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## BY OVERNIGHT MAIL AND E-MAIL

Debra A. Howland, Executive Director and Secretary New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission 21 S. Fruit Street, Suite 10 Concord, NH 03301-2429

RE: Docket No. DE 09-137

Dear Director Howland:

On behalf of Unitil Energy Systems, Inc., please accept this letter as the request of Unitil Energy Systems, Inc. ("UES") for an extension of time until September 7, 2011 for the Company to file information concerning the program costs of the Time-Of-Use ("TOU") Pilot approved by the Commission in Docket DE 09-137. In Order No. 25,079, the Commission approved the settlement agreement between the Company, Commission Staff and the Office of Consumer Advocate, which provided, among other things, that UES will recover its share of incremental TOU program costs as a component of its Non-G1 default service rate over one year, commencing with the default service period beginning November 1, 2010.<sup>1</sup> The Company agreed to provide cost information 60 days prior to the beginning of the recovery period.

Accordingly, UES intends to seek cost recovery of its TOU program costs beginning November 1, 2011. However, UES is requesting this additional time to provide the cost information as key personnel responsible for preparing the filing have been occupied with assisting the Company's storm preparation and restoration activities over the last several days. UES submits that this request will not unduly delay the Commission's consideration of its request nor adversely affect the rights of any party.

Please do not hesitate to contact me directly if you have any questions concerning this request.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> In a Secretarial Letter issued on May 25, 2010, the Commission granted UES's request to postpone the TOU Pilot until the summer of 2011. The Pilot ran from June 1, 2011 through August 31, 2011.

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Sincerely, Qv Gary Epler

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