STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

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PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY OF NEW HAMPSHIRE D/B/A EVERSOURCE ENERGY

Petition for License to Construct and Maintain Electric Lines Over and Across Baboosic Brook in the Town of Merrimack

Summary of Order Nisi No. 26,317 Granting License

December 19, 2019

On December 19, 2019, the Commission approved a request by Public Service Company of New Hampshire d/b/a Eversource Energy (Eversource) under RSA 371:17 for a license to modify or rebuild a number of structures associated with an existing transmission line that crosses the Baboosic Brook in Merrimack, New Hampshire, four times. The license authorizes crossings at all four locations. The Commission's Order, the petition, and subsequent docket filings, other than any information for which confidential treatment is requested of or granted by the Commission, are available at http://puc.nh.gov/Regulatory/Docketbk/2019/19-146.html.

The Commission determined that the license, which will allow Eversource to modify and maintain the electric line, is necessary to meet the reasonable requirements of service to the public. The Commission also decided that the license could be granted without substantially affecting the public rights in Baboosic Brook at the crossing locations. The Commission approved Eversource's license request subject to certain conditions related to the safe construction, operation, and maintenance of the proposed crossing.

The Commission delayed the effectiveness of its approval to ensure the public receives notice of the Commission's determination and has an opportunity to request a hearing. Persons interested in responding to the Commission's action may submit their comments, or file a written

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request for a hearing that states the reason and basis for a hearing, no later than January 10, 2020. Any person responding to such comments and requests for hearing shall do so no later than January 15, 2020. Following consideration of any comments and requests for hearing received, the Commission may further extend the final effective date of its Order.

Unless the Commission orders otherwise, the Commission's Order shall become final and effective on January 21, 2020,