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RE: DOE Investigation and Enforcement Regarding Site Evaluation Committee Certificates

## Dear Chairman Goldner:

I write to confirm that in accordance with RSA 162-H:12, II, the Department of Energy has assigned to its Enforcement Division the responsibility of investigating new complaints concerning violations of certificates granted by the Site Evaluation Committee for the construction and operation of energy facilities. The Division also has taken on the related duties of monitoring and enforcement in accordance with RSA 162-H:12, I.

On October 7, 2023, the effective date of the above legislation, the Department provided public notice on its website regarding its additional responsibilities and the means for submitting new complaints to the Department. Specifically, complaints may be submitted to the following email address: SEC\_Complaint@energy.nh.gov, or may be submitted by regular mail addressed as follows: Director, Division of Enforcement, NH Department of Energy, 21 South Fruit Street, Concord, NH 03301. Inquiries also may be made by calling the Department of Energy, Enforcement Division at 603-271-6027.

The Department's website also confirms that the SEC shall retain jurisdiction of complaints filed prior to October 7, 2023, and that permits granted by other agencies with their own enforcement authority, such as the Department of Environmental Services, will be enforced by those agencies.

This also confirms that Department representatives met in advance with SEC Administrator Andrew Biemer to coordinate the transition, and we thank you for your continuing cooperation and assistance in this regard.

Sincerely,

Jared S. Chicoine Commissioner