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October 23, 2009

Debra A. Howland Executive Director New Hampshire Public Utilities Commision 21 S. Fruit St., Suite 10 Concord, New Hampshire 03301

Re:

DG 09-167, Northern Utilities Winter 2009-2010 Cost of Gas

Dear Ms. Howland:

Attached to this letter is Staff's memorandum with regard to Exhibit 6 in the above-reference proceeding, which was filed in response to a record request during the October 20, 2009 hearing.

Sincerely,

Matthew J. Fossum Staff Attorney

Cc:

Service List Commissioners

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

Inter-Department Communication

DATE: October 23, 2009

AT (OFFICE): NHPUC

FROM: Stephen P. Frink

Asst. Director, Gas & Water Division

SUBJECT: DG 09-167

Unitil/Northern Utilities, Inc.

Winter 2009-2010 Cost of Gas Record Request

TO: Commissioners

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During the hearing on the above-referenced docket, Staff made a record request of the Company to provide supporting information relative to the Company's proposed energy efficiency surcharge. Exhibit 6 was reserved for the submission of that supporting information. Staff recommended that the surcharge be implemented as filed, and if a material error was discovered, the Commission would be notified.

On October 21, 2009, the Company submitted the requested information and in so doing noted a change in the proposed charge as a result of compiling that information. Staff has reviewed the new filing and agrees with the amendment to the surcharge as proposed by the Company. Accordingly, Staff supports the implementation of the surcharge as amended by the Company.

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