

**THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
BEFORE THE
NEW HAMPSHIRE
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**

DE 12-097

ELECTRIC AND GAS UTILITIES

**Investigation into Purchase of Receivables, Customer Referral and Electronic
Interface for Electric and Gas Distribution Utilities**

Motion to Close Docket without Prejudice

NOW COMES the Retail Energy Supply Association (“RESA”), an intervenor in this docket, and moves to close the docket without prejudice. In support of this Motion RESA states as follows:

1. This docket was opened in May of 2012 “to explore whether purchase of receivables, customer referral and electronic interface programs should be implemented in New Hampshire to support customer choice in energy supply for all residential electric utility customers and for smaller commercial electric and gas utility customers.” Order of Notice. Since then there has been a round of testimony by RESA, submitted in July of last year, discovery on that testimony and then a round of testimony from the distribution companies. North American Power and Gas, LLC also submitted late filed testimony. The parties had a technical session on April 26, 2013. During that technical session it became clear that there are still considerable questions about design and implementation regarding how a POR program would work in practice.

2. RESA submits that it would be helpful for the time being to close the docket without prejudice to reopening this docket in the future when some related issues and dockets have been resolved or are closer to resolution. It would be helpful to the

Commission and the parties in this docket if the POR docket in Massachusetts (MA DPU Docket 10-53), which is entering a critical stage after a lengthy proceeding, were resolved or closer to resolution to see how POR programs are developed and implemented in neighboring Massachusetts (two of three electric distribution companies are active parties in the Massachusetts DPU docket). In addition, since there is an open investigation by this Commission into the market conditions affecting Public Service Company of New Hampshire, Docket DE 13-020, it may be of benefit to see what steps the Commission takes as a result of that investigation before holding hearings in this docket. Finally, since there is some overlap of issues in this docket with issues in DE 12-295, the docket opened to address particular charges that PSNH imposes on competitive retail suppliers, RESA submits that it would be helpful for that docket to develop further and possibly conclude before this docket moves any further forward.

3. RESA is therefore filing this motion asking that the docket be closed without prejudice to it being reopened with the understanding that the parties to the docket will not oppose an attempt to reopen the docket. RESA has checked with the other parties and they take the following positions: Staff supports the Motion; the Office of Consumer Advocate supports the Motion; North American Power and Gas, LLC supports the Motion; Public Service Company of New Hampshire supports the relief requested but will file a separate letter.

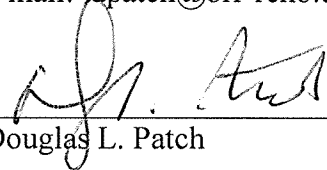
4. RESA submits that for the reasons noted above granting this Motion would be in the interests of justice and would ultimately promote the orderly and efficient resolution of the issues raised in this proceeding.

WHEREFORE, RESA respectfully requests that this honorable Commission:

- A. Close this docket without prejudice; and
- B. Grant such further relief as it deems appropriate.

Respectfully submitted,

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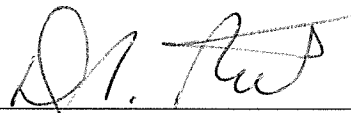


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