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Re: DG 10-244, Androscoggin Valley Regional Refuse Disposal District Petition

Dear Attorney Willing:

I am writing to summarize our telephone conversation of Tuesday, October 26, 2010, and our brief follow-up conversation yesterday, regarding the current status of the Androscoggin Valley Regional Refuse Disposal District (AVRRDD) petition, filed pursuant to RSA 371:17, for construction of a proposed gas pipeline across a bridge owned by Fraser Papers, LLC (Fraser). This pipeline would cross the Androscoggin River via the Fraser bridge, and supply the paper mill currently owned by Fraser located in Gorham, New Hampshire (Gorham Mill) with blended landfill gas and natural gas.

On October 22, 2010, you provided on behalf of your client AVRRDD initial responses to Staff's Data Requests dated October 13, 2010. In our conversation of October 26, you expressed your client's understanding and concurrence with Staff's view that these responses were incomplete for the purposes of the Commission Staff's analysis of the RSA 371:17 petition. You also stated that more complete responses to Staff's Data Requests would be forthcoming after AVRRDD retains the services of a contractor for the pipeline project, which would be contingent upon the future disposition of the Gorham Mill. You also represented that the Commission's continuing analysis of AVRRDD's RSA 371:17 petition has not acted as an impediment to the potential sale of the Gorham Mill by Fraser to interested third parties in any way. You have also expressed your client's understanding that final recommendations by Staff, and a final determination by the Commission, regarding AVRRDD's petition would require more complete responses to Staff's data requests. Yesterday, you re-confirmed your willingness to meet with Staff, together with AVRRDD's contractor, once the contractor has been selected, to discuss technical issues related to the pipeline.

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Thank you for your cooperation in this matter. Once complete information has been received from AVRRDD, Staff expects to move this matter along expeditiously. If you have any further questions or concerns, please contact me directly.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Alexander F. Speidel". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'A'.

Alexander F. Speidel  
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