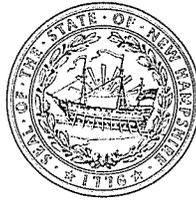


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January 22, 2010

Thomas P. O'Neill
National Grid
40 Sylvan Road
Waltham, MA 02451

Re: DA 09-266, National Grid NH Affiliate Contract – Utility Money Pool Agreement

Dear Mr. O'Neill:

On December 18, 2009, EnergyNorth Natural Gas, Inc. d/b/a National Grid NH (EnergyNorth) filed an executed Utility Money Pool Agreement (Agreement) with the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission (Commission). The Commission approved EnergyNorth's participation in the KeySpan Utility Money Pool on December 1, 2000. *EnergyNorth Natural Gas, Inc.*, Order No. 23,593, 85 NH PUC 755 (2000). The Agreement is renewed annually and contains almost the identical terms as that filed for the prior year (Docket No. DA 09-001).

The Agreement allows EnergyNorth, at its sole discretion, to either borrow or loan funds on a short-term basis through the utility money pool. The Agreement is entered into by and among KeySpan Corporation, a New York corporation and a holding company under the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 2005, National Grid Corporate Services LLC, a New York limited liability company and a subsidiary service company of KeySpan (in its role as administrator of the money pool), and each of the KeySpan utility subsidiaries; Brooklyn Union Gas Company, KeySpan Gas East Corporation, Boston Gas Company, Colonial Gas Company, Essex Gas Company and EnergyNorth.

This letter serves as an acknowledgement that EnergyNorth, pursuant to the requirements of RSA 366:3, has filed a contract between a public utility and an affiliate for the provision of services in exchange for compensation that exceeds \$500. This acknowledgement does not constitute approval of any rate or revenue requirement change that may be claimed as a result of the service provided for in the filed documents. As any issue that may arise under the contract may be addressed in another docket or through the opening of a new docket, the Commission will not open an investigation at this time under RSA 366:5. The Commission will accept the contract as filed and will close this docket. As you may be aware, any modifications of the contract must also be filed with the Commission pursuant to RSA 366:3.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Debra A. Howland".

Debra A. Howland
Executive Director