STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE BEFORE THE NEW HAMPSHIRE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

DE 09-009

Unitil Energy Systems, Inc. (UES) Default Service

PETITION FOR INTERVENTION

NOW COMES Halifax-American Energy Company, LLC and hereby petitions the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission for intervention in the above-captioned proceeding pursuant to RSA 541-A:32 and NH Code Admin. Rule Puc 203.17. In support of its Petition for Intervention, Petitioner says the following:

- 1. Halifax-American Energy Company, LLC ("HAEC") is a New Hampshire limited liability company created on July 30, 2007. HAEC is the New England agent for South Jersey Energy Company, a subsidiary of South Jersey Industries. South Jersey Energy Company is a registered competitive electric power supplier in New Hampshire
- 2. On February 4, 2009, Unitil Energy Systems, Inc. (UES) filed with the Commission a red-lined copy of the Request for Proposals (RFP) issued by UES on February 3, 2009 soliciting default service for its large commercial and industrial customers (G1) customers and small commercial and residential customers (non-G1) customers.
- 3. The filing raises, <u>inter alia</u>, issues related to whether the resulting rates are just and reasonable as required by RSA 378:5 and 7; and whether UES has procured default service consistent with the principles of the electric utility restructuring statute (RSA 374-F:3(V)(c)-(e)).
- 4. As an energy marketer providing an alternative to UES's Default Rate, Petitioner has a strong interest in the outcome of this proceeding that could substantially affect its rights, duties, privileges and other substantial interests such as its opportunity to advise and sell to PSNH's customers.

WHEREFORE, HAEC hereby respectfully requests the Commission to grant it party intervener party status and to order such other and further relief as may be just and equitable.

Respectfully submitted,

HALIFAX-AMERICAN ENERGY COMPANY, LLC By its Attorney

Dated: March 6, 2009

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Certification of Service

Pursuant to Rules Puc 203.02(2) and Puc 203.11, I have served copy of this petition on each person identified on the commission's service list for this docket.

/s/ James T. Rodier