

**STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
BEFORE THE
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**

**NHEC'S PETITION UNDER RSA 371:17
FOR LICENSE TO CROSS PUBLIC WATERS
(LAKE WINNIPESAUKEE, MEREDITH)**

Pursuant to RSA 371:17, New Hampshire Electric Cooperative, Inc. ("NHEC") hereby petitions for a license to construct and maintain an electric cable and conduit under Lake Winnepesaukee in the town of Meredith, New Hampshire. In support thereof, NHEC states as follows:

1. Dollar Island is in Lake Winnepesaukee in the Town of Meredith, New Hampshire, and is in NHEC's service territory.
2. There are no electrical lines currently servicing Dollar Island.
3. Dollar Island LLC currently owns a residence on Dollar Island.
4. On behalf of Dollar Island LLC, a contractor approved by NHEC plans to construct a line from NHEC Pole #11525/61.1 located on Bear Island in the Town of Meredith, underground to water's edge, and then underneath Lake Winnepesaukee to Dollar Island also located in the Town of Meredith. On Dollar Island, cable will again be placed underground to a concrete vault, #11525/61.2, ultimately providing secondary metered electrical service to the residence.
5. Dollar Island LLC has obtained Wetlands and Non-Site Specific Permits from the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services for this construction.
6. There are no abutters at the Dollar Island end of the proposed cable.
7. Lake Winnepesaukee is a public water of more than 10 acres in size.

8. If this line is not constructed, the existing residence on Dollar Island will be unable to obtain electrical service from NHEC. Thus, in order to meet the reasonable requirements of service to the public, it is necessary that NHEC's approved contractor construct a distribution line to the shore of, and lay cable under Lake Winnepesaukee to, Dollar Island.

9. Pursuant to Puc 202.11, this Petition is accompanied by prefiled testimony by Mr. Dean Benton, NHEC Plant Records Supervisor, including relevant construction details and material specifications.

WHEREFORE, NHEC respectfully requests that the Commission;

A. Pursuant to RSA 371:19, cause due notice to be given to the Attorney General and to such abutting owners as the Commission may designate;

B. Pursuant to RSA 371:20, grant this petition without a hearing or, in the alternative, schedule a hearing in this matter; and

C. Grant such other relief as may be just and equitable.

Respectfully submitted,

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