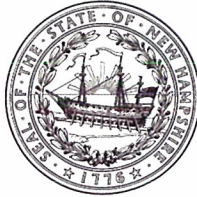


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September 24, 2015

Jeff Harrington
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RE: CRS 15-392: Petition of 186 Communications for two crossings

Dear Mr. Harrington:

We have received your petition of Sept. 16, 2015, for a license "pursuant to RSA 371:17" to construct two crossings across the Ammonoosuc River in Littleton, New Hampshire.

You may not be aware of changes to New Hampshire law enacted in 2013. The relevant statute for crossings such as you describe ("attached to existing utility poles that have wires crossing the same waterways") is the new RSA 371:17-a. This statute provides a "fast path" for obtaining a crossing license: the applicant submits a "notification" rather than a petition to the Commission, and the license is granted without inquiry or investigation.

We need additional information to meet the requirements of a RSA 371:17-a filing: specifically, a pole attachment license from the pole owners (or a copy of an application for such), pole GPS coordinates, and a notarized statement from an employee stating that the crossing will be constructed and maintained in accordance with both the National Electrical Safety Code and the pole owner's license. I have attached a copy of the internal worksheet we use in reviewing RSA 371:17-a notifications.

Let me suggest that you send a follow-up letter to our Executive Director, referencing Docket CRS 15-392 and stating that you would like your application to be treated as an RSA 371:17-a notification, rather than as an RSA 371:17 petition. You should include the specific items called out in the attached worksheet (e.g., the aforementioned pole attachment license and GPS coordinates of the poles). The turnaround time on reviewing such a submission and issuing such a license should be substantially less.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Michael C. Ladam".

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cc: Rob Carmichael
President, 186 Communications

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Pursuant to N.H. Admin Rule Puc 203.11 (a) (1): Serve an electronic copy on each person identified on the service list.

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FILING INSTRUCTIONS:

a) Pursuant to N.H. Admin Rule Puc 203.02 (a), with the exception of Discovery, file 7 copies, as well as an electronic copy, of all documents including cover letter with:

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b) Serve an electronic copy with each person identified on the Commission's service list and with the Office of Consumer Advocate.

c) Serve a written copy on each person on the service list not able to receive electronic mail.

State Land and Public Waters Checklist

1	Docket:	
2	Analyst:	
3	Date:	
4	Description of crossing location:	
	East side of crossing*	
5a	Pole Number:	
5b	Latitude:	
5c	Longitude:	
	West side of crossing	
6a	Pole Number:	
6b	Latitude:	
6c	Longitude:	
7	Has the applicant provided a copy of a pole attachment license, listing this crossing, from the pole owner?	
8	If the answer to (7) is No, has the applicant provided a copy of an application for a pole license, listing this crossing, which has been submitted to the pole owner?	
	Has the applicant provided a notarized statement from a company employee stating that:	
9a	The employee is responsible for construction of this crossing;	
9b	The crossing will be constructed and maintained in accordance with the National Electrical Safety Code;	
9c	The crossing will be constructed and maintained in accordance any requirements of the pole attachment license from the pole owner	

** The east side of the crossing is the side on which the pole's longitude coordinate is the smaller negative number (e.g., -72.000000 is east relative to -72.000555)*