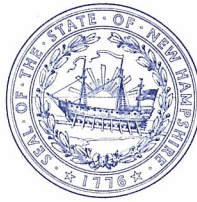


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Re: DE 09-009, Unitil Energy Systems, Inc.
Petition for Approval of Default Service Solicitation for G-1 Customers
Scheduling of Hearing

To the Parties:

On September 9, 2005, the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission (Commission) issued Order No. 24,511 in Docket No. DE 05-064, Unitil Energy Systems, Inc. (Unitil) which, among other things, approved Unitil's solicitation process for procuring default service for its G1 and Non-G1 customers. On December 11, 2009, Unitil filed a petition for approval of default service solicitation for its G1 customers for the period beginning February 1, 2010 through April 30, 2010.

The Commission will hold a hearing on Thursday, December 17, 2009 at 9:00 a.m., at which time the Commission will hear the testimony of Mr. Furino, Ms. MacNamara and Commission Staff. This approach is consistent with Order No. 24,511 at p. 15 which states "when Unitil presents its Supply Agreement and the accompanying rates, we will review the rates pursuant to RSA 363:17-a.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Debra A. Howland".

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