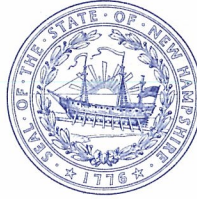


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April 22, 2009

Re: DE 09-033, Public Service Company of New Hampshire
Issuance of Long Term Debt
Office of Consumer Advocate Motion for Extension

To the Parties:

On April 16, 2009, the Office of Consumer Advocate (OCA) filed a motion requesting, among other things, a suspension of the deadline for motions to compel on set 1 data requests pending a ruling on the scope of the proceeding. The OCA asserts that granting the suspension will prevent the parties from unnecessarily expending resources and that such relief is consistent with Puc 202.04(c). The OCA reports that the Conservation Law Foundation supports the motion, Public Service Company of New Hampshire assents to the motion as it pertains to suspending the deadline for motions to compel, and Staff takes no position. The Commission has determined to grant the OCA's request to suspend the deadline for filing motions to compel inasmuch as the extension of time will prevent undue hardship or inconvenience and will not adversely affect the rights of any party.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Debra A. Howland/aec".

Debra A. Howland
Executive Director