

**STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**

DE 19-057

**PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
d/b/a EVERSOURCE ENERGY**

Request for Change in Rates

Procedural Order Re: Compliance with Order No. 26,804

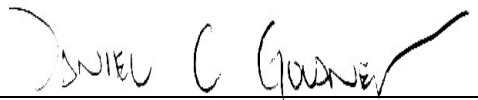
On April 24, 2023, the Commission denied without prejudice Public Service Company of New Hampshire d/b/a Eversource Energy's (Eversource) March 17, 2023 "Motion to Resolve Dispute Regarding Settlement Agreement Implementation" (Motion) and established a deadline for Eversource to seek confidential treatment of, and to comment on, the business process audit report filed by the New Hampshire Department of Energy (DOE) on April 20, 2023 (BPA Report). *See* Order No. 26,804. Eversource did not refile or renew its Motion.

On May 31, 2023, Eversource submitted a filing in response to Order No. 26,804. In that filing, Eversource declined to seek confidential treatment of any portions of the BPA Report. Accordingly, the BPA Report filed by the DOE on April 20, 2023 shall be posted at Tab No. 258 in the above-captioned docket. Eversource also filed redlined versions of the BPA Report that: proposed revisions to remove what it considered to be subjective, editorial language improperly incorporated in the BPA Report; proposed revisions to correct what it deemed were factual inaccuracies in the BPA Report; and comments on content in the BPA Report. The DOE filed a response on June 9, 2023, in which it objected to any alteration of the BPA Report.

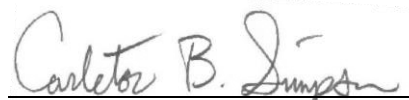
The Commission accepts Eversource's May 31, 2023 filing as compliant with Order No. 26,804. The Commission declines to strike any portions of the BPA Report, because

Eversource has been provided opportunity to review and comment on the BPA report. We therefore find that the DOE's April 20, 2023 filing and Eversource's May 31, 2023 filing, taken together, fulfill the BPA Report obligations in Section 3.2 of the Settlement Agreement on Permanent Rates in this matter. Exh. 58 at Bates page 46. We note that the DOE has shared Eversource's May 31 filing with the outside auditor, River Consulting Group, Inc. (RCG), and indicated that if a further final BPA Report is produced incorporating Eversource's feedback, the DOE will file such report with the Commission. The BPA Report will be deemed the final version of the report, unless a further report is filed by the DOE containing revisions by RCG, which shall then be considered the final report.

So ordered, this twenty-sixth day of June, 2023.



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Chairman



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