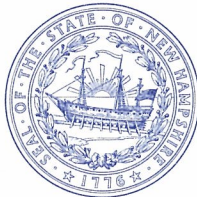


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Re: Docket No. DE 08-120
Public Service Company of New Hampshire (PSNH), Granite State Electric
Company d/b/a National Grid (Grid), Unitil Energy Systems, Inc. (Unitil) and
New Hampshire Electric Cooperative (NHEC)
Core Energy Efficiency Programs
Report from Technical Session

Dear Ms. Howland:

On October 24, 2008, a Prehearing Conference was held in the above-captioned docket. At the Prehearing Conference, the Chairman approved the motions to intervene filed by the Department of Environmental Services, The Way Home, the Jordan Institute, Wal-Mart Stores East L.P., the Office of Energy and Planning, the HomeBuilders and Remodelers Association of New Hampshire, and the Community Action Program. Following the prehearing conference, Staff and the parties met in technical session.

At the Prehearing Conference, Staff stated that it was requesting an audit of the Core Energy Efficiency (Core) Programs by Commission Audit Staff. In addition, both the Office of Consumer Advocate (OCA) and Staff noted that the Commission must approve the 2009 Core Programs by the end of 2008. Given the short time frame for the Commission to review the 2009 Core Program proposals, Staff and the OCA suggested that the Commission may want to consider the following issues in a separate proceeding:

- Monitoring and Evaluation;
- Shareholder Incentives; and
- Total Resource Cost Test.

At the Technical Session following the Prehearing Conference, the parties and Staff agreed that the issues listed above should be considered in a separate proceeding, along with:

- The Staff Audit, and
- The energy efficiency report that the Commission is conducting through its contractor, GDS.

Staff and the parties agreed that there may be additional issues included in the separate proceeding.

The parties and Staff also agreed to the following proposed procedural schedule:

1 st Round Data Requests	October 30, 2008
Data Request Responses	November 7, 2008
Technical Session	November 13, 2008 (1:30 p.m.)
2 nd Round Data Requests	November 17, 2008
Data Request Responses	November 26, 2008
Hearing	December 11, 2008

The parties and Staff request that the Commission approve the procedural schedule and the agreement of the parties to defer the issues identified above to another proceeding.

Sincerely,



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