

**THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE  
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**

**DE 09-114**

**ORDER OF NOTICE**

On June 12, 2009, Public Service Company of New Hampshire (PSNH) filed a petition with supporting testimony and attachments requesting approval of its reconciliation of transmission costs and revenues for calendar year 2008, as well as approval of an annual forecasted retail transmission revenue requirement and related costs for the period August 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010. At the time of the filing, PSNH estimates that there will be an increase on August 1, 2009 in the average rate from the current \$0.00935 per kilowatt hour (kWh) to \$0.01195 per kWh. According to PSNH, it will file its calculation of the proposed charges for each class on or before June 19, 2009.

The petition is PSNH's annual reconciliation and rate filing for the transmission cost adjustment mechanism (TCAM) approved by the Commission in Docket No. DE 06-028, *Public Service Company of New Hampshire*, Order No. 24,750 (May 25, 2007) 92 NH PUC 124. Through the TCAM, PSNH recovers regional network service (RNS) costs, local network service (LNS) costs, reliability costs and scheduling and dispatch (S&D) costs, all of which are approved by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) and charged to PSNH according to FERC-approved tariffs.

The forecast period in this filing is the eleven month period August 2009 through June 2010. The reconciliation period includes actual calendar year 2008 and January through May 2009 costs and revenues, as well as estimated costs and revenues for June and July 2009. The forecast period average TCAM rate is based on PSNH's current budget and forecast data.

PSNH also requested an August 1, 2009 effective date for its mid-term adjustment to energy service rates in Docket No. DE 08-113 and its stranded cost recovery charge rate in DE 08-114. For administrative efficiency, the Commission will hold hearings on each of these three proceedings on the same day; however, each proceeding will be separately noticed.

The filing raises, inter alia, issues related to whether the resulting rates are just and reasonable as required by RSA 378:5 and 378:8, whether PSNH's reconciliation and forecasted costs are reasonable and whether the proposed class specific rates are reasonable and consistent with prior Commission orders. Each party has the right to have an attorney represent them at their own expense.

**Based upon the foregoing, it is hereby**

**ORDERED**, that a Hearing, pursuant to N.H. Admin. Rules Puc 203.12, be held before the Commission located at 21 S. Fruit St., Suite 10, Concord, New Hampshire on July 2, 2009 at 9:00 a.m., and it is

**FURTHER ORDERED**, that the sequence of hearings on that date shall be as follows: DE 08-114 (stranded cost recovery charge); DE 08-113 (energy service rate); and DE 09-114, transmission cost adjustment mechanism; and it is


**FURTHER ORDERED**, that pursuant to N.H. Admin. Rules Puc 203.12, PSNH shall notify all persons desiring to be heard at this hearing by publishing a copy of this Order of Notice no later than June 24, 2009, in a newspaper with general circulation in those portions of the state in which operations are conducted, publication to be documented by affidavit filed with the Commission on or before July 2, 2009; and it is

**FURTHER ORDERED**, that pursuant to N.H. Admin. Rules Puc 203.17, any party seeking to intervene in the proceeding shall submit to the Commission seven copies of a Petition

to Intervene with copies sent to PSNH and the Office of the Consumer Advocate on or before June 29, 2009, such Petition stating the facts demonstrating how its rights, duties, privileges, immunities or other substantial interest may be affected by the proceeding, as required by N.H. Admin. Rule Puc 203.17 and RSA 541-A:32,I(b); and it is

**FURTHER ORDERED**, that any party objecting to a Petition to Intervene make said Objection on or before July 2, 2009.

By order of the Public Utilities Commission of New Hampshire this eighteenth day of June, 2009.



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Executive Director

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