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

Dear Counsel,

The Commission members have requested that copies of each exhibit which is to be offered during the hearing of this matter be provided to the Commission Secretary no later than one week prior to the date set for hearing in this matter. As the matter is now set for hearing on November 6, exhibits should be submitted to Florene Davidson no later than Wednesday, November 1. If an agreed continuance results in the matter being set in a subsequent month, exhibits should be submitted no later than one week prior to the rescheduled hearing.

It would also helpful if you could provide a more detailed statement of your positions in the pre-hearing statement than is customary.

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

Sincerely

Stephen C. Ross Assistant General Counsel

Cc: Florene Davidson, Commission Secretary