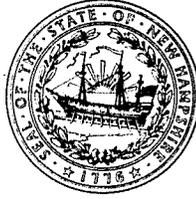


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March 29, 2011

Gary Epler
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Re: DG 06-098, Northern Utilities, Inc.
2010 Integrated Resource Plan
Extension of Time

Dear Mr. Epler:

On February 25, 2011, you filed on behalf of Northern Utilities, Inc. (Northern) a request for additional time to file Northern's 2010 Integrated Resource Plan (IRP). According to the Settlement Agreement approved by Commission Order No. 25,098 on April 5, 2010, Northern was to file its 2010 IRP with the Commission by January 5, 2011. By secretarial letter dated January 15, 2011, the Commission extended the filing deadline to February 18, 2011. You now request a revised filing date of August 31, 2011 inasmuch as Northern has "developed a revised timeline for this filing based upon several considerations, including activity in major pipeline rate cases, Northern's seasonal gas supply activities, which presently are at their height, recent demand data, and the timing of the Commission Staff's review of major IRP filings from other companies." You also represent that Staff of the Maine Public Utilities, the Maine Office of Public Advocate and Commission Staff do not object to the request.

The Commission has determined that granting the extension will not unduly delay the proceeding or adversely affect the rights of any party. Accordingly, the request is granted and Northern's 2010 IRP filing is due August 31, 2011.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Debra A. Howland".

Debra A. Howland
Executive Director

cc: Docket File
Gas Division