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Re: DE 08-081, Public Service Company of New Hampshire

Notice of Code Changes to Electronic Data Interchange with Competitive Suppliers

## Dear Attorney Eaton:

On May 17, 2008, Public Service Company of New Hampshire (PSNH) filed a letter requesting approval of proposed changes to Appendix B of the "Consensus Plan for the Transmission of Electronic Data in New Hampshire's Retail Electric Market" dated April 2, 1998 and approved by the Commission in Order No. 22,919 (May 4, 1998). Specifically, PSNH is seeking to modify the completion status codes used by distribution companies to communicate the status of each detail record sent to the distribution company by a competitive energy supplier. PSNH states that this change is being made in response to requests from several competitive power suppliers to modify the completion codes used by PSNH that so that PSNH's completion codes are consistent with those utilized by other states in the Northeast.

In addition, PSNH stated that it also proposes to add a new service identifier in the Payment Order/Remittance Advice Transaction set to transmit customer payment information and adjustment details to competitive power suppliers that receive billing service from PSNH. This second change, according to PSNH, will allow competitive power suppliers to track payment and adjustment information for each customer location.

PSNH plans to institute the new codes in connection with the new PSNH billing system scheduled to be implemented in July 2008. In addition, the company offered that both Unitil Energy Systems, Inc. and National Grid concur with the proposed changes.

On June 6, 2008, Staff filed a memorandum recommending approval of PSNH's requested modifications to the EDI codes.

The Commission has reviewed PSNH's proposal and finds that the use of these new codes is consistent with the Commission's interest in facilitating the transfer of electronic data between regulated distribution companies and non-regulated competitive power suppliers. Therefore, the Commission authorizes PSNH's proposed new EDI codes for effect as of July 1, 2008.

Sincerely,
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