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Re: Docket No. 8585 – Kidder Hill/Irasburg MET Tower Investigation

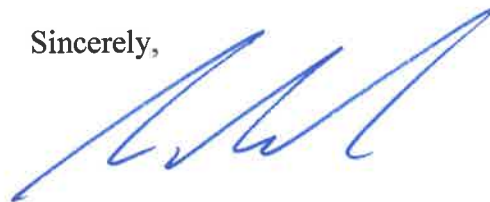
Dear Ms. Whitney,

On June 16, 2016, the Hearing Officer assigned to the above-referenced proceeding issued a Scheduling Order establishing a July 29, 2016 deadline for respondent David Blittersdorf to respond to a motion of partial summary judgment filed by the Vermont Department of Public Service (“Department”). The Scheduling Order also set forth an August 12, 2016 deadline for the Department to file comments in reply to Mr. Blittersdorf’s response. On August 4, 2016, the Hearing Officer issued an Order re: Request for Extension filed by Mr. Blittersdorf, and granted an extension of the July 29 Blittersdorf response deadline to August 10, 2016.

The Department is now in receipt of Mr. Blittersdorf’s Supplemental Memorandum on Summary Judgment, filed on August 10. While not made clear in the Hearing Officer’s latest Order, the Department assumes that the deadline for it to file reply comments has been extended to August 24, 2016 as well, which would allow for the same 14-day timeframe for filing comments that was present in the June 16 Scheduling Order.

If, however, the Department’s assumption is erroneous, and the August 12 reply deadline is still operative, it respectfully requests that the Hearing Officer grant an extension of time to file its comments no later than August 24, 2016. Any guidance the Hearing Officer can provide would be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,



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cc: Docket 8585 Service List

