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The Northeast Utilities System

January 27, 2011

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

Re:

DE 10-299

<u>Public Service Company of New Hampshire Petition for Refinancing Substitution of Witness Randy A. Shoop for Susan B. Weber</u>

Dear Secretary Howland:

The purpose of this letter is to provide notice to the Commission that PSNH's witness, Susan B. Weber, will be unavailable for the scheduled February 4, 2011 hearing in Docket No. DE 10-299. To keep the docket on the current schedule, the Company proposes to substitute Randy A. Shoop, PSNH's Vice-President and Treasurer, who will adopt Ms. Weber's testimony. Mr Shoop is Ms. Weber's direct supervisor, is familiar with PSNH's refinancing request and has previously testified before the Commission.

If there are any questions or issues with the proposed substitution, please let me know. I can be reached directly at (603) 634-2326.

Verv truly yours.

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cc: Ms. Meredith Hatfield