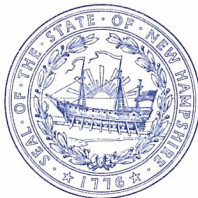


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Re: DG 12-031 Northern Utilities, Inc.
Petition for Approval of Fifth Amendment to Special Contract with Foss
Manufacturing Company, LLC

Dear Mr. Patch:

This letter serves as an acknowledgement of Northern Utilities, Inc.'s filing, received January 26, 2012. Please reference the docket number cited above on any additional material to be filed in this matter. All filings should consist of one (1) original and two (2) copies of both the cover letter and any associated material.

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Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Debra A. Howland".

Debra A. Howland
Executive Director

cc: Service List
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