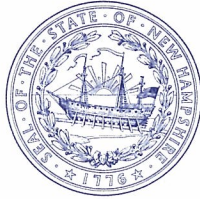


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Re: Docket No. DE 10-261; Public Service Company of New Hampshire (PSNH, or Company)
2010 Least Cost Integrated Resource Plan (LCIRP)
Request for Third Modification of Procedural Schedule

Dear Ms. Howland:

The Commission, by secretarial letter, approved Staff's proposed procedural schedule on the instant docket on December 28, 2010; this schedule was modified, at Staff's request, by secretarial letters on February 24, 2011, and March 31, 2011.

On April 26, 2011, PSNH informed Staff and the various parties that significant errors in its LCIRP filing had been uncovered. In particular, PSNH found significant errors in the Newington Station Continuing Unit Operation Study (Newington CUO) prepared by Levitan & Associates, of Boston, Massachusetts (Levitan). PSNH submitted revisions (or, New Levitan Data) prepared by Levitan on its behalf, which appear to have a significant impact on the mathematical results presented within the Newington CUO. In light of this, Staff finds it advisable to integrate additional discovery features into the procedural schedule to enable Staff and the other parties to properly assess the Newington CUO in light of the New Levitan Data.

To that end, Staff requests a modification of the procedural schedule as follows:

Staff's Questions Regarding Levitan Newington CUO Modeling 04/25/11
2nd Round of Data Requests from Staff/Intervenors 04/29/11

Company's Updates to 1st Round Responses to Data Requests,
per New Levitan data 05/13/11
Company's Responses to Staff Questions Regarding Levitan
Newington CUO Modeling 05/13/11
Data Responses to 2nd Round of Data Requests 05/20/11
3rd Round of Data Requests from Staff/Intervenors,
regarding New Levitan Data only 06/03/11
Company's Data Responses to 3rd Round of Data Requests 06/17/11

2 nd Technical Session	06/22/11, 10:00 a.m.
Staff/Intervenor Testimony	07/01/11
1 st Round of Data Requests to Staff/Intervenors	07/15/11
Data Responses to 1 st Round of Data Requests	07/29/11
2 nd Round of Data Requests to Staff/Intervenors	08/15/11
Data Responses to 2 nd Round of Data Requests	09/09/11
Rebuttal Testimony	09/30/11
Settlement Conference	10/20/11
4 th Round of Data Requests from Staff/Intervenors	10/28/11
Data Responses to 4 th Round of Data Requests	11/14/11
Hearing on the Merits	11/30/11-12/01/11, 10:00 a.m.

The Company and the Office of the Consumer Advocate have expressed their accord with this proposal via e-mail.

Thank you in advance for your consideration of this proposed third modification to the procedural schedule, and for the consideration of the Commission; please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



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Staff Attorney

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