

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

RFP #2016-003

NEW HAMPSHIRE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

Consulting Services

	Questions	Answers
1.	<p>With respect to item (i) under the scope of services, does the NH PUC Staff expect that the bidder will have access to models of New England’s natural gas and electricity markets to perform the requested quantitative assessment of the impacts of new pipelines on regional gas and electricity prices, and associated net wholesale electricity cost savings? Is the Staff expecting that the bidder will perform various model runs using such models of New England’s natural gas and electricity markets in order to meet the requirements of item (i)? Or, alternatively, since many studies have already been done quantifying these impacts, is the NH PUC Staff seeking assistance understanding the studies that have already been performed, or which may be performed in the future during the course of the proceeding evaluating the Eversource petition.</p>	<p>1. Yes, the Commission Staff expects the consultant to have both access to and familiarity with the models of New England’s natural gas and electricity markets in order to perform the quantitative assessments set forth in item (i). The purpose of that work is: (a) to verify the net economic impacts for electric consumers estimated by ICF relating to the Access Northeast project; and (b) estimate the corresponding impacts for other high ranking projects.</p>