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The Northeast Utilities System

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Executive Director and Secretary
State of New Hampshire
Public Utilities Commission
21 S. Fruit Street, Suite 10
Concord, New Hampshire 03301-2429



Re: Proposed Energy-Efficiency Loan Program Rate LP

Dear Ms. Howland:

Pursuant to RSA 378:3 and N.H. Code Admin. Rule Puc §1605.02, Public Service Company of New Hampshire (“PSNH”) hereby submits the original and two copies of tariff pages to establish an energy-efficiency loan program which will allow PSNH’s customers installing energy-efficiency measures under an energy-efficiency program offered by PSNH to pay all or a portion of the customer’s share of the installed cost of the energy-efficiency measures through an additional charge on their monthly electric service bill. PSNH plans to initially offer the Loan Program to customers installing energy-efficiency measures under the New Hampshire Home Performance with ENERGY STAR® Program, but may expand the Loan Program to other CORE Energy-Efficiency programs in the future.

This tariff filing is being made as a result of the Commission’s acceptance of PSNH’s response to the Commission’s Request for Proposals for programs to be funded by the Regional Greenhouse Gas Emissions Reduction Fund. Under RSA 378:3, a tariff filing may become effective in thirty days, “Unless the commission otherwise orders.” PSNH requests that this tariff be allowed to go into effect immediately without investigation or suspension under RSA 378:6. The loans will support the New Hampshire Home Performance with ENERGY STAR® Program which has already been described and approved in the CORE Energy Efficiency program proceeding. Docket DE 09-170, Order No. 25,062 (January 10, 2010). This loan program was part of a grant issued by the Commission’s Sustainable Energy Division from the Greenhouse Gas Emissions Reduction Fund. There will be no interest applied to the loan, no penalties for prepayment, and no security interest, mortgage or lien will attach to the measures installed or the real property in which they are installed. The late payment charge as approved for all other charges will apply. PSNH does not request that the Commission find this loan to be a basic utility service; therefore, failure to pay the loan portion of the customer’s bill will not result in the customer being disconnected for nonpayment. NH Code Admin. Rule §Puc 1203.11 (d). The loan is payable immediately if the customer vacates the premises, the electric account is closed, or the signatories to the loan no longer are the named customers on the electric service account.

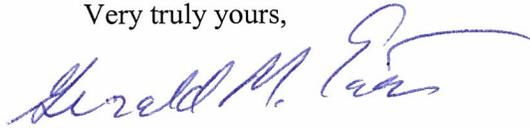
The tariff pages described above have been incorporated in Supplement No. 7 to Tariff NHPUC No. 6. In accordance with Rule PUC 1603.08(a)(2) tariff supplements are required when any change is established in an effective tariff for which a filed revision stands suspended. On July 30, 2009, the Commission issued Order No. 24,994 suspending Tariff No. 7 previously filed with the Commission on June 30, 2009 in Docket DE 09-035 pending investigation and further order of the Commission.

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For your information, also enclosed is the customer Loan Agreement PSNH plans to use for this program.

Please let us know if there are any questions concerning this filing. We are sending one signed original copy of all filing materials and three conformed copies. We request that one conformed copy bearing the Commission's date-of-receipt stamp be returned.

Very truly yours,



Gerald M. Eaton
Senior Counsel

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Enclosures
cc: Meredith A. Hatfield, OCA