

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
BEFORE THE
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

Docket No. DRM 17-139

Rulemaking – N.H. Code Admin. Rules Puc 1300
Utility Pole Attachment Rules Readoption With Amendments

PARTIALLY ASSENTED- TO MOTION FOR ENLARGEMENT OF TIME
FOR FILING WRITTEN COMMENTS ON DRAFT FINAL PROPOSAL

NOW COMES New England Cable and Telecommunications Association, Inc. (“NECTA”)¹ and respectfully moves this honorable Commission to enlarge the time for filing written comments in the above-captioned docket by three (3) days. In support of this Motion, NECTA states as follows:

1. By Secretarial Letter issued March 20, 2018 in the above-captioned docket, the Commission established April 2, 2018 as the deadline for interested persons to submit written comments with respect to a Draft Final Proposal for further amendments to the Puc 1300 utility pole attachment rules.
2. NECTA is in the process of preparing its written comments but, due to the previously-scheduled vacations of the attorney of the attorney of one of its members, as well as its undersigned counsel, NECTA is in need of additional time to file its comments. Accordingly, NECTA respectfully requests that the comment deadline for all interested parties be extended until Thursday, April 5, 2018.
3. Granting the within Motion will not cause an unreasonable delay in this docket, as no additional deadlines or actions have been ordered by the Commission. Moreover, no party will

¹ NECTA is a non-profit corporation and trade association that represents the interests of most community antenna television (“cable”) operations in the New England states.

be prejudiced by the granting of the within Motion because the enlargement of time will apply to all parties, not just NECTA. Although the extension of time sought herein will reduce by 3 days the time which the Commission will have to review the written comments, it is NECTA's understanding that the Commission will still have approximately 30 days to meet the deadline established in RSA 541-A:12, I for filing a Final Proposal with the Office of Legislative Services. In these circumstances, NECTA submits that its requested extension of time is reasonable.

4. In accordance with N.H. Admin. R. Puc 202.04 (b), the undersigned has contacted persons named on the service list for this docket by electronic mail in a good faith effort to obtain their consent to the extension sought herein. As of the time of the filing of this Motion, attorneys for the following parties had either assented or otherwise indicated that they do not object to the relief sought herein: Commission Staff, CenturyLink, CTIA, Eversource, FirstLight, Liberty Utilities, NHTA and Unitil. The remaining parties named on the service list for this docket had not responded with their position at that time.

WHEREFORE, NECTA respectfully requests that this honorable Commission:

A. Extend the deadline for filing written comments in this docket from April 2, 2018 to April 5, 2018; and

B. Grant such further relief as it deems appropriate.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: March 23, 2018

Certificate of Service

I hereby certify that on this 23rd day of March, 2018 a copy of the foregoing Motion has been either sent by electronic mail or first class mail, postage prepaid, to persons listed on the Service List.

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