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Debra A. Howland, Executive Director
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Re: DG 12-001 EnergyNorth Natural Gas, Inc.
Investigation into Excess Capacity
Assented-to Request to Temporarily Suspend Procedural Schedule

Dear Ms. Howland:

Staff and intervenor testimony is due today according to the procedural schedule this Commission approved back on May 2, 2012. Staff is requesting a temporary suspension of the schedule and has obtained the assent of the Office of the Consumer Advocate and EnergyNorth Natural Gas, Inc.

The reason for the request is that Staff's lead analyst in this proceeding, Mr. George McCluskey, has taken on other responsibilities for the Commission and these additional responsibilities have taken time away from his review of this docket. Also, Staff has received additional information from the company that Staff needs time to review prior to filing its testimony. Based on these two developments, Staff requests the Commission temporarily suspend the procedural schedule and allow Staff and the parties until September 5, 2012, to file a revised procedural schedule.

Thank you in advance for your assistance with this request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Marcia A. B. Thunberg".

Marcia A. B. Thunberg
Staff Attorney

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