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Ms. Karen Geraghty  
Maine Public Utilities Commission  
State House Station # 18  
242 State Street  
Augusta, Maine 04333-0018

RE: CENTRAL MAINE POWER COMPANY AND  
PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY OF NEW HAMPSHIRE  
Request for Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity for the Maine Power  
Reliability Program Consisting of the Construction of Approximately 350 Miles of  
345 kV and 115 kV Transmission Lines (“MPRP”)  
Docket No. 2008-255

Dear Ms. Geraghty:

On behalf of the Petitioners in the above-captioned proceeding, we write to update the Hearing Examiner on the status of discovery and to provide a proposed procedural schedule going forward.

As of today, Petitioners have filed responses to all but 16 data requests of the 538 data requests served on CMP to date, including oral data requests. Petitioners continue to work diligently to prepare responses to these outstanding requests and will file them as soon as they are ready.

In light of the imminent completion of discovery, Petitioners request that a procedural schedule be established for the remainder of the case. We propose the following schedule for 2009:

Intervenor Testimony & Bench Analysis (“BA”)	January 9
Data Requests on Intervenor Testimony & BA	January 16
Data Responses Due	January 30
Technical Conferences on Intervenor Testimony & BA	February 3-6

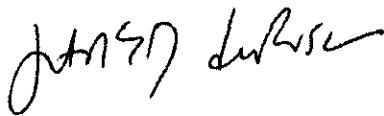
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Petitioners' Rebuttal & Supporting Intervenor Testimony	February 20
Data Requests to Petitioners & Supporting Intervenors	February 25
Data Responses Due	March 11
Technical Conferences on Rebuttal & Supporting Testimony	March 17-20
Intervenor Surrebuttal & Updated BA	April 7
Data Requests on Intervenor Surrebuttal & Updated BA	April 10
Data Responses on Surrebuttal & Updated BA due	April 20
Hearings	May 4-8
Briefs of Petitioners & Supporting Intervenors	May 28
Reply Briefs	June 4
Examiner's Report	June 18
Exceptions	June 25
Deliberations	June 30

In crafting this schedule, we have taken into account the time it has taken to complete the two rounds of technical conferences and to answer the large number of data requests served on CMP and at the same time we have strived to complete this proceeding by July 1, 2009 as originally contemplated. To the extent possible, we have attempted to maintain the time periods between the remaining procedural steps comparable to the schedule we previously submitted. We understand that the Hearing Examiner intends to schedule additional public witness hearings as well. Petitioners have no objection to such hearings, but we have not proposed dates for them, expecting that they will be scheduled at times and locations convenient to the Commission and Staff.

We would be happy to participate in a case management conference to discuss the schedule further.

Sincerely,



Jared S. des Rosiers

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cc: James Buckley, Esq.  
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