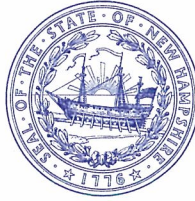


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Re: DG 13-086, Northern Utilities, Inc.
Rate Case
Proposed Procedural Schedule

To the Parties:

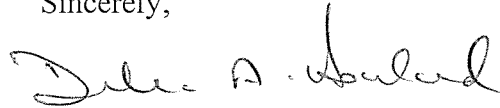
On June 5, 2013, a duly noticed prehearing conference was held in the above referenced proceeding. Appearances at the prehearing conference were entered by representatives of Northern Utilities, Inc., the Office of Consumer Advocate, and Commission Staff. There were no motions to intervene. A motion for confidential treatment was granted from the bench.

Following the prehearing conference, the parties and Staff met in a technical session and agreed upon the following schedule which was submitted to the Commission by letter from Staff dated June 6, 2013:

Rolling Data Requests to Company: Set 1	Through 6/14/13
Company's Responses to Set 1 Data Requests	Within 14 days of receipt
Staff & OCA Prefiled Testimony on Temporary Rates	6/14/13
Hearing on Temporary Rates	6/17/13 at 10:00 a.m.
Rolling Data Requests to Company: Set 2	Through 8/2/13
Company's Responses to Set 2 Data Requests	Within 14 days of receipt
Technical Sessions	9/11/13 and 9/12/13 at 9:00 a.m.
Rolling Data Requests to Company: Set 3	Through 9/19/13
Company's Responses to Set 3 Data Requests	Within 14 days of receipt
Final Audit Report Issued	10/25/13
Firm-Date Data Requests to Company (Set 4) re: Audit	11/1/13
Company's Responses to Audit Report Data Requests	11/15/13
Technical Session	11/21/13 at 9:00 a.m.
Staff & OCA Testimony	12/20/13
Company's Data Requests on Testimony	1/8/14
Staff & OCA Responses to Company Data Requests	1/22/14
Technical Session/Settlement Discussion	1/24/14 at 9:00 a.m.
Company's Rebuttal Testimony	2/7/14
Settlement Discussion Session	2/14/14 at 9:00 a.m.
Hearings on the Merits	3/12/14 and 3/13/14 at 10:00 a.m.

The Commission has determined that the proposed schedule is in the public interest and therefore has approved it. For administrative efficiency, the Commission has elected to issue this Secretarial Letter as its prehearing order in this proceeding.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Debra A. Howland".

Debra A. Howland
Executive Director

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