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UMPLAC, PO Box 3019, Boscawen, NH 03303

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Ms Sharon DeMeo US Environmental Protection Agency – Region 1 5 Post Office Square Suite 100 (OEP06-1) Boston MA 02109-3912

RE: Permit Number NH0001465 and Public Notice Number NH-004-14

Dear Ms. DeMeo,

The Upper Merrimack River Local Advisory Committee (UMRLAC) agrees with the US Environmental Protection Agency's decision to select the falling-film evaporator and forced circulation crystallizers as the best available technology for the flue gas desulfurization wastewater. Since this is a zero discharge system, we understand that there is no impact to the Merrimack River impact. Accordingly, the UMRLAC has no comment on this revised draft NPDES Permit.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Merrimack Station in Bow draft permit.

Sincerely,

Michele L. Tremblay

Chair

CC: Eugene Forbes, Director, Water Division, NH Department of Environmental Services Jeff Andrews, Sanitary Engineer, Wastewater Engineering Bureau, NHDES