August 31, 2012

**September 26, 2012**

TO: Nelle Donaldson

Barbara Barhydt

FROM: David Margolis-Pineo

 Dept. of Public Services

RE: Review Comments: 433 Fore Street – Canal Plaza Hotel

The Department of Public Services has the following comments.

1. It is unclear if the City sidewalk is encroaching on the applicant’s property at the corner of Fore and Union Streets. Please clarify if the City needs a pedestrian easement from the applicant.

**The applicant through its consultant has indicated the property radius will be reduced so an easement will not be required.**

1. The City is requesting verification that Central Maine Power is aware and okay with the construction of a building on their easement.

**It is my understanding in discussions with CMP that they are aware of the proposed hotel and have been in discussions with the applicant.**

1. The applicant is proposing to remove and plug several drain lines. The applicant’s attention is directed to section 2.6.11. of the City’s Technical Manual for the requirements to plug abandoned sewer laterals. Please add note to the plans directing the demolition contractor to this City requirement.

**Please submit verification this has been done.**

1. The sewer system is combined in this area. It would be advantageous to separate the stormwater down Union St to Commercial where there is a stormwater sewer. The City would be interested in receiving a contribution to do this work.

**After further review of the sewer system in this area, this request is withdrawn.**

1. Plans need to be stamped.

**Sheet C-201 now stamped. No stamp indication presented on the other sheets.**

1. The proposed drives are to be constructed of brick per City standards.

**Brick driveway aprons now proposed.**

1. Street lighting standards will need to be reviewed.

**No further comment.**

1. **The applicant is proposing to relocate the traffic control box at the corner of Union and Fore Streets. This may or may not be feasible. Please add note to plans that states “Coordinate Traffic Control Box relocation well in advance with City of Portland Traffic Engineer Jeremiah Bartlett (**874-8891**).”**