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## By Electronic Mail & Hand Delivery

Ms. Debra A. Howland Executive Director and Secretary New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission 21 S. Fruit Street, Suite 10 Concord, NH 03301

Re: Docket No. 16-844; New England Power Company

Petition for Authority to Issue up to \$800 Million of Long Term Debt

**Massachusetts DPU Decision** 

Dear Ms. Howland:

On behalf of New England Power Company ("NEP" or the "Company"), enclosed please find for the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission's ("Commission") records a copy of the decision by the Massachusetts Department of Public Utilities ("DPU") relative to the above-captioned proceeding. On February 16, 2017, the Commission granted the Company authority to issue \$800 million of long term debt. On May 23, 2017, the DPU granted the Company authority to issue such debt for a period of three years extending from the date of the Order. The DPU, however, did not approve the Company's request for an option for a two-year extension to its financing plan.

Please contact me directly should you have any questions.

Very truly yours,

Thomas B. Getz

**Enclosures**