


STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

Inter-Department Communication

DATE: October 24, 2012**AT (OFFICE): NHPUC**

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SUBJECT: NH Code Admin. Rules Puc 1400, Rules for Pipeline Public Utilities
Readoption with Amendments

TO: Chairman Ignatius
Commissioner Harrington
Commissioner Scott
Debra Howland, Executive Director
F. Anne Ross, General Counsel



NH Code Admin. Rules Puc 1400, relative to Pipeline Public Utilities, are set to expire on December 31, 2012. Staff has reviewed the rules and recommends that the Commission readopt them with certain amendments, as redlined in the attached draft Initial Proposal.

The Initial Proposal was circulated for comment by e-mail to Staff's contacts in the gas industry, including pipeline owners in New Hampshire. Two gas distribution utilities informed Staff that they have no issue with the proposed changes; no other comments were submitted.

Staff requests that the Commission open a docket for the rulemaking and schedule a vote to approve an Initial Proposal.

Thank you for your consideration. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Readopt with amendment Puc 1400, effective 12-31-04 (Document No. 8245) to read as follows:

CHAPTER Puc 1400 RULES FOR PIPE LINE PUBLIC UTILITIES

PART Puc 1401 DEFINITIONS

Puc 1401.01 "Pipeline public utility," "pipeline utility" or "utility" means any "public utility" as defined in RSA 362:2, owning or operating any pipeline, including pumping stations, storage depots and other facilities, for the transportation, distribution or sale of gas, crude petroleum, refined petroleum products, or combinations of petroleum products.

Puc 1401.02 "Commission" shall mean the New Hampshire public utilities commission.

PART Puc 1402 REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

Puc 1402.01 Reports to Commission.

(a) Each utility shall provide the commission the results of any ~~required~~ tests and summaries of any ~~required~~ records required under state or federal law.

(b) Each utility shall file reports with the commission on such forms as the commission shall specify as provided in Puc 1403.

(c) Copies of forms shall be furnished by the commission upon request.

PART 1403 FORMS TO BE FILED

Puc 1403.01 F-22 Information Sheet.

(a) Each utility shall file Form F-22:

(1) Annually; and

(2) Whenever any changes occur to the information included in a utility's current Form F-22 filing.

(b) Each utility shall include on form F-22 the following:

(1) Name of utility;

(2) Person's name and address to receive annual report form;

(3) Person's name and address to receive the utility assessment tax; and

(4) The names and titles of the principal officers of the company.

Puc 1403.02 Annual Report.

(a) Any owner or operator of a pipeline facility regulated by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission shall, with respect to any such pipeline facility located or to be located in New Hampshire, file with the commission:

(1) Annually, on or before April 30 of each year, a signed original of the applicable Federal Energy Regulatory Commission annual report form (~~F~~Form Number 2 or 2A), pertaining to such facility; and

(2) Concurrently upon its filing with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, a copy of any application for a certification of public convenience and necessity under the Natural Gas Act, 15 U.S.C. § 717f(c), with respect to any pipeline facility of such owner or operator proposed to be located in New Hampshire.