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*Steam and Power Generation*

Debra Howland  
Public Utilities Commission  
21 Fruit St  
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Re: Docket # DE 09-067

Dear Ms. Howland,

Concord Steam Corporation has been developing a wood fired combined heat and power plant in Concord since 2007. The project has all of the necessary permits and approvals, and has financing lined up. What the project does not have is a power purchase agreement. Concord Steam has approached the three major electrical utilities in NH; the NH Coop, Unitil and PSNH. The Coop has been helpful and plans to buy 40% of the output of the plant. According to Unitil, it is moving toward deregulated status as a distribution company and can not sign a long enough term contract for the plant to be financed.

PSNH was contacted three different times, the last was a series of telephone calls with Rick Lebreque. In the last call on July 2, 2009, I was told that PSNH has many irons in the fire and that they had no interest right now, or in fact for many years to come, in renewable energy. This was the response without even beginning a discussion on price or terms.

PSNH has a requirement to provide an increasing amount of its energy from renewable sources, but does not seem to have consistent rules or formats with which to consider and evaluate renewable energy projects.

Concord Steam would hope to be treated fairly and have an opportunity to objectively discuss contracting with PSNH for purchase of in-state generated renewable power and RECs.

Sincerely,

Peter Bloomfield  
President.