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Debra A. Howland Executive Director New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission 21 South Fruit Street Suite 10 Concord, New Hampshire 03301

> Re: Docket IR 13-244 Investigation of Payment Hierarchy between Electric Distribution Utilities and Competitive Electric Power Suppliers Request to Reschedule Merits Hearing

Dear Ms. Howland:

The Commission has scheduled a merits hearing in the above-captioned docket for March 4, 2014. The Parties and Staff are working on a settlement agreement and it has become apparent that the agreement will not be concluded in time for the hearing as scheduled. Staff on behalf of the Parties respectfully requests that the Commission reschedule the hearing and direct that the hearing be held on March 20, 2014 beginning at 10:00 a.m. Staff believes that the proposed schedule change is in the public interest as the delay will provide the Parties with sufficient time to complete the settlement agreement.

I certify that a copy of this letter will be service by email on the parties on the service list to this docket.

Sincerely,

Suzanne G. Amidon Staff Attorney

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