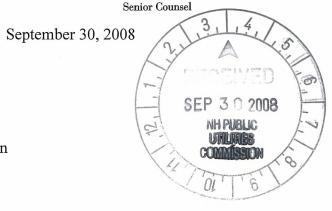


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Re: <u>Docket DE 08-112</u> Public Service Company of New Hampshire – Petition for Licenses to Construct Fiber Optic Cable and to Maintain Electric Lines and Fiber Optic Cable Over and Across Public Waters and/or Public Lands in the City of Keene and the Towns of Troy and Swanzey, New Hampshire

Dear Ms. Howland:

The purpose of this letter is to provide written confirmation of PSNH's responses to certain inquiries from Commission Staff in the above docket, as follows:

1. What is the original date of installation of the T-198 line facilities?

Answer: 1962.

2. Can the effective date of an Order <u>Nisi</u> in this docket be a date beyond the requested date of October 10, while still allowing PSNH to meet its scheduling for installation and testing of the new ADSS fiber optic cable?

Answer: Yes, an effective date of October 15, 2008, would be acceptable.

3. What is the status of the agreements with NHDOT for the crossings of the State-owned railroad corridors in Troy and Keene?

Answer: For the Troy crossing, NHDOT advises that the crossing agreement signed by PSNH has been routed to the Attorney General's Office for approval before execution by NHDOT, and has not yet been returned to NHDOT for signing. For the Keene crossing, PSNH has not yet received the requested written confirmation from

NHDOT that the ADSS installation on the T-198 line is permissible pursuant to the easement for the crossing of the T-198 line, and has made a follow up request with NHDOT. At this time, PSNH does not know of any reason why both of these crossings will not be finally approved by NHDOT in the usual course.

Thank you.

Very ruly yours, Christopher J. Allwarden 1

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