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**Re: Petition for License to Construct and Maintain Electric
Lines and Fiber Optic Cable Over and Across
the Cocheco River in the City of Rochester Docket No. DE 12-345**

Dear Secretary Howland:

As directed by the Commission's Order Nisi, Public Service Company of New Hampshire has caused to be published a legal notice relative to the above-captioned docket. The legal notice appeared in The Union Leader on April 11, 2013.

As also directed by the Commission Order Nisi, on April 11, 2013, PSNH mailed a copy of the Order Nisi by first class U. S. Mail to the Clerks of the City of Rochester and the Town of Strafford; New Hampshire Attorney General; NH Department of Transportation; Office of the Secretary, US Department of Commerce; NH Department of Environmental Services; and on April 16, 2013 to the City of Rochester, owner of the lands bordering the Cocheco River.

Enclosed is the required affidavit of publication with a copy of the legal notice attached, and an affidavit of mailing.

Very truly yours,

Christopher J. Allwarden
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Enclosures

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I hereby certify that the legal notice: (0000506700) DE 12-345 ORDER 25-487
was published in the New Hampshire Union Leader
printed at Manchester, NH by the Union Leader Corp.
On:
04/11/2013.

State of New Hampshire
Hillsborough County

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

11 day of April 2013

Phyllis E Manning
Notary Public



Legal Notice

**STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
DE 12-345**

**Public Service Company
of New Hampshire**

**Petition for Authority to Construct and
Maintain Electric Lines**

**Over and Across Public Waters in the
City of Rochester**

**Summary of Order *Nisi* Granting License
NOTICE OF ORDER NO.25,487**

April 8, 2013

SUMMARY OF ORDER

On November 30, 2012, Public Service Company of New Hampshire (PSNH) filed a petition pursuant to RSA 371:17 requesting a license to construct and maintain electric lines and fiber optic cable over and across the public waters of the Cocheco River in the City of Rochester, New Hampshire. According to the petition, the proposed crossings will replace existing support structures in existing public rights-of-way.

The petition and subsequent docket filings, other than any information for which confidential treatment is requested of or granted by the Commission, are posted to the Commission's website at <http://www.puc.nh.gov/Regulatory/Docketbk/2012/12-345.html>.

Staff reviewed the petition and subsequently filed a memorandum stating that the proposed construction and design conform with applicable sections of the National Electrical Safety Code (NESC). Staff recommended approval of PSNH's petition subject to its continued conformance with NESC standards in maintaining the crossing.

Based on the information presented in PSNH's petition and Staff's memorandum, the Commission finds the proposed

crossing necessary for PSNH to meet the reasonable requirements of reliable service to the public and that the requested license may be exercised without substantially affecting the public rights in the affected public waters, as required for approval under RSA 371:20. The petition is therefore approved on a *nisi* basis.

PSNH is authorized by order *nisi* to construct, maintain and operate fiber optic and other lines over and across the public waters described in its petition and depicted in its filings. All persons interested in responding to this Order *Nisi* may submit their comments or file a written request for a hearing which states the reason and basis for a hearing no later than April 25, 2013 for the Commission's consideration; and any party interested in responding to such comments or request for hearing shall do so no later than May 2, 2013. This Order *Nisi* shall be effective May 7, 2013, unless the Commission provides otherwise in a supplemental order issued prior to the effective date.

(UL-April 11)

AFFIDAVIT

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing Order Nisi No. 25,487, Docket DE 12-345 was mailed by First Class, U.S. Mail postage prepaid, on April 11, 2013 to the Clerk's Office of the City of Rochester and Town of Milton; The New Hampshire Attorney General; the NH Department of Transportation; the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services, the Office of the Secretary, the U.S. Department of Commerce and on April 16, 2013 to the City of Rochester, owner of the lands bordering the public waters at the location of the subject crossings.

(Signed) *Chris Allwarden*
(Dated) 04/16/13

State of New Hampshire,
Hillsborough, SS

(Dated) 04/16/2013

Subscribed and sworn to by the said Christopher J. Allwarden.

Before me,

Annette C. Mayo
Notary Public

