

**STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**

DE 13-303

**New Hampshire Electric Cooperative, Inc. and
Public Service Company of New Hampshire Joint
Petition for Franchise Boundary Change in
Sunapee, New Hampshire**

Summary of Order *Nisi* Approving Franchise Boundary Change

NOTICE OF ORDER *NISI* NO. 25,617

January 6, 2014

On October 18, 2013, the New Hampshire Electric Cooperative, Inc. (NHEC) and Public Service Company of New Hampshire (PSNH) filed a joint petition to alter their franchise areas in Sunapee, New Hampshire to accommodate the request of Ms. Debbie Samalis to have NHEC provide electric service to her newly constructed home located on West Court Road in Sunapee. Although PSNH serves customers on West Court Road, the Samalis home is substantially closer to a NHEC express line than to existing PSNH distribution facilities and an extension from NHEC to the Samalis home would be less expensive than extending service from PSNH distribution facilities. Staff filed a memorandum on January 2, 2014 recommending that the Commission approve the franchise change. The petition and subsequent docket filings, other than any information for which confidential treatment is requested of or granted by the Commission, is posted to the Commission's website at

<http://www.puc.nh.gov/Regulatory/Docketbk/2013/13-303.html>.

Pursuant to RSA 374:22 and 374:26, the filings and Staff's recommendation, the Commission finds that adjusting NHEC's service territory to provide service to the Site is in the public interest. The petition is therefore approved on a *nisi* basis.

NHEC is authorized to include Ms. Samalis's residence in its franchise territory. All persons interested in responding to the Order *Nisi* may submit their comments or file a written Request for a hearing which states the reasons and basis for a hearing no later than January 23, 2014 for the Commission's consideration; and any party interested in responding to such comments or request for a hearing shall do so no later than January 30, 2014. The Order *Nisi* shall be effective February 6, 2014 unless the Commission orders otherwise.