

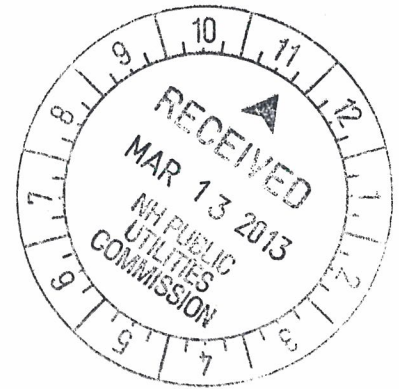


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Executive Director and Secretary
New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission
21 S. Fruit St, Suite 10
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Re: UES 2013 DEFAULT SERVICE SOLICITATION SCHEDULE

Docket DE 13-

Dear Secretary Howland:

On behalf of Unitil Energy Systems, Inc. ("UES" or "Company"), enclosed are an original and six (6) copies of the Company's planned schedule for the issuance of its Request for Proposals ("RFP") for provision of default service for the current calendar year, including anticipated dates for the regulatory filings and approvals.

Pursuant to the schedule, on March 5, 2013, UES issued a Request for Proposals for firm, load-following power to supply three Default Service Contracts:

- (1) Fixed Prices for Small Customers: 75% requirements for June 1, 2013 – October 31, 2013 (5 months) and 100% requirements for November 1, 2013 – November 30, 2013 (1 month);
- (2) Fixed Prices for Medium Customers: 75% requirements for June 1, 2013 – October 31, 2013 (5 months) and 100% requirements for November 1, 2013 – November 30, 2013 (1 month); and
- (3) Variable Prices for Large Customers: 100% requirements for June 1, 2013 – November 30, 2013 (6 months).

Please note that for Large Customers, UES is seeking variable pricing that passes through energy costs in the form of Real-Time LMPs for the NH Load Zone. Respondents are asked to bid Fixed Adders to the LMP which would cover all other costs. All RFP materials for both solicitations are

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available online at www.unitil.net/rfp under "Current Procurement" for FG&E or UES. An electronic version of the RFP has been provided directly to Commission Staff and the Office of Consumer Advocate. There are no renewable portfolio standard requirements associated with these solicitations.

For the convenience of the Commission, also attached is a copy of Schedule RSF-6 from Robert S. Furino's direct testimony in DE 12-003 (previously filed on June 4, 2012 in docket DE 12-003) which provides a graphic depiction of the transition process to the new solicitation schedule.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

/s/ Gary Epler

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Enclosures

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