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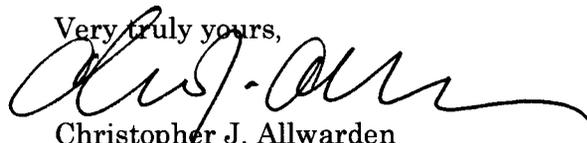
Re: SEC Docket No. 2009-01 – Motion for Declaratory Ruling Regarding
Modifications to Merrimack Station Electric Generating Facility in Bow

Dear Chairman Burack:

The undersigned is counsel to Public Service Company of New Hampshire (PSNH). Enclosed for filing with the Site Evaluation Committee in the above docket please find an Assented-To Motion to Extend 90 Day Time Period for Ruling on Motion For Declaratory Ruling and To Reschedule Hearing.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,



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Senior Counsel, Legal Department

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cc: Patrick J. Arnold, Campaign For Ratepayers Rights
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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
SITE EVALUATION COMMITTEE

SEC Docket No.2009-01

RE: MOTION FOR DECLARATORY RULING
REGARDING MODIFICATIONS TO MERRIMACK STATION
ELECTRIC GENERATING FACILITY IN BOW

**ASSENTED-TO MOTION TO EXTEND 90 DAY TIME PERIOD FOR RULING ON
MOTION FOR DECLARATORY RULING AND TO RESCHEDULE HEARING**

NOW COMES Public Service Company of New Hampshire, by its undersigned attorney, and moves to extend the 90 day time period specified in Site 203.02(b) for the Site Evaluation Committee (the "Committee") to issue a ruling on the Motion for Declaratory Ruling in this matter for an additional 30 days, and to reschedule the Committee hearing in this matter currently scheduled for May 22, 2009, and in support thereof states as follows:

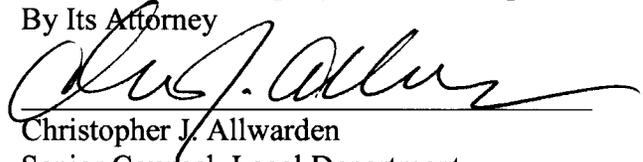
1. The Committee's procedural rules, Site 203.02(b), require that the Committee issue a ruling on the Motion for Declaratory Ruling which is the subject of this docket within 90 days of receiving the Motion, which was filed on March 6, 2009.
2. Following an initial hearing held in this docket on May 8, 2009, the Committee has scheduled a continuation of the hearing to occur on May 22, 2009.
3. In order to assist the orderly and efficient process and resolution of this docket, PSNH is requesting by this motion that the Committee extend the 90 day deadline specified under Site 203.02(b) by an additional 30 days, and reschedule the continuation of the hearing presently scheduled for May 22, 2009, to a later date consistent with such 30 day extension.
4. All seven of the Moving Parties have assented to this motion, with the understanding that PSNH will timely respond in good faith to the Moving Parties' May 14 list of requested information for a factual stipulation.

5. PSNH and the assenting parties believe that the relief requested in this motion will allow for additional time for the parties to discuss and conclude a stipulation of facts as requested by the Committee, prepare to address the remaining hearing issues, and to submit post-hearing briefs to assist the Committee's deliberations in this docket if necessary or desirable.

WHEREFORE, it is respectfully requested that the relief requested in this motion be granted.

Respectfully submitted,

Public Service Company of New Hampshire
By Its Attorney

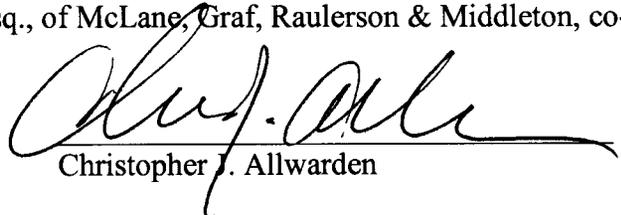


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Date: 5/18/09.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE BY MAIL

The undersigned hereby certifies that on 5/18, 2009, a copy of the within Assented-To Motion to Extend 90 Day Time Period for Ruling on Motion for Declaratory Ruling and to Reschedule Hearing was mailed by first class U.S. Mail, postage prepaid, to Patrick J. Arnold, Campaign for Ratepayers Rights; Kristen E. Kraushaar, Esq., Conservation Law Foundation; N. Jonathan Peress, Esq., of Downs Rachlin Martin, for Freedom Logistics LLC and Halifax-American Energy Co., LLC; Douglas L. Patch, Esq., of Orr & Reno, for TransCanada Hydro Northeast Inc.; Jim Rubens, Union of Concerned Scientists; Howard M. Moffett, Esq., of Orr & Reno, for Granite Ridge Energy, LLC; Michael J. Iacopino, Esq, of Brennan, Caron, Lenahan & Iacopino, counsel to the New Hampshire Site Evaluation Committee; and to Barry Needleman, Esq., of McLane, Graf, Raulerson & Middleton, co-counsel for PSNH.



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