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June 1, 2007

Re: DG 07-033, Northern Utilities, Inc.  
2007 Summer Cost of Gas Adjustment  
Motion to Intervene and Motion to Designate Staff Advocates

To the Parties:

On May 10, 2007, EnergyNorth Natural Gas, Inc. d/b/a KeySpan Energy Delivery New England (KeySpan) filed a petition to intervene in the above referenced proceeding asserting that its rights, duties, privileges, immunities and other substantial interests will be affected because a decision in this proceeding would be "highly influential if not dispositive" with regard to DG 07-050, a similar proceeding concerning KeySpan. KeySpan reports that Northern Utilities (Northern), the Office of the Consumer Advocate and Staff consented to the motion.

On May 30, 2007, Northern filed a motion pursuant to RSA 363:32 I to designate attorney F. Anne Ross and analyst George McCluskey as staff advocates for purposes of DG 07-033. Pursuant to RSA 363:34 and :35, such designation would have the effect of precluding them from advising the commissioners with respect to matters at issue in the docket while subjecting Ms. Ross and Mr. McCluskey to the *ex parte* restrictions that apply routinely in adjudicative proceedings to persons outside the agency. Among the statutory grounds for such designation is that "[t]he docket concerns an issue or matter which is particularly contentious or controversial and which is significant in consequence." RSA 363:32, I (a)(2).

Please be advised that at its public meeting on May 31, 2007, the Commission granted both motions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Debra A. Howland".

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