STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

Inter-Department Communication

DATE: June 13, 2014 **AT (OFFICE):** NHPUC

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FROM: David Goyette, Utility Analyst III - Telecommunications

SUBJECT: DT 12-250 New Hampshire Optical Systems, Inc.

Petition to Cross Public Waterways and Railroads for Segment 16

TO: Debra Howland, Executive Director

On August 10, 2012, New Hampshire Optical Systems, Inc. (NHOS) filed a petition, pursuant to RSA 371:17, seeking approval for licenses to construct and maintain fiber optic cables over one public waterway and three railroads in Segment 16, a section of its cable line that begins in Northumberland and ends in Lancaster. NHOS filed revisions to its diagrams on January 7, 2013, on February 21, 2013, on July 11, 2013, and on January 21, 2014.

On June 11, 2014, NHOS submitted a filing in which it requested to withdraw the August 10, 2012 petition and notified the Commission of the Segment 16 crossings pursuant to RSA 371:17-b, which became effective on June 19, 2013. NHOS stated that the four crossings in Segment 16 were completed as of April 30, 2013, prior to the effective date of RSA 371:17-b.

The June 11, 2014 notification identified the poles at each crossing based on its tag marker and its geographic location based on latitude and longitude coordinates. The locations for each of the crossings, and each pole of a crossing, as identified by its tag marker and geographic location, are as follows:

- Railroad crossing in Lancaster near Industrial Park Drive, between poles PSNH-NT -T-145/81 (lat. N 44.53384475, long. W -71.57191693) and PSNH 50/80 - T-145/82 (lat. N 44.53423639, long. W -71.57155526)
- Railroad crossing in Northumberland near Guild Hall Road, between poles PSNH-31B/43 T-145/NT (lat. N 44.5809238, long. W -71.53346432) and PSNH-31B/42 T-15/197 (lat. N44.58158848, long. W -71.53330199).

- Railroad crossing in Northumberland near Riverside Drive, between poles PSNH-31B/18 T-145/223 (lat. N 44.59129462, long. W -71.5166092) and PSNH-31B/17 T-145/224 (lat. N 44.5916279, long. W -71.51579575).
- Upper Ammonoosuc River crossing in Northumberland near Main Street, between poles PSNH 31/14 T-145/241 (lat. N 44.59565314, long. W -71.51081431) and PSNH 31/15 T-145L/242 (lat. N 44.59547927, long. W -71.51018163).

The notification also included an affidavit signed by Amy Kraus, the officer responsible for construction of Segment 16, stating that the crossings were completed in compliance with the National Electrical Safety Code and with the pole attachment licenses obtained from the utility pole owners.

Commission Staff believes that the notification filed by NHOS meets all requirements of RSA 371:17-b. Therefore, a final license for these four crossings may be issued by the Executive Director of the Commission, pursuant to RSA 371:20.

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