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Re: DG 16-827, Non-Governmental Customers of Concord Steam Fund Petition

Report of Technical Session and Staff-Proposed Procedural Schedule

Dear Ms. Howland:

By this letter, Staff provides a summary of what occurred at the Technical Session following the prehearing conference in the above-captioned docket, and proposes a procedural schedule for the Commission's consideration. Following the December 21, 2016 prehearing conference, various co-petitioners, the Office of the Consumer Advocate, Staff, and other interested persons assembled in a technical session. Some discussion, and follow-up questions, regarding the subject petition took place. Staff determined that it would need some time to discuss a procedural schedule internally, prior to sharing a proposal with the service list electronically. Despite pressure from certain attendees to produce a procedural schedule proposal on the spot, Staff made plain to the attendees that it would confer internally and then later circulate a proposal for their consideration. (Consumer Advocate Donald Kreis' statement in his December 28, 2016 letter to the Commission, p. 2, ¶2, "Staff indicated that it was not willing to take up the issue [of the procedural schedule]" therefore lacks important factual context). In any event, Staff made its proposal electronically on December 23, 2016. Staff submits the following proposal for the Commission's consideration, with the inclusion of the Consumer Advocate's "briefing" concept in early February.

Staff and OCA Testimony: Filed January 20, 2017

Data Requests on Staff & OCA Testimony Due: January 24, 2017

Responses to Data Requests Due: February 3, 2017

Briefing on Legal Issues: February 6, 2017

Petitioners' Rebuttal Testimony: February 10, 2017

Hearing on the Merits: February 14, 2017

Sincerely,

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