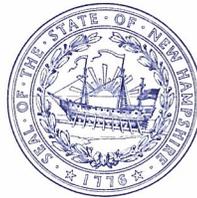


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Re: DG 10-017, EnergyNorth Natural Gas, Inc. d/b/a National Grid NH
Distribution Service Rate Case
Report of Technical Session/Proposed Procedural Schedule

Dear Ms. Howland:

On April 8, 2010, following the pre-hearing conference representatives of EnergyNorth Natural Gas, Inc. d/b/a National Grid NH, the Office of Consumer Advocate, Commission Staff and interested intervenors met in a technical session. As a result of that technical session the parties and Staff developed the following proposed procedural schedule for the Commission's consideration:

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| January 25, 2010 | Notice of Intent filed |
| February 26, 2010 | Case filed with PUC |
| March 3, 2010 | Staff audit begins |
| March 10, 2010 | Order of Notice issued by PUC |
| March 15, 2010 | Order of Notice published |
| April 8, 2010 | Pre-Hearing Conference and Technical Session |
| April 23, 2010 | Additional Testimony Regarding Lead/Lag Study |
| April 30, 2010 | Staff and Intervenor Testimony on Temporary Rates / File Settlement |
| May 6, 2010 | Hearing on Temporary Rates |
| May 11, 2010 | Data Requests from Staff / Intervenor (other than OCA) Set 1 |
| May 14, 2010 | Data Requests from OCA – Set 1 |
| June 4, 2010 | Responses to Set 1 Data Requests (Staff / Intervenor) |
| June 8, 2010 | Responses to Set 1 Data Requests (OCA) |
| May 28, 2010 | Anticipated Order on Temporary Rates |
| June 18, 2010 | Data Requests from Staff and Intervenor – Set 2 |

July 16, 2010	Responses to Set 2 Data Requests
August 2, 2010	Draft Audit Report Issued to Company
August 9, 2010	Company Response to Draft Audit
August 9-10, 2010	Technical Session
August 16, 2010	Final Audit Report Issued
August 24, 2010	Data Requests from Staff and Intervenor – Set 3
September 14, 2010	Responses to Set 3 Data Requests
September 22, 2010	Technical Session
October 22, 2010	Staff and Intervenor Testimony
November 5, 2010	Company Data Requests to Staff and Intervenor
November 16-17, 2010	Settlement Conference
November 23, 2010	Staff and Intervenor Responses to Data Requests
December 7, 2010	Company Rebuttal Testimony
December 13, 2010	Data Requests on Rebuttal Testimony – Set 4
December 23, 2010	Data Responses – Set 4
January 4, 2011	Settlement Due
January 11-14, 2011	Hearing

The parties have indicated a desire that the technical sessions for the remainder of this case begin at 9 a.m.

Additionally, as was noted during the pre-hearing conference, notice of the Company's rate proceeding had not yet been distributed to its customers. As such, although the deadline for intervention set in Order No. 25,081 has passed, Staff requests that any petitions for intervention by customers arising out of the provision of notice not be considered untimely filed.

Sincerely,



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