

**STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE  
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**

**DE 15-062**

**NEW ENGLAND POWER COMPANY D/B/A NATIONAL GRID**

**Verified Petition for License to Cross the Connecticut River in the Town of Littleton**

**Summary of Order *Nisi* No. 25,838 Granting Water Crossing License**

**November 3, 2015**

On November 3, 2015, the Commission issued Order *Nisi* No. 25,838, amending Order No. 25,817, which approved a petition filed by New England Power Company d/b/a National Grid (NEP) pursuant to RSA 371:17 requesting a license to construct and maintain poles, electric lines, conductor cables, fiber optic cables, and shield wires over and across the Connecticut River in two locations within existing right-of-way easements owned by NEP in the Town of Littleton. The lines will be placed between newly-constructed utility poles in existing public rights-of-way. Commission Staff reviewed the petition and recommended that the license be granted subject to certain conditions. Staff stated that if the conditions are met, the proposed construction and designs conform to N.H. Code Admin. Rules Puc 306.01 and Puc 1303.07, and applicable sections of the National Electrical Safety Code (NESC).

The petition and subsequent docket filings, other than any information for which confidential treatment is requested of or granted by the Commission, are posted to the Commission's website at <http://puc.nh.gov/Regulatory/Docketbk/2015/15-062.html>.

The Commission granted NEP's request for a license to cross public waters subject to the conditions proposed by Staff by amended order *nisi* dated November 3, 2015. The Commission amended its original order because it may not have provided sufficient notice that the crossings at issue are in the Town of Littleton. The Commission amended the order on a *nisi* basis to ensure that the public receives notice of this docket and has an opportunity to request a hearing.

All persons interested in responding to the Commission's action may submit their comments or file a written request for a hearing, which states the reason and basis for a hearing, no later than November 20, 2015. Any person interested in responding to such comments and requests for hearing shall do so no later than November 27, 2015. Following consideration of any comments and requests for hearing received, the Commission may further extend the final effective date of its order. The Commission's amended order *nisi* shall otherwise become final and effective on December 3, 2015, unless the Commission orders otherwise.