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October 5, 2006

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

> Re: Docket No. DE 06-125 Public Service Company of New Hampshire Proposed Default Energy Service Rate Proposed Procedural Schedule

Dear Ms. Howland:

On September 8, 2006, Public Service Company of New Hampshire (PSNH) filed with the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission (Commission) a petition to establish its Default Energy Service (ES) rate for bills rendered on or after January 1, 2007. On September 20, 2006, the Commission issued an Order of Notice scheduling a prehearing conference for October 5, 2006. The prehearing conference was held as scheduled, followed by a technical session among the parties, the Office of Consumer Advocate (OCA) and Commission Staff (Staff). At the technical session, the OCA and the Staff presented initial data requests to PSNH. In addition, the parties, the OCA and the Staff agreed to the following procedural schedule.

Data Requests by OCA, Staff, Intervenors Data Responses from PSNH Technical Session OCA, Staff, Intervenor Testimony PSNH Data Requests on Testimony Settlement Conference Data Responses from OCA, Staff et al. PSNH files updated market price information Hearing on the Merits Rate Order Issued no later than October 13, 2006 October 25, 2006 October 30, 2006 (10:00 a.m.) November 7, 2006 November 9, 2006 November 13, 2006 (9:00 a.m.) November 17, 2006 November 17, 2006 November 21, 2006 (10:00 a.m.) December 29, 2006



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On behalf of the parties, the OCA and the Staff, we request that the Commission approve this procedural schedule to assure that this docket proceeds in a timely manner. Thank you for your consideration. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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