



The State of New Hampshire
Department of Environmental Services



Clark B. Freise, Assistant Commissioner

April 25, 2017

Pamela G. Monroe, Administrator
NH Site Evaluation Committee
21 South Fruit Street, Suite 10
Concord, NH 03301

Re: Proposed Procedural Schedule
Application of Public Service Co. of NH (d/b/a Eversource Energy)
Seacoast Reliability Project
NH Site Evaluation Committee Docket No. 2015-04

Dear Ms. Monroe:

In a letter dated February 6, 2017, the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (NHDES) requested an extension in the deadline for NHDES to provide final permits and conditions, if any, for the subject application to a date 30 days after the date when Eversource Energy provides all final requests for project impacts to be reviewed by NHDES, or to a date to be determined in accordance with proposed provisions filed with the SEC. Since the request was filed, on April 7, 2017 the SEC issued an *Order On Revised Partial Procedural Schedule* stipulating that Eversource respond to data requests propounded by Counsel for the public and intervenors on or before May 12, 2017, and Eversource submitted on April 3, 2017 a proposed revised procedural schedule with a proposed date of June 17, 2017 for state agencies to issue final permits and conditions, if any.

At this time NHDES is requesting the deadline for issuance of permits and conditions be extended to on or before August 1, 2017. The extension is requested due to the extensive information for review received from the applicant, as well as data requests from intervenors and the public, and the complexity of the issues involved with significant potential for additional technical questions for, and response from, the applicant.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 271-2951 or email at: Rene.Pelletier@des.nh.gov

Sincerely,

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