

**STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**

DE 12-311

NEW HAMPSHIRE ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.

**Petition for License to Construct Wires Under and Across Public Waters from Big
Goodwin Island to Round Island in Moultonborough**

Summary of Order *Nisi* Granting License

NOTICE OF ORDER NO. 25,495

April 19, 2013

SUMMARY OF ORDER

On October 23, 2012, New Hampshire Electric Cooperative, Inc. (NHEC) filed a petition pursuant to RSA 371:17 requesting a license to construct and maintain an electric cable and conduit under and across Lake Winnepesaukee from Big Goodwin Island to Round Island in the Town of Moultonborough, New Hampshire.

The petition and subsequent docket filings, other than any information for which confidential treatment is requested of or granted by the Commission, are posted to the Commission's website at <http://www.puc.nh.gov/Regulatory/Docketbk/2012/12-311.html>.

Staff reviewed the petition and subsequently filed a memorandum recommending approval of NHEC's petition, subject to certain conditions related to ensuring the safe operation and maintenance of the proposed crossing.

Based on the information presented in NHEC's petition and Staff's memorandum, the Commission finds the proposed crossings necessary for NHEC to meet the reasonable requirements of reliable service to the public and that the requested license may be exercised without substantially affecting the public rights in the effected public waters, as required for approval under RSA 371:17 and RSA 371:20. The petition is therefore approved on a *nisi* basis.

NHEC is authorized by order *nisi* to construct, maintain and operate electric lines under and across the public waters described in its petition and depicted in its filings. All persons interested in responding to this Order *Nisi* may submit their comments or file a written request for a hearing which states the reason and basis for a hearing no later than May 1, 2013 for the Commission's consideration; and any party interested in responding to such comments or request for hearing shall do so no later than May 3, 2013. This Order *Nisi* shall be effective May 6, 2013, unless otherwise ordered by the Commission.