BEFORE THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

Docket No. DE 21-078

PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY OF NEW HAMPSHIRE d/b/a EVERSOURCE ENERGY

Petition for Electric Vehicle Make-Ready and Demand Charge Alternative Proposals

<u>CONSERVATION LAW FOUNDATION'S AND CLEAN ENERGY NEW</u> HAMPSHIRE'S JOINT MOTION REQUESTING A HYBRID HEARING

NOW COMES the Conservation Law Foundation ("CLF") and Clean Energy New Hampshire ("CENH"), intervenors in this docket, and respectfully move that the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission ("Commission") grant CLF's and CENH's request for a hybrid hearing. In support of their motion, CLF and CENH aver the following:

 The hearing in Docket No. DE 21-078 is currently scheduled to take place on July 14, 2022.

2. At the hearing, CLF and CENH intend to call Christopher Villarreal, a consultant on electric vehicle rates, as a witness.

3. Mr. Villarreal lives and resides in Eden Prairie, Minnesota.

4. In the Commission's order establishing evidentiary hearing guidelines for this docket, issued on April 18, 2022, the Commission stated that "[a]ll participants will be expected to appear in person at the hearing, unless a written request for a particular individual to appear remotely, which explains why he or she is unable to participate in person," has been filed with the Commission at least 15 days prior to the hearing date.

5. The Commission has previously granted requests for hybrid hearings in a number of proceedings, including but not limited to Docket Nos. DE 20-170, DE 21-030, DE 20-092, DE 19-197, and DG 21-104.

6. CLF and CENH request that the Commission permit a hybrid hearing format to accommodate Mr. Villarreal's testimony.

Based on the current schedule for the hearings, if a hybrid hearing is not conducted,
Mr. Villarreal would need to travel to New Hampshire from Minnesota to attend the hearing on
July 14.

8. Both CLF and CENH are non-profit organizations. If Mr. Villarreal is required to travel to New Hampshire from Minnesota it would significantly increase these organizations' consulting expenses in this docket.

9. To avoid requiring Mr. Villarreal to travel from Minnesota to New Hampshire and expending significant travel expenses for Mr. Villarreal, CLF and CENH respectfully request that the Commission allow a hybrid hearing format in which Mr. Villarreal testifies remotely. While CLF and CENH request a hybrid format for Mr. Villarreal, CLF's and CENH's representatives intend to appear in-person at the hearing.

WHEREFORE, CLF and CENH respectfully request that for Docket No. DE 21-078, the Commission allow CLF's and CENH's consultant, Christopher Villarreal, to appear remotely via a hybrid hearing format for the July 14, 2022 hearing.

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Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing Joint Motion Requesting a Hybrid Hearing has on this 16th day of June 2022, been sent by email to the service list in Docket No. DE 21-078.

Respectfully submitted,

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