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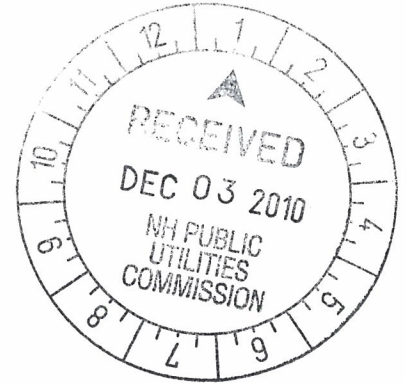
The Northeast Utilities System

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December 3, 2010

HAND DELIVERED

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



Re: Public Service Company of New Hampshire – Petition for License to Construct and Maintain Electric Lines, Static Wire and Fiber Optic Cable Over and Across the Merrimack River in the Towns of Merrimack and Litchfield, New Hampshire

Dear Ms. Howland:

Enclosed for filing with the Commission please find the original and six copies of Public Service Company of New Hampshire’s Petition for License to Construct and Maintain Electric Lines, Static Wire and Fiber Optic Cable Over and Across the Merrimack River in the Towns of Merrimack and Litchfield, New Hampshire.

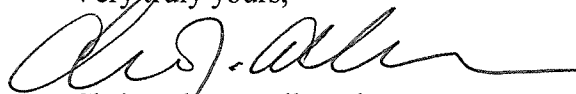
PSNH respectfully requests that the Commission issue an Order Nisi with respect to the enclosed Petition. As noted in the Petition, an outage on PSNH’s 345kV 380 transmission line is planned for January 10 – 22, 2011, in connection with the construction of this project. We would appreciate any steps which can be taken at the Commission in the handling of this water crossing Petition consistent with those dates.

Should there be any technical questions pertaining to this filing, they may be directed to PSNH Project Siting & Permitting Specialist Laura V. Games, who may be reached at 634-2906.

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Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'C. J. Allwarden', written in a cursive style.

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