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

Re: Public Service Company of New Hampshire
Petition for Declaratory Ruling or Waiver of Rule – Master Metering

Dear Secretary Howland:

Enclosed please find an original and six copies of a Petition for Declaratory Ruling or Waiver of Rule Puc §303.02(a). This petition was contemplated as a result of a request in Public Service Company of New Hampshire’s (“PSNH”) previous delivery rate case to add clarification of master metering in its tariff. The Commission’s Staff and PSNH disagreed over the interpretation of N.H. Code Admin. Rule Puc §302.02(a). The Settlement Agreement accepted by the Commission in that proceeding called for the filing of a request for interpretation of the rule or, in the alternative, a waiver of Puc §303.02(a).

Attached to this Petition is the Technical Statement of Stephen R. Hall. Pursuant to Puc §207.01(b), petitions for declaratory rulings must be authenticated under oath by an authorized representative. Mr. Hall has executed an affidavit attesting to the authenticity and validity of the facts contained in his Technical Statement.

Copies have been provided to the persons listed below.

Very truly yours,

Gerald M. Eaton
Senior Counsel

Enclosures

cc: Atty. Meredith A. Hatfield
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