



The State of New Hampshire
Department of Environmental Services



Robert R. Scott, Commissioner

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State of New Hampshire
Public Utilities Commission
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Concord, New Hampshire 03301-2429

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RE: Docket No. IR 20-004, Investigation into Rate Design Standards for Electric Vehicle Charging Stations and Electric Vehicle Time of Day Rates – Request for an Additional Comment Period

Dear Director Howland:

In response to a Staff recommendation dated January 10, 2020, on January 16, 2020, the Public Utilities Commission (PUC) issued an Order of Notice relative to Docket IR 20-004, Investigation into Rate Design Standards for Electric Vehicle Charging Stations and Electric Vehicle Time of Day Rates. The Order establishes a February 20, 2020 deadline for stakeholder comments on the Staff recommendation and schedules a technical session for February 28, 2020. The NH Department of Environmental Services, through this submittal, requests the Commission modify the schedule to allow for multiple technical sessions and an opportunity for additional comments to be submitted to the PUC.

The Order provided only twenty-one work days for interested parties to conduct research and submit initial comments, during which Staff made a motion that changed the scope of Eversource's pending rate case, 19-057, as well as affected the scope of IR 20-004. Based on our participation in other dockets, discussions during technical sessions bring forth information that may inform and shape the views of participants on specific topics or proposals. In order to enable all participants to maximize the value of participating in this docket, and to ensure that any action by the PUC as a result of this docket is based on robust information from informed sources, we request that the PUC hold a minimum of two technical sessions and accept additional written comment following each technical session. Pursuant to the requirements of Senate Bill 575 (2018) that triggered this docket, the PUC has until August 18, 2020 to issue its determination on the issues.

Respectfully,

Rebecca Ohler
Administrator
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