

**STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**

DE 15-066

NH-BIG ISLAND CO.

**Petition for a License to Construct and Maintain Cables and Pipelines
Beneath State Lands and Waters**

Summary of Order *Nisi* No. 25,776 Granting Water and Land Crossing License

April 8, 2015

On April 8, 2015, the Commission approved a petition filed by NH-Big Island Co. requesting authority to construct and maintain an electric cable, an internet and television cable, a water pipeline, and a sewer pipeline beneath a state-owned railroad and beneath Lake Winnepesaukee to serve Big Island in the City of Laconia, New Hampshire. The petition explained that each of the lines and pipes will be in separate sleeves, which will be bundled together as they travel approximately 12 feet under the lake bed between shore and Big Island.

Staff recommended that the Commission grant the license subject to certain conditions requiring compliance with applicable safety standards, construction requirements, and permits.

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>.

The Commission granted NH-Big Island's request for a license to cross public waters and lands by order *nisi* dated April 8, 2015, subject to Staff's proposed conditions. To ensure that all interested persons receive notice of this docket and have an opportunity to request a hearing, the Commission delayed the effectiveness of its approval until April 20, 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 April 15, 2015. Any person interested in responding to any such comment or request for hearing shall do so no later than April 17, 2015. Following consideration of any comments and requests for hearing received, the Commission may further extend the final effective date of its approval. The Commission's approval shall otherwise become final and effective on April 20, 2015, unless the Commission orders otherwise.