

April 25, 2022

Via electronic mail only

Daniel Goldner, Chair
New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission
21 S. Fruit Street, Suite 10
Concord, NH 03301

Re: Docket No. DE 21-133 Joint Petition for Approval of the 2021-2022 Electric Assistance Program Budgets
Public Service Company of New Hampshire d/b/a Eversource Energy and the New Hampshire Department of Energy – request for an extension of time to submit notification of contract cost

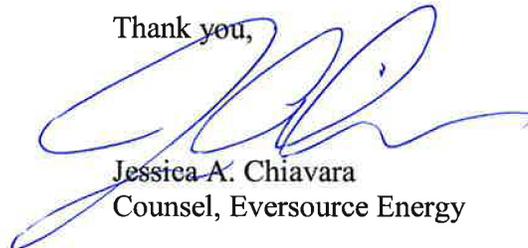
Chair Golder:

On March 16, 2022, the Commission issued Order No. 26,593 suspending this docket and granting the parties motion to hire a consultant to review and evaluate the Electric Assistance Program (“EAP”) by developing and issuing a request for proposals (“RFP”). In that same order, the Commission directed the parties to select a consultant and notify the Commission of the contract cost by April 28, 2022.

Public Service Company of New Hampshire d/b/a Eversource Energy (“Eversource” or the “Company”) has been working with the Department of Energy (“Department”), and together timely developed and issued the RFP by March 31. The bidding process closed on April 21 and the bids received are currently being evaluated, but the evaluation process is likely to take another few days before the winning bid is selected. As the selection of the winning bid is still pending and the contract cost has yet to be determined, Eversource respectfully requests that the Commission provide a one-week extension and allow Eversource and the Department to file notification of the contract cost by May 6, 2022.

This extension will not delay this matter in any way, as it will have no effect on the ability of the Department and the utilities to file the consultant’s written report and recommendations along with the EAP Advisory Board’s recommendation regarding the EAP program by August 15, 2022 as required by Order No. 26,593. Eversource and the Department thank the Commission for their consideration. Please contact me should there be any questions I may be able to assist with.

Thank you,



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