STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE SITE EVALUATION COMMITTEE

Docket No. 2015-04

Application of Public Service Company of New Hampshire d/b/a Eversource Energy for Certificate of Site and Facility

November 7, 2018

NOTICE OF PROVISIONAL HEARING

I. Background

On April 12, 2016, the Public Service Company of New Hampshire d/b/a Eversource Energy applied for a Certificate of Site and Facility (Application) with the Site Evaluation Committee (Committee). The Application seeks the issuance of a Certificate of Site and Facility approving the siting, construction, and operation of a new 115kV electric transmission line between existing substations in Madbury and Portsmouth (Project).

The Subcommittee held adjudicative hearings between August 29 and October 26, 2018, and the evidentiary record was closed on October 26, 2018.

On November 2, 2018, the Applicant filed a Motion to Re-Open the Record (Motion).

Along with the Motion, the Applicant filed an Addendum to Visual Assessment Regarding

Historic Sites that have been Determined Eligible (Addendum).

The deadline for objections to the Motion is November $13, 2018^{1}$.

¹ Objections to motions are normally due within 10 days of the motion. See NH CODE OF ADMIN. RULES Site 202.14(f). In this case, the deadline falls on a state and national holiday making the deadline the next business day. See NH CODE OF ADMIN. RULES Site 202.08(c).

II. Notice of Hearing

In the event that the Motion is granted, the Presiding Officer must "specify a date no later than 30 days from the date of receiving the additional testimony, evidence or argument by which other parties shall respond to or rebut the newly submitted testimony, evidence or argument." N.H. CODE OF ADMIN. RULES Site 202.27(c).

Due to time constraints and the availability of the subcommittee in this docket, we are provisionally scheduling a hearing for November 15, 2018, beginning at 1:30 p.m., at 49 Donovan Street, Concord. If held, the purpose of the hearing will be to provide the parties with an opportunity to cross examine the Applicant's witness, Mr. David Raphael, and will be strictly limited to matters contained in the Addendum.

Objections to the Motion shall be filed no later than November 13, 2018. If the Motion is granted by the Presiding Officer, then the hearing will proceed on November 15, 2018. If the Motion is denied, the hearing will be cancelled.

If the Motion is granted, Counsel for the Public and the Intervenors will be allowed to supplement their final briefs on or before November 19, 2018.

SO ORDERED this seventh day of November, 2018.

Patricia M. Weathersby, Presiding Officer Site Evaluation Committee