THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

PREPARED TESTIMONY OF ROBERT A. BAUMANN

2009 STRANDED COST RECOVERY CHARGE RATE CHANGE

Docket No. DE 08-___

1	Q.	Please state your name, business address and position.
2	A.	My name is Robert A. Baumann. My business address is 107 Selden Street, Berlin,
3		Connecticut. I am Director, Revenue Regulation & Load Resources for Northeast
4		Utilities Service Company (NUSCO). NUSCO provides centralized services to the
5		Northeast Utilities (NU) operating subsidiaries, including Public Service Company of
6		New Hampshire (PSNH), The Connecticut Light and Power Company, Yankee Gas
7		Services Company and Western Massachusetts Electric Company.
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9	Q.	Have you previously testified before the Commission?
10	A.	Yes. I have testified on numerous occasions before the Commission.
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12	Q.	What is the purpose of your testimony?
13	A.	The purpose of my testimony is: (1) to provide an overview of this filing; and (2) to seek
14		the necessary approvals to set the average Stranded Cost Recovery Charge (SCRC)
15		rate that will take effect January 1, 2009.

1 Q. Please describe the components of the SCRC and their application to this rate 2 request. The SCRC recovers certain costs under the authorities contained in RSA Chapters 374-3 Α. 4 F and 369-B. The PSNH Restructuring Settlement, approved in Order No. 23,549, defined PSNH's stranded costs and categorized them into three different parts (i.e., Part 5 6 1, 2 and 3). Part 1 is composed of the RRB Charge which is calculated to recover the 7 principal, net interest, and fees related to Rate Reduction Bonds. Part 2 costs are 8 "ongoing" stranded costs consisting primarily of the over-market value of energy 9 purchased from independent power producers (IPPs) and the amortization of payments 10 previously made for IPP buy-downs and buy-outs as approved by the Commission. In 11 addition, the SCRC has a return component, consisting primarily of the stipulated return 12 on deferred taxes related to securitized stranded costs. The return is a benefit to 13 customers which reduces the overall SCRC level. Part 3 costs, which were primarily the 14 amortization of non-securitized stranded costs, were recovered in June 2006. On April 21, 2008, PSNH filed a petition with supporting testimony and schedules 15 requesting a mid-term adjustment to its average SCRC rate effective July 1, 2008 16 17 through December 31, 2008. Pursuant to Order No. 24,872 issued in Docket No. DE 07-097, PSNH is currently billing an average SCRC rate of 0.65 ¢/kWh for the period July 1, 18 19 2008 through December 31, 2008.

Please describe the detailed support for the calculation of the average SCRC rate

provided in Attachments RAB-1 and RAB-2.

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A. Attachment RAB-1, pages 1-3, provides a summary of 2009 cost information related to
Part 1 and Part 2 costs, amortization of securitized assets and ongoing cost activity.

Pages 4 through 7 provide the detailed cost information by month related to Part 1,
amortization of securitized assets and Part 2, ongoing costs. Attachment RAB-2, Pages
1 through 7 provide the detailed cost and revenue components relating to the 2008

SCRC reconciliation.

7 Q. Is PSNH currently proposing a specific SCRC rate at this time?

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No, we are not. Attachment RAB-1 provides a preliminary rate calculation; however, prior to the anticipated hearing in November 2008, PSNH plans to update the SCRC rate for changes attributable to IPP over-market costs and will include an update of 2008 actual data. This update will be consistent with the market price assumptions embedded in the Energy Service (ES) update and will be filed at the same time as the 2009 ES rate update. The preliminary 2009 SCRC rate provided in this filing is 0.90 cents per kWh and is 0.25 cents per kWh higher than the current rate of 0.65 cents per kWh.

15 Q. What are the reasons for the SCRC rate increase?

A. The primary reason for the SCRC rate increase effective January 1, 2009 is the
expiration of the amortization of (i) \$11.6 million in net credits relating to Clean Air Act
equipment, (ii) SO2 allowance sale proceeds, and (iii) McLane Dam buyout costs.

These credits were reflected in 2008 SCRC rates as approved in Docket DE 07-097, and
will be fully refunded to customers as of December 31, 2008. Also contributing to the

- increase in the SCRC rate were higher above market IPP costs and the inclusion of \$3.5
 million in IPP costs relating to the proposed Settlement Agreement with Hemphill Power
 and Light Company in DE 07-122.
- 4 Q. Please explain the \$3.5 million settlement amount in Docket DE 05-122.
- 5 A. On November 9, 2007, PSNH filed a petition for clarification of certain orders regarding 6 its purchase obligations with a wood-fired small power producer, Hemphill Power and 7 Light Company ("Hemphill). There was a dispute between PSNH and Hemphill 8 regarding the correct rate to be paid from October 27, 2006 through October 26, 2007. 9 Rather than embark on a full adjudicatory proceeding, Hemphill and PSNH entered into 10 settlement discussions. Those discussions produced a settlement which was submitted for approval by the Commission in Docket DE 07-122 on September 2, 2008. Under the 11 12 settlement, PSNH has agreed to pay Hemphill \$3.5 million subject to Commission 13 approval of PSNH recovery of this settlement payment from customers.
 - Q. If the Settlement Agreement with Hemphill is approved by the Commission, why is PSNH proposing that the settlement payment be collected through the Stranded Cost Recovery Charge?

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A. PSNH paid Hemphill the short term rate for power supplied by Hemphill during the year long period in question. The short term rate is the ISO New England real time hourly locational marginal price at the New Hampshire zone ("NH LMP"). PSNH's settlement payment to Hemphill would be in addition to the payments already made to Hemphill at

1		the NH LMP; therefore, the settlement payment to Hemphill would be above the market
2		price. Above market payments to small power producers are collected through Part 2
3		Stranded Costs.
4	Q.	Does PSNH plan to minimize cost deferrals for the SCRC through a mid-term
5		adjustment?
6	A.	Yes, if a rate adjustment is deemed necessary, PSNH could file a petition for such a
7		change in a manner and on schedule consistent with the modifications to the Energy
8		Service Rate. The Commission could revisit the SCRC rate in an abbreviated
9		investigation. PSNH will submit actual and estimated data on a date specified by the
10		Commission to allow the parties and Staff sufficient time to address the need for an
11		interim adjustment during the 2009 SCRC year.
12	Q.	Does PSNH require Commission approval of this rate by a specific date?
13	A.	Yes, PSNH would needs final approval of the proposed SCRC rate by December 31,
14		2008, in order to implement the new rate for service rendered on and after January 1,
15		2009. Therefore, PSNH requests that the Commission commence a proceeding so that
16		the procedural schedule can be set to review this filing and approve the SCRC rate in a
17		timely manner.
18	Q.	Does this conclude your testimony?

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A.

Yes, it does.

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PROJECTED JANUARY THROUGH DECEMBER 2009 SCRC RATE CALCULATION

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		 tal 2009 nded Cost	Source
1	Part 1 - Rate recovery bonds (RRB)	\$ 62,056	Attachment RAB-1, Page 3
2	Part 2 - Ongoing SCRC Costs	5,413	Attachment RAB-1, Page 3
3	Part 2 - 2008 estimated SCRC under/(over) Recovery	 7,185	Attachment RAB-2, Page 1
4	Total Updated SCRC Cost (L1+L2+L3)	\$ 74,654	
5	Forecasted Retail MWH Sales	8,276,709	
6	Forecasted SCRC Rate - cents per kWh	0.90	

PROJECTED JANUARY THROUGH DECEMBER 2009 SCRC RATE CALCULATION

SCRC Cost	J	anuary 2009		bruary 2009		March 2009		April 2009		May 2009		June 2009	Total for the six months ended 6/30/09		Source
1 SCRC Part 1 Costs	\$	5,109	\$	5,252	\$	5,252	\$	5,252	\$	5,007	\$	5,007	\$	30,881	Attachment RAB-1, Page 4
2 SCRC Part 2 Costs		136		202		550		718		720		526		2,853	Attachment RAB-1, Page 6
3 2008 estimated SCRC under(over) Recovery		7,185				<u> </u>								7,185	Attachment RAB-2, Page 1
4 Total SCRC Cost	\$	12,431	\$	5,454	\$	5,803	\$	5,970	\$	5,727	\$	5,534	\$	40,919	
5 Total SCRC Revenue @ .90 cents/kwh		6,631	-	5,936		6,214		5,693	_	5,751		6,025		36,250	
6 SCRC under/(over) Recovery	\$	5,799	\$	(482)	\$	(412)	\$	277	\$	(23)	\$	(491)	\$	4,669	
7 Retail MWH Sales		736,824	6	59,504	6	90,488	6	32,567	6	38,966	6	69,438		4,027,787	

⁸ Amounts shown above may not add due to rounding.

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												Total for the	
SCRC Cost	 July 2009		ugust 2009		ptember 2009		ctober 2009		vember 2009		cember 2009	ve months ed 12/31/09	Source
1 SCRC Part 1 Costs	\$ 5,007	\$	5,334	\$	5,334	\$	5,334	\$	5,083	\$	5,083	\$ 62,056	Attachment RAB-1, Page 5
2 SCRC Part 2 Costs	277		335		425		460		524		538	5,413	Attachment RAB-1, Page 7
3 2008 estimated SCRC under(over) Recovery	 -			_	-				-			 7,185	Attachment RAB-2, Page 1
4 Total SCRC Cost	\$ 5,284	\$	5,669	\$	5,759	\$	5,794	\$	5,607	\$	5,621	\$ 74,654	
5 Total SCRC Revenue @ .90 cents/kwh	 6,810		6,756	_	5,942		6,153		6,076		6,503	 74,490	
6 SCRC under/(over) Recovery	\$ (1,526)	\$	(1,087)	\$	(183)	\$	(359)	\$	(469)	\$	(881)	\$ 164	
7 Retail MWH Sales	756,714	7	50,673	6	60,210	6	83,670	6	75,127	7	22,528	8,276,709	

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PROJECTED JANUARY THROUGH DECEMBER 2009 SCRC RATE CALCULATION

SECURITIZED COSTS

	SCRC Part 1 Amortization of Securitized Assets	anuary 2009	ebruary 2009	March 2009	April 2009	May 2009	June 2009	si	Total for the x months led 6/30/09
1	<u>Principal</u>								
2 3 4	Amortization of Seabrook cost Amortization of MP 3 Amortization of RRB1 financing cost	\$ 3,562 113 84	\$ 3,756 119 88	\$ 3,756 119 88	\$ 3,756 119 88	\$ 3,584 114 84	\$ 3,584 114 84	\$	21,998 698 517
5	Total	3,759	3,963	3,963	3,963	3,782	3,782		23,214
6	Interest and Fees								
7 8	RRB1 Interest Net RRB fees	 1,270 80	 1,209 80	 1,209 80	1,209 80	1,145 80	1,145 80		7,186 481
9	Total	1,350	1,289	1,289	1,289	1,225	1,225		7,667
10	Total SCRC Part 1 cost	\$ 5,109	\$ 5,252	\$ 5,252	\$ 5,252	\$ 5,007	\$ 5,007	\$	30,881

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SECURITIZED COSTS

SCRC Part 1 Amortization of Securitized Assets	July 2009	ugust 2009	otember 2009	ctober 2009		vember 2009	December 2009		Total for the welve months ended 12/31/09
1 <u>Principal</u>									
2 Amortization of Seabrook cost	\$ 3,584	\$ 3,952	\$ 3,952	\$ 3,952	\$	3,779	\$ 3,779	\$	44,996
3 Amortization of MP 3	114	125	125	125		120	120		1,428
4 Amortization of RRB1 financing cost	 84	 93	 93	 93	_	89	 89		1,058
5 Total	3,782	4,170	4,170	4,170		3,987	3,987		47,482
6 Interest and Fees									
7 RRB1 Interest	1,145	1,083	1,083	1,083		1,016	1,016		13,612
8 Net RRB fees	 80	 80	80	 80		80	 80		962
9 Total	1,225	1,164	1,164	1,164		1,096	1,096		14,574
10 Total SCRC Part 1 cost	\$ 5,007	\$ 5,334	\$ 5,334	\$ 5,334	\$	5,083	\$ 5,083	\$	62,056

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PROJECTED JANUARY THROUGH DECEMBER 2009 SCRC RATE CALCULATION

PART 2 ONGOING COSTS

SCRC Part 2 Ongoing Costs	nuary 2009	February 2009		I	March 2009	April 2009	May 2009	June 2009	th	Total for e six months ended 06/30/09
Ongoing Costs - IPP Amortization and return on IPP										
3 Buydown/Buyout Savings	\$ 233	\$	233	\$	232	\$ 231	\$ 231	\$ 230	\$	1,390
4 IPP Ongoing costs: 5 Total IPP Cost 6 less: IPP at Market Cost 7 Above Market IPP Cost	 3,952 3,362 590		3,839 3,191 648		4,225 3,238 987	 4,524 3,381 1,143	 4,265 3,132 1,133	 3,461 2,532 929		24,266 18,836 5,430
8 Total Part 2 Costs	\$ 823	\$	881	\$	1,219	\$ 1,374	\$ 1,364	\$ 1,159	\$	6,820
Ongoing Costs - Return										
9 Return on ADIT - Securitized10 Stranded Costs	(656)		(644)		(633)	(621)	(610)	(599)		(3,763)
11 Return on Yankee Decommissioning 12 Obligations and CVEC, net of deferred taxes	(61)		(60)		(59)	(57)	(56)	(55)		(348)
13 Return on SCRC deferred balance	29		25		23	 22	23	 22		144
14 Total Part 2 Return	\$ (687)	\$	(679)	\$	(669)	\$ (656)	\$ (643)	\$ (633)	\$	(3,967)
15 Total Part 2 Ongoing Costs and Return	\$ 136	\$	202	\$	550	\$ 718	\$ 720	\$ 526	\$	2,853

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PROJECTED JANUARY THROUGH DECEMBER 2009 SCRC RATE CALCULATION

PART 2 ONGOING COSTS

SCRC Part 2 Ongoing Costs	July 2009	ugust 2009	otember 2009	ctober 2009	vember 2009	December 2009		Total for the twelve months ended 12/31/09	
1 Ongoing Costs - IPP2 Amortization and return on IPP3 Buydown/Buyout Savings	\$ 229	\$ 229	\$ 228	\$ 227	\$ 227	\$ 226	\$	2,757	
4 IPP Ongoing costs: 5 Total IPP Cost 6 less: IPP at Market Cost 7 Above Market IPP Cost 8 Total Part 2 Costs	\$ 3,103 2,430 673	\$ 2,831 2,106 725 954	\$ 2,750 1,945 805	\$ 3,203 2,374 829 1,056	\$ 3,806 2,924 882 1,109	\$ 4,283 3,396 887 1,113	\$	44,242 34,011 10,231	
Ongoing Costs - Return									
9 Return on ADIT - Securitized10 Stranded Costs	(588)	(577)	(564)	(552)	(540)	(529)		(7,113)	
11 Return on Yankee Decommissioning12 Obligations and CVEC, net of deferred taxes	(54)	(53)	(52)	(51)	(49)	(48)		(655)	
13 Return on SCRC deferred balance	 17	 11	 8	 7	 5	 2		194	
14 Total Part 2 Return	\$ (625)	\$ (618)	\$ (608)	\$ (596)	\$ (585)	\$ (575)	\$	(7,575)	
15 Total Part 2 Ongoing Costs and Return	\$ 277	\$ 335	\$ 425	\$ 460	\$ 524	\$ 538	\$	5,413	

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2008 SCRC RECONCILIATION

	Strar	nded Cost	Source
1 Part 1 - Rate recovery bonds (RRB)	\$	62,786	Attachment RAB-2, Page 3
2 Part 2 - Ongoing SCRC Costs		7,676	Attachment RAB-2, Page 3
3 Amortization of CAAA, McLane Dam, SO2 allowances		(11,638)	DE 07-097, S. E. Mullen Testimony, Attachment SEM-1
4 Part 2 - 2007 Actual SCRC under/(over) Recovery		3,913	Attachment RAB-2, Page 3
5 Total Updated SCRC Cost (L1+L2+L3+L4)	\$	62,737	
6 Total Updated SCRC Revenue		55,552	Attachment RAB-2, Page 3
7 Total 2008 estimated SCRC under/(over) Recovery (L5 - L6)		7,185	

2008 SCRC RECONCILIATION

SCRC Cost	Actual January 2008	Actual February 2008	Actual March 2008	Actual April 2008	Actual May 2008	Actual June 2008	Total for the six months ended 6/30/08	Source
1 SCRC Part 1 Costs	\$ 5,874	\$ 5,187	\$ 5,230	\$ 5,222	\$ 4,977	\$ 4,995	\$ 31,486	Attachment RAB-2, Page 4
2 SCRC Part 2 Costs	19	1,456	1,316	(55)	(259)	(236)	2,242	Attachment RAB-2, Page 6
3 Amortization of CAAA, McLane Dam, SO2 allowances (1)	(11,638)	-	-	-	-	-	(11,638)	
4 2007 Actual SCRC under(over) Recovery	3,913						3,913	
5 Total SCRC Cost	\$ (1,831)	\$ 6,644	\$ 6,546	\$ 5,167	\$ 4,718	\$ 4,759	\$ 26,002	
6 Total SCRC Revenue @ .72 cents/kwh	5,236	4,628	4,800	4,361	4,439	4,615	28,080	
7 SCRC under/(over) Recovery	\$ (7,067)	\$ 2,016	\$ 1,745	\$ 806	\$ 279	\$ 144	\$ (2,078)	
8 Retail MWH Sales	729,549	651,644	673,814	614,613	617,122	675,909	3,962,651	

^{9 (1)} See DE 07-97, S.E. Mullen Testimony, Attachment SEM-1

¹⁰ Amounts shown above may not add due to rounding.

2008 SCRC RECONCILIATION

		Actual						Estimate	, –			Total for the	
SCRC Cost		July 2008		lugust 2008		ptember 2008	October 2008	_ N	November 2008	December 2008	ve months ed 12/31/08	Source	
1 SCRC Part 1 Costs	\$	4,990	\$	5,357	\$	5,357	\$ 5,357		\$ 5,120	\$ 5,120	\$ 62,786	Attachment RAB-2, Page 5	
2 SCRC Part 2 Costs		53		319		393	380		463	3,826	7,676	Attachment RAB-2, Page 7	
3 Amortization of CAAA, McLane Dam, SO2 allowances (1)		-		-		-	-		-	-	(11,638)		
4 2007 Actual SCRC under(over) Recovery											 3,913		
5 Total SCRC Cost	\$	5,042	\$	5,676	\$	5,750	\$ 5,737		\$ 5,583	\$ 8,946	\$ 62,737		
6 Total SCRC Revenue @ .65 cents/kwh	_	4,939		4,855	_	4,284	4,380		4,346	4,668	 55,552		
7 SCRC under/(over) Recovery	\$	103	\$	821	\$	1,467	\$ 1,357		\$ 1,236	\$ 4,278	\$ 7,185		
8 Retail MWH Sales		753,059	7	46,900	6	59,042	673,819		668,683	718,085	8,182,239		

^{9 (1)} See DE 07-97, S.E. Mullen Testimony, Attachment SEM-1

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2008 SCRC RECONCILIATION

SECURITIZED COSTS

SCRC Part 1 Amortization of Securitized Assets 1 Principal	Já	Actual January 2008		Actual February 2008		Actual March 2008	-	Actual April 2008	Actual May 2008	Actual June 2008	Total for the ix months ded 6/30/08
2 Amortization of Seabrook cost	\$	3,348	\$	3,553	\$	3,553	\$	3,553	\$ 3,374	\$ 3,374	\$ 20,755
3 Amortization of MP 3		106		113		113		113	107	107	659
4 Amortization of RRB1 financing cost		79		84		84		84	79	79	489
5 Amortization of RRB2-Whitefield		844		-		-		-	-	-	844
6 Total		4,377		3,750		3,750		3,750	3,560	3,560	22,747
7 Interest and Fees											
8 RRB1 Interest		1,416		1,353		1,399		1,391	1,336	1,357	8,252
9 RRB2 Interest-Whitefield		(8)		(8)		(1)		(1)	(1)	(1)	(20)
10 Net RRB fees		89		92		82		83	82	78	506
11 Total		1,497		1,437		1,480		1,472	1,417	1,435	8,739
12 Total SCRC Part 1 cost	\$	5,874	\$	5,187	\$	5,230	\$	5,222	\$ 4,977	\$ 4,995	\$ 31,486

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2008 SCRC RECONCILIATION

SECURITIZED COSTS

SCRC Part 1 Amortization of Securitized Assets		Actual July 2008		August 2008		September 2008		stimate ctober 2008	vember 2008	cember 2008	Total for the twelve months ended 12/31/08		
1 <u>Principal</u>													
Amortization of Seabrook cost Amortization of MP 3 Amortization of RRB1 financing cost Amortization of RRB2-Whitefield	\$	3,374 107 79	\$	3,733 119 88 -	\$	3,733 119 88	\$	3,733 119 88	\$ 3,562 113 84	\$ 3,562 113 84	\$	42,452 1,349 1,000 844	
6 Total		3,560		3,940		3,940		3,940	3,759	3,759		45,645	
7 Interest and Fees													
8 RRB1 Interest 9 RRB2 Interest-Whitefield 10 Net RRB fees		1,351 (1) 80		1,326 - 91		1,326 - 91		1,326 - 91	 1,270 - 91	 1,270 - 91		16,121 (21) 1,041	
11 Total		1,430		1,417		1,417		1,417	1,361	1,361		17,141	
12 Total SCRC Part 1 cost	\$	4,990	\$	5,357	\$	5,357	\$	5,357	\$ 5,120	\$ 5,120	\$	62,786	

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2008 SCRC RECONCILIATION

PART 2 ONGOING COSTS

SCRC Part 2 Ongoing Costs	Actual January 2008		Actual February 2008		Actual March 2008		Actual April 2008		Actual May 2008		Actual June 2008		the	Total for e six months ended 06/30/08
1 Ongoing Costs - IPP2 Amortization and return on IPP3 Buydown/Buyout Savings	\$	240	\$	251	\$	257	\$	250	\$	237	\$	222	\$	1,457
4 IPP Ongoing costs: 5 Total IPP Cost 6 less: IPP at Market Cost 7 Above Market IPP Cost		7,540 5,798 1,741		7,438 5,352 2,086		6,902 4,984 1,918		4,888 4,366 522		5,366 5,049 316		2,480 2,139 342		34,614 27,688 6,926
8 Total Part 2 Costs	\$	1,981	\$	2,337	\$	2,175	\$	772	\$	553	\$	564	\$	8,383
Ongoing Costs - Return														
9 2007 Adjustment		(15)		-		-		-		-		-		(15)
10 Return on ADIT - Securitized 11 Stranded Costs		(785)		(774)		(763)		(739)		(729)		(719)		(4,509)
12 Return on Yankee Decommissioning 13 Obligations and CVEC, net of deferred taxes		(110)		(80)		(78)		(75)		(74)		(72)		(489)
14 Yankee Contract Obligations Adjustment (1)		(1,044)		-		-		-		-		-		(1,044)
15 Return on SCRC deferred balance		(7)		(27)		(19)		(13)		(10)		(9)		(85)
16 Total Part 2 Return	\$	(1,962)	\$	(881)	\$	(860)	\$	(827)	\$	(812)	\$	(800)	\$	(6,141)
17 Total Part 2 Ongoing Costs and Return	\$	19	\$	1,456	\$	1,316	\$	(55)	\$	(259)	\$	(236)	\$	2,242

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⁽¹⁾ Reflects adjustments to decommissioning funding obligations under FERC-approved contracts for CYACP and MYAPC.

2008 SCRC RECONCILIATION

PART 2 ONGOING COSTS

	Actual July 2008					Fe	timate				1	the	Total for twelve months	
SCRC Part 2 Ongoing Costs				August 2008		September 2008		October 2008		November 2008		December 2008		ended 12/31/08
1 Ongoing Costs - IPP2 Amortization and return on IPP3 Buydown/Buyout Savings	\$	214	\$	244	\$	244	\$	243	\$	242	\$	241	\$	2,885
4 IPP Ongoing costs: 5 Total IPP Cost (1) 6 less: IPP at Market Cost 7 Above Market IPP Cost		3,536 2,907 629		2,750 1,899 851		2,684 1,776 908		3,065 2,189 876		3,590 2,649 941		7,680 3,400 4,280		57,919 42,508 15,411
8 Total Part 2 Costs	\$	843	\$	1,095	\$	1,152	\$	1,119	\$	1,183	\$	4,521	\$	18,297
Ongoing Costs - Return														
9 2007 Adjustment		-		-		-		-		-		-		(15)
10 Return on ADIT - Securitized 11 Stranded Costs		(712)		(701)		(690)		(678)		(667)		(657)		(8,613)
12 Return on Yankee Decommissioning 13 Obligations and CVEC, net of deferred taxes		(71)		(69)		(67)		(65)		(63)		(62)		(886)
14 Yankee Contract Obligations Adjustment		-		-		-		-		-		-		(1,044)
15 Return on SCRC deferred balance		(9)		(7)		(1)		5		11		23		(64)
16 Total Part 2 Return	\$	(791)	\$	(776)	\$	(758)	\$	(739)	\$	(720)	\$	(695)	\$	(10,621)
17 Total Part 2 Ongoing Costs and Return	\$	53	\$	319	\$	393	\$	380	\$	463	\$	3,826	\$	7,676

¹⁸ Amounts shown above may not add due to rounding.

⁽¹⁾ December IPP cost reflects an additional \$3.5m for the pending settlement in DE 07-122 between Hemphill Power & Light Company and PSNH.

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

BEFORE THE

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY OF NEW HAMPSHIRE PETITION FOR ADJUSTMENT OF STRANDED COST RECOVERY CHARGE FOR EFFECT ON JANUARY 1, 2009

Docket No. DE 08-

Pursuant to Puc § 202.01(a) and Puc §203.06, Public Service Company of New Hampshire ("PSNH" or "the Company") hereby petitions the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission ("Commission") for a proceeding to establish a Stranded Cost Recovery Charge for effect on January 1, 2009 pursuant to the requirements of RSA 374-F:3 and RSA 369-B:3 and the Agreement to Settle PSNH Restructuring (Revised and Conformed) in Docket No. DE 99-099 ("Restructuring Settlement"). In support of its Petition, PSNH says the following:

- 1. The Stranded Cost Recovery Charge ("SCRC") was established under the Restructuring Settlement, originally capped at an average of 3.40 cents per kilowatt hour. When Part 3 Stranded Costs are fully collected, the Restructuring Settlement provides that the SCRC will be set on a forecasted basis every six months and will include any over- or under-recovery of Part 1 and Part 2 stranded costs from the previous period. Restructuring Settlement at 25.
- 2. In Order No. 24,641, the Commission approved the reduction of the SCRC from 3.55 cents per kilowatt-hour to 1.55 cents per kilowatt-hour on average beginning July 1, 2006 to reflect the complete recovery of Part 3 Stranded Costs. In Docket No. DE 07-097, the Commission approved a new average SCRC for effect on January 1, 2008 of 0.72 cents per kilowatt-hour. Order No. 24,807 (December 17, 2007) On June 27, 2008, the Commission issued Order No, 24,872 approving an interim adjustment to the SCRC with an average rate of 0.65 cents per kilowatt-hour for effect on July 1, 2008. This current SCRC rate will expire on December 31, 2008.

3. Enclosed with this Petition are the pre-filed testimony, attachments and exhibits of Robert A. Baumann supporting a change in the average SCRC rate. Based upon the data contained in those attachments and exhibits, PSNH currently estimates an average SCRC rate for effect on January 1, 2009 of 0.90 cents per kilowatt-hour. PSNH is not requesting approval of a specific rate at this time, but the Company will update its estimates with more recent data before a hearing on the merits is held.

WHEREFORE, PSNH respectfully requests that the Commission open a proceeding, provide for an order of notice, schedule a procedural hearing where the conduct of this proceeding may be established and intervention requests ruled, and order such further relief as may be just and equitable.

Respectfully submitted this twelfth day of September, 2008. **PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**

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Certificate of Service

I hereby certify that copies of the attached Petition have been served this day upon persons on the attached Service List pursuant to the requirements of Rules Puc §203.02 and §203.11.

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