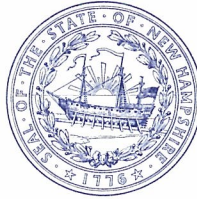


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Re: DT 09-044, Rural Carriers of the New Hampshire Telephone Association
Petition for an Investigation into the Regulatory Status of IP Enabled Voice
Telecommunications Service
Cancellation of Hearings

To the Parties:

On July 2, 2009, the Commission scheduled a hearing in this docket for December 15-16, 2009. On December 11, 2009, TWC Digital Phone LLC (TWC) filed a letter with the Commission requesting that the hearing be cancelled. TWC asserts that the hearing is not necessary because TWC, New Hampshire Telephone Association (NHTA), Comcast Corporation and Staff have conferred and agreed to waive cross-examination. Although the parties have spoken with the Office of Consumer Advocate (OCA), the OCA has indicated that it will not take a position on the need for a hearing.

Accordingly, the aforementioned parties request that the hearing be cancelled and that the official record in this docket consist of the pre-filed direct and reply testimony and the data requests and responses that have been previously exchanged among the parties. These parties agree to take any steps required to facilitate the entry of these materials into the record and request that the briefing schedule remain in effect.

Based on the foregoing, the Commission has cancelled the hearing scheduled for December 15-16, 2009. The Commission has directed that the parties file any data requests and responses they wish to be included in the record prior to initial briefs and that the briefing schedule remain in effect. The Commission will issue its decision in this docket based upon the documentary record submitted by the parties.

Sincerely,

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