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TO ALL PARTIES:

In a letter filed late yesterday afternoon, NFG proposed the following schedule for the temporary rates phase of this proceeding:

Staff and Intervenor Testimony due	20, 2013
Hearings (including live rebuttal by Company)	23-24, 2013
Brief	6, 2013

With the proviso that all parties, not just the Company, would be permitted to respond to Staff and intervenor testimony on May 23, this proposal appears to satisfy the parameters of the order initiating this proceeding, as well as my scheduling concerns. To ensure that the proposal will be logistically feasible if adopted, I have reserved the third floor hearing room for May 23 and 24. I now have this scarce agency resource tied up for five of the last six business days in May. I would like to resolve the scheduling issue as soon as possible so that I can free up the unneeded dates.

Accordingly, if the parties can agree on a schedule, please notify me immediately. If agreement cannot be reached, parties proposing alternative schedules of their own must provide them to me by e-mail by close of business Wednesday, May 8, with an explanation as to why they are preferable. We will then take up the scheduling issue at our conference call on Friday, May 10.

David L. Prestemon
Administrative Law Judge