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The Northeast Utilities System

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VIA HAND DELIVERY AND ELECTRONIC MAIL

Debra A. Howland Executive Director & Secretary New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission 21 South Fruit St., Suite 10 Concord, NH 03301

Re: Public Service Company of New Hampshire – Petition for License to Construct and Maintain Electric Lines, Static Wire and Fiber Optic Cable Over and Across the Androscoggin River, in the City of Berlin, New Hampshire

Dear Ms. Howland:

Enclosed for filing with the Commission please find the original and six copies of Public Service Company of New Hampshire's Petition for License to Construct and Maintain Electric Lines, Static Wier and Fiber Optic Cable Over and Across the Androscoggin River, in the City of Berlin, New Hampshire. Pursuant to the Commission's rules, an electronic filing of the enclosed Petition and all attachments and exhibits is also being made with the Commission on this date.

PSNH respectfully requests that the Commission issue an Order *Nisi* with respect to this crossing license application. As noted in the Petition, the proposed construction start date for this project is in September, 2013. We would appreciate any steps which can be taken at the Commission to expedite the handling of this matter to allow the crossing work to be commenced consistent with the construction start date.

Should there be any technical questions pertaining to this filing, they may be directed to PSNH Project Siting & Permitting Specialist Laura V. Games, who may be reached at 634-2906.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,

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