

**STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE  
BEFORE THE  
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**

**NHEC'S PETITION UNDER RSA 371:17  
FOR LICENSE TO CROSS PUBLIC WATERS  
(SQUAM LAKE, HOLDERNESS)**

Pursuant to RSA 371:17, New Hampshire Electric Cooperative, Inc. ("NHEC") hereby petitions for a license to construct and maintain an electric cable and conduit under Squam Lake in the town of Holderness, New Hampshire. In support thereof, NHEC states as follows:

1. Long Island is in Squam Lake in the Town of Holderness, New Hampshire, and is in NHEC's service territory.
2. The lines currently serving this portion of Long Island are not sufficient to meet the electrical needs of the property owner and right of way cannot be obtained for a cross country route from existing overhead lines to increase capacity.
3. Mr. Peter Coolidge, 90 East End Ave, Apt 17B, New York, New York 10028-8006-72 currently owns a residence on Long Island in Holderness.
4. On behalf of Mr. Coolidge, a New Hampshire Electric Cooperative, Inc. approved contractor plans to construct a line from existing NHEC Pole #3508.1/8.1 located on Long Island in the Town of Holderness, to the water's edge, and then underneath Squam Lake, coming onshore to a separate lot on Long Island, cable will again be placed underground running to a concrete vault, ultimately providing secondary metered electrical service to the residence.
5. Mr. Coolidge has obtained Wetlands and Non-Site Specific Permits from the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services for this construction.
6. There is one abutter on the Long Island portion located in Holderness where the proposed cable installation will take place, the Utopia/Long Island Land Company, LLC. There

are other abutters on the Center Harbor portion of the island- over a quarter of a mile from the proposed construction.

7. Squam Lake is a public body of water of more than 10 acres in size.

8. If this line is not constructed, the existing residence on Long Island will be unable to obtain the properly sized electrical service from NHEC. Thus, in order to meet the reasonable requirements of service to the public, it is necessary that the NHEC approved contractor construct a distribution line to the shore of and lay cable under Squam Lake to another site on Long Island.

9. Pursuant to PUC 202.11, this Petition is accompanied by prefiled testimony by Mr. Dean Benton, NHEC Plant Records Administrator, including relevant construction details and material specifications.

WHEREFORE, NHEC respectfully requests that the Commission;

- A. Pursuant to RSA 371:19, cause due notice to be given to the Attorney General and to such abutting owners as the Commission may designate;
- B. Pursuant to RSA 371:20, grant this petition without a hearing or, in the alternative, schedule a hearing in this matter; and
- C. Grant such other relief as may be just and equitable.

Respectfully submitted,

New Hampshire Electric Cooperative, Inc.  
By its attorney,



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