

October 13, 2011

Debra Howland, Executive Director and Secretary State of New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission 21 S. Fruit Street, Suite 10 Concord, NH 03301-2429

RE: DE 10-303 Reduction in NHEC Stranded Cost Recovery Charge

Dear Ms. Howland:

In Order No. 25,177, the Commission adopted NHEC's request, as modified by Staff's recommendation, that NHEC consider adjustments to its Stranded Cost Recovery Charge ("SCRC") following the third quarter of 2011, so as to minimize any under- or over-recovery balances at year-end, when NHEC's SCRC was anticipated to terminate. Pursuant to Order No. 25,177, any request by NHEC for such an adjustment is to be filed by October 31, 2011.

Because actual year-to-date sales through the third quarter of 2011 have exceeded forecasted sales, NHEC currently anticipates a year-end over-recovery balance if the SCRC is not reduced. By this letter and the accompanying materials, NHEC requests that its current SCRC be reduced from \$0.01032 to \$0.00408, effective with bills rendered on or after December 1, 2011. The effect of this proposed rate reduction would be a decrease of 3.43% in total average revenue per kWh.

Consistent with NHEC's previous filings and Commission orders, NHEC's remaining SCRC will terminate, effective with bills rendered on or after January 1, 2012. NHEC will seek Commission approval to address any final over- or under-recovery balance no later than January 31, 2012.

In support of the Cooperative's request, please find enclosed an original and seven copies of the Third Quarter Stranded Cost Reconciliation.

If you should have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me or NHEC Financial Services Manager, Brenda Inman at 603-536-8824 or Inmanb@nhec.com.

Sincerely,

Mark W. Dean

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