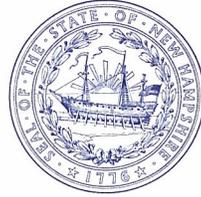


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Re: Docket No. DE 09-170
Electric Utilities 2010 Core Energy Efficiency Programs
Proposed Procedural Schedule



Dear Ms. Howland:

Pursuant to an Order of Notice dated October 1, 2009, a prehearing conference was held in the above-captioned docket on October 14, 2009. At the prehearing conference, the Commission granted all pending motions to intervene. Several parties recommended that the Commission grant authority to the utilities to continue the 2009 Core energy efficiency programs until such time as the Commission may issue an order on the instant filing in the event an order was not forthcoming by December 31, 2009. The Commission accepted that recommendation under advisement.

Following the prehearing conference, the parties and Staff met in technical session and commenced discovery. In addition, the parties and Staff developed the following proposed procedural schedule for this docket.

Data Requests	October 19, 2009
Responses	October 28, 2009
Technical Session	October 30, 2009 (Office of Energy and Planning, 9:00 a.m.)
Testimony (Staff/Others)	November 6, 2009
Technical Session on Audit Report	November 10, 2009
Data Requests on Testimony	November 13, 2009
Technical Session	December 1, 2009 (9:00 a.m.)
Rebuttal Testimony	December 9, 2009
Technical Session	December 14, 2009 (9:00 a.m.)
Hearing	December 22, 2009 (10:00 a.m.)

On behalf of the parties, Staff requests that the Commission approve this procedural schedule. Please let me know if you have any questions. A copy of this letter will be sent electronically to all parties contemporaneous with its filing with the Commission.

Sincerely,

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