STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

DW 20-184

AQUARION WATER COMPANY OF NEW HAMPSHIRE, INC.

Request for Change in Rates

Procedural Order Re: Proposed Procedural Schedule

On August 12, 2022, pursuant to Order No. 26,659 (July 29, 2022), the New Hampshire Department of Energy (DOE), with the assent of Aquarion Water Company of New Hampshire, Inc. (Aquarion), the Office of the Consumer Advocate, and the Towns of Hampton and North Hampton, filed a request for the Commission to approve the following procedural schedule regarding Aquarion's petition for approval of a step adjustment:

Final DOE Audit Report Due September 15, 2022
First Round of Discovery September 29, 2022
Responses to Discovery October 13, 2022
Technical Session October 27, 2022

Technical Session Discovery Requests OR

Report to Commission Regarding Adjustment to

Procedural Schedule October 28, 2022 Responses to Discovery November 7, 2022

Settlement or Joint Report to Commission

Regarding Step Amount and Resulting Rates November 21, 2022

The DOE stated that the parties may file an adjusted procedural schedule on October 28, 2022, if they have no further discovery and agree to a new schedule at the October 27 technical session. It also indicated that the parties would be ready for a hearing any time after November 21, 2022, at the Commission's earliest convenience.

It has been determined that the proposed procedural schedule is in the public interest and, therefore, it is approved. A hearing on Aquarion's petition for approval of a step adjustment is scheduled on Thursday, December 1, 2022, at 9:00 a.m. Three hours

are allotted for this hearing, which shall be conducted in person, in accordance with the

hearing guidelines issued on April 7, 2022. If additional time will be required, the parties

are requested to notify the Commission within ten days from the date of this order.

So ordered, this twenty-third day of August, 2022.

Daniel C. Goldner Presiding Officer

Chairman

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