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To: Dennis Moss/WUTC@WUTC, Bob Wallis/WUTC@WUTC
cc: Jim Russell/WUTC@WUTC
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As I explained in the meeting earlier today, Phil's upsetting message referred to the fact that we have kept the expression: "all reasonable efforts" referring to the obligation of utilities to avoid interruptions. He said he had expected it to be a mistake made by staff and that, if it were not so, he would come to the OM with a battery of lawyers to fight it. The message was slightly inappropriate in tone. I informed Dixie and Fred about it. Later, I left a message for Phil, telling him that the change was the result of a consultation among staff members, reminding him that this was only the CR-102 stage, not the final one and that changes could still be made (never said would), that the commissioners had been informed and received a memo on the topic, and that he was welcome to bring his attorneys.

I am willing to take the first shot at answering any question on this topic at the meeting. However, if the discussion turns either too technical or too legal, I have asked Doug and Bob to step in. I am attaching the portion of the memo to the commissioners that discusses this issue. The language comes from both Bob and Doug. Their rationale is summarized in the file.



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