

Qualifications of Stephen R. Eckberg

My name is Stephen R. Eckberg. I am employed as a Utility Analyst with the Regulatory Support Division of the New Hampshire Department of Energy. My business address is 21 S. Fruit Street, Suite 10, Concord, New Hampshire 03301.

I earned a B.S. in Meteorology from the State University of New York at Oswego and an M.S. in Statistics from the University of Southern Maine.

After receiving my M.S. degree, I was employed as an analyst in the Boston office of Hagler Bailly, Inc, a consulting firm working with regulated utilities to perform evaluations of energy efficiency and demand-side management programs. From 2000 through 2003, I was employed at the NH Governor's Office of Energy and Community Services as the Director of the Weatherization Assistance Program. Following that, I was employed at Belknap Merrimack Community Action Agency as the Statewide Program Administrator of the NH Electric Assistance Program (EAP). In that capacity, I developed the statewide EAP budget, presented testimony before the NH Public Utilities Commission (PUC) in dockets related to the design, implementation and management of the EAP, and worked closely with the software vendor to implement improvements. I have testified before Committees of the New Hampshire General Court on issues related to energy efficiency and low income electric bill assistance. From 2007 – 2014 I was employed as a Utility Analyst with the New Hampshire Office of the Consumer Advocate (OCA). During my tenure with the OCA, I attended rate making and regulatory training at New Mexico State University's Center for Public Utilities.

In my position with the OCA, I entered pre-filed testimony in the following dockets:

- DG 08-048 Unitil Corporation and Northem Utilities, Inc. Joint Petition for Approval of Stock Acquisition. Joint testimony with Kenneth Traum.
- DW 08-070 Lakes Region Water Company Financing & Step Increase. Joint testimony with Kenneth Traum.

- DW 08-098 Aquarion Water Company of New Hampshire. Joint testimony with Kenneth Traum.
- DE 09-035 Public Service of New Hampshire Distribution Service Rate Case. Joint testimony with Kenneth Traum.
- DT 07-027 Kearsarge Telephone Company, Wilton Telephone Company, Hollis Telephone Company & Merrimack County Telephone Company Petition for Alternative Form of Regulation. Phase II & Phase III.
- DW 08-073 Pennichuck Water Works, Inc. Petition for Rate Increase
- DW 08-070 Lakes Region Water Company Third Step Increase.
- DW 08-065 Hampstead Area Water Company Petition for Rate Increase.
- DE 09-170 2010 CORE Energy Efficiency Programs.
- DW 10-090 Pittsfield Aqueduct Company Petition for Rate Increase.
- DW 10-091 Pennichuck Water Works Petition for Rate Increase.
- DW 10-141 Lakes Region Water Petition for Rate Increase.
- DE 10-188 2011-2012 CORE and Natural Gas Energy Efficiency Programs.
- DE 11-250 PSNH Installation of a Wet Flue-Gas Desulphurization Scrubber.
- DE 12-262 2013-2014 CORE and Natural Gas Energy Efficiency Programs.
- DE 12-292 PSNH 2013 Default Energy Service Rate.
- DE 12-262 2014 CORE Energy Efficiency Programs Update Filing.
- DE 13-108 PSNH 2012 Energy Service Reconciliation.
- DG 14-091 Liberty Utilities Special Contract and Lease Agreement with Innovative Natural Gas, LLC dba iNATGAS.

In August 2014, I joined the Sustainable Energy Division (SED) of the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission (PUC). My responsibilities included grant review and administration, and compliance oversight of New Hampshire's Renewable Portfolio Standard requirements. While employed with SED, I filed testimony in the following dockets:

- DE 18-140 Liberty Utilities Petition for Approval of a Renewable Natural Gas Supply and Transportation Contract

In October 2019, I joined the PUC's Electric Division. I have filed testimony in:

- DE 17-136 2018-2020 New Hampshire Statewide Energy Efficiency Plan - 2020 3rd Year Pgms.
- DE 19-197 Development of a Statewide, Multi-Use Online Energy Data Platform. Joint testimony with Jason Morse.
- DE 20-092 2021 – 2023 Triennial Energy Efficiency Plan.

In July 2021, with the passage of HB2, the New Hampshire Legislature created the Department of Energy, I became an employee of the Regulatory Support Division of the Department of Energy. Since joining the Department of Energy I have filed testimony in the following dockets:

- DE 21-030 Unitil Energy Systems, Inc. Request for Change in Rates.
- DE 21-020 Eversource Energy and Consolidated Communications, Joint Petition to Approve Pole Asset Transfer.
- DG 21-104 Northern Utilities, Inc., Request for Change in Rates.

**Important NEPOOL GIS Dates from <https://nepoolgis.com/>**

<b>Month of Certified Renewable Energy Generation (MWh)</b>	<b>Last Day to Submit MWh, Import Claims, Multi-Fuel Allocations, Emissions, RPS Eligibility</b>	<b>REC Issuance Date</b>	<b>First Day of REC Trading Period</b>	<b>Last Day of REC Trading Period</b>	<b>Quarter</b>
January	July 10	July 15	July 15	September 15	1
February	July 10	July 15	July 15	September 15	1
March	July 10	July 15	July 15	September 15	1
April	October 10	October 15	October 15	December 15	2
May	October 10	October 15	October 15	December 15	2
June	October 10	October 15	October 15	December 15	2
July	January 10	January 15	January 15	March 15	3
August	January 10	January 15	January 15	March 15	3
September	January 10	January 15	January 15	March 15	3
October	April 10	April 15	April 15	June 15	4
November	April 10	April 15	April 15	June 15	4
December	April 10	April 15	April 15	June 15	4