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Public Utilities Commission
Via E-mail Only

Re: HP07-001

Dear Commissioners:

As you are aware, PUC Commission Staff has requested an item related to docket HP07-001 placed on the June 5, 2007 Commission meeting agenda. Specifically, Staff requested the Commissioners consider an extension of the intervention deadline. Staff's request is a direct result of consumer concerns and correspondence. Regardless of Commission adherence to statutory timeframes regarding the siting application filed, the intervention deadline falls before the conclusion of the public hearings.

Due to the overlapping timeframes, potential parties to this docket are required to determine whether they intend to intervene prior to an opportunity to learn more at a public hearings. Commission Staff heard concern from a variety of potentially affected individuals. Further, Staff has been in contact with Counsel for TransCanada. TransCanada does not object to a two week extension of the intervention deadline. Staff, therefore, respectfully requests the Commission extend the intervention deadline to July 10, 2007.

Sincerely,

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