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Organizational Rules: Puc 100 Summary of Public Comments on Initial Proposal with Responses

In preparation for the Public Utilities Commission's (Commission) second public hearing on October 11, 2024 concerning its proposal to amend Puc 100, the Commission is publishing its DRAFT final proposal for Puc 100.

In preparing the draft proposal, the Commission reviewed all public comments submitted. Those comments included general recommendations that the Commission hold further hearings to discuss the proposed rules with stakeholders. Furthermore, the chairman's rulemaking authority was questioned. The Department of Energy (DOE) and the Office of Consumer Advocate (OCA) provided additional comments specific to individual rule sections. In response to these comments the Commission made the following updates on our draft proposal:

- 1. The proposed definition for <u>Customer</u> was changed to match the definition contained in En1203.06;
- 2. The proposed definition for Governmental Authority was deleted;
- 3. The proposed definition for <u>Office of the Consumer Advocate</u> (OCA) was updated to include the correct statutory reference;
- 4. The proposed definition for <u>Person</u> was amended and replaced with the current definition of Person in Puc 102.11;
- 5. The proposed definition of **Service List** was amended;
- 6. The proposed definition for **Public Utility** was deleted;
- 7. Proposed Part Puc 102 was amended to include a **General Description** of Commission authority;
- 8. Puc 102.02 (a) was amended to reference the authority provided to the Commission under RSA 374:3;
- 9. Puc 102.02 (c) was amended to remove the word "billed"; and
- 10. Puc 103.01 (c)(2) was amended to include a provision that upon demonstration of financial hardship fees assessed for record copying could be waived.

The Commission intends to discuss the proposed changes, and the proposed suggestions that have not been incorporated into its proposal at the October 11, 2024 hearing. Finally, there was a request for a designated Commission staff attorney to act as the "clerk" of the Commission. Prior to

updating the rules to include this request, the Commission would like to address this suggestion at the October 11, 2024 public hearing.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

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