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Re: DG 07-083 Iberdrola, S.A., Energy East Corporation and New Hampshire Gas Corp.
Joint Petition for Merger Approval
Report of Technical Session on September 6, 2007

Dear Mr. Kreis and Ms. Howland:

Representatives of the Joint Petitioners and Staff met in a technical session that followed the pre-hearing conference on September 6, 2007. This letter is the report of the technical session.

Joint Petitioners and Staff agreed to propose the following procedural schedule:

Staff & Intervenor Data Requests – Set 1	September 21, 2007
Company Data Responses	October 4, 2007
Technical Session	October 8, 2007
Staff & Intervenor Data Requests – Set 2	October 10, 2007
Company Data Responses	October 22, 2007

Staff & Intevenor Testimony	November 7, 2007
Technical Session/Settlement Conference	November 14, 2007
Company Rebuttal Testimony/Settlement	November 21, 2007
Hearing	December 7, 2007
Post Hearing Briefs	December 21, 2007
Final Order Requested	January 11, 2008

The proposed procedural schedule is intended to allow the Commission to review the effect of the merger transaction on the rates, terms, service and operations of New Hampshire Gas Corporation under RSA 369:8, II (b) and issue a final order on or before January 11, 2008. Accordingly, the parties request that the Commission defer a determination of "adverse effect" within the meaning of RSA 369:8, II (b) pending the Commission's consideration of the joint petition under the proposed procedural schedule, notwithstanding any provisions entitling the petitioners to a preliminary determination under RSA 369:8, II (b).

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



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