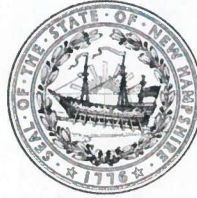


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Re: DG 17-070; Northern Utilities, Inc.; Request for Change in Rates

Dear Ms. Howland:

According to the procedural schedule established in this proceeding, hearings are scheduled for April 2, 3, 11, and 12, 2018. Commission Staff, Northern Utilities, Inc., and the Office of the Consumer Advocate have been working towards a comprehensive settlement which Northern plans to file with Commission on or before April 4. Accordingly, Staff, with the concurrence of Northern and the OCA, requests that the Commission cancel the hearings scheduled for April 2, 3, and 11 and hold a hearing on April 12, 2018 to consider the settlement.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Paul B. Dexter".

Paul B. Dexter
Staff Attorney

cc: Service List (electronically)

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