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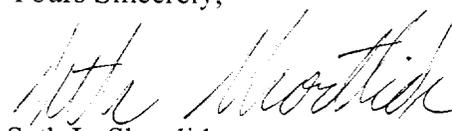
Re: Docket No. NDFC 00-01 – 2000 Seabrook Station Decommissioning Update

Dear Chairman Patch:

Enclosed please find National Grid USA Service Company's Motion to Intervene Separately and a 3.5" diskette containing the document in ASCII format.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to give me a call at (603) 228-1181, ext. 260.

Yours Sincerely,

  
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**STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE  
BEFORE THE  
NUCLEAR DECOMMISSIONING FINANCE COMMITTEE**

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In re Seabrook Nuclear  
Decommissioning Fund --  
2000 Update  
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Docket No. NDFC 00-01

**NATIONAL GRID USA SERVICE COMPANY'S  
MOTION TO INTERVENE SEPARATELY**

National Grid USA Service Company ("National Grid" or "Company") moves pursuant to RSA 541-A:32 and NH Admin Rule DEC 204.03 for an order granting it separate intervention in the above-captioned proceeding. In support of this Motion, Company states as follows:

1. National Grid is a wholly-owned subsidiary of National Grid Group ("NGG"), and has its principal place of business at 25 Research Drive, Westborough, Massachusetts 01582. The Company is primarily engaged in the business of electric power generation and transmission.

2. The Company has a 9.95766 ownership interest in the Seabrook nuclear unit 1 generating station (Seabrook No. 1), and is a signatory to the Agreement for Joint Ownership, Construction and Operation of New Hampshire Nuclear Units dated May 1, 1973, as amended ("Joint Ownership Agreement") governing the relationship among the joint owners of Seabrook No. 1. Although the Company is among the joint owners of Seabrook No. 1, the plant is operated by North Atlantic Energy Service Corporation ("NAEC"), a subsidiary of Northeast Utilities.

3. As one of the joint owners of Seabrook No. 1., the Company has a direct interest in the decommissioning of Seabrook No. 1 which is the subject matter of this proceeding. As a result, the Company's rights, duties, privileges, immunities or other interests may be affected by this proceeding.

4. The Company was a previous participant in NDFC Docket No. 98-01, and raised issues regarding the appropriate funding schedule for decommissioning. NAEC seeks to amend the funding schedule developed in NDFC 98-01 in the present docket. The proposal filed by NAEC in this docket does not reflect the position of the Company with respect to certain aspects of the funding schedule.

5. National Grid's viewpoints with respect to the issues in this docket can only be adequately addressed by permitting separate intervention and an opportunity to submit separate testimony, should National Grid deem it necessary. National Grid's separate participation in this docket will provide for a more complete record upon which to consider the issues and would serve the interests of justice.

WHEREFORE, the Company respectfully requests that the NDFC allow National Grid to intervene and confer upon National Grid all rights associated with full intervention, including the right to submit testimony, submit witnesses and cross-examine witnesses.

Respectfully submitted,

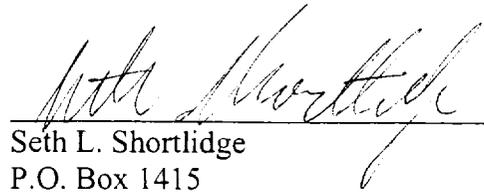
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By its attorneys,

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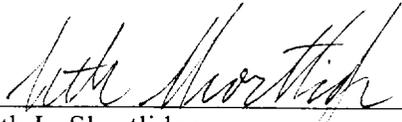
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that copies of the foregoing document have been served this date by first class mail on all persons named on the attached service list.

  
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