

**STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**

DE 21-109

**PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
d/b/a EVERSOURCE ENERGY**

2021 Transmission Cost Adjustment Mechanism

ORDER OF NOTICE

On May 28, 2021, Public Service Company of New Hampshire d/b/a Eversource Energy (Eversource, or the Company) filed a letter notifying the Commission that it would propose an adjustment to its average transmission cost adjustment mechanism (TCAM) rate for effect on August 1, 2021. According to Eversource, once it receives complete information on wholesale transmission rates from Independent System Operator New England, Inc. (ISO-NE), the Company will file testimony with exhibits and the proposed adjusted rate.

By Order No. 24,750 (May 25, 2007) in Docket DE 06-028, the Commission approved Eversource's use of a TCAM rate for the recovery and reconciliation of costs related to transmission-related services. Consistent with how the TCAM is adjusted pursuant to Order No. 26,163 (July 31, 2018) in Docket DE 18-089, the TCAM rate is proposed to go into effect on August 1 at the same time adjustments are made to Eversource's Energy Service rate, Stranded Cost Recovery Charge, Distribution Rate step increase, and its Regulatory Reconciliation Adjustment rate mechanism is implemented.

Eversource's letter and subsequent docket filings, other than any information for which confidential treatment is requested of or granted by the Commission, will be posted to the Commission's website at <https://www.puc.nh.gov/Regulatory/Docketbk/2021/21-109.html>

The filing raises, inter alia, issues related to whether Eversource used the appropriate method to calculate the proposed TCAM rate; whether Eversource properly calculated the proposed TCAM rate consistent with prior Commission orders; and whether the proposed TCAM rate is just and reasonable as required by RSA 374:2 and by RSA 378:5 and :7. Each party has the right to have an attorney represent the party at the party's own expense.

With the expiration of the declared State of Emergency, the Commission must now comply with all requirements of RSA chapter 91-A, including the requirement that a quorum of a public body must be physically present at the location specified as the location of the public meeting in the meeting notice. The Commission is aware that not all parties, including regulated utilities, have returned to full in-person work environments. Therefore, for the foreseeable future, the Commission intends to provide a hybrid approach to hearings to accommodate those who are remote and those who are physically present. A quorum of commissioners will be physically present within a hearing room for all Commission hearings beginning June 14, 2021. In order to facilitate the hybrid approach, all parties participating in the hearing room will continue to participate on the web-enabled platform. Parties and the public may continue to participate in hearings remotely using the Commission's web-enable platform.

Based upon the foregoing, it is hereby

ORDERED, the Commission will hold a hearing on the merits of the issues presented in the Eversource petition at its offices located at 21 S. Fruit St., Suite 10, Concord, New Hampshire, on July 22, 2021, at 1:00 p.m. Commissioners will be present in the hearing room and will use a web-enabled platform to conduct the hearing. Members of the public who wish to access the hearing may do so [by clicking here](#). **If you have any difficulty obtaining access to**

this remote event, please notify the Commission by calling (603) 271-2431 as soon as possible. Parties and members of the public wishing to attend the hearing in person are encouraged to register in advance, on or before July 19, 2021, by calling (603) 271-2431. Parties will be provided with additional instructions prior to the hearing; and it is

FURTHER ORDERED, that, pursuant to N.H. Admin. R., Puc 203.12, Eversource shall notify all persons desiring to be heard at this hearing by publishing a copy of this order of notice on its website no later than one business day after the date of issue, such publication to be documented by affidavit filed with the Commission on or before July 19, 2021. In addition, the Executive Director shall publish this order of notice on the Commission's website no later than one business day after the date of issue; and it is

FURTHER ORDERED, that consistent with N.H. Admin. R., Puc 203.17 and Puc 203.02, any party seeking to intervene in these proceedings shall file with the Commission a petition to intervene with copies sent to Eversource and the Office of the Consumer Advocate on or before July 19, 2021, such petition stating the facts demonstrating how its rights, duties, privileges, immunities, or other substantial interests may be affected by the proceeding, consistent with N.H. Admin. R., Puc 203.17. Pursuant to the secretarial letter issued on March 17, 2020, which is posted on the Commission's website at <https://www.puc.nh.gov/Regulatory/Secretarial%20Letters/20200317-SecLtr-Temp-Changes-in-Filing-Requirements.pdf> any party seeking to intervene may elect to submit this filing in electronic form; and it is

FURTHER ORDERED, that any party objecting to a petition to intervene make said objection on or before July 22, 2021.

By order of the Public Utilities Commission of New Hampshire this twenty-ninth day of
June, 2021

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Debra A. Howland", is written over a horizontal line.

Debra A. Howland
Executive Director

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