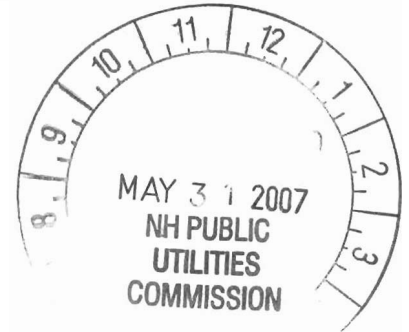


May 29, 2007

**VIA ELECTRONIC FILING**

Ms. Debra A. Howland  
Executive Director and Secretary  
New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission  
21 South Fruit Street, Suite 10  
Concord, New Hampshire 03301-2429



Re: DT 07-027, Kearsarge Telephone Company, Merrimack County Telephone Company, Wilton Telephone Company and Hollis Telephone Company

Dear Ms. Howland:

The purpose of this letter is to advise the Commission, the Petitioner and the Parties to the above-referenced docket that Union Telephone Company ("Union") does not intend to file an initial brief, as is allowed by the Staff's proposed procedural schedule. However, Union respectfully requests that its choice not to file an initial brief not be construed as a bar to submission of a reply brief. Union wishes to preserve its right to submit a reply brief.

Union's participation in this case is necessarily reactive. Union is not the Petitioner, but could be profoundly affected by the outcome of the proceeding initiated by the Petitioner.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Linda S. Lockhart".

Linda S. Lockhart  
Counsel for Union Telephone Company

cc: Darren Winslow, Union Telephone Company  
All persons on the Commission's service list for DT 07-027  
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