

**STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**  
**BEFORE THE**  
**NEW HAMPSHIRE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**  
**DE 15-137**

**ELECTRIC AND NATURAL GAS UTILITIES**

**Energy Efficiency Resources Standard**

**Petition to Intervene on Behalf of The Jordan Institute**

The Jordan Institute respectfully petitions the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission (“Commission”) for leave to intervene as a full party in the above-captioned proceeding under Admin. Rule Puc 203.17 and RSA 541-A:32. In support of this petition, The Jordan Institute represents that:

1. On May 8, 2015 the Commission issued an Order of Notice in the above-captioned docket opening what is likely to be a comprehensive and far reaching docket meant to address many energy efficiency-related matters. In the Order of Notice the Commission said it was opening this proceeding to establish an Energy Efficiency Resources Standard (“EERS”), including specific targets or goals for energy savings that utilities would have to meet in New Hampshire. The Commission went on to say that in this proceeding it would define savings targets, address public and private funding issues, program cost recovery, lost revenue recovery, performance based incentives and penalties and program administration, evaluation, measurement and verification. The Commission cited to the 10-year State Energy Strategy and that plan’s recommendation that the Commission open this proceeding and that the utilities, in collaboration with other interested parties, develop efficiency goals aimed at achieving all cost effective efficiency over a reasonable time frame.

2. In the Order of Notice the Commission set a prehearing conference for June 3, 2015 and established a deadline of May 29, 2015 for the submission of petitions to intervene.

3. The Jordan Institute is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization with a mission to advance public, environmental, and economic health by improving energy performance and resiliency in how buildings are designed, built, renovated, operated, and financed. Its work focuses specifically on New Hampshire's public policies, programs, and implementation of energy-efficiency projects and renewable-energy systems, including rebates and incentives, energy codes, financing, and quality control.

4. The Jordan Institute will be administering a statewide C-PACE financing program for energy-efficiency and renewable-energy projects in New Hampshire's existing commercial buildings, starting in mid-2015. Unlike many other states and jurisdictions, the NH C-PACE program will not use public funding for financing, however many NH C-PACE projects most probably will tap public incentives to buy-down the cost of the capital projects.

5. The Jordan Institute's for-profit subsidiary, Resilient Buildings Group, works closely with administrators of utility energy-efficiency rebate programs on behalf of their clients in retrofit and new-construction projects. RBG performs energy audits, commissioning and retro-commissioning, energy-centric construction management, monitoring and verification, navigation of rebate and incentive programs, LEED consulting and certification, energy consulting for historic properties, owner advocacy, and other consulting services.

6. The Jordan Institute has intervened in numerous dockets historically and more recently provided input on the Commission's EERS Straw Proposal, the Office of Energy and Planning's State Energy Strategy, and Department of Environmental Services rulemaking regarding spreading wood ash, Env-Sw 1700.

7. The Jordan Institute is a voting member of the Energy Efficiency and Sustainable Energy Board.

8. For the reasons outlined above The Jordan Institute's rights, duties, privileges or substantial interests as a non-profit organization with an energy efficiency-related mission will be affected by the proceeding given the scope of the issues identified in the Order of Notice. The Jordan Institute has a direct interest in the issues to be addressed by this docket. The Jordan Institute's participation and intervention will not impair the orderly conduct of the proceeding.

9. Granting this petition for intervention would be in the interest of justice and would not impair the orderly and prompt conduct of the proceeding. The Commission has discretion pursuant to RSA 541-A:32,II to allow requests for intervention.

WHEREFORE, The Jordan Institute respectfully requests that the Commission grant it full intervenor status in the proceeding or grant such other relief as the Commission deems just and equitable.

Respectfully submitted,

The Jordan Institute  
By its Executive Director

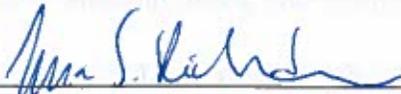


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Certificate of Service

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing Petition has on this 28th day of May 2015 been sent by email to the service list in DE 15-137.

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