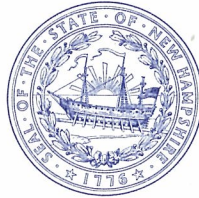


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April 9, 2009

Re: DT 07-027, TDS Companies
Petition for an Alternative Form of Regulation
Procedural Schedule

To the Parties:

On March 26, 2009, a duly noticed Prehearing Conference was held in the above referenced proceeding. Appearances at the Prehearing Conference were entered by representatives of TDS Companies, New Hampshire Legal Assistance, Comcast Phone of New Hampshire, segTEL, Inc., the Office of the Consumer Advocate (participating as a full statutory party), and Commission Staff. All pending motions to intervene were granted.

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 April 7, 2009:

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| Motions regarding scope | 04/06/09 |
| Replies to Motions to Expand Scope | 04/13/09 |
| Data Requests, Set #1 | 04/24/09 |
| Responses to Data Requests, Set #1 | 05/22/09 |
| Technical Session and Follow-up Data Requests | 05/29/09 |
| Data Responses to Follow-up Requests | 06/19/09 |
| Rebuttal Testimony | 07/17/09 |
| Data Requests in Response to Rebuttal | 07/31/09 |
| Data Responses to Rebuttal Requests | 08/21/09 |
| TDS's Reply to Rebuttal Testimony | 09/09/09 |
| Hearing on the Merits | 09/29-09/30, 2009 |

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".

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