

**STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE  
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**

**DE 23-004**

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

**Proposed Purchase of Receivables Program**

**Procedural Order Re: Settlement Deadline Extension**

On July 20, 2023, the Commission granted an assented-to request to modify the procedural schedule in this matter, which included an August 7, 2023 deadline for filing a settlement agreement. On August 7, 2023, the day the settlement was due, Public Service Company of New Hampshire d/b/a Eversource Energy (Eversource) filed a request to extend the deadline to September 6, 2023, and hold the hearing on the settlement on September 20, 2023, which the Commission granted.

On September 6, 2023, the day the settlement agreement was due, Eversource filed a request to extend the deadline to September 13, 2023. This proposed deadline would reduce the Commission's opportunity to review the settlement by five business days. Eversource represented that the extension was necessary because the parties "have not yet been able to finalize their settlement agreement with respect to a material issue and would prefer not to defer resolution of that issue." Eversource did not explain why it filed the request on the day the settlement was due. Eversource represented that the New Hampshire Department of Energy and the NRG Retail Companies assented to the request. The Community Power Coalition of New Hampshire filed a position statement on September 7, supporting the request.

Given that the settlement deadline has already passed and the parties did not file a settlement, the Commission will extend the settlement deadline to September 13, 2023.

The Commission notes, however, that this is the second time in this docket that Eversource has requested an extension of a deadline on the same day as the deadline, which prevents the Commission from issuing a decision prior to the deadline in question and impacts the Commission's ability to rely on procedural schedules in planning and managing workloads.

So ordered, this seventh day of September, 2023.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "DANIEL C. GOLDNER", written over a horizontal line.

Daniel C. Goldner  
Presiding Officer  
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