THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

DG 10-242

CONCORD STEAM CORPORATION 2010-2011 Cost of Energy Adjustment ORDER OF NOTICE

On September 10, 2010, Concord Steam Corporation (Concord Steam), a public utility supplying steam service to approximately 110 commercial and institutional customers and one residential customer in Concord, filed its annual cost of energy (COE) rate for the period November 1, 2010 through October 31, 2011. The proposed COE rate is \$16.64 per Mlb, which is a decrease of \$1.19 per Mlb when compared to the projected weighted average COE rate of \$17.83 per Mlb for the year ending October 31, 2010, resulting in a decrease of approximately 4% in an average customer's total bill. The petition and subsequent docket filings, other than information for which confidential treatment is requested of or granted by the Commission, will be posted to the Commission's website at

http://www.puc.nh.gov/Regulatory/Docket/2010/10-242.htm.

The filing raises, <u>inter alia</u>, issues related to the forecast of sales, supplier and transportation prices, estimated wood yard operations expenses, purchasing decisions related to current and past annual fuel supplies, the causes and treatment of over and under recoveries, prior period costs and revenues, and the justness and reasonableness of the proposed COE rate. Each party has the right to have an attorney represent them at their own expense.

Based upon the foregoing, it is hereby

ORDERED, that a hearing be held before the Commission located at 21 South Fruit Street, Suite 10, Concord, New Hampshire on October 14, 2010 at 11:00 a.m.; and it is

FURTHER ORDERED, that pursuant to N.H. Admin. Rules Puc 203.12, Concord Steam shall notify all persons desiring to be heard at this hearing by publishing a copy of this Order of Notice no later than September 23, 2010, 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 October 14, 2010; 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 Concord Steam and the Office of the Consumer Advocate on or before October 11, 2010, 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 October 14, 2010.

By order of the Public Utilities Commission of New Hampshire this sixteenth day of September, 2010.

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