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**BY HAND-DELIVERY AND E-MAIL**

Debra A. Howland, Executive Director and Secretary  
New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission  
21 S. Fruit Street, Suite 10  
Concord, NH 03301-2429

**RE: Dockets Nos. DE 18-036, DE 18-037 and DE 18-038**

Dear Director Howland:

On behalf of Unitil Energy Systems, Inc. ("UES" or "the Company"), enclosed are revised originals and six copies of each of the Company's initial filings in dockets DE 18-036, DE 18-037 and DE 18-038. These copies are identical to the original filings except that each have been revised to incorporate sequential page numbering at the middle of the bottom of each page. In addition, there is one additional new page included in the filing in DE 18-036: a new cover page with a Table of Contents is provided. In all other respects it is identical to the original filing.

Please contact me directly if you have any questions or concerns regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

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Gary Epler  
Attorney for Unitil Energy Systems, Inc.

cc: Service List (by e-mail)

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**Re: UES Annual Major Storm Cost Reserve Fund Report 2017  
Docket No. DE 18-\_\_\_\_\_**

Dear Secretary Howland:

On behalf of Unitil Energy Systems, Inc. ("UES"), enclosed are an original and six (6) copies of "UES Annual Major Storm Cost Reserve Fund Report" for the 12 month period ending December 31, 2017. This filing complies with the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission ("Commission") requirements set forth in the Company's Rate Plan Settlement in Docket No. DE 10-055 and as ordered in Docket No. DE 11-277, Order No. 25,351, *Order Granting Increase to Storm Recovery Adjustment Factor* ("SRAF"), issued April 24, 2012 (requiring UES "to file annual reports on the Storm Reserve Fund and storm recovery updates for those storms where costs are recovered through the SRAF").

As described more fully in the Report, the Major Storm Cost Reserve ("MSCR") Fund Balance at December 31, 2017 is in a deficit position of (\$4,539,995). In a separate filing made this same day, the Company is seeking recovery of the October 30, 2017 Wind Storm through its SRAF and proposing to recover a portion of the remaining MSCR balance through its scheduled step adjustment for effect May 1, 2018, and through a temporary increase in the level of the MSCR amortization.

Please refer to the UES MSCR Fund Reconciliation as of December 31, 2017 on page 3 of the Report for a summary of the costs. Please refer to the Storm Recovery Adjustment Factor Reconciliation which provides the reconciliation of the SRAF through December 31, 2017 on page 4 of the Report.

Also attached is an affidavit of Richard Francazio, Director of Business Continuity and Compliance, Unitil Service Corp., under whose direction the Report was prepared. Company representatives, including Mr. Francazio, are available to review the Report and respond to any questions, at the convenience of the Commission, Commission Staff and other interested parties.

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Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Gary Epler". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Gary" and the last name "Epler" clearly distinguishable.

Gary Epler  
Attorney for Unitil Energy Systems, Inc.

Enclosure

cc: Donald M Kreis, Esq., Consumer Advocate