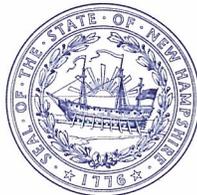


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March 3, 2011

Re: DT 11-024, Union Telephone Company  
Petition for an Alternative Form of Regulation  
Procedural Schedule

To the Parties:

On March 1, 2011, a duly noticed prehearing conference was held in the above referenced proceeding. Appearances at the prehearing conference were entered by representatives of Union Telephone Company, the Office of the Consumer Advocate, and Commission Staff. There were no motions to intervene.

Following the prehearing conference, the parties and Staff met in a technical session and agreed upon the following schedule which was submitted to the Commission by letter from Staff dated March 1, 2011:

Data Requests on Petition	03/18/11
Data Responses	04/06/11
Technical Session/Settlement Conf.	04/18/11 at 9:00 a.m.

Track 1 – if a Settlement is reached:

Settlement Filed	05/06/11
Hearing on Settlement	05/13/11 at 1:30 p.m.

Track 2 – No Settlement:

Rebuttal Testimony	05/06/11
Data Requests on Rebuttal	05/18/11
Data Responses	06/01/11
Sur-rebuttal Testimony	06/08/11
Technical Session in lieu of Discovery	06/13/11 at 9:00 a.m.
Hearing on the Merits	06/16/11 at 10:00 a.m.

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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 in this proceeding.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Debra A. Howland /cel". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Debra A. Howland  
Executive Director