Dear Judge Bielawski:

This constitutes a further status report by Staff as to whether evidentiary hearings are warranted in these proceedings. The petitioner has not yet provided the terms of the necessary financing. Moreover, it is our understanding that the petitioner will be submitting a revised rate model (with substantially changed assumptions) later this week. For these reasons, we still cannot come to a definitive conclusion as to whether disputed issues of material fact will exist that warrant the holding of evidentiary hearings. Staff suggests that a further status report be required by September 10, 2015.

Very truly yours,

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