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

Re: DE 11-184 PSNH Wood-Fired Power Purchase Agreements Proposed Procedural Schedule

Dear Ms. Howland:

At the technical session following the prehearing conference held on September 9, 2011, representatives of Public Service Company of New Hampshire, Staff Advocates, the Wood-Fired Independent Power Producers, Intervenors, the Office of Consumer Advocate and Non-Advocate Staff met to discuss a procedural schedule. The proposed schedule is set forth below:

September 12-23

Rolling Data Requests

September 14

Motion for confidential treatment regarding Staff Set 1 data

responses (other than PSNH and Staff Advocate responses to Staff

1-12 which are covered by the outstanding motion)

September 30

Last Day for Responses to Data Requests

October 6 at 9 am

Technical Session

October 14

Staff/Intervenor Testimony

October 21

Data Requests on Staff/Intervenor Testimony

October 28

Responses to October 21 Data Requests

October 31

Settlement Conference

If settlement is reached, then:

November 8, 2011

Settlement filed

Week of November 14 (reserve two days) Hearing on Settlement

If settlement is not reached but rebuttal is waived, then:

Week of November 14 (reserve two days) Hearing on Merits

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If settlement is not reached and rebuttal is not waived, then:

November 14

Rebuttal Testimony

Nov 29-Dec. 2 (reserve two days)

Hearing on Merits

Answers and objections to data requests are due within 5 business days of receipt of the subject data requests. Motions to compel to be made with the Commission within 5 days of the date of receipt of the objection. The Commission is requested to rule on motions to compel on an expedited basis.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely yours,

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