STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

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NEW HAMPSHIRE ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC. AND PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY OF NEW HAMPSHIRE d/b/a EVERSOURCE ENERGY

Joint Petition to Alter Franchise Areas in Laconia, New Hampshire

Summary of Order *Nisi* No. <u>26,259</u> Approving Franchise Boundary Change

June 13, 2019

On June 13, 2019, the Commission approved an alteration of the franchise boundary between the New Hampshire Electric Cooperative, Inc. (NHEC), and Public Service Company of New Hampshire d/b/a Eversource Energy (Eversource). The change will allow Eversource to provide electric service in Laconia, New Hampshire, to Tax Lots 37-260-4.3, 35-153-6, 35-153-5, 25-153-4, and 34-153-1. The Commission's Order and docket filings in this matter, other than any information for which confidential treatment is requested of or granted by the Commission, are posted on the Commission's website at http://www.puc.nh.gov/Regulatory/Docketbk/2019/19-073.html.

The Commission determined that adjusting the franchise boundary is in the public interest, because it would be easier and less costly for Eversource to provide electric service to the area, and because franchise boundaries need to reflect the actual status of service and service providers.

The Commission delayed the effectiveness of its approval to ensure the public receives notice of the Commission's determination and has an opportunity to request a hearing. All persons interested in responding to the Commission's action may submit their comments, or file a written request for a hearing that states the reason and basis for the hearing, no later than July 1, 2019. Any person(s) responding to such comments and requests for hearing shall do so no later than July 8, 2019. Following consideration of any comments and requests for hearing received, the Commission may further extend the final effective date of its order. Unless the Commission orders otherwise, the Commission's Order shall become final and effective on July 13, 2019.

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