

**STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**

IR 22-053

ELECTRIC AND GAS UTILITIES

**Investigation of Energy Commodity Procurement
(Renewable Portfolio Standard, Default Service Electric Power, Cost of Gas)
Methodology and Process**

Procedural Order Re: Pending Matters

In the order of notice issued on September 6, 2022, the Commission encouraged utilities and interested stakeholders to file comments regarding the scope of the investigation in this docket. Several utilities did so, including Unitil Energy Systems, Inc. (UES) and Northern Utilities, Inc. (Northern). UES and Northern requested the Commission to take administrative notice of Docket No. IR 14-338.

On October 11, 2022, the Commission issued a procedural order requesting the electric and gas utilities to file independent technical statements on or before November 18, 2022 that responded to the Commission's inquiries contained in that order. Timely technical statements were filed by Liberty Utilities (EnergyNorth Natural Gas) Corp. d/b/a Liberty, Liberty Utilities (Granite State Electric) Corp. d/b/a Liberty, Public Service Company of New Hampshire d/b/a Eversource Energy, UES, and Northern. In addition, late requests to participate¹ were filed by Bridgewater Power Company and Retail Energy Supply Association.

The Commission GRANTS the requests to participate in this docket filed by Bridgewater Power Company and Retail Energy Supply Association. All participants may file responses to the utilities' technical statements on or before Monday, January 23, 2023.

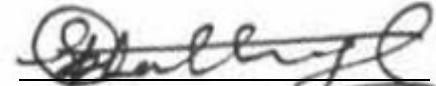
¹ Although the September 6, 2022 order of notice provided a deadline for petitions to intervene, the Commission now uses the terms "participants" and "requests to participate" in connection with investigative dockets. *See, e.g.*, Order of Notice for Docket No. IR 22-061 (Sept. 20, 2022).

The Commission has also scheduled a technical session on Thursday, February 23, 2023, at 9:00 a.m., which will be attended by the Commission. Three hours are allotted for this technical session, during which the Commission may ask technical questions of the participants and/or discuss responses to data requests to be issued by the Commission in a separate procedural order. The Commission further notifies the parties that it will take administrative notice of the record in Docket No. IR 14-338 pursuant to New Hampshire Code of Administrative Rules, Puc 203.27(a)(2).

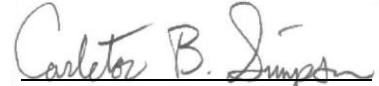
So ordered, this ninth day of January, 2023.



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