

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
INTER-DEPARTMENT MEMORANDUM

Date: May 17, 2013

TO: Commissioners
FROM: F. Anne Ross, Hearing Examiner
RE: DE 12-347 Granite State Electric Company d/b/a Liberty Utilities
Least Cost Integrated Resource Plan



HEARING EXAMINER'S REPORT

At your request, I presided over the May 10, 2013 prehearing conference in the above referenced case.

On December 3, 2012, Granite State Electric Company d/b/a Liberty Utilities (Liberty) filed a Least Cost Integrated Resource Plan.

Appearances: Sarah B. Knowlton, Esq. for Liberty
Alexander F. Speidel, Esq. for Staff

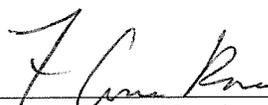
Intervention Requests: None

Initial Positions: Liberty described its LCIRP and indicated that National Grid assisted in the preparation of the LCIRP. Liberty requested a waiver pursuant to RSA 378:38-a. Finally, Liberty indicated that it wished to discuss Staff's proposed procedural schedule in a technical session following the hearing.

Staff supported Liberty's request for a waiver and expressed an interest in developing a procedural schedule which would allow a hearing on the LCIRP in September 2013.

Technical Session: As reported by Staff, by letter of May 16, 2013, the parties met in a technical session following the prehearing conference and agreed upon a proposed procedural schedule.

Recommendations: I recommend that the Commission approve the procedural schedule proposed in Staff's letter dated May 16, 2013.

By 
F. Anne Ross, Hearing Examiner