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November 6, 2018

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RE: Response to Second Procedural Order in the Application for the New England Clean Energy Connect Project L-27625-26-A-N/L-27625-TG-B-N/L-27625-2C-C-N/L-27625-VP-D-N/L-27625-IW-E-N

Dear Mr. Ginn and Ms. Tourangeau,

This is to follow up on Nextera Energy Resources, LLC's response to the Second Procedural Order issued on October 5, 2018. In your response, you made two requests with regards to the public hearing on these applications.

- I. First you requested the Department of Environmental Protection (Department) include the topic of title, right, or interest (TRI) in the list of topics to be discussed through the public hearing process. Are there specific parcels where you do not believe Central Maine power (CMP) has TRI? If so, would you please provide us with that information so we can examine those issues? It is unclear what information would be gained on this topic at a public hearing that cannot be examined outside the hearing process. You are more than welcome to submit comments on the project that are not topics for the hearing and I encourage you to submit those to Jim Beyer, the project manager.

- II. You also requested that the Department and the Land Use Planning Commission hold a second pre-hearing conference prior to the issuance of the Third Procedural Order. The Presiding Officers of both agencies are taking this request under advisement and will inform all parties on scheduling. On November 5, 2018, the Department sent CMP a request for additional information, and this request may result in the applicant taking additional time to compile information. The timeliness of the applicant's response will determine the timing of the rest of the public hearing schedule.

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If you need further assistance please do not hesitate to contact Mr. Jim Beyer, Project Manager at the Department either by phone at (207) 446-9026 or e-mail at NECEC.DEP@maine.gov.

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'SM', with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Susanne Miller, Presiding Officer

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