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May 4, 2021

Re: DE 21-030, Unitil Energy Systems, Inc.

Request for Change in Rates

Procedural Schedule

## To the Parties:

On April 22, 2021, the Commission held a duly noticed prehearing conference in the abovereferenced matter. Appearances were entered by Unitil Energy Systems, Inc. (Unitil), the Office of the Consumer Advocate (OCA), and Commission Staff (Staff). The Commission took the petitions to intervene filed by Conservation Law Foundation (CLF), Clean Energy New Hampshire (CENH), The Way Home, the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (NHDES), and ChargePoint, Inc. under advisement.

Following the prehearing conference, Unitil, the OCA, CLF, CENH, The Way Home, NHDES, ChargePoint, Inc., and Staff met in a technical session and agreed upon the following schedule, which Staff submitted to the Commission by letter dated April 29, 2021:

Set 1 Data Requests to Unitil (Temp. Rates)	April 23, 2021
Unitil Responses to Set 1 Data Requests (Temp. Rates)	April 30, 2021
Technical Session <sup>1</sup> /Temp. Rates Settlement Conference	May 4, 2021, at 1:00 p.m.
Target Date for Temp. Rates Settlement	May 7, 2021
Hearing – Temporary Rates	May 14, 2021, at 9:00 a.m.
Set 2 Data Requests	June 2, 2021
Unitil Responses to Set 2 Data Requests	June 16, 2021
Set 3 Data Requests to Unitil	July 7, 2021
Unitil Responses to Set 3 Data Requests	July 21, 2021 (10 business days)
Technical Session	July 27, 2021, at 10:00 a.m.
EV program issues discussed at 10:00 a.m.	
Technical Session (if needed)	July 28, 2021, at 10:00 a.m.
Set 4 Data Requests to Unitil	August 5, 2021

<sup>1</sup> Any technical session held in a Commission proceeding may potentially involve settlement discussions, which will be restricted to participation by parties only and must be treated as confidential and not disclosed, consistent with N.H. Admin. R., Puc 203.20(a).

Unitil Responses to Set 4 Data Requests

Set 5 Data Requests to Unitil

Unitil Responses to Set 5 Data Requests

**Technical Session** 

EV program issues discussed at 10:00 a.m.

Technical Session (if needed) Set 6 Data Requests to Unitil

Unitil Responses to Set 6 Data Requests

**Technical Session** 

Staff/OCA/Intervenor Testimony

Data Requests to Staff/OCA/Intervenors

Staff/OCA/Intervenor Responses to Data Requests

Technical Session Technical Session Settlement Conference Settlement Conference

Rebuttal Testimony (if needed)

**Hearing Dates** 

August 19, 2021 (10 business days)

September 2, 2021 September 17, 2021 (10 business days)

September 27, 2021, at 10:00 a.m.

October 1, 2021, at 10:00 a.m.

October 7, 2021 October 22, 2021 (10 business days)

October 27, 2021, at 10:00 a.m.

November 18, 2021 December 2, 2021 December 16, 2021 (10 business days)

January 6, 2022, at 10:00 a.m. January 7, 2022, at 10:00 a.m. January 11, 2022, at 10:00 a.m. January 13, 2022, at 10:00 a.m.

January 25, 2022

February 7, 8, 11, 15-16, 2022,

at 10:00 a.m.

The Commission has determined that the proposed schedule is in the public interest and, therefore, has approved it. For administrative efficiency, the Commission has elected to issue this secretarial letter as its prehearing order.

No objections to the intervention requests of CLF, CENH, The Way Home, NHDES, and ChargePoint, Inc. were filed. The Commission has granted their petitions to intervene, finding that the standard for intervention in RSA 541-A:32, II has been met. *See* N.H. Admin. R., Puc 203.17.

Sincerely,

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