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VIA HAND DELIVERY AND ELECTRONIC MAIL

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 Over and Across the Warner River in Webster, the Blackwater River in Hopkinton, and the Contoocook River and the Rolfe Canal in Concord, 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 Over and Across the Warner River in Webster, the Blackwater River in Hopkinton, and the Contoocook River and Rolfe Canal in Concord, New Hampshire, with attached Appendices and Exhibits. Pursuant to the Commission's rules, an electronic filing of the enclosed Petition and all Appendices and Exhibits is also being made with the Commission on this date.

PSNH respectfully requests that the Commission issue an Order *Nisi* with respect to this water crossing license application. As noted in the Petition, the proposed new crossings are related to PSNH's construction of a new segment of the PSNH 317 line. This project has a proposed construction start date beginning in September, 2014. PSNH plans to complete construction and establish an in-service date for the new 317 line in mid-December, 2014. Therefore, we would appreciate any steps which can be taken at the Commission to expedite the handling of this filing.

Should there be any technical questions regarding this filing, they may be directed to PSNH Engineer David M. Still, P.E., who can be reached at 634-2078.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,

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