



**ENVIRONMENTAL APPEALS BOARD
UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
WASHINGTON, D.C.**

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In re City of Manchester)) NPDES Appeal No. 25-04
NPDES Permit No. NH0100447))
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ORDER SCHEDULING ORAL ARGUMENT

Issued March 24, 2026

Order of the Board by Judge Avila:

Petitioner Conservation Law Foundation (“CLF”) filed a petition for review of a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit issued by EPA Region 1 to the City of Manchester, New Hampshire (“City”). Petition for Review by Conservation Law Foundation (Dec. 3, 2025). CLF requested oral argument and Region 1 concurs with the request for oral argument. *Id.* at 47; EPA Region 1’s Response to the Petition for Review at 46 (Jan. 30, 2026).

Upon review of the record and the parties’ submissions in the above-captioned matter, the Board has determined that oral argument would be of assistance in the Board’s deliberations on this matter. Accordingly, the Board will hold oral argument on **Thursday, May 14, 2026**, beginning at **1:30 p.m. Eastern Time**. Oral argument will be held in the Administrative Courtroom, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, William Jefferson Clinton East Building, Room 1152, 1201 Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C. 20004.

The Board has allocated sixty minutes total for this oral argument, divided as follows and in the following order:

- Thirty (30) minutes for CLF, of which CLF may reserve up to ten (10) minutes for rebuttal;
- Twenty (20) minutes for Region 1; and
- Ten (10) minutes for the City of Manchester.

The Board directs each party to file a “Notice of Participation” by **Tuesday, April 7, 2026**, providing the name and contact information of the individual who will present argument on its behalf. Participation in person is preferred. If a party requests to participate via videoconference, such request shall be included in the “Notice of Participation,” and the Clerk of the Board will contact the party to determine whether its videoconference equipment is compatible with the Board’s system.

For security purposes, advance notice is required to enter the EPA building where the Courtroom is located. Any representative of a party not identified in the Notice of Participation and any member of the public wishing to attend oral argument in person must contact the Clerk of the Board at (202) 233-0122 or Clerk_EAB@epa.gov at least one week prior to the scheduled oral argument to allow the Clerk to notify appropriate security personnel.

So ordered.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that copies of the foregoing *Order Scheduling Oral Argument* in the matter of City of Manchester, NPDES Appeal No. 25-04, were sent to the following persons on March 24, 2026 in the manner indicated:

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