# PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION Docket No. DE 22-004

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

#### **Clean Energy Fund**

### CONSERVATION LAW FOUNDATION'S MOTION TO RESCHEDULE THE MAY 19, 2022 HEARING TO THE NEXT AVAILABLE DATE

NOW COMES the Conservation Law Foundation ("CLF"), an intervenor in this docket, and moves pursuant to N.H. Code Admin. Rule Puc 203.07 to reschedule the May 19, 2022 hearing to the next available date in the above-captioned docket. In support of its motion, CLF avers as follows:

1. On February 4, 2022, the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission ("Commission") issued an order *nisi* (Order No. 26,577), in Docket Nos. DE 11-250 and DE 14-238 in which it approved several allocations of Clean Energy Fund dollars. These allocations include: (1) an on-bill financing program for Public Service Company of New Hampshire d/b/a Eversource Energy ("Eversource") customers funded at up to \$1.1 million; (2) a battery rebate program for Eversource residential customers funded at up to \$750,000; and (3) an energy storage rebate program for Eversource Commercial & Industrial customers funded at up to \$1 million. In that same order, the Commission also established the instant docket, and ordered the parties to submit proposals in this docket for use of the balance of the Clean Energy Fund. Order No. 26,577 at 10. The Commission further ordered that Eversource was required to annually report to the Commission in Docket No. DE 22-004 on May 1 concerning the financial status of the Clean Energy Fund and customer participation levels in the approved programs. *Id*.

- 2. Thereafter, on March 21, 2022, the Office of the Consumer Advocate ("OCA"), New Hampshire Department of Energy ("Energy"); Eversource; Clean Energy New Hampshire ("CENH"); and CLF (collectively "Moving Parties") jointly filed a Motion for Rehearing of Order No. 26,577.
- 3. On March 31, 2022, the Commission granted the Moving Parties' Motion for Rehearing and ordered that a hearing take place on May 19, 2022, beginning at 9:00 a.m., to resolve the issues raised in the Motion for Rehearing.
- 4. As a staff attorney for CLF, the undersigned works on matters concerning offshore wind development, including offshore wind development off of New Hampshire's coast, in the Gulf of Maine. Recently, the Bureau of Offshore Energy Management ("BOEM"), the main federal regulator of offshore wind development, announced that it intends to conduct a meeting of its Gulf of Maine Intergovernmental Renewable Task Force ("Gulf of Maine Task Force") on May 19, 2022, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. The BOEM Gulf of Maine Task Force was established following a letter sent from Governor Sununu to BOEM in early 2019. The May 19, 2022 meeting will be the second meeting of the Gulf of Maine Task Force, and first to take place since December 2019. It is anticipated that the May 19, 2022 Gulf of Maine Task Force meeting will kick off the process for designating areas in the Gulf of Maine for offshore wind development. As part of his responsibilities relating to offshore wind, the undersigned is expected to attend the May 19, 2022 Task Force meeting.
- 5. The May 19, 2022 hearing in the above-captioned docket is scheduled to occur at the same time as the Gulf of Maine Task Force meeting. Due to this conflict, CLF respectfully requests that the Commission reschedule the May 19, 2022 hearing to the next available date.

6. Counsel for OCA, Eversource, Energy, and CENH have all stated that they do not object to rescheduling the May 19, 2022 hearing date.

WHEREFORE, CLF respectfully requests that the Commission reschedule the May 19, 2022 hearing to the next available date on the Commission's calendar.

Respectfully submitted,

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April 25, 2022

#### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing Motion for Rehearing has on this 25th day of April 2022, been sent by email to the service list in Docket No. DE 22-004.

Respectfully submitted,

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