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Re: DG 09-038, New Hampshire Gas Corporation
Notice of Intent to File Rate Schedules
Agreement and Hearing Date



Dear Ms. Howland:

This letter is to inform the Commission that following discussions between Staff, OCA, and the Company in the above captioned matter, an agreement has been reached in principle. It is the intent of the parties to file the agreement on or before September 30, 2009, the date testimony is due according to the procedural schedule in this matter.

The parties request that, due to their ability to reach an agreement in a timely manner in this case, a hearing date be scheduled as soon as practicable in order to implement the agreement. To that end, the parties request that the Commission reschedule the November 24, 2009 hearing for October 22, 2009 at 11:00 a.m., to coincide with the hearing New Hampshire Gas Corp.'s cost of gas proceeding. Holding both hearings that day will improve administrative efficiency, reduce the Company's rate case expenses and will not impair the rights of any party to the proceeding. If you have any questions about this matter, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Matthew J. Fossum".

Matthew J. Fossum
Staff Attorney/Hearings Examiner