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October 7, 2015

F. Anne Ross, Esq.
Public Utilities Commission
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Re: DE 14-238; Public Service Company of New Hampshire
Determination Regarding PSNH's Generation Assets
Settling Staff Motion for Leave to Contract With LaCapra Associates, Inc.

Dear Ms. Ross:

On October 1, 2015, you filed a *Settling Staff Motion for Leave to Contract with LaCapra Associates, Inc. to Provide Rebuttal Testimony and Request for Expedited Decision (Motion)*. Subsequently, the Commission received *Non-Advocate Staff's Objection to Advocate Staff's Motion for Leave to Contract with LaCapra Associates, Inc.* (October 2, 2015), your response (October 6, 2015), *Office of Energy Planning's Objection to Non-Advocate Staff's Alternative Relief in Relation to LaCapra (October 6, 2015)*, and a letter of opposition from Senators Bradley and Feltes (October 7, 2015, e-mail only). No other party has filed an objection to the Motion.

Today the Commission decided to grant expedited consideration of the Motion. Accordingly, the Commission will hold a hearing beginning at 12:30 p.m. on Thursday, October 8, 2015. The Commission has reserved one hour to hear argument from Settling Staff, Commission Staff, and the Governor's Office of Energy and Planning on the Motion. Parties that have not filed written objections will be permitted to speak as time permits. In addition, parties that cannot attend in person may participate in the hearings by calling (631) 992-3247, conference number 518-399-193, no later than 12:25 p.m.

Last, the Commission directs Commission Staff to provide all parties with a copy of the draft LaCapra update referred to in Commission Staff's objection today. If any part of the draft is claimed to be confidential, Commission Staff may provide a redacted version to all parties, and an unredacted version to any party that has signed a suitable confidentiality or nondisclosure agreement.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Debra A. Howland".

Debra A. Howland
Executive Director

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