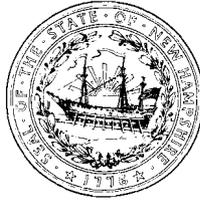


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September 21, 2010

Re: DE 10-020, Granite State Electric Company d/b/a National Grid  
Petition for Approval of Default Service Rates for the Large and Medium  
Commercial and Industrial Customer Group  
Scheduling of Hearing

To the Parties:

On January 13, 2006, the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission (Commission) issued Order No. 24,577 in Docket No. DE 05-126, which among other things, approved Granite State Electric Company's (GSEC's) solicitation process for procuring default service supply for its Small Customer Group and its Large Customer Group. On September 20, 2010, GSEC filed proposed Default Service rates for its Large and Medium Commercial and Industrial Customer Group for the period beginning November 1, 2010 through January 31, 2011 and for the Residential and Small Commercial Customer Group for the Period November 1, 2010 through April 30, 2011. In support of the proposed rates, GSEC filed the testimony and related schedules of Margaret M. Janzen.

The Commission will hold a hearing on Thursday, September 23, 2010 at 1:30 p.m. at which time the Commission will hear the testimony of GSEC's witnesses and Staff. This is consistent with Order No. 24,577 which states that GSEC will file the purchase power agreement and the accompanying rates for the Commission to review pursuant to RSA 363:17-a.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Debra A. Howland".

Debra A. Howland  
Executive Director