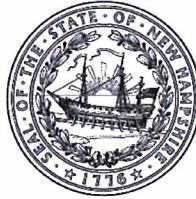


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Re: DE 10-055 - Unitil Rate Case  
Request for Suspension of Procedural Schedule

Dear Ms. Howland:

This letter is to advise the Commission that the parties have reached an agreement in principle in Docket No. DE 10-055 and are currently engaged in drafting a comprehensive settlement document. Accordingly, the parties request that the Commission amend the current procedural schedule by suspending the date for the filing of a Settlement Agreement as well as the date set for hearings on the merits. Pursuant to Puc 203.13, Unitil Energy Systems, the OCA and Staff concur in the request for postponement of the hearing and believe that postponement will promote the orderly and efficient conduct of the proceeding.

The parties will advise the Commission as soon as the settlement agreement is finalized, and will file it along with a recommended date for a hearing. During this time, the parties will keep the Executive Director informed as to their progress.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you should have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Lynn Fabrizio".  
Lynn Fabrizio

cc: Service List