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VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

Honorable Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
888 First Street, NE
Washington, D.C. 20426

Re: TransCanada Hydro Northeast Inc.;

Project No. 1892-026 – New Hampshire / Vermont

Project No. 1855-045 – New Hampshire / Vermont

Project No. 1904-073 – New Hampshire / Vermont

Request for an Extension of Time

Dear Secretary Bose:

TransCanada Hydro Northeast Inc. (“TransCanada”), licensee for the Wilder, Bellows Falls and Vernon Projects respectfully requests an extension of time to complete the required consultation specified under **Study 4 - Hydraulic Modeling Study** in the Commission letter dated October 22, 2013.

On September 13, 2013, FERC issued a study plan determination for 13 of TransCanada’s 33 proposed studies for the relicensing of the Wilder, Bellows Falls, and Vernon Projects. On September 24, 2013, TransCanada filed a letter with the Commission seeking clarification on several of the requirements in the study plan determination. FERC provided its response in the referenced October 22, 2013 letter.

TransCanada is in the process of selecting the consultant responsible for developing the Hydraulic Model, specified in Study 4, but at this time has not completed the hiring process. There would be little gained by conducting a meeting with the agencies specified without the selected vendor present. In addition, the government shutdown did cause a delay in the formal response to our September 24th letter and prevented meeting with the US Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) within a significant portion of the originally specified period. Due to the anticipated, but unspecified date that we will hire the hydraulic model vendor, we respectfully request a deadline of January 31, 2014 to enable us to complete our consultation with the FWS and New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services and submit for Commission approval

the information regarding appropriate number and locations of the velocity transects, and the appropriate range of calibration flows.

If there are further questions regarding this matter, please contact me at 603-498-2851 to discuss things further. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "John L. Ragonese". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "John" being the most prominent part.

John L. Ragonese
FERC License Manager