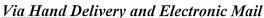
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Debra A. Howland, Executive Director and Secretary New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission 21 S. Fruit Street, Suite 10 Concord, NH 03301



Re: DG 10-250- Northern Utilities, Inc. 2010-2011 Winter Period Cost of Gas Adjustment

Dear Ms. Howland:

Enclosed please find and original and seven copies of a Motion for Protective Order and Confidential Treatment for filing with the Commission in the above-captioned docket on behalf of Northern Utilities, Inc. In addition, seven copies of the documents which are the subject of this Motion are submitted herewith in accordance with Puc 203.08(f).

Northern notes that the documents have been marked confidential in order to assist the Commission with its responsibilities under Puc 204.08(f) which requires that the Commission mark the documents confidential and maintain them within the Commission's offices in a secure location.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions about this filing. Thank you for your assistance and cooperation.

Very truly yours,

A. Krizer Susan S. Geiger

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