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Subject: NECEC post hearing deadlines

Good morning:

Thanks again to all the parties for your participation in yesterday's continuation of the hearing. At the end of the hearing we outlined several items pertaining to documents and deadlines that I wanted to memorialize so that we all have the same information going forward. These are as follows:

The record is closed except that three sets of documents and information will be allowed to be submitted by specific parties by 5:00 pm Friday May 17th. These are:

- Existing maps to be submitted by Dr. Simons-Legaard/Intervenor Group 6 in response to questions from the Department.
- Cost Breakdown to be submitted by the Applicant in response to questions from Mr. Bergeron from the
 Department. (Mr. Bergeron requested costs, dollars, or a numerical backup sheet for CMP Exhibits: 11-B through 11G of Mr. Bardwell's pre-filed rebuttal testimony dated 3.25.19)
- Engineering information pertaining to pole heights and possible tree heights to be submitted by the Applicant in response to questions from Mr. Beyer from the Department. (Mr. Beyer will be sending around maps and more direction on this request soon).

Parties will have an additional week to review and respond to the above documents and submit them by 5:00 pm Friday May 24th.

As stated in the closing statements, the record also remains open for written comments from the public for 10 calendar days (until May 20th). For an additional 7 calendar days, members of the public may file statements in rebuttal to the comments received in that 10-day window (through May 27th). A reminder that parties are not allowed to submit these written comments – only the public.

Transcripts from yesterday's portion of the hearing are expected May 20th.

Parties will be allowed to submit post hearing briefs and proposed findings of fact as well as reply briefs. Post hearing briefs and proposed findings of fact will be due 21 days after the last filing date. The last filing date is May 24th, so the due date for post hearing briefs and proposed findings of fact is June 14th. Reply briefs are due 14 days after that, which is June 28th.

As mentioned during the hearing, the agencies are looking into conducting a site visit later this Spring or early Summer. A date has not yet been determined, but parties will be notified once it is confirmed. As mentioned, parties who choose to attend, will need to travel in a separate vehicle from Agency staff. More details will follow.

Finally, Mr. Manahan requested that the Applicant be allowed some additional time to respond to "non-hearing topic" comments submitted yesterday from Intervenor Group 4 (so essentially keep the record open to allow for the Applicant's written responses to those comments). The Department and Commission staff will consider Mr. Manahan's request and make a decision once staff have had time to review the comments (likely sometime next week).

Please let me know if you have any questions.

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