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Re: DT 07-027, Kearsarge Telephone Company, Merrimack County Telephone Company, Wilton Telephone Company and Hollis Telephone Company Petition for an Alternate Form of Regulation Procedural Schedule

To the Parties:

On July 19, 2007, Staff filed a report on the technical session held on July 19, 2007 at which the participants reached agreement on a procedural schedule that, among other things, scheduled hearings on December 18, 19, and 20, 2007.

Please be advised that, due to internal scheduling conflicts, the proposed hearing days are not available. The Commission will instead conduct the merits hearing in this case on December 4, 5, and 6, 2007. The parties should confer and agree upon a date for a technical session in lieu of written discovery on rebuttal testimony.

Accordingly, the Commission has approved the following procedural schedule to govern the remainder of the proceeding:

Staff and Intervenor Data Requests	08/14/07
Responses to Staff and Intervenor Data Requests	09/04/07
Staff and Intervenor Second Set of Data Requests	09/11/07
Responses to Second Set of Data Requests	09/26/07
Technical Session/Settlement Conference	10/03/07
Staff and Intervenor Testimony	10/12/07
Company Data Requests to Staff and Intervenors	10/19/07
Responses to Company Data Requests by Staff and Intervenors	11/02/07
Settlement Conference	11/09/07
Rebuttal Testimony	11/15/07
Hearings	12/04/07-12/06/07 at 10:00

Sincerely,

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