## THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

## DG 08-045

## SUPPLEMENTAL ORDER OF NOTICE

In *New Hampshire Gas Corporation* Order No. 24,850, (April 23, 2008), the Commission approved the 2008 summer period cost of gas (COG) rate for New Hampshire Gas Corporation (NHGC or the Company). The rate was set at \$1.9720 per therm, which can be adjusted monthly pursuant to the Order without further Commission approval to a maximum rate of \$2.3664 per therm. Based on the Company's projected under-collection for the summer period, NHGC increased its COG rate on June 1, 2008 and on July 1 will increase rates to the allowed maximum.

On June 19, 2008, NHGC filed a revised 2008 summer COG rate for the summer period ending October 31, 2008, with the proposed COG rate to be effective August 1, 2008. Including in the filing were revised tariff pages and supporting materials for the changed rate. The proposed increase is to eliminate a projected under-collection of approximately \$15,000 based on actual and projected costs for the 2008 summer period. The proposed August through October COG rate is \$2.4819 per therm, with a maximum rate of \$2.9783 per therm. The estimated impact on a typical residential heating customer will be to increase the projected summer cost of \$577 (current COG rate) to \$584 (proposed COG rate).

The filing raises, <u>inter alia</u>, issues related to RSA 378 relative to the justness and reasonableness of the proposed rate, the price forecasts and rate impacts. Each party has the right to have an attorney represent them at their own expense.

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## Based upon the foregoing, it is hereby

**ORDERED**, that a hearing be held before the Commission located at 21 S. Fruit St., Suite 10, Concord, New Hampshire on July 15, 2008 at 1:30 p.m.; and it is

FURTHER ORDERED, that pursuant to N.H. Admin. Rules Puc 203.12, NHGC shall notify all persons desiring to be heard at this hearing by publishing a copy of this Order of Notice no later than June 25, 2008, in a newspaper with general circulation in those portions of the state in which operations are conducted, publication to be documented by affidavit filed with the Commission on or before July 15, 2008; and it is

FURTHER ORDERED, that pursuant to N.H. Admin. Rules Puc 203.17, any party seeking to intervene in the proceeding shall submit to the Commission seven copies of a Petition to Intervene with copies sent to NHGC and the Office of the Consumer Advocate on or before July 10, 2008, such Petition stating the facts demonstrating how its rights, duties, privileges, immunities or other substantial interest may be affected by the proceeding, as required by N.H. Admin. Rule Puc 203.17 and RSA 541-A:32,I(b); and it is

**FURTHER ORDERED**, that any party objecting to a Petition to Intervene make said Objection on or before July 15, 2008.

By order of the Public Utilities Commission of New Hampshire this twentieth day of June, 2008.

Debra A. Howland

Executive Director & Secretary

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WITH THE EXCEPTION OF DISCOVERY, FILE 7 COPIES (INCLUDING COVER LETTER) TO:

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