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Pamela G. Monroe  
Administrator  
New Hampshire Site Evaluation Committee  
21 South Fruit Street, Suite 10  
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Re: Joint Application of New England Power Company d/b/a National Grid and  
PSNH d/b/a Eversource Energy – Merrimack Valley Reliability Project  
SEC Docket No. 2015-05

Dear Ms. Monroe,

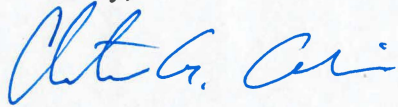
As Counsel for the Public I am writing to offer to the Committee a refinement of one of the recommended conditions of a Certificate of Site and Facility presented in my closing statements at the June 14 Adjudicative Hearing in Docket No. 2015-05. As indicated by Applicants and Counsel for the Public on June 14, 2016, with some adjustment to the language, the Applicants would not object to Counsel for the Public's recommended condition regarding notice of any future cost overruns for the project.

Accordingly, in consultation with the Applicants, Counsel for the Public respectfully recommends the following language be included as a condition of a Certificate in the event that the Committee decides to grant of a Certificate of Site and Facility to the Applicants:

“The Certificate Holder shall, within 45 days of its ISO-NE filing, notify the Committee if the Certificate Holder's forecasted or actual expenditures for the entire Merrimack Valley Reliability Project, between Tewksbury, MA (Tewksbury 22A) and Londonderry, NH (Scobie Pond Substation), as filed by the Certificate Holder with its ISO-NE Regional System Planning (RSP) forecast updates, exceed the projected cost for the entire MVRP by an amount equal to or greater than 25%.”

Counsel for the Public submits this letter and the recommended revised condition language for consideration as part of the Committee's deliberations in Docket No. 2015-05.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Ch. G. Aslin". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Ch." and last name "Aslin" clearly distinguishable.

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