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Susan Gendron
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Dear Commissioner,

The purpose of this letter is to request an extension for the completion of our RSU plan from Old Orchard Beach, Saco, and Dayton.

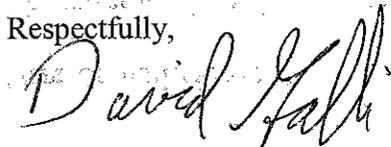
The Regional Planning Committee has worked very hard to complete this plan as required and has enjoyed great success in many areas. However, the State's inability to pass reform to the original cost sharing proposal and other plan components has greatly inhibited our work and plan completion.

Presently, this plan is near completion with the majority of uncompleted work focused on the cost sharing elements. Dick Spencer, from Drummond Woodsum is working closely with us to help complete our plan in all required categories.

Granting an extension based on the above reasons seems fair and reasonable under the present conditions surrounding this legislation.

We look forward to your favorable response to our extension request. We will continue to work diligently to complete all necessary requirements and plan to proceed with community voting on or before June 10.

Respectfully,



David Galli
Chairperson
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