STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

DE 20-170

ELECTRIC DISTRIBUTION UTILITIES

Electric Vehicle Time of Use Rates

ORDER OF NOTICE

On August 18, 2020, the Commission issued Order No. 26,394 in Docket IR 20-004, requiring that a new proceeding be opened to consider utility-specific electric vehicle time of use (EV TOU) rate proposals, to be filed on a timeline developed by Commission Staff (Staff). That order also directed Staff to further develop the alternative metering feasibility assessment concept described in the order, with the input of the parties to the new proceeding.

The Commission is commencing this proceeding to facilitate the development and subsequent review of utility-specific EV TOU rate proposals. The electric distribution utilities regulated by the Commission shall be mandatory parties to this proceeding. This order and any filings in this docket, other than any information for which confidential treatment is requested of or granted by the Commission, will be posted to the Commission's website at www.puc.nh.gov.

The proceeding raises, <u>inter alia</u>, issues related to whether the EV TOU rate proposals to be developed and filed are consistent with the rate design standards delineated in Order No. 26,394; whether those EV TOU rate design proposals are likely to result in just and reasonable electric rates, as required by RSA 374:2 and RSA 378:5 and :7; and whether the EV TOU rate design proposals are consistent with the New Hampshire Energy Policy defined in RSA 378:37.

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Based upon the foregoing, it is hereby

ORDERED, that, consistent with Governor Christopher T. Sununu's Emergency Order #12, the Commission will hold a web-enabled remote prehearing conference, pursuant to N.H. Admin. R., Puc 203.15, on November 9, 2020 at 10 a.m., at which each party will provide a preliminary statement of its position with regard to this matter and any of the issues set forth in N.H. Admin. R., Puc 203.15. Members of the public who wish to access the prehearing conference may do so by clicking here. If you have any difficulty obtaining access to this remote event, please notify the Commission by calling (603) 271-2431 as soon as possible. Parties will be provided with additional instructions prior to the prehearing conference; and it is

FURTHER ORDERED, that, immediately following the prehearing conference, the electric distribution utilities, the Staff of the Commission, and any intervenors hold a webenabled remote technical session to review the issues raised in this proceeding; and it is

FURTHER ORDERED, that pursuant to N.H. Admin. R., Puc 203.12, the electric distribution utilities shall notify all persons desiring to be heard at this hearing by publishing a copy of this order of notice on their respective websites no later than one business day after the date of issue. In addition, the Executive Director shall publish this order of notice on the Commission's website no later than one business day after the date of issue; and it is

FURTHER ORDERED, that, consistent with N.H. Admin. R., Puc 203.17 and Puc 203.02, any party seeking to intervene in the proceeding shall file with the Commission a petition to intervene with copies sent to the docket service list on or before November 6, 2020, such petition stating the facts demonstrating how its rights, duties, privileges, immunities, or other substantial interests may be affected by the proceeding, consistent with N.H. Admin. R., Puc 203.17. Pursuant to the secretarial letter issued on March 17, 2020, which is posted on the

Commission's website at https://www.puc.nh.gov/Regulatory/Secretarial%20Letters/20200317-SecLtr-Temp-Changes-inFiling-Requirements.pdf, any party seeking to intervene may elect to submit this filing in electronic form; and it is

FURTHER ORDERED, that any party objecting to a petition to intervene make said objection on or before November 9, 2020.

By order of the Public Utilities Commission of New Hampshire this sixteenth day of September, 2020.

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