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July 30, 2015

Patricia M. French, Esq. Berstein, Shur Sawyer & Nelson P.O. Box 9729 Portland, ME 04104-5029

Re: DG 15-090; Northern Utilities, Inc. 2015 Summer Cost of Gas

Dear Ms. French:

By letter dated June 26, 2015, you informed the Commission why your clients did not sign the settlement filed on that date. You explained that "there arose a <u>bona fide</u> question of whether Northern actually does not have the ability to protect sales customers." You asked the Commission to "establish a date by which the marketers may file their opposition to the settlement" and, to the extent the Commission deems necessary, to "direct that a procedural schedule be established." Northern Utilities responded by letter dated July 15, 2015.

The Commission has set August 12, 2015, as the deadline for the marketers to file their opposition to the settlement. The filing shall be limited to evidence on the factual question of "whether Northern actually does not have the ability to protect sales customers." Northern and Staff may respond by August 25, 2015. The responsive filings shall be similarly limited. The Commission will then consider what further process is necessary, if any.

Sincerely, Serlo le

Debra A. Howland Executive Director

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