

**STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**

DE 15-370

NEW HAMPSHIRE ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.

**Petition for License to Cross Public Waters of
Lake Winnepesaukee in the Town of Tuftonboro**

Summary of Order *Nisi* No. 25,873 Granting Water Crossing License

March 22, 2016

On March 22, 2016, the Commission approved a petition filed pursuant to RSA 371:17 by New Hampshire Electric Cooperative, Inc. (NHEC), requesting a license to re-construct and maintain electric cable and conduits under and across Lake Winnepesaukee in Tuftonboro, New Hampshire. The existing line was damaged due to winter lake ice. The re-constructed electrical cable and conduits are necessary to provide electric service to single private residences located on each of the Twin Islands. Commission Staff reviewed the petition and recommended that the license be granted, provided that the construction and designs conform to applicable sections of the National Electrical Safety Code (NEC). The Commission approval is subject to certain conditions related to the safe construction, operation and maintenance of the proposed crossing.

The Commission granted the order on a *nisi* basis to ensure that the public receives notice of this docket and has an opportunity to request a hearing. 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/2015/15-370.html>.

All persons interested in responding to the Commission's action 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 7, 2016. Any person(s) responding to such comments and requests for

hearing shall do so no later than April 14, 2016. Following consideration of any comments and requests for hearing received, the Commission may further extend the final effective date of its order. The order *nisi* shall become final and effective on April 21, 2016, unless the Commission orders otherwise prior to that date.