STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE Before the PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

DE 21-078

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

Petition for Electric Vehicle Make-Ready and Demand Charge Alternative Proposals

MOTION TO AMEND PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

Pursuant to New Hampshire Code of Administrative Rules Puc 203.07, Public Service Company of New Hampshire d/b/a Eversource Energy ("Eversource" or the "Company") hereby moves, with the assent of all parties to the docket including the New Hampshire Department of Energy ("DOE"), for the Public Utilities Commission ("Commission") to modify the procedural schedule for the docket as proposed in this motion.

In support of this motion, Eversource states the following:

- 1. On April 15, 2021 Eversource submitted its petition for approval of an electric vehicle make-ready program and demand charge alternative rate design. On September 10, 2021, the Commission approved the procedural schedule in this matter.
- 2. On February 25, 2022 testimony was received from DOE and the intervenor parties in this matter. Shortly thereafter it was discovered that the current procedural schedule does not allow for an opportunity for the Company to provide rebuttal testimony in response to the DOE intervenor testimony.
- 3. As the petitioner in this matter, and therefore carrying the burden of proof, Eversource wishes to be afforded the opportunity to respond to the DOE and intervenor testimony through rebuttal testimony. Further, to fully examine the open issues in this docket and to provide the best chance to reach a settlement agreement among the parties, more than one technical

session/settlement conference is warranted to discuss both DOE and intervenor testimony, as well as any Eversource rebuttal testimony. To implement these modifications to the schedule, the hearing in this matter, currently scheduled for April 20, 2022, would also have to be modified to a later date.

4. The Company has conferred with and received assent from all parties to the docket to propose the following changes to the procedural schedule in this docket:

Remainder of Existing Procedural Schedule

Technical Session/Settlement Conference **March 31, 2022**, at 10:00 a.m. Hearing **April 20, 2022**, at 9:00 a.m.

Proposed Modified Procedural Schedule

Technical Session/Settlement Conference April 6, 2022, at 10:00 a.m. Eversource Rebuttal Testimony April 25, 2022
Technical Session/Settlement Conference May 11, 2022, at 10:00 a.m. Hearing one day between 6/27-6/29 at 9 a.m.

- 5. Modifying the procedural schedule would ensure sufficient due process for the petitioner, not unduly delay this proceeding, and allow for the parties to make good faith efforts to reach settlement in this matter, which "the Commission encourages . . . because it is an opportunity for creative problem solving, allows parties to reach a result in line with their expectations, and is often a better alternative to litigation." (internal citation omitted). Order No. 26,589 at 9 (March 2, 2022).
- 6. Additionally, the Commission has the issue of possible commercial electric vehicle time of use rates for all utilities pending before it in Docket No. DE 20-170. While the record is closed in that matter the parties to that docket still await an order. The disposition of the Commission on the issue of commercial electric vehicle time of use rates as applied to Eversource through an order in Docket No. DE 20-170 will likely result in the simplification of

negotiations amongst the parties, increasing the likelihood of settlement in this matter, further supporting the extension of the procedural schedule for this docket.

WHEREFORE, EVERSOURCE respectfully requests that the Commission: (1) Approve the modified schedule as proposed in this motion; and (2) Order such further relief as may be just and equitable.	
	Respectfully submitted,
	Public Service Company of New Hampshire d/b/a Eversource Energy
3/18/2022 Date	By:
CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE	
I hereby certify that, on the date written below, I caused the attached to be served pursuant to N.H. Code Admin. Rule Puc 203.11.	

3/18/2022	JAL:
5/10/2022	
Date	Jessica A. Chiavara