

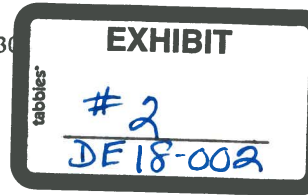


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Debra Howland  
Executive Director  
New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission  
21 South Fruit Street, Suite 10  
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RE: Docket No. DE 18-002  
Public Service Company of New Hampshire d/b/a Eversource Energy

2018 Energy Service Solicitation

Dear Director Howland:

Enclosed please find the Petition of Public Service Company of New Hampshire d/b/a Eversource Energy ("Eversource") for its competitively procured default Energy Service ("ES") rate proposed for April 1, 2018. Consistent with the settlement agreement in Docket No. DE 17-113, Eversource has procured ES for customers in its Large and Small customer groups for the period of April 1, 2018 through July 31, 2018 as a transition to regular ES rate setting on August 1 and February 1 of each year.

Accompanying this Petition is the testimony of Frederick B. White and Christopher J. Goulding explaining the competitive RFP process used by Eversource for procuring ES, the results of the solicitation, and the required adjustments that have led to the retail rates proposed to be charged to Eversource's ES customers. Consistent with N.H. Code Admin. Rules Puc 201.06 and 201.07 certain of the information relating to the RFP and the responses to it is being filed confidentially with the Commission.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. Thank you for your assistance with this matter.

Very truly yours,

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Enclosures  
CC: Service List