## BEFORE THE NEW HAMPSHIRE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

## **DE 21-030**

Unitil Energy Systems, Inc.

## **Request for Change in Rates**

## MOTION TO AMEND PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

The Department of Energy ("Department") pursuant to New Hampshire Code Admin. Rules Puc 203.7, hereby moves the Public Utilities Commission (Commission) to amend the existing procedural schedule in this matter to change the hearing date set by the Commission in its Procedural Order dated February 14, 2022.

In support of this Motion, the Department states as follows:

- 1. In a Procedural Order dated February 14, 2022, the Commission scheduled a hearing in this matter for March 1, 2022.
- 2. I am sole counsel for the Department in this matter, which has been ongoing for almost one year, and I am not available to attend the hearing on March 1. 2022, due to a long-standing medical commitment. At the hearing, I intend to sponsor Department witnesses that will describe and support the compressive settlement that was filed with the Commission on February 11, 2022. Substitute counsel for the Department can be available on March 1, if needed.
- 3. To allow my attendance, the Department requests that this hearing be re-scheduled for February 24, and that the Commission use March 1 (when substitute counsel for the Department can be available) only if the proceedings cannot be concluded on February 24.

4. The following parties assent to this Motion: Unitil Energy Systems, Inc., the Office of the Consumer Advocate, NH Department of Environmental Services, Clean Energy of NH, and ChargePoint, Inc. Conservation Law Foundation does not object to the Motion.

**WHEREFORE**, the Department respectfully requests that the Commission amend the existing procedural schedule in this proceeding by scheduling a hearing on February 24, 2022 and using March 1 only if the proceedings cannot be concluded on February 24.

Respectfully submitted,

New Hampshire Department of Energy

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