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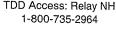
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Her Excellency, Governor Maggie Hassan Office of the Governor State of New Hampshire 107 North Main Street State House-Room 208 Concord, N 03301

RE:

DE 14-238, Public Service Company of New Hampshire Determination Regarding PSNH's Generation Assets

Dear Governor Hassan:

The Commission has pending before it docket DE 14-238 to consider the possible divestiture of the generation assets of Public Service Company of New Hampshire, now doing business as Eversource. There are dozens of intervenors and other interested parties in that proceeding.

As you know, numerous parties have signed a proposed settlement agreement that would resolve DE 14-238 as well as the issues outstanding in docket DE 11-250, the so-called "Scrubber docket." The parties have stated in their filings and testimony that they consider their settlement of the two dockets to be integrated and not severable. As you also know, Commissioner Robert Scott recused himself from the Scrubber docket due to his involvement with the Scrubber while he was at the Department of Environmental Services prior to his appointment as Commissioner; and, in early 2014, you sought and received the consent of the Executive Council to appoint Michael Iacopino to serve as special commissioner in docket DE 11-250.

Commissioner Scott has now recused himself from DE 14-238 (see attached). While it is possible to conduct hearings and make decisions with less than three Commissioners, due to the importance and complexity of DE 14-238, its relationship with DE 11-250, and the risk of proceeding with only two Commissioners, the Commission hereby requests the appointment of a special commissioner to act in Commissioner Scott's place in docket DE 14-238. Given his role in the related docket DE 11-250, the Commission asks that you consider appointing Michael Iacopino in DE 14-238.

Sincerely,

Martin P. Honigberg

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Commissioner

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Re:

DE 14-238, Public Service Company of New Hampshire

Determination Regarding PSNH's Generation Assets

Dear Ms. Howland:

On March 9, 2012, I recused myself from DE 11-250, Public Service Company of New Hampshire, Investigation of Merrimack Station Scrubber Project and Cost Recovery. Given that the settlement being considered in DE 14-238 incorporates a potential resolution to DE 11-250, I hereby also recuse myself from DE 14-238.

Sincerely,

Robert R. Scott

Commissioner

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