

**STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**

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ELECTRIC AND GAS UTILITIES

2021-2023 TRIENNIAL ENERGY EFFICIENCY PLAN

Memorandum of Commissioner Pradip Chattopadhyay

This memorandum explains my rationale for not recusing myself from this docket.

Prior to my December 8, 2021, appointment as Commissioner of the Public Utilities Commission (the “Commission”), I served as Senior Advisor for the Commission from approximately August 18, 2021, to December 8, 2021. Prior to my employment with the Commission, I served as Assistant Consumer Advocate for the Office of Consumer Advocate (“OCA”) from December 26, 2014, to August 17, 2021.

This docket was commenced on June 5, 2020. The OCA filed a letter of participation on June 8, 2020. Although there is chronological overlap between the pendency of this docket and my employment with the OCA, I was not assigned to work on the 2021-23 Triennial Energy Efficiency Plan as part of my duties there. On some occasions, I participated in office-wide staff meetings where references may have been made to the 2021-23 Triennial Energy Efficiency Plan. To the extent I can even recall the content of these references, they were not substantive.

As a result of my employment with the OCA, I am not privy to any confidential, proprietary, or other information related to the 2021–23 Triennial Energy Plan that it would be inappropriate for me to know in my role as Commissioner. Nor has my prior employment with the OCA led me to in any way prejudge the merits of any of the issues presented in this docket.

I am aware of the disqualification standards applicable to commissioners, including, but not limited to, RSA 363:12, VII, RSA 363:19, Puc 202.09, and RSA 21-G:22. I have also reviewed, consistent with past Commission practice, disqualification standards applicable to New Hampshire attorneys under the New Hampshire Rules of Professional Conduct and the New Hampshire Rules of Judicial Conduct.

I have considered the full extent of my employment history with the OCA and determined that I have had no personal or substantial involvement in the issues presented in this docket. My recusal from this docket is not required by any of the aforementioned statutes and rules. My prior employment with the OCA has no impact on my ability to participate in this docket fairly and impartially. I am not aware of any reason why my impartiality might reasonably be questioned.

Should any motion be filed asking that I recuse myself from this docket, I will consider the merits of that motion and take any required action.



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