

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
BEFORE THE
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

Northern Utilities, Inc.

Docket No. DG 21-104

MOTION TO CANCEL CERTAIN HEARING DATES

Northern Utilities, Inc. (“Unitil” or the “Company”) hereby moves the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission (“Commission”) to cancel a hearing day for this proceeding. The Department of Energy assents to this motion. In support of this motion, Unitil states as follows:

1. On August 2, 2021, Unitil filed its petition for a rate increase pursuant to N.H. Admin Rules Puc 1600 et seq. On October 13, 2021, the Commission issued a Procedural Order approving a procedural schedule for the above-docketed matter. The Procedural Order scheduled hearings on the merits for June 1, 2, 7, and 8, 2022. On April 26, 2022, the Commission issued Procedural Order canceling the June 1, 2022 hearing date.
2. On May 12, 2022, Unitil filed an assented-to motion to cancel the deadline for rebuttal testimony, explaining that Unitil, the Department of Energy, and the Office of the Consumer Advocate had engaged in productive settlement discussions and reached a comprehensive agreement in principle, and were in the process of memorializing the settlement. Unitil anticipates that the settling parties will submit a finalized Settlement Agreement for the Commission’s consideration in the next several days.
3. In light of the anticipated Settlement Agreement filing, Unitil requests that the Commission cancel the hearing date presently scheduled for June 2 and schedule a hearing on

the Settlement Agreement for either June 7 or June 8, days that are already set aside on the Commission's calendar for rate case hearings. This will enable the Company to submit the Settlement Agreement in compliance with Puc 203.20(e) and provide the Commission with sufficient time to review the Settlement Agreement prior to the hearing.

4. Unitil is authorized to state that the Department of Energy assents to the relief requested in this motion. As of this writing, the Office of the Consumer Advocate has not taken a position on the motion.

WHEREFORE, Unitil requests that the Commission grant this assented-to motion and amend the procedural schedule as provided in this motion.

NORTHERN UTILITIES, INC.



By: _____

Dated: May 25, 2022

Patrick Taylor, Esq.
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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.



Patrick Taylor

May 25, 2022