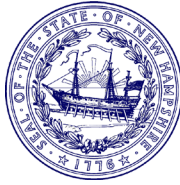


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October 3, 2023

Daniel C. Goldner, Chairman
New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission
21 South Fruit Street
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Re: DE 23-065; Unitil Energy Systems, Inc.; Petition for Waiver of Puc 307.05 and
Authority to Change Short-Term Debt Limit Formula; Request to Amend
Procedural Schedule

Dear Chairman Goldner:

On August 14, 2023, the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission (PUC or Commission) approved the procedural schedule (Schedule) filed in this matter by the New Hampshire Department of Energy (DOE or Department). On August 22, 2023, the DOE requested a modification to the procedural schedule, which the Commission approved. On September 8, 2023, the Department requested a second modification due to workloads in competing dockets and the Commission approved it on September 13, 2023.

On September 12, 2023 the Department issued its Second Set of Data Requests to Unitil Energy Systems, Inc. (UES or Company). On September 25, 2023 the Company responded and upon request from the Department the Company supplemented those responses on September 29, 2023. Given that the responses were supplemented, the Department needs additional time to draft its recommendation. Therefore, the Department respectfully requests the following modification to the schedule as heightened below. The Department is not requesting that the hearing date be continued and the DOE respectfully requests that the hearing date remain December 7th.

Procedural Schedule

Data Requests on Utility Filing Round 1	August 8, 2023
Responses to Data Requests Round 1	August 18, 2023
Technical Session	August 24, 2023
Technical Session Data Requests	August 25, 2023

Responses on Technical Session Data Requests	September 6, 2023
Data Requests on Utility Filing Round 2	September 12, 2023
Responses to Data Requests Round 2	September 25, 2023
DOE Proposed Recommendation Due	October 13, 2023
UES Data Requests	October 23, 2023
Responses to UES Data Requests	November 6, 2023
UES Rebuttal	November 14, 2023
Hearing	December 7, 2023 9:00 a.m.

UES does not object to this Request. DOE contacted the Office of Consumer Advocate for its position on this Request and did not receive a response.

Consistent with the Commission's current practices this letter is being filed only in electronic form.

Sincerely,

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