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New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission
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Re: Docket No. DE 16-384
Unitil Energy Systems Inc.
2016 Rate Case
Proposed Procedural Schedule

Dear Ms. Howland:

On June 1, 2016, the Commission held a prehearing conference in the above-captioned docket Pursuant to Order No. 25,900 (May 12, 2016). The Office of Consumer Advocate filed a letter of participation pursuant to RSA 363:28 on May 2, 2016.

Unitil Energy Systems, Inc. included a proposed tariff charge for certain customer-sited distributed generation. Certain parties filed motions to intervene based on their interest in this proposed tariff. The Commission said it would not decide the motions at the prehearing conference, and took the matter under advisement. The parties filing motions to intervene are the following:

- Energy Freedom Coalition of America,
- New Hampshire Sustainable Energy Association,
- Revision Energy, and
- Acadia Center.

At the technical session following the prehearing conference, the parties agreed to the following procedural schedule.

Prehearing Conference	June 1, 2016
Discovery on Temp Rates	June 3, 2016
Response to Discovery	June 10, 2016
Tech Session/Discussion	June 13, 2016 at 10:00 a.m.
Temp Rate Hearing	June 20, 2016 at 10:00 a.m.
Rolling Discovery (set 1)	June 30, 2016

Responses Due no later than 10 business days following receipt

Last DR (set 1)	Aug. 11, 2016
Responses	Aug. 25, 2016
Tech Session	Sept. 8 and Sept. 9 beginning at 9:00 a.m.
Rolling Discovery (Set 2)	Sept. 14, 2016
Final Set	Oct. 19, 2016
Final Responses	Nov. 2, 2016
Tech Session	Nov. 9 and 10 beginning at 9:00 a.m.
Staff/OCA/Intervenor Testimony	Nov. 16, 2016
Discovery by Company	Nov. 30, 2016
Responses due in 10 business days	Dec. 14, 2016
Settlement	Jan. 10 and 11, 2017, beginning at 9:00 a.m.
Company rebuttal (if needed)	January 25, 2017
Settlement	Feb. 1 and 2, 2017, beginning at 9:00 a.m.
Filing of Settlement	February 16, 2017
Hearing on Merits	February 28 and March 1, 2017 (10:00 a.m.)

Staff respectfully requests that the Commission approve this proposed schedule.

Sincerely,



Suzanne Amidon
Staff Counsel

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