



New England Ratepayers Association

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State of New Hampshire
Public Utilities Commission
Docket DE 16-576

NEW ENGLAND RATEPAYERS ASSOCIATION PETITION TO INTERVENE

The New England Ratepayers Association (NERA) respectfully submits this Petition for Intervention in docket DE-576 Electric Distribution Utilities Development of New Alternative Net Metering and/or Other Regulatory Mechanisms and Tariffs for Customer-Generators. In support of this petition NERA states:

1. The New England Ratepayers Association is a non-profit, social welfare organization which advocates for the interests of ratepayers throughout New England. Our members are individuals and businesses in New Hampshire and the other five New England states who are concerned about the high costs of electricity in the region and its impact on our economy.
2. NERA has been an active participant legislative and regulatory hearings related to electricity and telecommunications issues in New Hampshire and has been a vocal opponent of policies that result in cost-shifting.
3. NERA was active in the HB 1116 legislative process, passage of which resulted in the current docket.
4. It is important that an independent, non-profit organization which advocates on behalf of New Hampshire ratepayers participates in this proceeding.
5. NERA's participation in this docket is in the interest of justice and would not disrupt the orderly and prompt conduct of this proceeding. If granted intervention status, NERA will abide by the Commission's rules and procedural schedule developed in this docket and make every effort to work collaboratively with the Staff and other parties.

Therefore, NERA respectfully requests that we be granted full intervenor status for this proceeding.

Respectfully submitted,

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