## STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

### Docket No. DE 12-262

#### **ELECTRIC AND GAS UTILITIES**

## 2013-2014 CORE Electric Energy Efficiency Programs and Natural Gas Energy Efficiency Programs

# ASSENTED-TO MOTION FOR EXPEDITED APPROVAL OF UES' PROPOSED COMBINED HEAT AND POWER PILOT MEASURE

NOW COMES Unitil Energy Systems ("UES" or the "Company), by and through counsel, and respectfully requests that the Commission approve a Combined Heat and Power ("CHP") Pilot Measure for implementation during the 2013-2014 CORE energy efficiency program year. In support thereof, UES states at follows:

- 1. On February 1, 2013, the Public Utilities Commission ("PUC" or the "Commission") found the 2013-2014 Core Energy Efficiency Programs, as amended by a Settlement Agreement, to be in the public interest. *Order Approving Energy Efficiency Programs*, Docket No. De 12-262, Order No. 25,462 (Feb. 1, 2013).
- 2. In the aforementioned Settlement Agreement, the settling parties agreed that Unitil Energy Systems, Inc ("UES" or the "Company") would withdraw its Combined Heat and Power ("CHP") Pilot proposal, provide Commission Staff ("Staff") and the parties with additional information regarding the Pilot, and would determine whether it would seek Commission approval for the Pilot by April 30, 2013. Settlement Agreement, Exhibit 1 to Docket No. DE 12-262.
- 3. On March 22, 2013, the parties held a meeting regarding the CHP proposal. Several parties, including UES, Staff, the Department of Environmental

Services, the Office of Energy and Planning, Public Service Company of New Hampshire, Liberty Utilities, and the Jordan Institute participated. After the presentation, Staff propounded, and UES responded to, informal written discovery.

- 4. On April 29, 2013, the Commission approved the parties' request to extend the deadline for an update regarding the CHP proposal to May 14, 2013 so that discussions regarding the Pilot Measure could continue. *Secretarial Letter Dated April* 29, 2013.
- 5. The CHP Pilot Measure program summary, attached as Exhibit A to this motion, describes the pilot as it is proposed. CHP systems reduce demand for electricity while capturing waste energy for use in building conditioning or industrial processes.
- 6. UES seeks approval of the CHP Pilot, which will, among other things: help develop the market for CHP systems in New Hampshire; permit investigation into the demand for the technology in New Hampshire; allow for analysis of installation via a third party review and post-installation evaluation; and provide data for review and consideration of appropriate rebate amounts.
- 7. UES respectfully requests that the Commission issue an order approving the CHP Pilot Measure in an expedited fashion so that the process for selection of projects may begin. If the Commission deems that additional process is required, UES respectfully requests that the Commission issue an Order *Nisi* approving the CHP Pilot Measure.
- 8. This motion is assented to by Staff, the Office of Consumer Advocate, the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services, Liberty Utilities, Public Service Company of New Hampshire, and the Jordan Institute.

9. This motion was provided to the discovery service list in Docket No. DE 12-262 on May 13, 2013 and no party indicated its opposition to the CHP Pilot Measure or the request contained herein.

WHEREFORE, UES respectfully requests that the Commission:

- A. Grant this motion to approve the UES CHP Pilot Measure proposal via a Secretarial Letter, Order *Nisi*, or Order by June 15, 2013; and
- B. Order such further relief as may be just and equitable.

Respectfully submitted,

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I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing Motion has on this 14<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2013 been either sent by first class mail postage prepaid or by electronic mail to persons listed on the Service List.

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