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**PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**  
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April 19, 2021

Re: DE 21-020, Public Service Company of New Hampshire d/b/a Eversource Energy and Consolidated Communications of Northern New England Company, LLC d/b/a Consolidated Communications  
Joint Petition to Approve Pole Asset Transfer  
Procedural Schedule

To the Parties:

On April 2, 2021, the Commission held a duly noticed prehearing conference in the above-referenced matter. Appearances were entered by Public Service Company of New Hampshire d/b/a Eversource Energy and Consolidated Communications of Northern New England Company, LLC d/b/a Consolidated Communications (collectively, the Petitioners), the Office of the Consumer Advocate (OCA), and Commission Staff (Staff). The Commission granted the petition to intervene filed by New England Cable and Telecommunications Association, Inc. (NECTA).

Following the prehearing conference, the Petitioners, OCA, NECTA, and Staff met in a technical session and agreed upon the following schedule, which Staff submitted to the Commission by letter dated April 8, 2021:

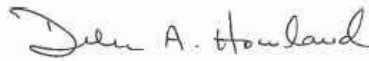
Set 1 Data Requests to Petitioners	April 12, 2021
Petitioners' Responses to Set 1 Data Requests	April 26, 2021 (10 business days)
Technical Session <sup>1</sup>	May 13, 2021, at 10:00 a.m.
Set 2 Data Requests to Petitioners	June 3, 2021
Petitioners' Responses to Set 2 Data Requests	June 17, 2021 (10 business days)
Technical Session	June 24, 2021, at 10:00 a.m.
Set 3 Data Requests to Petitioners	June 29, 2021
Petitioners' Responses to Set 3 Data Requests	July 14, 2021 (10 business days)
Staff/OCA/Intervenor Testimony	July 28, 2021
Data Requests to Staff/OCA/Intervenors	August 16, 2021
Staff/OCA/Intervenor Responses to Data Requests	August 30, 2021 (10 business days)
Technical Session/Settlement Conference	September 9, 2021, at 1:00 p.m.
Settlement Conference/Rebuttal Testimony	September 16, 2021, at 1:00 p.m.
Hearing	November 1 and 5, 2021, at 10:00 a.m.

<sup>1</sup> Any technical session held in a Commission proceeding may potentially involve settlement discussions, which will be restricted to participation by parties only and must be treated as confidential and not disclosed, consistent with N.H. Admin. R., Puc 203.20(a).

The Commission has determined that the proposed schedule is in the public interest and, therefore, has approved it. For administrative efficiency, the Commission has elected to issue this secretarial letter as its prehearing order.

Staff advised that the parties agreed to meet on April 12 to discuss a less redacted version of the Petitioners' Settlement and Pole Asset Purchase Agreement (Pole Agreement) in response to NECTA's objection to the Petitioners' motion to protect the Pole Agreement from public disclosure. Staff shall report the outcome of this discussion to the Commission on or before April 30, 2021.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Debra A. Howland". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "D".

Debra A. Howland  
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