

**STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE  
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**

**DE 22-060**

**Electric Distribution Utilities**

**Consideration of Changes to the Current Net Metering Tariff Structure, Including  
Compensation of Customer-Generators**

**Procedural Order Re: Request to Reschedule Hearing**

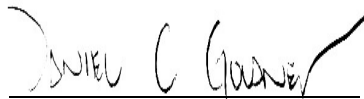
On February 29, 2024, Public Service Company of New Hampshire d/b/a Eversource Energy (Eversource) filed a request to postpone the scheduled March 12, 2024, hearing. Eversource represents that this is necessary because the parties are currently engaged in discussions that they believe will result in a settlement, but that they are unlikely to reach an agreement in time for the scheduled March 12 hearing. In addition, Eversource requests that the Commission reserve three full days for the rescheduled hearing—April 3, 4, and 11—because the complexity and quantity of issues related to the hearing will take longer than one full day to address. All parties assented to this relief except the Consumer Energy Alliance. Eversource represents that it contacted the Consumer Energy Alliance multiple times but did not receive a response.

As an initial matter, although not all parties have assented to Eversource's request, the Commission waives the ten-day objection period in New Hampshire Code of Administrative Rules, Puc 203.07(e). First, the Commission determines that waiving the objection period will not disrupt the orderly and efficient resolution of this matter. See Puc 201.05(a). Second, the Commission concludes that waiving the objection period is in the public interest because waiting ten days to rule on the request would be onerous under the circumstances. See Puc 201.05(b). Specifically, the initial deadline for the parties to file a settlement is March 5, 2024, which is before the expiration of the objection period for Eversource's request. The Commission is particularly inclined to waive the objection period

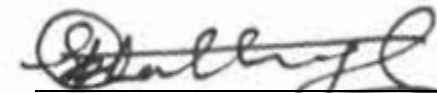
under the circumstances because Eversource represents that it contacted Consumer Energy Alliance multiple times to ascertain the organization's position but did not receive a response.

With respect to the substance of Eversource's request, the Commission CANCELS the hearing on March 12, 2024. However, the Commission will not reschedule the hearing at this time. Rather, the Commission schedules a pre-hearing conference on April 11, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. At the pre-hearing conference, the parties should be prepared to offer a schedule for witness presentation in support of or in opposition to the to-be filed settlement and to discuss any other additional information the Commission may require. Parties are encouraged to consolidate witness presentation, if possible. Following the pre-hearing conference, the Commission will establish a procedural schedule and schedule a hearing on this matter.

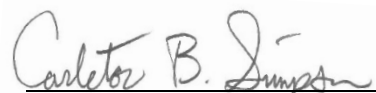
So ordered, this sixth day of March, 2024.



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