

STATE OF MAINE  
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

Docket No. 2022-00152

May 2, 2023

CENTRAL MAINE POWER COMPANY  
Request for Approval of Distribution Rate  
Increase and Rate Design Changes  
Pursuant to 35-A M.R.S. § 307

PROCEDURAL ORDER  
(Response to IECG, OPA;  
Settlement)

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On May 1, 2023, the Examiners issues a Procedural Order containing a schedule of witnesses and cross examination for the two days of technical conferences scheduled for May 3 and 4, 2023. This schedule used the time estimates received from several parties that were filed by noon, or just after noon, in accordance with a Procedural Order (May Technical Conferences –Request for Time Estimates) dated April 26, 2023.

**I. IECG’S REQUEST**

At 4:24 p.m. on May 1, 2023, after the Procedural Order containing the scheduled described above was issued, and after the noon deadline, the Industrial Energy Consumer Group (IECG) filed a letter requesting thirty minutes of time for “questioning other parties” during the technical conferences.

Despite the lateness of the request and because it appears there may be time in the schedule, IECG’s request is granted only if there is sufficient time and only with respect to the parties and witnesses identified on the schedule. Other parties or witnesses that filed surrebuttal testimony but whose presence was not specified in the parties’ time estimates and thus not identified in the schedule need not appear. Thus IECG will not be able to ask questions of those witnesses. Any objections to this ruling will be discussed at the beginning of the technical conference on May 3, 2023.

**II OPA’S REQUEST**

In the schedule, the Examiners listed the panel of Ms. Whited and Mr. Borden, witnesses sponsored by the Office of the Public Advocate (OPA), as going first on May 3, 2023. On May 2, 2023, the OPA filed a Supplemental Case Management Memorandum indicating that Ms. Whited was unavailable<sup>1</sup> and requesting that Mr. Borden appear last because he is on the west coast.

The OPA’s request is granted. However, due to the schedule requests of other parties and a conflict with the schedule of a Staff member, it is possible that CMP’s

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<sup>1</sup> In an email of today’s date, the OPA stated that Ms. Whited is on leave.

questioning of Staff, once it finishes questioning on rate design matters, will need to pause temporarily.

### III. REVISED TECHNICAL CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

Based upon the foregoing, below is the revised technical conference schedule.

Witness or panel	Questioning by	Cumulative Time Estimate
<b>May 3, 2023, 9:00 a.m.</b>		
Staff	CMP (start with rate design)	90 minutes
Staff	OPA	20 minutes
Staff	AARP	20 minutes
Staff	GEO	30 minutes
GEO Panel	EMT	20 minutes
Mr. Borden	Staff	20 minutes
Unspecified	IECG	30 minutes
		<b>Total: 3:50</b>
<b>May 4, 2023, 9:00 a.m.</b>		
Dr. Woolridge	CMP	15 minutes
Mr. Holloway	Staff	10 minutes
		<b>Total: 0:25</b>

### IV. SETTLEMENT CONFERENCE

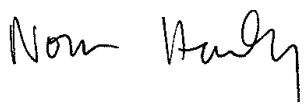
As indicated in the May 1, 2023 Procedural Order, a settlement conference is scheduled to take place upon the completion of the technical conference on May 3, 2023. In the event that there is not enough time to commence or complete the settlement conference on May 3, it will be either commenced or resumed, as the case may be, after the completion of questioning on the morning of May 4, 2023.

Dated at Hallowell, Maine, this 2nd day of May, 2023.

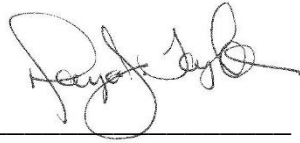
BY ORDER OF THE HEARING EXAMINERS



Eric J. Bryant



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Daya J. Taylor  
Hearing Examiners