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## STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

Re: Public Service of New Hampshire-Request for Permanent Rate

DE 09-035

## **Petition for Intervention**

The Business & Industry Association of New Hampshire (BIA), submits this Petition for Intervention, and states as follows:

- 1. The BIA is a not for profit business association which advocates for policies that promote and preserve the economic well being of the state. The BIA is composed of approximately 400 businesses in the state. These businesses vary in size and represent all segments of the business and industrial communities.
- 2. This docket concerns a significant proposal by Public Service of New Hampshire which will impact the cost commercial and industrial consumer will have to pay for electricity.
- 3. The resolution of this docket will directly affect Public Service of New Hampshire's commercial and industrial customers. Many of these customers affected by this proposal are BIA members.
- 4. The BIA has participated in numerous proceedings before the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission in the past regarding issues similar to those presented in this docket. These issues are of critical concern to the business community and all citizens in New Hampshire.
- 5. For the foregoing reasons, the BIA's rights, duties, privileges, immunities and other substantial interests may be affected by this proceeding.
- 6. BIA's participating in the proceeding will not disrupt the orderly conduct of this proceeding, or delay the proceedings.
- 7. The BIA plans to monitor the proceedings, and provide comments to the Commission and parties as appropriate.

The BIA respectfully requests that it be granted full intervenor status in this proceeding.

Respectfully submitted,

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