Docket File and Service List
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