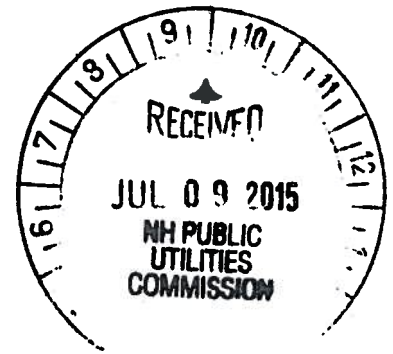


STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE



OFFICE OF LEGISLATIVE SERVICES

STATE HOUSE  
107 NORTH MAIN STREET, ROOM 109  
CONCORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE 03301-4951



July 7, 2015

Site Evaluation Committee  
c/o Public Utilities Commission  
21 S. Fruit Street, Suite 10  
Concord, NH 03301-2429

**Re: Waiver of 150-day Deadline for Filing Final Proposals 2015-11 and 2015-12**

Dear Committee Members:

In two letters dated July 6, 2015, Martin P. Honigberg, Chairman of the Public Utilities Commission and of the Site Evaluation Committee (Committee), requested a waiver on behalf of the Committee pursuant to RSA 541-A:40, IV of the 150-day deadline for filing the Committee's Final Proposals 2015-11 and 2015-12. These Final Proposals contain a readoption with amendments of the Committee's rules Site 100 through Site 204, and Site 205 through Site 300, respectively. The 150-day deadline under RSA 541-A:12, I for filing the Final Proposals was July 6, 2015.

As provided by RSA 541-A:40, IV, as the Director of the Office of Legislative Services I have the authority to waive, for good cause shown, any deadline contained in RSA 541-A after consultation with the Chair and Vice-Chair of the Joint Legislative Committee on Administrative Rules. Chairman Honigberg's letter indicates that the Committee needs more time to provide further opportunities for public input due to the complexity of the substantive issues in the rulemaking. As noted by Chairman Honigberg, SB 170 in the 2015 legislative session will extend the Committee's rule adoption deadline under RSA 162-H:10, VII from July 1, 2015 to November 1, 2015, and the Committee therefore requests a new Final Proposal filing deadline 90 days after July 1, that is, October 4, 2015, or October 5, 2015 since October 4 is a Sunday. Without a waiver, the rulemaking proceeding would be considered terminated after July 6, 2015, and the Committee would have to begin the rulemaking process again.

I have consulted with the JLCAR Chair and Vice-Chair. In light of the reasons set forth in Chairman Honigberg's letters of July 6, 2015, I agree that good cause exists for waiving the July 6, 2015 filing deadline and hereby grant the waiver as requested, with a new deadline of October 5, 2015 for the Committee to establish and file Final Proposals 2015-11 and 2015-12.

If you have any questions in this regard, please contact legal staff in Administrative Rules at 271-3680.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jill K. Sieveking".

Jill K. Sieveking  
Director

SFE/JKS

cc: Scott F. Eaton, Administrative Rules Director  
David Wiesner, Esq., Staff Attorney, PUC

TDD Access: Relay NH 1-800-735-2964  
DIRECTOR (603) 271-3432  
LEGAL STAFF (603) 271-3435

FAX: (603) 271-6607

RESEARCH (603) 271-3326  
ADMINISTRATIVE RULES (603) 271-3680