

State of New Hampshire  
Public Utilities Commission

DE 10-188  
2010 Statewide Core Electric Energy Efficiency Programs

**Petition for Intervention of**  
**The New Hampshire Housing Finance Authority**

Petitioner, The New Hampshire Housing Finance Authority, petitions for leave to intervene in this proceeding, pursuant to PUC 203.17 and RSA 541-A:32, and states as follows:

1. The New Hampshire Housing Finance Authority (NHHFA) is located at 32 Constitution Drive, Bedford, New Hampshire 03110 (ph.) 603-472-8623. The Executive Director of NHHFA is Dean J. Christon, and Benjamin D. Frost is the Director of Public Affairs.

2. NHHFA is an instrumentality of the State of New Hampshire, formed pursuant to NH RSA 204-C.

3. NHHFA is a commercial customer of Public Service Company of New Hampshire (PSNH).

4. NHHFA's mission is to promote, finance and support affordable housing opportunities and related services for New Hampshire families and individuals through the efficient use of resources and the building of effective partnerships, thereby contributing to the economic and social development of the State and its communities.

5. NHHFA's Single Family Mortgage Program provides safe fixed rate, low interest mortgages to low and moderate income first-time home buyers. NHHFA's range of mortgage products has typically allowed the organization to assist individuals and families who normally would not qualify to purchase a home.

6. NHHFA administers a variety of federal and state financing programs designed to increase the supply of high quality rental housing affordable to low income seniors and working families. These programs have supported the construction or rehabilitation of more than 14,000 housing units throughout the state. Pursuant to federal and state law NHHFA maintains an ongoing oversight role with regard to the operation of these housing units and, under contract to the federal department of Housing and Urban Development, oversees the management and operation of several thousand units of additional affordable housing directly assisted by the federal government.

7. NHHFA annually assists thousands of low-income families and seniors to obtain and retain housing in rental units across the state through administration of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's Housing Choice Voucher and Section 8 project-based rental assistance programs. Without these programs, many New Hampshire residents would face homelessness or the inability to afford life's basic necessities. These programs include opportunities for families to become financially independent and provide a chance to achieve home ownership through the GOAL Family Self-Sufficiency Program and the Housing Choice Voucher Homeownership Option.

8. In addition to direct rental assistance programs, the NHHFA's Housing Services Programs provide aid to housing managers and resident service coordinators of NHHFA financed properties. Benefits of this assistance include decreased evictions, decreased property damage and resident complaints, and increased resident self-sufficiency and independence, all of which reduce operating costs and enhance stability and livability for housing development residents.

9. NHHFA provides technical assistance and training to owners and management companies in developing, implementing and maintaining quality supportive services programs for residents of elderly and family housing complexes, primarily Section 8 New Construction and other subsidized housing.

10. Due to their low incomes, clients of NHHFA are or may be eligible for and/or participate in the low income Core electric energy efficiency program and natural gas low income energy efficiency program.

11. NHHFA and its clients have an interest in this proceeding and in the budget, design, and implementation of the low income electric and natural gas energy efficiency programs.

12. The rights, duties, privileges and other substantial interest of NHHFA and its clients may be affected by this proceeding.

13. NHHFA seeks the status of full party intervenor in this proceeding.


14. NHHFA has been an intervenor in and party to other dockets before this Commission pertaining to issues affecting low income electric and natural gas customers.

15. The granting of this petition will not impair the prompt and orderly conduct of this proceeding, will not result in delay, and will not prejudice the interest of any party.

16. The interests of justice will be promoted by allowing the intervention of NHHFA in this proceeding.

Wherefore, NHHFA requests that the Commission grant its request for leave to intervene as a full party intervenor in this proceeding and for such other relief as may be just.

Respectfully submitted,  
New Hampshire Housing Finance Authority  
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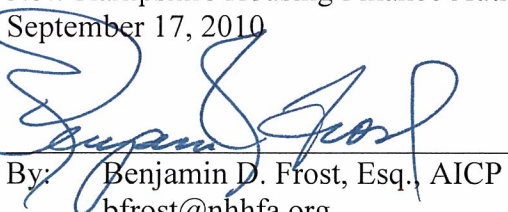
  
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