STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE SITE EVALUATION COMMITTEE

Docket Number 2014-02

Re: Application of New England Power Company d/b/a National Grid for Certificate of Site and Facility for Construction of a New 230kV Tap Line in Littleton, New Hampshire

May 14, 2014

REPORT OF PREHEARING CONFERENCE

On May 9, 2014, a prehearing conference was held in the above referenced docket.

Counsel to the Committee Michael J. Iacopino presided. This memorandum will serve as a report of prehearing conference pursuant to RSA 541-A: 31, V (d).

Notice

Pursuant to RSA 541-A: 31, V (b) a notice of the prehearing conference was provided to the service list on April 28, 2014.

Participants

The following parties in this docket were present for the prehearing conference:

New England Power Company d/b/a National Grid (Applicant) was represented by Attorney Barry Needleman, McLane, Graf, Raulerson & Middleton and Patrick J. Quigley, Lead Project Manager, National Grid USA Service Company, Inc.

Counsel for the Public, Senior Assistant Attorney General Lauren J. Noether.

Issues

After discussion all parties agreed that the mitigation of temporary and permanent impacts to wetlands will be the area of primary concern in this docket. The parties did not identify any additional areas of concern and indicated that they may be able to reach stipulations

with respect to the facts and to terms and conditions of a Certificate to present to the Subcommittee.

Scheduling

All parties present agreed to the expedited consideration of the Application. In order to accommodate expedited resolution of the issues in this docket, the parties stipulated to the following procedural schedule:

Counsel for the Public shall propound discovery requests upon the Applicant by May 20, 2014.

The Applicant shall respond to Counsel for Public's discovery requests by May 30, 2014. A technical session shall be scheduled for June 6, 2014.

The Applicant shall response to any additional discovery requests from Counsel for the Public by June 13, 2014.

The parties shall file Stipulations by June 20, 2014.

All parties shall file an Exhibit List detailing all exhibits to be relied on during the adjudicatory hearing by June 20, 2014.

An adjudicative hearing shall commence between June 23, 2014 and July 1, 2014 or between July 21, 2014 and July 28, 2014 if the state agencies and the Subcommittee can accommodate the dates.

Conclusion

The Chair will issue a final procedural order incorporating all of the deadlines and dates set forth herein and scheduling the adjudicative hearings referenced herein. The parties are encouraged to cooperate with each other in the trading of information and performing discovery. It is understood that Counsel for the Public may request the production of certain documents from

the Applicant. If agreement is not reached with respect to the production of documents, a timely motion must be filed with the Committee for ruling by the Chairman.

May 14, 2014

Michael J. Iacopino

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