

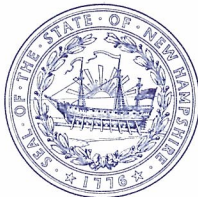
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January 9, 2012

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Re: Docket No. DG 11-069, Northern Utilities, Inc. Rate Case  
Proposed Modification to Procedural Schedule

Dear Ms. Howland:

The Commission, by secretarial letter, approved Staff's proposed procedural schedule on the instant docket on July 7, 2011. Staff, in light of ongoing examination of issues presented in this case by the parties, recommends that the current deadline for Staff/OCA/Intervenor testimony (January 23, 2012) be rescheduled to February 14, 2012. All parties, including the Company, are in accord with this proposal. (Staff does not recommend modification of other elements of the approved procedural schedule at the present time, but will inform the Commission in a timely fashion if such further modification is deemed necessary).

Thank you in advance for the Commission's consideration of this proposed modification to the schedule; please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Alexander F. Speidel".

Alexander F. Speidel  
Staff Attorney

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