STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

Inter-Department Communication

DATE:

June 27, 2013

AT (OFFICE): NHPUC

FROM:

Lynn Fabrizio, Director of Administration

SUBJECT:

DG 11-040 National Grid et al. Petition for Transfer of Assets

Company Request for Pool A Escrow Release

TO:

Debra A. Howland, Executive Director

F. Anne Ross, General Counsel

CC:

Docket Service List (by e-mail)

Attached is a May 29, 2013 filing by National Grid USA and EnergyNorth Natural and Granite State Electric Company d/b/a Liberty Utilities in Docket No. DG 11-040. The filing includes certifications of certain transition service transfers and a disbursement request for a pro rata release of Pool A escrow funds in accordance with the terms of the settlement agreement reached in the above-captioned docket.

Please let me know if you have any questions on this matter.

Attachment



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May 29, 2013

Via Electronic Mail and Hand Delivery

Lynn Fabrizio, Esquire
Director of Administration
& Assistant Executive Director
New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission
21 South Fruit Street, Suite 10
Concord, NH 03301

Re: Docket DG 11-040; Transfer of Ownership of Granite State Electric Company and EnergyNorth Natural Gas, Inc.—Escrow Release for the Quarter Ending March 31, 2013

Dear Attorney Fabrizio:

In accordance with the Agreement Regarding Process for Release of Escrow Funds dated July 20, 2012 ("Escrow Release Agreement") among National Grid USA ("National Grid"), Granite State Electric Company ("GSEC"), EnergyNorth Natural Gas, Inc. ("ENGI"), Liberty Energy Utilities Co. ("Liberty Energy"), Liberty Energy Utilities (New Hampshire) Corp., and the staff of the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission ("Staff"), enclosed are executed TSA Transfer Certifications for ENGI and GSEC (each provided in duplicate so you will have original signatures for both signatories) in the form set forth as Schedule 1 to the Escrow Release Agreement covering the period January 1 through March 31, 2013. The TSA Transfer Certifications certify that the eight Transition Services identified on each Certification have been completed and transferred to ENGI and GSEC, respectively, in accordance with the terms of the relevant Transition Service Agreements. Notices relating to the termination of the Transition Services identified on the Certifications have previously been submitted to Staff in accordance with the Settlement Agreement approved by the Commission in its Order No. 25,370.

Also enclosed with this letter is an executed Pool A Release Certification for ENGI and GSEC in the form set forth as Schedule 2 to the Escrow Release Agreement as well as a Disbursement Request in the form set forth as Schedule 3.1 to the Escrow Agreement dated July 3, 2012 entered into by National Grid and the escrow agent, Bank of America. The Disbursement Request covers the aggregate funds to be released in association with the Pool A

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Release Certification for ENGI and GSEC. Pursuant to the Escrow Release Agreement, National Grid requests that the Commission's General Counsel execute the Pool A Release Certification and the Disbursement Request and return the originals to me to authorize release of \$670,800 of the Pool A Escrow Funds. Please note that the Disbursement Request form is a confidential document, as determined by the Commission in its Order No. 25,400, and therefore is being provided in a separate envelope. A redacted form of the Disbursement Request form is also enclosed and is the only form of that document that is being provided to the individuals on the service list other than the Consumer Advocate. Individuals requiring a copy of the unredacted form should contact me directly.

Please let me know if the Staff has any questions regarding the foregoing request or documentation.

Sincerely,

Steven V. Camerino

SVC Enclosures

cc: Service List (via email)

TSA Transfer Certification

On this 2007 day of May, 2013, National Grid USA and EnergyNorth Natural Gas, Inc. hereby certify to the Staff of the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission that National Grid USA has completed and transferred the following Transition Services' to EnergyNorth Natural Gas, Inc. in accordance with the terms of the respective Transition Service Agreement(s) for the three-month period January 1, 2013 – March 31, 2013 ("Current Period"):

- 1. FIN 3 Finance Training Service
- 2. FIN 5 Accounts Payable Consulting Services
- 3. Gas Ops 17 Mutual Assistance Gas Emergencies

NATIONAL GRID USA

ENERGYNORTH NATURAL GAS, INC.

By: John Cochrane

Its: Executive Vice President

By: Victor D. Del Vecchio

All capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined herein shall have the same meanings as in the Settlement Agreement dated April 10, 2012 and approved by Order No. 25,370.

TSA Transfer Certification

On this 20 day of May, 2013, National Grid USA and EnergyNorth Natural Gas, Inc. hereby certify to the Staff of the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission that National Grid USA has completed and transferred the following Transition Services' to EnergyNorth Natural Gas, Inc. in accordance with the terms of the respective Transition Service Agreement(s) for the three-month period January 1, 2013 – March 31, 2013 ("Current Period"):

- 1. FIN 3 Finance Training Service
- 2. FIN 5 Accounts Payable Consulting Services
- 3. Gas Ops 17 Mutual Assistance Gas Emergencies

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By: Victor D. Del Vecchio

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TSA Transfer Certification

On this 21 day of May, 2013, National Grid USA and Granite State Electric Company hereby certify to the Staff of the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission that National Grid USA has completed and transferred the following Transition Services to Granite State Electric Company in accordance with the terms of the respective Transition Service Agreement(s) for the three-month period January 1, 2013 -March 31, 2013 ("Current Period"):

- 1. FIN 3 Finance Training Service
- 2. FIN 5 Accounts Payable Consulting Services
- 3. Elec Ops 8 Vegetation
- 4. Elec Ops 9 Customer Meter Support Support
- 5. Energy Supply 3 Energy Procurement Services

NATIONAL GRID USA

GRANITE STATE ELECTRIC COMPANY

By: John Cochrane

Its: Executive Vice President

By: Victor D. Del Vecchio

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TSA Transfer Certification

On this 25 day of May, 2013, National Grid USA and Granite State Electric Company hereby certify to the Staff of the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission that National Grid USA has completed and transferred the following Transition Services to Granite State Electric Company in accordance with the terms of the respective Transition Service Agreement(s) for the three-month period January 1, 2013 -March 31, 2013 ("Current Period"):

- 1. FIN 3 Finance Training Service
- 2. FIN 5 Accounts Payable Consulting Services
- 3. Elec Ops 8 Vegetation
- 4. Elec Ops 9 Customer Meter Support Support
- 5. Energy Supply 3 Energy Procurement Services

NATIONAL GRID USA

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GRANITE STATE ELECTRIC COMPANY

By: Victor D. Del Vecchio

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Pool A Release Certification

On this _____ day of June, 2013, the Staff of the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission ("Staff") hereby confirms that National Grid USA has completed and transferred the following Transition Services to Granite State Electric Company in accordance with the terms of the respective Transition Service Agreement(s) for the three-month period January 1, 2013 – March 31, 2013 ("Current Period"):

- 1. FIN 3 Finance Training Service
- 2. FIN 5 Accounts Payable Consulting
- 3. Elec Ops 8 Vegetation
- 4. Elec Ops 9 Customer Meter Support
- 5. Energy Supply 3 Energy Procurement Services

All capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined herein shall have the same meanings as in the Settlement Agreement dated April 10, 2012 and approved by Order No. 25,370.

In addition, Staff hereby confirms that National Grid USA has completed and transferred the following Transition Services to EnergyNorth Natural Gas, Inc. in accordance with the terms of the respective Transition Service Agreement(s) for the Current Period:

- 1. FIN 3 Finance Training Service
- 2. FIN 5 Accounts Payable Consulting
- 3. Gas Ops 17 Mutual Assistance- Gas Emergencies

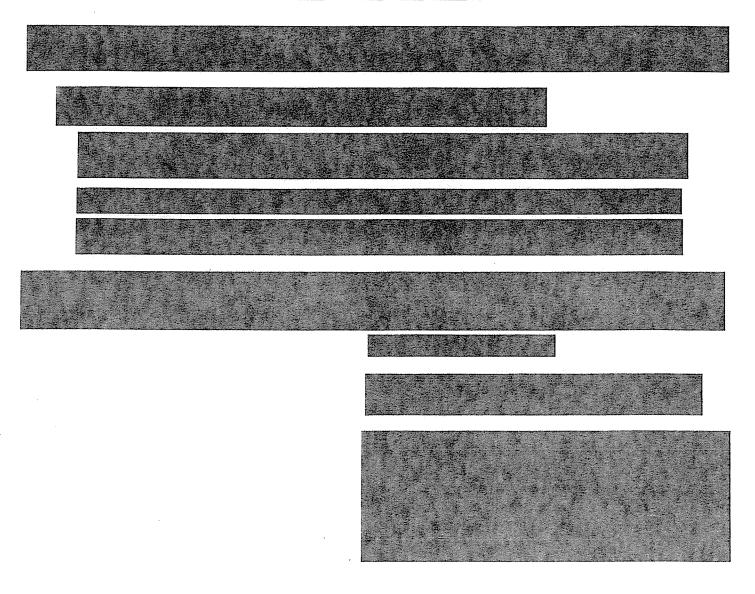
Accordingly and pursuant to the Settlement Agreement dated April 10, 2012 and approved by Order No. 25,370, Staff hereby authorizes the prompt release and disbursement of the following amount from the Pool A Escrow Funds to National Grid USA:

	# of TSA Services	# of Schedule L TSA Services	Adjusted # of TSA
Services:			
Completed in Current Period:	8	0	8
Previously Completed:	36	4	32
Cumulative Completed:	44	4	40
Total # of TSAs:	153	10	143
Adjusted Cumulative Completed Divided by Adjusted Total:			27.97 %
Total Pool A Escrow Funds (non-reserved):			\$12,000,000
Pool A Escrow Funds for Disbursal (% x total):			\$3,356,400
Less Pool A Escrow Funds Previously Disbursed:			\$2,685,600
Total Disbursement Amount for Current Period:	*	•	\$ 670,800

STAFF OF THE NEW HAMPSHIRE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

By: F. Anne Ross, Esq. General Counsel

SCHEDULE 3.1 <u>DISBURSEMENT REQUEST</u>



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