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LETTER OF DEFICIENCY
WD WWEB/C 00-00
June 22, 2000

Subject: National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Compliance Inspection at
Public Service of New Hampshire – Merrimack Station (PSNH-MS), NPDES Permit N.
NH0001465

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Dear Mr. Palmer:

On March 24, 2000, personnel from the Department of Environmental Services Water Division Wastewater Engineering Bureau (DES) conducted a Compliance Evaluation Inspection at the above-noted facility. Present were:

Dave Fredette, Working Foreman, Chemistry, PSNH-MS
Ken Kroh, Chemical Analyst, 1st Class, PSNH-MS
Kendall Perkins, Environmental Inspector, DES

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After inspecting the areas shown in Section C of the attached Water Compliance Report Form, Kendall Perkins noted the following deficiencies:

Records/Reports

1 – PSNH-MS did not explain a December pH violation in accordance with the NPDES reporting requirements. Specifically, PSNH-MS did not provide information about *steps taken or planned to reduce, eliminate, and prevent reoccurrence of the violation*.

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As per Part II, Section D. 1. of the Permit, all instances of noncompliance shall be reported, and the reports shall contain a description of the noncompliance and its cause; the period of noncompliance, including exact dates and times, and if the noncompliance has not been corrected, the anticipated time the noncompliance is expected to continue; and steps taken or planned to reduce, eliminate, and prevent reoccurrence of the noncompliance.

DES believes that Public Service of New Hampshire can correct this deficiency by August 1, 2000 and requests that you respond by this date detailing the corrective measures. Please send the written response to DES/WD-WWEB, Attention: Kendall Perkins, P.O. Box 95, Concord, NH 03302-0095. In the event that DES does not receive a response by the above date, DES or EPA may initiate further State and/or Federal action. Further action may include issuing an administrative order, initiating an administrative fine proceeding and/or seeking civil or criminal penalties.