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To Whom It May Concern:

Revised Hearing Process for Municipal Utility Proceedings

The Board has amended its Hearing Order and Notice of Hearing for municipal utility proceedings. The amendment will allow the Board to hold the hearings earlier with the expectation that this should shorten the timeline for decisions in municipal utility rate applications in most cases.

The timeline for the proceeding assumes there will be no intervenor evidence. The timeline does include a step for any intervenor to request to file evidence. If this happens, the Hearing Order will need to be amended in the proceeding to allow for that and the hearing will need to be rescheduled at that time. While this may result in some delay in proceedings where that occurs, in most cases, the hearing will be able to happen sooner than if these steps were built into the process at the outset as done in the past.

Please note, this new process will not be used when Board counsel consultants are involved.

If you have any questions about the new process, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours truly,

Crystal Henwood Clerk of the Board

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