

**STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**

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PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

**Petition to Approve Special Contract NHPUC-145 with
Westinghouse Electric Company, LLC**

Summary of Order *Nisi* No. 25,748 Approving Special Contract

December 31, 2014

On November 25, 2014, Public Service Company of New Hampshire (PSNH) filed a request for approval of Special Contract NHPUC-145 pursuant to RSA 378:18, 378:18-a, II and certain provisions of N.H. Code Admin. Rules Puc 1606. The proposed contract is a three-year extension of an existing contract that provides interruptible power at a special discounted rate to Westinghouse Electric Company, LLC, for its pump testing operation in Newington, New Hampshire.

PSNH provided information pursuant to Puc 1606 demonstrating that special circumstances exist to support the special contract. Staff recommended that Special Contract NHPUC-145 be approved based on the economics and pricing of the contract. According to Staff, Special Contract NHPUC-145 will provide benefits to PSNH and its customers in the form of distribution revenues, and, if Westinghouse chooses to take electric service from PSNH, contributions to the costs of a mercury scrubber constructed at Merrimack Station.

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://puc.nh.gov/Regulatory/Docketbk/2014/14-339.html>.

The Commission approved Special Contract NHPUC-145 by order *nisi* dated December 31, 2014. To ensure that the public receives notice of this docket and has an opportunity to request a hearing, the Commission has delayed the full effectiveness of its approval until January 21, 2014. PSNH and Westinghouse may, however, operate under the terms of the Special Contract beginning January 1, 2015. All persons interested in responding to the Commission's approval may submit their comments or file a written request for a hearing which states the reason and basis for a hearing no later than January 13, 2015. Any person interested in responding to such comments and requests for hearing shall do so no later than January 16, 2015. Following consideration of any comments and requests for hearing received, the Commission may further extend the effective date of its approval. The Commission's approval shall become final and fully effective January 21, 2015, unless the Commission orders otherwise.