§ 1021-c. North Country power authority service area; extension of service area. 1. The service area of the North Country power authority shall include all the territory located within so much of the county of Franklin as constitutes the Towns of Bombay, Fort Covington, Moira and Westville, and so much of the county of St. Lawrence as constitutes the Towns of Brasher, Canton, Colton, DeKalb, Edwards, Fowler, Gouverneur, Hermon, Lisbon, Louisville, Madrid, Norfolk, Pierrepont, Potsdam, Russell, Stockholm, and Waddington and the Villages of Canton, Norwood, and Potsdam or such portions thereof as shall be determined by the directors, but the service area shall exclude the portions of said municipalities in Franklin and St. Lawrence counties which are served as of the effective date of this title by another existing non-profit municipal electric utility. The service area of the North Country power authority shall include such other territories, as shall be determined by the directors, wholly within Franklin or St. Lawrence county, and adjacent to one or more of the above-referenced municipalities, in which rate payers rely on uninterrupted electric service from power facilities of the authority located within said municipalities. A map of the service area shall be filed in the offices of the county clerks of Franklin and St. Lawrence counties.

2. The service area of the North Country power authority may be extended at any time to include additional territory within Franklin or St. Lawrence counties by the directors in accordance with the following procedure, provided however, the procedure does not conflict with any rule or regulation of the public service commission or any other law. Whenever the directors determine that the territory included within the service area should be extended, consistent with the provisions of this title, the directors shall adopt a resolution proposing the additional territory, wholly within Franklin or St. Lawrence county, to be included, which may be all the territory within one or more named municipalities or, by adequate description, a portion of any such municipality or municipalities. The directors shall fix the dates, hours and places for three public hearings before such directors upon the question of such extension and cause notice thereof and of the additional territory to be included within the service area to be published in two newspapers of general circulation in the county not

less than twenty nor more than thirty days before such date. At least one of such hearing shall be held within the bounds of the proposed additional territory. At such time the directors shall hear all persons, taxpayers or officials who may wish to be heard and shall finally determine the additional territory, if any, to be included in such extension. Such determination shall be made by resolution of the directors adopted by a two-thirds vote of all directors then in office. A map of the service area, as extended, shall thereupon be filed in the offices of the county clerks of Franklin and St. Lawrence counties.