## STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

## DE 21-141

# TOWN OF HARRISVILLE Office of the Select Board 705 Chesham Road Harrisville, NH 03450

## **Request for Approval of Harrisville Community Power Aggregation Plan**

## Approval of Community Power Aggregation Plan

# <u>O R D E R N O. 26,770</u>

## February 6, 2023

In this order, the Commission approves the Town of Harrisville's (Harrisville) Amended Community Power Electric Aggregation Plan (Plan).

## I. BACKGROUND

On January 7, 2022, Harrisville submitted a request for approval of a community power aggregation plan to provide electric power supply and services for residents, businesses, and other entities in Harrisville pursuant to RSA chapter 53-E.

On January 26, 2022, the Commission issued a memorandum of decision, in which it denied Harrisville's request without prejudice. *See Town of Harrisville*, Order No. 26,572 (January 26, 2022).

On December 9, 2022, Harrisville filed its amended request for approval of a CPA plan to provide electric power supply and services for residents, businesses, and other entities in Harrisville pursuant to RSA chapter 53-E. Accompanying its request, Harrisville submitted the text of its Plan, with attachments.

On December 12, 2022, the Commission issued an order of notice in this matter, directing that public comments be accepted pursuant to RSA 53-E:7, II, until December 30, 2022. The Commission did not receive any public comments.

On January 13, 2023, Harrisville filed a letter clarifying and updating

information related to its primary municipal contact and liaison.

Harrisville's request, along with all other docket filings, other than any information for which confidential treatment is requested of or granted by the Commission, will be posted to:

https://www.puc.nh.gov/Regulatory/Docketbk/2021/21-141.html

## II. COMMISSION ANALYSIS

The Commission has reviewed Harrisville's Amended Plan pursuant to RSA 53-

E:7, II, as amended, which states that

The commission shall approve any plan submitted to it unless it finds that it does not meet the requirements of this chapter and other applicable rules and shall detail in writing addressed to the governing bodies of the municipalities or counties concerned, the specific respects in which the proposed plan substantially fails to meet the requirements of this chapter and applicable rules.

RSA 53-E:7, II also provides specific direction on the process to be used for the submission of such plans, including the following requirements: 1) on the same day the plan is submitted to the Commission, copies shall be provided to the Office of the Consumer Advocate and any electric distribution utility providing service within the jurisdiction of the municipality; 2) the Commission shall accept public comments for 21 days thereafter; and 3) the Commission's review of the plan and comments shall not require a contested case. N.H. Admin R. Puc 2204.01 (a) also requires notification of aggregation plan filings be made with the New Hampshire Department of Energy. Harrisville's Plan submission complied with these procedural requirements.

In Order 26,563, the Commission identified three substantive areas where Harrisville's initial plan substantially failed to meet the requirements of RSA ch. 53-E and applicable rules: 1) Security for Individual Customer Data; 2) Incorporation of Future Rules; and 3) Operation, Funding, and the Methods of Entering and Terminating Agreements, with specific emphasis on how Load Serving Entity services will be implemented.

Harrisville's Plan contains new attachments entitled "How Load Serving Entity Services will be Implemented" and "Customer Data Protection Plan." These new attachments are adequate to meet statutory criteria related to security for customer data and the operation, funding, and methods of entering and terminating agreements. With respect to future rules, N.H. Admin. R. ch. 2200 became effective on October 12, 2022, and we find the Harrisville's Plan contains an adequate level of detail satisfying applicable rules, including N.H. Admin. R. ch. 2200.

**Based upon the foregoing,** the Town of Harrisville's Request for Plan Approval is GRANTED.

By order of the Public Utilities Commission of New Hampshire this sixth day of February 2023.

Daniel C. Goldne Chairman

Pradip K. Chattopadhya Commissioner

Carleton B. Simpson Commissioner

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