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Via Electronic Mail and Hand-Delivery

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

Re: Docket No. DE 10-020: Granite State Electric Company d/b/a National Grid Default Service Rates for the Large and Medium Commercial and Industrial Customer Group for the Period November 1, 2010 through January 31, 2011 and for the Residential and Small Commercial Customer Group for the Period November 1, 2010 through April 30, 2011

Dear Ms. Howland:

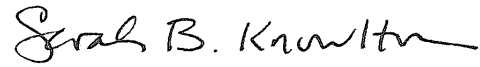
I enclose an original and six copies of Granite State Electric Company's d/b/a National Grid ("National Grid" or "Company") proposed Default Service rates for the period November 1, 2010 through January 31, 2011 for the Large and Medium Commercial and Industrial Customer Group (the "Large Customer Group") and for the period November 1, 2010 through April 30, 2010 for the Residential and Small Commercial Customer Group (the "Small Customer Group"). This filing includes the testimony of Margaret M. Janzen and accompanying schedules. Confidential sections of certain schedules to Ms. Janzen's testimony have been omitted from the public version of this filing and have been provided to the Commission separately, together with a motion for confidential treatment.

National Grid believes the proposed Default Service rates are consistent with RSA 374-F:3, V(c), Commission precedent, and are in the public interest as reflective of "competitive market" prices. *See* NH RSA 374-F:3, V(c). Accordingly, the Company respectfully requests that the Commission approve the proposed rates to become effective for service on and after November 1, 2010 no later than January 31, 2011 for the Large Customer Group and on and after November 1, 2010 no later than April 30, 2011 for the Small Customer Group.

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Thank you for your assistance with this matter. Please do not hesitate to call if you have any questions.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Sarah B. Knowlton". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long, sweeping underline.

Sarah B. Knowlton

Enclosures

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