

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

DG 16-811

CONCORD STEAM CORPORATION

2016-2017 Cost of Energy Adjustment

ORDER OF NOTICE

On August 31, 2016, Concord Steam Corporation (Concord Steam), a public utility supplying steam service to residential, commercial, and institutional customers, filed its annual cost of energy (COE) rates for the period November 1, 2016 through May 31, 2017 with the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission (Commission). The proposed COE rate is \$23.73 per Mlb (thousand pounds) which is 13% lower than last year's weighted average rate of \$27.21 per Mlb. The petition and subsequent docket filings, other than any information for which confidential treatment is requested or granted by the Commission, will be posted to the Commission's website at <http://www.puc.nh.gov/Regulatory/Docketbk/2016/16-811.html>.

This filing raises, inter alia, issues related to the following: the forecast of sales; wood and natural gas supply and transportation costs; estimated wood yard operating expenses; purchasing decisions related to current and past annual fuel supplies; the causes and treatment of over and under recoveries; prior period costs and revenues; matters examined pursuant to RSA 374:4, including Concord Steam's business, financial and contingency plans; and the reasonableness of the proposed COE rate pursuant to RSA 378:7. Each party has the right to have an attorney present at its own expense.

Based upon the foregoing, it is hereby

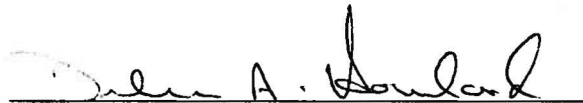
ORDERED, that a hearing be held before the Commission located at 21 S. Fruit Street, Suite 10, Concord, New Hampshire on October 17, 2016 at 1:30 p.m.; and it is

FURTHER ORDERED, that pursuant to N.H. Code Admin. Rules Puc 203.12, Concord Steam shall notify all persons desiring to be heard at this hearing by publishing a copy of this Order of Notice no later than October 6, 2016, in a newspaper with general circulation in those portions of the state in which its operations are conducted, and with publication to be documented by affidavit filed with the Commission on or before October 13, 2016; and it is

FURTHER ORDERED, that pursuant to N.H. Admin. Rules Puc 203.17, any party seeking to intervene in the proceeding shall submit to the Commission seven copies of a Petition to Intervene with copies sent to Concord Steam and the Office of Consumer Advocate on or before October 13, 2016, such Petition stating the facts demonstrating how its rights, duties, privileges, immunities or other substantial interest may be affected by the proceeding, as required by N.H. Admin. Rule Puc 203.17 and RSA 541-A:32,I(b); and it is

FURTHER ORDERED, that any party objecting to a Petition to Intervene make said Objection on or before October 17, 2016.

By order of the Public Utilities Commission of New Hampshire this thirtieth day of September, 2016.



Debra A. Howland
Executive Director

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SERVICE LIST - EMAIL ADDRESSES - DOCKET RELATED

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:**
- DEBRA A HOWLAND
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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.**