

MINUTES

COMMISSION MEETING

October 5, 2022

The New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission Meeting began at 2:08 p.m. on Monday, October 5, 2022. Chairman Daniel Goldner and Commissioner Pradip Chattopadhyay were present in-person. Commissioner Carleton Simpson was present via webex due to illness.

The following matters were then discussed.

1. Approval of the September 26, 2022, Commission Meeting Minutes

Commissioner Chattopadhyay made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 26, 2022, Commission Meeting. Commissioner Simpson seconded the motion. There was a roll call vote. Commissioner Chattopadhyay voted aye. Commissioner Simpson voted aye. Chairman Goldner voted aye. The motion carried 3-0.

2. Public Comment

Mr. Below offered a comment relating to the 2200 rule set, thanking the Commission for its work and recommending an effective date as early as possible.

3. Rulemaking, Puc 2200, Municipal and County Aggregation Rules

Chairman Goldner asked Attorney Wind to update the Commission on the status of the Puc chapter 2200 Rules adoption process. Attorney Wind explained that the Office of Legislative Services confirmed that the Final Proposal for the 2200 rules was amended in accordance with the conditional approval granted by the Joint Legislative Committee on Administrative Rules. Therefore, the Commission may adopt the Puc 2200 rule set as amended, including selecting an effective date. Attorney Wind explained that the effective date could be as soon as 12:01 a.m. on October 6, or on another future date of the Commission's choosing. Attorney Wind recommended an effective date at least one week later than October 6, because Puc 2205.16 (e) establishes a filing deadline for utility Purchase of Receivables program proposals 90 days after the 2022 effective date, which would fall on or about the New Year's holiday if the rules became effective on the 6th.

Commissioner Simpson made a motion to adopt the amended final rulemaking proposal with an effective date of October 12, 2022. Commissioner Chattopadhyay seconded the motion. There was a roll call vote. Commissioner

Chattopadhyay voted aye. Commissioner Simpson voted aye. Chairman Goldner voted aye. The motion carried 3-0.

4. Rulemaking, Puc 1300, Utility Pole Attachments Rules

Chairman Goldner asked Attorney Wind to update the Commission on the status of the Puc chapter 1300 Rules readoption process. Attorney Wind explained that public comments and comments from the Office of Legislative Services had been received. These comments were summarized in the Summary of Comments and Responses document. Attorney Wind recommended two changes be made to the initial proposal, relating to the reference to the Department of Energy in the definitions section, and to update the Code of Federal Regulations citation in Puc 1303.06 (5).

Commissioner Chattopadhyay made a motion to adopt the recommended changes to the Initial Proposal. Commissioner Simpson seconded the motion. There was a roll call vote. Commissioner Chattopadhyay voted aye. Commissioner Simpson voted aye. Chairman Goldner voted aye. The motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Chattopadhyay made a motion to adopt the amended Initial Proposal as the Final Proposal for Rulemaking. Commissioner Simpson seconded the motion. There was a roll call vote. Commissioner Chattopadhyay voted aye. Commissioner Simpson voted aye. Chairman Goldner voted aye. The motion carried 3-0.

4. New Business

None.

5. Miscellaneous Administrative Matters

Chairman Goldner stated that the next Commission meeting will be determined at a later date.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Commissioner Simpson and seconded by Commissioner Chattopadhyay. There was a roll call vote. Commissioner Chattopadhyay voted aye. Commissioner Simpson voted aye. Chairman Goldner voted aye. The motion carried 3-0.

The meeting adjourned at 2:20 p.m.