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**VIA OVERNIGHT MAIL**

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

**Re: Granite State Electric Company d/b/a National Grid Default Service Request for Proposals for the Periods November 1, 2006 through April 30, 2007 and November 1, 2006 through January 31, 2007**

Dear Ms. Howland:

On August 11, 2006, Granite State Electric Company d/b/a National Grid ("National Grid") issued a Default Service Request for Proposals ("RFP") to procure default service for the period November 1, 2006 through April 30, 2007 for its Small Customer Group and for the period November 1, 2006 through January 31, 2007 for its Large Customer Group.

National Grid now respectfully requests the Commission's approval to amend the proposed schedule for the RFP provided by letter dated August 1, 2006, as set forth below. National Grid is requesting a change to the proposed RFP schedule because Connecticut Light & Power issued an RFP that would be due around the same time as National Grid's RFP. National Grid is concerned that this might negatively impact the number of bidders likely to participate in its RFP as well as the attractiveness of the resulting bids.

National Grid shared this information with Staff and the OCA over the telephone and also in a meeting held at the Commission's offices on August 17, 2006. Staff and the OCA concur with National Grid's request to revise the proposed schedule for the RFP as set forth below.

ACTION	SCHEDULE
RFP Issued	August 11, 2006
Indicative Bids Due	September 7, 2006
Final Bids Due	September 20, 2006
Default Service Filing to Commission	September 25, 2006
Commission Order Needed	September 29, 2006

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Service Begins
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November 1, 2006
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Thank you very much for your time and attention to this matter. If you have any questions, please feel free to call me at (508) 389-3243.

Very truly yours,

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