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November 30, 2017

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

## Via EMAIL

Re: DE 17-136; New Hampshire Statewide Energy Efficiency Plan

Dear Ms. Howland:

According to the procedural schedule established in this proceeding, November 30, 2017 is the due date for either a Settlement Agreement or Rebuttal Testimony. Parties to the case have been meeting since November 17 in Settlement discussions and believe that a comprehensive Settlement is likely to result, which would obviate the need for Rebuttal Testimony.

In order to allow additional time for the Settlement to be completed, Staff requests that the date for filing a Settlement (or Rebuttal Testimony) be moved to December 4, 2017. This would leave less than the 5 days required (under Puc 203.20) from the first scheduled hearing date (12/7/17) but more than 5 days from the second scheduled hearing date (12/13/17).

All the parties involved in the Settlement discussions (listed below) - with the exception of Conservation Law Foundation who expressed no objection to the request - concur with this request:

Eversource
Unitil (Gas and Electric)
Liberty (Gas and Electric)
New Hampshire Electric Coop
Staff of PUC
Office of Consumer Advocate
The Way Home
Acadia Center
New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

/s/ Paul B. Dexter

Paul B. Dexter Staff Attorney

cc: Service List Enclosures