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Re: Case No. 12587, Application of Sapient Energy Corp., *de novo*
Case No. 12605, Application of Sapient Energy Corp., *de novo*

Dear Bill,

Your letter of October 22 and my letter of October 23 crossed in the mail.

I believe I addressed in my October 23 letter all your inquiries except that of the admissibility of exhibits submitted after November 1. I'd suggest at this point that if an exhibit is offered during the hearing of this matter that has not been submitted, any party may raise the issue by way of objection and receive a ruling on its admissibility from the Chair. I'm sure the Chair would be interested in hearing why the document was not submitted as requested.

As you know, the Commission members believe that review of detailed pre-hearing statements and the documentary evidence to be offered will help them to be better prepared for the issues and testimony. As such, it is incumbent on the parties to help them prepare --- it can only work to the parties' advantage.

As always, if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to give me a call at 476-3451.

Sincerely,

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