

THE ST ATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

PETITION FOR INTERVENTION OF ACADIA CENTER

October 2nd, 2017

Docket No. DE 17-136

ELECTRIC AND GAS UTILITIES

2018-2020 New Hampshire Statewide Energy Efficiency Plan

Pursuant to the Commission's Order of Notice dated May 8, 2015, N.H. Admin. Rules, Puc 203.17, and in accordance with the standards of RSA 54 l-A:32, Acadia Center hereby petitions for intervention in the above-captioned docket.

In support of its petition, Acadia Center states the following:

- 1. Acadia Center is a non-profit, research and advocacy organization committed to advancing the clean energy future in the Northeast. Acadia Center is at the forefront of efforts to build clean, low carbon and consumer friendly economies. Acadia Center's approach is characterized by reliable information, comprehensive advocacy and problem solving through innovation and collaboration.
- 2. Energy efficiency has long been a major Acadia Center focus. Energy efficiency is a core part of an effective climate strategy. Acadia Center promotes policy models in the region that yield nation-leading investments, institutionalize efficiency as a top resource and ensure that efficiency investments thrive and expand over time.
- 3. Acadia Center serves as the representative of the environmental community on the Massachusetts Energy Efficiency Advisory Council, the Rhode Island Energy Efficiency and Resource Management Council, and the

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Connecticut Energy Advisory Board, and has had experience on issues such as setting effective targets and effective program administration

5. Acadia Center has produced numerous analyses on the impacts of energy efficiency investments in the region, including, Collaboration that Counts: The Role of State Energy Efficiency Stakeholder Councils, Winter Impacts of Energy Efficiency in New England, Best Practices for Advancing State Energy Efficiency Programs Policy Options

& Suggestions, and Energy Efficiency: Engine of Economic Growth.

5. Acadia Center was a party to the settlement agreement creating the Energy Efficiency Resource Standard in docket DE 15-137, and a member of the Energy Efficiency and Sustainable Energy (EESE) Board EERS

subcommittee viewing the draft Statewide Energy Efficiency Plan this summer.

6. Acadia Center's participation in the proceeding is in the interest of justice and will not disrupt the orderly

conduct of this proceeding.

WHEREFORE, Acadia Center respectfully requests that it be granted full intervenor status in this

proceeding.

Respectfully submitted,

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