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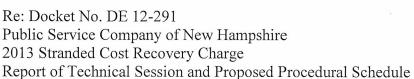
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Dear Ms. Howland:

October 24, 2012, the Commission held a prehearing conference in the above-captioned docket pursuant to an Order of Notice issued on October 9, 2012. The Office of Consumer Advocate (OCA) filed a letter on October 11, 2012 notifying the Commission of its participation in this docket. No parties requested intervention.

Following the prehearing conference, Public Service Company of New Hampshire (PSNH), the OCA and Staff met in technical session and developed the following agreed-upon procedural schedule for this proceeding.

Rolling Data Requests Data Request Responses Technical Session Staff/Intervenor Testimony Testimony Data Requests Data Request Responses PSNH Filing Update Phone Conference Merits Hearing Through October 31, 2012 November 9, 2012 November 13, 2012 at 1:30 p.m. November 21, 2012 November 30, 2012 December 7, 2012 December 12, 2012 December 14, 2012 1:30 p.m. December 18, 2012 9:00 a.m.

Staff respectfully requests that the Commission approve this proposed procedural schedule.

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PSNH filed a petition to set its 2013 energy service rate (Docket No. DE 12-292) at the same time it made the instant filing, and requested that both rates take effect with service rendered on and after January 1, 2013. Staff intends to file a letter in DE 12-292 requesting that the hearing in DE 12-292 be held on December 18, 2012 at 9:30 a.m. following the hearing in the instant docket.

I certify that an electronic copy of this letter will be served on the parties to the service list in this proceeding when the letter is filed with the Commission.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Suzanne G. Amidon Staff Counsel

Service List