

**EXHIBIT 1**

Educational and Professional Background

Leszek Stachow

I am employed by the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission (Commission) as Assistant Director of the Electric Division. My business address is 21 S. Fruit Street, Suite 10, Concord, New Hampshire, 03301.

I am a graduate of the following institutions of higher learning: University of Keele, Keele, Staffordshire, United Kingdom, from which I received a BA Triple Honors in Economics, Politics and History, and subsequently from the University of Sussex, Brighton, United Kingdom, from which I received a Masters in Political Economy.

While pursuing a PhD at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in Cambridge, Mass, I concurrently served as a faculty member at St. Anselm College, NH and adjunct faculty at the Whittemore School of Business and Economics of the University of New Hampshire, where I taught regulatory economics. In 1987 I joined the Economics department of the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission where I primarily supported rate cases in the telecommunications and energy sectors.

In 1988, I completed the NARUC Annual Regulatory Studies Program at Michigan State University, sponsored by the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners as well as sundry other targeted regulatory courses.

In 1992, I was appointed regional manager for Central Europe on behalf of management consulting firm, Booz Allen & Hamilton. In that capacity I advised numerous government agencies in Central and Eastern Europe, the Middle East, Africa, and Latin

1           America on optimizing the functioning of energy, telecommunications, water/waste  
2           water, and gas sector regulatory bodies and markets.

3           In 2004, I was employed by Camp Dresser McKee to develop their Central European  
4           engineering consulting business. Beyond a primary focus on mergers and acquisitions, I  
5           was appointed President and manager of CDM Poland, as well as director of CDM AG in  
6           Germany.

7           After retiring from my business activities, I returned to the Commission in 2010, where I  
8           initially supported the telecommunications division and latterly the gas and electric  
9           divisions.

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