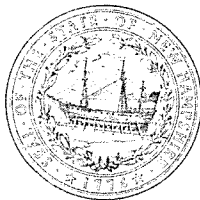


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Re: DE 11-250, Public Service Company of New Hampshire
Investigation of Merrimack Station Scrubber Project and Cost Recovery
Supplemental Filing Pursuant to Order No. 25,398

Dear Attorney Patch:

On August 14, 2012, TransCanada Power Marketing Ltd. and TransCanada Hydro Northeast Inc. (TransCanada) filed a letter requesting that the Commission stay a portion of Order No. 25,398 issued on August 7, 2012. Order No. 25,398 addressed TransCanada's motion to compel in the above-captioned docket. In Order No. 25,398, among other things, the Commission allowed TransCanada five business days to supplement its motion to compel regarding data requests identified as TC 2-4, TC 2-5 and TC 2-6.

In its letter, TransCanada requested that particular portion of the Order be stayed until such time as TransCanada had reviewed the responses to TC 2-3 and TC 1-9. According to TransCanada, the information provided in response to TC 2-3 and TC 1-9 could either provide further information relevant to or eliminate the need for responses to TC 2-4 through 2-6 and, therefore, make it unnecessary to supplement the motion to compel for those questions. In addition, TransCanada noted that it still has time in the discovery schedule "to ask more detailed follow-up requests that may elicit more specific and worthwhile information..."

The Commission has considered the request and denies TransCanada's request for a stay. TransCanada acknowledges that, pursuant to the procedural schedule, discovery continues through August 31, 2012 and, therefore, given the possibilities that the original requests may not be necessary and that TransCanada may issue more detailed follow-up requests, the stay is not necessary.

Sincerely,

Debra A. Howland
Executive Director

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