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April 15, 2013

Matthew J. Fossum Counsel Public Service Company of New Hampshire P.O. Box 330 Manchester, NH 03105-0330

Re: DE 13-078, Public Service Company of New Hampshire Request for a Waiver of Puc 1203.11

Dear Mr. Fossum:

On March 11, 2013, you filed on behalf of Public Service Company of New Hampshire (PSNH) a request to waive N.H. Code of Admin Rules Puc 1203.11 for collection activities related to accounts coded as "medical emergency." In its request, PSNH states that collection activities for accounts with a medical emergency certification may require specialized skills, knowledge or process outside the scope of PSNH's collection activities. PSNH further states that it is appropriate for a third party possessing those skills to identify itself separately in such circumstances.

The Commission has determined that the applicable standards for a waiver are satisfied and that granting a waiver of Puc 1203.11 in the limited circumstances described above is consistent with the public interest. Accordingly, the Commission has granted the waiver request.

Sincerely,

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Debra A. Howland Executive Director

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