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Re: Central Maine Power Company, New England Clean Energy Connect
Appeal of Department Order / Deadline for Filing with the Board

Dear Ms. Tourangeau and Ms. Boepple:

On June 8, 2020 NextEra Energy Resources, LLC filed a petition for review in Kennebec County Superior Court of the Department of Environmental Protection's (Department) Order approving Central Maine Power Company's New England Clean Energy Connect (NECEC) project. West Forks Plantation et al. filed a petition for review of the same Department Order in Somerset County Superior Court, also on June 08, 2020.

On August 11, 2020, the Superior Court remanded both matters to the Board of Environmental Protection (Board) to be considered alongside Natural Resources Council of Maine's administrative appeal of the NECEC decision to the Board. In its decision, the Court provided for an opportunity for the appellants to submit to the Board a more detailed written appeal statement of the arguments made in their Rule 80C appeals in accordance with Section 24(B) of the Board's Chapter 2, *Rule Concerning the Processing of Applications and Other Administrative Matters* (06-096 C.M.R. ch. 2, § 24(B)).

In accordance with the Superior Court's ruling, NextEra Energy Resources, LLC and West Forks Plantation, et al. may file a more detailed statement of the issues described in their judicial appeals of the Department's Order conditionally approving the NECEC project. Any request for public hearing or for inclusion of supplemental evidence should be included in this statement. The deadline for filing is Friday, September 25, 2020 at 5:00 p.m.

If you have any questions, please contact Cynthia Bertocci, the Board's Executive Analyst, at (207) 287-2452 or Cynthia.s.bertocci@maine.gov or Peggy Bensinger, Assistant Attorney General, at (207) 626-8578 or Peggy.Bensinger@maine.gov.

Sincerely,



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