## THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE before the PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

## JOINT PETITION OF THE NEW HAMPSHIRE ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC. AND PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY OF NEW HAMPSHIRE TO ALTER THEIR FRANCHISE AREA BORDERS IN CONWAY IN NEW HAMPSHIRE

## Docket No. DE 12-

NOW COME the New Hampshire Electric Cooperative, Inc. (hereinafter NHEC) and Public Service Company of New Hampshire (hereinafter PSNH) which jointly petition the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission (hereinafter the Commission) for an order approving a change in the franchise border between the two utilities in the Town Conway, New Hampshire, New Hampshire. This petition is brought pursuant to RSA 374:22 and RSA 374:26 (the parties note that RSA 374:22 does not apply to NHEC, pursuant to RSA 362:2). In support of their Joint Petition, NHEC and PSNH state the following:

1. Cranmore Mountain Resort in North Conway. NHEC delivers primary electric service to Cranmore Mountain Resort, a ski area located in the North Conway section of Conway, New Hampshire. PSNH serves most of the Town of Conway; however, NHEC serves the North Conway section of the Town. The Cranmore Mountain Resort and NHEC want to extend electric service equipment, to be owned by NHEC, to the summit of the mountain, via a Cranmore Mountain Resort service road, to provide electric service to one or more communication towers located or to be located at the summit of Cranmore Mountain. The summit currently is located in PSNH's service territory; however, PSNH has no facilities located where it could serve the summit of Mount Cranmore. NHEC and PSNH propose to adjust the franchise border to include the summit of Cranmore Mountain in the NHEC franchise territory.

2. The eastern border of the PSNH/NHEC franchise territories in North Conway runs roughly in a north-south direction and crosses Cranmore Mountain approximately halfway up the main chairlift line. PSNH and NHEC would adjust the franchise border as follows:

Approximately one mile south of the junction of the eastern franchise border with the Bartlett town line, the franchise border would turn roughly ninety degrees (90°) to the east and run for three eighths (3/8) of a mile. The border would then turn roughly ninety degrees (90°) to the south, running parallel to the existing franchise border, for five eighths (5/8) of a mile. The border would then turn roughly ninety degrees (90°) to the west for three eighths (3/8) of a mile until it joins the existing franchise border. 3. PSNH and NHEC understand that Cranmore Mountain Resort agrees with these arrangements. When all parties agree, the Commission may grant the permission requested without a hearing. RSA 374:26. A copy of the Conway franchise map showing the requested change to the franchise border is attached.

WHEREFORE, NHEC and PSNH respectfully request that the Commission grant this Joint Petition and order such further relief as may be just and equitable.

Respectfully submitted,

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