

UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20555

June 4, 1979

The Honorable Griffin B. Bell Attorney General Washington, D.C. 20530

Attention: Donald A. Kaplan, Chief

Energy Section Antitrust Division Department of Justice

Re: Seabrook Nuclear Power Station.

Unit No. 1 and No. 2 Public Service Company of New

Hampshire, et al.

NRC Docket Nos. 50-443A & 50-444A

Dear Mr. Attorney General:

Under cover of the enclosed letter dated May 14, 1979, Public Service Company of New Hampshire, et al. has filed with the NRC information concerning certain changes in ownership participation in the above referenced Seabrook Power Stations. This information was submitted in compliance with 10 CFR \$50.33a of the NRC regulations. The Attorney General has provided the Commission with previous antitrust advice concerning this application in letters dated December 4, 1973, November 11, 1975, and December 19, 1978.

The transfers of ownership in question were entered into by an April 18, 1979 agreement that transfers ownership shares among several entities that were already participants in the Seabrook project. The Attorney General previously filed antitrust advice with respect to each of the participants that have received increased shares with the exception of the Bangor Hydro Electric Company (Bangor), the Town of Hudson (Hudson), and the Taunton Municipal Lighting Plant Commission (Taunton). Bangor, Hudson and Taunton had not been included in this antitrust advice because of the de minimis extent of their ownership in the project.

Since the April 18, 1979 participation agreement increases Bangor's ownership participation in the Seabrook facilities to fifty megawatts, antitrust advice with respect to Bangor will now be necessary. For your review, we are forwarding a copy of question 9 of Appendix L of CFR Part 50 which was submitted on behalf of Bangor as part of Public Service Company of New Hampshire's et al. May 15, 1978 Amendment 39 to the Seabrook facility. Hudson and Taunton's ownership shares continue to be de minimis and accordingly no antitrust information is being submitted with respect to them at this time.

It is requested that you render such advice to the Commission as you determine to be appropriate in regard to the findings to be made by the Commission pursuant to Section 105(c) of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended.

Sincerely,

Howard K. Shapar

Executive Legal Director

Enclosure: Information for Antitrust Review