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To All Interested Persons:

Re: Temporary Changes in Filing Requirements

On March 13, 2020, Governor Sununu issued a state of emergency related to COVID-19. Under a number of the Public Utilities Commission's rules, parties are required to submit an original paper version with a specified number of paper copies and an identical electronic version of documents filed with the Commission's Executive Director, Debra A. Howland. During the declared emergency, certain parties may be unable to provide, and the Commission may face challenges accepting and storing, paper copies of new filings.

The Commission has determined, therefore, to suspend all Commission rules requiring the filing of paper copies until further notice, pursuant to its rule waiver authority under Puc 201.05. Parties may elect to submit any filing in electronic form. Documents will be considered filed as of the time the electronic copy is received by the Commission. All parties submitting documents that would normally be filed in paper form are directed to maintain the original. The Commission will issue a Secretarial Letter in future indicating when the suspension is lifted and the original document is to be filed.

All large files submitted electronically must be broken down into files that do not exceed 25 MB in size.

Sincerely,

Debra A. Howland
Executive Director

cc: Service Lists in All Open Dockets