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**Re: D.P. Murphy Inc. – Application for a Retail Petroleum License
Commission Docket PD527**

On October 30, 2024, the Prince Edward Island Regulatory and Appeals Commission (the "Commission") set hearing dates and procedural timelines with respect to the Application in Commission Docket PD527.

On December 5, 2024, the intervener, Ceretti's Grocery & Hardware Ltd. ("Ceretti's"), requested that the deadline to file its expert report(s) be extended from December 19, 2024 to January 24, 2025.

The applicant, D.P. Murphy Inc. (the "Applicant"), did not object to an extension in the circumstances, but requested that the extension be until mid-January rather than January 24th. The Applicant also advised that it needed a minimum of two weeks, and preferably three weeks, to file its reply to Ceretti's expert reports and/or pre-hearing submissions.

None of the parties have requested that the hearing, scheduled for February 25, 26 and 27, 2025, be postponed or adjourned.

In the circumstances, the Commission is prepared to grant the following extensions:

1. The deadline for the interveners, Ceretti's and Howatt's, to file their pre-hearing written submissions, including expert reports, shall be extended to **4:00 p.m. on January 10, 2025**.

2. The deadline for the Applicant, D.P. Murphy, to file its reply to the interveners' pre-hearing submissions and/or expert reports shall be extended to **4:00 p.m. on January 31, 2025**.
3. Ceretti's shall still be required to disclose, no later than **4:00 p.m. on December 19, 2024**, the identity of any members of the public it intends to call as witnesses at the hearing.

These timelines are set to ensure that the hearing of this Application occurs in an orderly, timely and fair manner, beginning as scheduled on **February 25, 2025**. In accordance with Rule 22 of the Commission's *Rules of Practice & Procedure*, the Commission may reject any documents, evidence or written submissions that are not filed in accordance with these timelines.

The Commission expects the parties to use all reasonable efforts to meet the procedural timelines set forth herein. Any further requests for extension by the intervener(s) will require either the consent of the Applicant, or a motion to the Commission made in accordance with the *Rules of Practice & Procedure*.

Yours very truly,

CARR, STEVENSON & MacKAY

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'NM', is written over the typed name of Nicole M. McKenna.

Nicole M. McKenna