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Re: Investigation into Potential Approaches to Mitigate Wholesale Electricity Prices  
Follow-Up Communication from Staff Regarding Investigation Procedure

Dear Ms. Howland and Interested Stakeholders:

By this letter, Staff conveys its ongoing approach to managing Staff's investigation in Docket No. IR 15-124. As Staff previously indicated to stakeholders, Staff believes that the Commission should grant interested parties leave to file comments regarding Staff's report after its expected issuance on September 15, 2015. Therefore, by this letter, Staff requests that the Commission allow such comments to be filed after the issuance of the Staff report. Staff would expect that a reasonable deadline for filing such comments would be October 16, 2015. Also, Staff, in an effort to reduce regulatory burden, has requested that responses to its inquiries be made with one hard copy sent to my own attention, with an electronic copy sent to my e-mail, [alexander.speidel@puc.nh.gov](mailto:alexander.speidel@puc.nh.gov), for prompt posting to the Commission's public website at

[http://www.puc.nh.gov/Electric/Investigation\\_into\\_Potential\\_Approaches\\_to\\_Mitigate\\_Wholesale\\_Electricity\\_Prices.html](http://www.puc.nh.gov/Electric/Investigation_into_Potential_Approaches_to_Mitigate_Wholesale_Electricity_Prices.html). Stakeholders are kindly reminded to follow this protocol until September 15, 2015. Comments filed after September 15, 2015 should be addressed to the Commission, through Executive Director Howland, using the usual filing procedures of N.H. Code Admin. Rule Puc Chapter 200.

Staff recognizes that supplementing its bilateral investigative meetings with stakeholders with multilateral meetings, for the purposes of exchanges of information and views among stakeholders, would be beneficial. Therefore, Staff requests that all interested stakeholders attend two such sessions, **on July 30, 2015, and August 13, 2015, both at 9:00 a.m.**, at the Commission's Hearing Room "A." Staff also advises that all interested stakeholders have been added to a courtesy service list on this docket.

Sincerely,

*/s/ Alexander F. Speidel*

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Cc: Interested Stakeholders via PUC Public Website:

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