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September 22, 2011

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

To the Parties:

On September 9, 2011, a duly noticed prehearing conference was held in the above referenced proceeding. Appearances at the prehearing conference were entered by representatives of Public Service Company of New Hampshire, the Wood-Fired Independent Power Producers, the Department of Resources and Economic Development, Staff Advocates, Granite State HydroPower Association, Freedom Logistics, LLC d/b/a Freedom Energy Logistics, Halifax-American Energy Company, LLC, PNE Energy Supply, LLC, the Business and Industry Association, the Office of Consumer Advocate and Commission Staff. All pending motions to intervene were granted.

Following the prehearing conference, the parties and Staff met in a technical session and agreed upon the following schedule which was submitted to the Commission by letter from Staff on September 12, 2011:

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| 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:

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| November 8, 2011 | Settlement filed |
| November 17 and 18 | Hearing on Settlement |

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

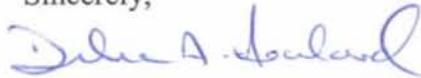
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| November 17 and 18 | Hearing on Merits |
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If settlement is not reached and rebuttal is not waived, then:

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| November 14 | Rebuttal Testimony |
| November 30, December 1 | Hearing on Merits |

The Commission has determined that the proposed schedule is in the public interest and therefore has approved it. For administrative efficiency, the Commission has elected to issue this Secretarial Letter as its prehearing order in this proceeding.

Sincerely,



Debra A. Howland
Executive Director

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