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April 25, 2012

Ms. Luly Massaro, Clerk  
Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission  
89 Jefferson Boulevard  
Warwick, RI 02888

***Re: The Narragansett Electric Company d/b/a National Grid Review of Power Purchase Agreement with Black Bear Development Holdings, LLC Pursuant to RIGL §39-26.1***

Dear Ms. Massaro:

Enclosed please find an original and ten (10) copies of the following document:

1. Black Bear Development Holdings, LLC's Response to the Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission's First Set of Data Requests.

Please be advised that an electronic copy of this document has been provided to the service list.

Sincerely,



Joseph A. Keough Jr.

JAK/kf  
Enclosure  
cc: Service List (via electronic mail)

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND  
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION  
DOCKET 4319

Response of Black Bear  
Development Holdings, LLC  
To The Rhode Island Public  
Utilities Commission's Data Requests  
Set 1

**Comm. 1-1:** Please provide a GAANT (or other similar) chart for the Orono B Project.

**Response:** The below chart summarizes the most recent detailed project construction schedule for Orono B.

PROPOSED SCHEDULE OF NEW DEVELOPMENT (ORONO)	Start Date	End Date	2012												2013											
			J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D
Mobilization and Preliminary Site Work	4/1/2012	5/30/2012																								
Construction Access																										
Permanent Access Road Extension	5/1/2012	5/30/2012																								
Pre-Construction Activities																										
E&S BMP Implementation	5/1/2012	5/30/2013																								
Intake and Gate Structure (downstream of existing dam)																										
Excavation	6/1/2012	6/30/2012																								
Installation of Intake	6/30/2012	9/15/2012																								
Temporary Cofferdams																										
Intake Cofferdam	7/15/2013	7/15/2013																								
Powerhouse Isolation Cofferdam	8/15/2012	8/30/2012																								
Tailrace Cofferdam	8/1/2012	8/7/2012																								
Water Diversion Structure	6/15/2012	6/30/2012																								
Powerhouse B Construction																										
Ledge Removal	7/10/2012	8/15/2012																								
Powerhouse Foundation Installation	8/15/2012	9/7/2012																								
Draft Tube Installation	9/1/2012	9/7/2012																								
Powerhouse Substructure Construction	9/7/2012	10/14/2012																								
Headgate Installation	10/14/2012	10/21/2012																								
Powerhouse Superstructure Construction	10/14/2012	2/15/2013																								
Penstock and Surge Chamber Construction																										
Penstock Installation	6/30/2012	9/30/2012																								
Surge Chamber Construction	9/1/2012	11/1/2012																								
Tailrace Excavation	8/7/2012	9/7/2012																								
Trashrack Installation and Intake Structure																										
Dam Section Removal	8/15/2013	9/15/2013																								
Intake Walls Installation	9/15/2013	10/7/2013																								
Trashrack Installation	10/7/2013	11/7/2013																								
Fish Passage Facilities																										
Installation of Downstream Fish Passage Facility	8/7/2013	9/7/2013																								
Installation of Upstream Fish Trapping Facility	7/30/2012	10/15/2012																								
Relocation of Upstream Eel Passage Facility	9/15/2012	10/15/2012																								
Temporary Cofferdam Removal																										
Powerhouse Isolation Cofferdam	10/14/2012	10/21/2012																								
Tailrace Cofferdam	9/7/2012	9/21/2012																								
Intake Cofferdam	9/30/2013	10/14/2013																								
Post-Construction Activities																										
Revegetation Staging Areas	5/1/2013	5/30/2013																								
Demobilization	11/1/2013	11/30/2013																								

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**Comm. 1-2:** Please provide a list of all required approvals for the Orono B Project. Indicate when each approval was received or is expected to be received. Also, please indicate whether Black Bear has experienced any difficulties securing the required approvals.

**Response:** Set forth herein below is an update to the list of permits/approvals in Exhibit B of the Power Purchase Agreement:

**1. FEDERAL PERMITS/APPROVALS<sup>1</sup>**

**A. FERC Hydroelectric License Amendment (P-2710-057)**

Filed:	May 18, 2011
Supplemental Information/Responses:	October 7, 2011 January 20, 2012 March 7, 2012 March 14, 2012
Notice of Application Acceptance:	March 30, 2012
Deadline for Filing Motions to Intervene, Protests, Comments and Recommendations:	May 29, 2012

Approval Status: Pending. Black Bear anticipates the FERC's approval of the License Amendment shortly following the deadline for filing Motions to Intervene, Protests, Comments and Recommendations.

**B. FERC Qualifying Facility (QF) Registration Energy and Capacity At  
Market-Based Rates Or Authorization To Sell**

To be submitted at least 60 days prior to expected Commercial Operations Date.

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<sup>1</sup> Exhibit B to the Power Purchase Agreement has separate tables for Construction and Operating Permits. However, the permits referenced in both tables are the same permit. There are not separate permits required for Construction and Operation.

## **2. STATE PERMITS/APPROVALS**

### **A. Maine Department of Environmental Protection Water Quality Certification**

Filed: May 19, 2011

Approved: August 18, 2011

### **B. Rhode Island Qualification As An Eligible Renewable Energy Resource**

To be submitted upon receipt of FERC Amended License approval.

## **3. LOCAL PERMITS/APPROVALS:**

Not Applicable.

Black Bear has not experienced any difficulties in securing the required approvals. Black Bear is confident that all required approvals will be received in order for it to meet the Critical Milestones laid out in the Power Purchase Agreement.

In addition, the Commission's approval of the proposed Power Purchase Agreement is required.

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**CERTIFICATION**

I hereby certify that on April 25, 2012, I sent a copy of the within to all parties set forth on the attached Service List by electronic mail and copies to Luly Massaro, Commission Clerk, by electronic mail and regular mail.

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