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

Re: Public Service Company of New Hampshire
Default Energy Service Rate - Docket No. DE 09-180



Dear Secretary Howland:

Public Service Company of New Hampshire ("PSNH") filed a response to a data request from the Commission Staff for which PSNH incorrectly claimed confidential treatment. Data Request Staff Set 1 Q-STAFF-005 sought information regarding fuel supply prices. PSNH had claimed confidential treatment for this data and reserved the opportunity to file a motion for protective order pursuant to NH Code Admin. Rule Puc § 203.08 (d). PSNH later determined that the Commission had denied a similar Motion for Protective Order for comparable information in the previous proceeding. *See*, DE 08-113. Order No. 24,920 slip op. at 7 (December 12, 2008).

A copy of the response and this letter are being supplied to all parties on the attached service list.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Very truly yours,

Gerald M. Eaton
Senior Counsel

Enclosures
cc: Service List