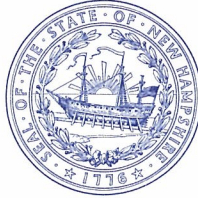


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Re: Docket No. DG 11-040, National Grid et al.
Petition for Authority to Transfer Ownership
Staff Report of Technical Session & Proposed Procedural Schedule

Dear Ms. Howland:

On April 20, 2011, a technical session was held following the prehearing conference in Docket No. DG 11-040. Participating in the technical session along with Staff were representatives of National Grid, Liberty Energy (Algonquin), Granite State Hydropower Association, United Steel Workers of America Local 12012-3, IBEW Local 326, and Office of the Consumer Advocate (OCA).

Participants agreed to the following proposed procedural schedule:

May 6	Data Requests by Staff/Intervenors – Set 2 (rolling requests)
May 27	Responses to Data Requests by Joint Petitioners
June 13-14	Technical Session
July 15	Data Requests by Staff/Intervenors – Set 3 (rolling requests)
July 29	Responses to Data Requests by Staff/Intervenors
August 12	Data Requests by Staff/Intervenors (focused on IT issues)
August 26	Data Responses
September 7-8	Technical Session
September 30	Staff/Intervenor Testimony
October 5	Technical Session/Settlement Conference
October 12	Data Requests by Joint Petitioners and others
November 2	Responses to Data Requests by Joint Petitioners and others
November 9-10	Technical Session/Settlement Conference [or Hearing on Settlement]
November 23	Rebuttal Testimony [or Settlement Filed]
December 7-8	Settlement Conference [or Hearing on Settlement]
December 21	Settlement Filed (if any)
January 11-13, 2012	Hearings

Alternative hearing dates are proposed in the event settlement is reached at an earlier date in the proceeding.

Staff hereby requests, on behalf of all parties in Docket No. DG 11-040, that the Commission approve the proposed procedural schedule.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lynn Fabrizio", written in a cursive style.

Lynn Fabrizio
Staff Attorney

Attachments
cc: Service List