



September 14, 2009

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



**RE: Docket No. DE 09-009
Responses to Record Requests**

Dear Director Howland:

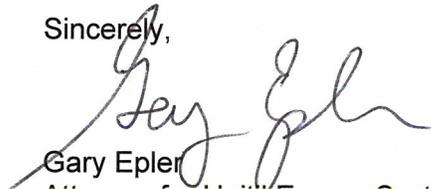
Enclosed on behalf of Unitil Energy Systems, Inc. ("UES"), please find an original and six copies of the Company's response to Record Request No. 4 issued during the September 2, 2009 hearing in the above-referenced docket.

The responses to the Record Requests (including those previously submitted for filing) should be assigned the following exhibit numbers:

Record Request No. 1 – Exhibit No. 8
Record Request No. 2 – Exhibit No. 9
Record Request No. 3 – Exhibit No. 10
Record Request No. 4 – Exhibit No. 11

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions concerning these responses.

Sincerely,


Gary Epler
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Enclosure

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**State of New Hampshire
Public Utilities Commission**

**Unitil Energy Systems, Inc.
DE 09-009**

Responses to September 2, 2009 Hearing Record Requests

Record Request No. 2:

Please provide a calculation showing the cost of RECs purchased from the market by UES as compared to the cost of the Alternative Compliance Payments for compliance year 2008.

Response:

Please see Attachment Record Request No. 4.

Person Responsible: Rob Furino

Date: September 14, 2009

UES 2008 Renewable Portfolio Standard (RPS) Compliance

	Type III	Type IV	Total
Certificate Obligation (CO)	32,681	4,669	37,349
Certificates Purchased	23,964	3,074	27,038
CO Met with Alternative Compliance	8,717	1,595	10,311
Percent of CO Met with Certificates	73%	66%	72%
Alternative Compliance Prices (ACP)	\$ 28.72	\$ 28.72	\$ 28.72
Alternative Compliance Payment	\$ 250,345.72	\$ 45,799.27	\$ 296,144.99
Cost Of Certificates Purchased	\$ 641,153.00	\$ 74,674.16	\$ 715,827.16
<u>2008 RPS Compliance Cost</u>	<u>\$ 891,498.72</u>	<u>\$ 120,473.43</u>	<u>\$ 1,011,972.15</u>
Average Certificate Cost	\$ 26.75	\$ 24.29	
Average Cost of Purchases v ACP	\$ 1.97	\$ 4.43	
<u>Cost Savings of Purchases v ACP</u>	<u>\$ 47,093.08</u>	<u>\$ 13,611.12</u>	<u>\$ 60,704.20</u>