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September 10, 1997

Mr. Albert W. De Agazio Project Manager Nuclear Regulatory Commission OWFN, Room 14 12D 14 C7 Rockville, MD

## Re: Great Bay Power Corporation

Dear Mr. De Agazio:

In accordance with your letter of September 2, 1997, enclosed is an affidavit of Frank W. Getman Jr. requesting confidential treatment under 10 C.F.R. § 2.790 for Exhibit A to my letter of June 16, 1997. I am sending the original of the affidavit to the Document Control desk for filing in accordance with 10 C.F.R. § 50.4.

Respectfully,

Gerald Charnoff

Counsel for Great Bay Power Corporation

Enclosure

cc: Documen: Control Desk (with enclosure)

Hubert J. Miller (with enclosure) Regional Administrator, Region I

John B. MacDonald (with enclosure) Senior Resident Inspector, Seabrook

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## UNITED STATES OF AMERICA NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

In the Matter of

North Atlantic Energy Service Corporation, et al.

Docket No. 50-443 NYN-96031

(Seabrook Station, Unit 1)

## Affidavit Of Frank W. Getman Jr. Pursuant to 10 C.F.R. § 2.790

CITY OF DOVER

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

Frank W. Getman Jr., being duly sworn, states as follows:

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1. I am Vice President and Chief Operating Officer for Great Bay Power Corporation ("Great Bay") located in Dover, New Hampshire. In that capacity, I am responsible for operational and managerial matters of Great Bay.

2. By letter dated June 16, 1997 from its attorneys Shaw Pittman Potts & Trowbridge, Great Bay submitted information to the NRC in response to questions from the NRC staff concerning the "Supplement To Great Bay Power Corporation's Petition For Partial Reconsideration Of Exemption Order To Submit Requested Cost Data And To Request, In The Alternative, A Further Exemption" which had been filed with the NRC June 4, 1997. In its June 16, 1997 communication, Great Bay stated that Exhibit A to that communication contained "sensitive, confidential, commercial and financial information" identical in nature to the information found in unredacted Exhibit 1 to Great Bay's June 4, 1997 Supplement, for which Great Bay had submitted an affidavit pursuant to 10 C.F.R § 2.790 requesting Exhibit 1 to be withheld from public disclosure. Great Bay did not file a new affidavit with the June 16, 1997 communication, but did state that the previous affidavit filed with respect to the June 4, 1997 submittal was equally applicable to the information contained in Exhibit A to the June 16, 1997 communication.

3. By letter dated September 2, 1997, the NRC has advised Great Bay that it is necessary to submit a separate affidavit under 10 C.F.R § 2.790 in order for the NRC to withhold from public disclosure Exhibit A to the June 16, 1997 communication. The September 2, 1997 letter further advised Great Bay that the information contained in Exhibit A would be withheld temporarily from public disclosure pending receipt of the required affidavit and the NRC's related determination. The letter requested Great Bay to submit the required affidavit to the NRC by September 18, 1997.

4. In accordance with the NRC's September 2, 1997 letter, the purpose of this affidavit is to request the NRC to withhold from public disclosure pursuant to 10 C.F.R § 2.790 of its regulations the information contained in Exhibit A to Great Bay's June 16, 1997 communication. The information contained in Exhibit A is sensitive confidential commercial and financial information that could cause great harm to Great Bay if it were made publicly available. I am familiar with the sensitive commercial and financial information confidential to speak to Great Bay's practice of maintaining such information confidential as well as to the harm that would befall Great Bay if it were publicly disclosed.

5. Exhibit A to Great Bay's June 16, 1997 communication shows and compares Great Bay's wholesale price projections for the calendar years 1998 through 2001 with other sources of wholesale power in the New England area. Great Bay holds in confidence such projected wholesale price information. Great Bay does not disclose this type of information to the public and It is not available from public sources. This information is commercially sensitive to the conduct of Great Bay's sale of power. If the information contained in Exhibit A became available to Great Bay's competitors or customers (both current and potential), those parties would learn of sensitive pricing

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information which could be used against Great Bay in the negotiation of current and future power sales. Such a result would place Great Bay at a significant competitive disadvantage in the negotiations of current and future power sales and cause it substantial commercial harm.

6. Accordingly, Great Bay requests that the information contained in Exhibit A to the letter dated June 16, 1997 from its attorneys, Shaw Pittman Potts & Trowbridge, be held in confidence by the Commission pursuant to 10 C.F.R. § 2.790 and not be made available for public disclosure.

Frank W. Getman Jr.

Sworn to before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of September 1997

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Notary Public CYNTHIA A. JOHNSON, Notary Public My Commission Expires October 23, 2001

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