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Debra Howland
Executive Director & Secretary
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RE: DE 09-091 Public Service of New Hampshire – Reconciliation of Energy Service and Stranded Cost

Dear Ms. Howland:

I am writing to advise the Commission that the Office of Consumer Advocate (OCA), Commission Staff and Public Service of New Hampshire (PSNH) today reached a settlement agreement in the above-referenced docket. However, the parties need time to reduce the agreement to writing, and the hearing in the docket is scheduled for Monday November 23, 2009. Therefore, the OCA respectfully requests on behalf of the settling parties and Staff that the Commission waive Puc 203.20(e) and allow the Settlement Agreement to be filed late pursuant to Puc 203.20(f). The settling parties and Staff will file the Settlement Agreement as quickly as possible. We believe that granting such a waiver promotes the orderly and efficient conduct of the proceeding, and that it will not impair the rights of any party to the proceeding.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Respectfully,

Meredith A. Hatfield Consumer Advocate

cc: Service List via electronic mail