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RE: Electrical Meter Location at 500 Congress Street

Dear Ms. Barba & Mr. Cough:

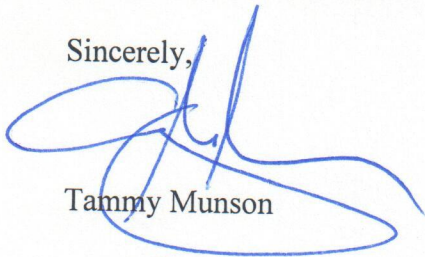
This letter is the City's final correspondence in relation to a number of inquiries, requests and contacts we have received from you and possibly other employees at CMP in which you suggest or state that it is the City's responsibility to locate the site of the electrical meter inside the building at 500 Congress Street. The existing meter is to be relocated pursuant to a court order resulting from litigation between the two private property owners involved in this situation.

While we appreciate the difficult position that CMP is in due to the adversarial posture of the two property owners, that fact does not trigger any role or responsibility on the part of the City.

After conferring with Corporation Counsel, it is the City's position that we have no legal authority or responsibility under state or local law to designate the specific location of an electrical meter inside a property owner's privately owned building. That decision rests with the property owner and CMP. Any such installation would have to be made in compliance with the City's electrical code. The City's role is to issue an electrical permit for the work and inspect the installation when it is done.

If your attorney has legal authority that supports CMP's position, please have him forward it to the Office of Corporation Counsel at Portland City Hall, 389 Congress Street, Portland, ME.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Tammy Munson', is written over the word 'Sincerely,'. The signature is stylized with a large loop at the end.

Tammy Munson

cc: Penny St. Louis, Director of Planning and Urban Development
Gary Wood, Corporation Counsel