STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

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DATE: June 12, 2014 **AT (OFFICE):** NHPUC

FROM:

David K. Wiesner

SUBJECT:

DG 11-040 National Grid, et al. Petition for Transfer of Assets

Authorization of Pool A Escrow Release

CC:

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TO:

Debra A. Howland, Executive Director

The attached documents authorizing a release to National Grid of \$502,800 from the Pool A Escrow Fund per the terms of settlement in Docket No. DG 11-040 were signed today by General Counsel F. Anne Ross. The original copy of the signed documents will be mailed to Attorney Camerino of McLane, Graf, Raulerson & Middleton. Confidential treatment of the Disbursement Request form was authorized in Commission Order No. 25,400 (August 21, 2012).

Staff submitted a memorandum on June 12, 2014 confirming its review and verification of the TSA Transfer Certifications supporting this disbursement in accordance with Commission Order No. 25,370 (May 30, 2012).

Please let me know if you have any questions regarding this matter.

Attachments

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Liberty Utilities (Granite State Electric) Corp.
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Re: DG 11-040 NATIONAL GRID USA, et al.

Joint Petition for Authority to Transfer Ownership of Granite State Electric and EnergyNorth Natural Gas, Inc. to Liberty Energy Utilities Corp.

Pool A Escrow Pro Rata Release Authorization

Dear Mssrs. Burlingame and Leehr:

Per the terms of the settlement agreement reached in the above-captioned docket, Commission Staff have reviewed your disbursement request filing dated May 29, 2014, and confirmed that the transition services described in your TSA Transfer Certification have been fully transferred in accordance with the terms of the Transition Service Agreements. Accordingly, attached please find Staff's confirmation and a signed, confidential Schedule 3.1 Disbursement Request form authorizing the release by the escrow agent to National Grid USA of \$502,800 from Pool A Escrow Funds.

Please let me know if I can be of further assistance in connection with this matter.

Sincerely,

F. Anne Ross

General Counsel

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Schedule 2

Pool A Release Certification

On this 12th day of May, 2014, the Staff of the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission ("Staff") hereby confirms that National Grid USA has completed and transferred the following Transition Services to Liberty Utilities (Granite State Electric) Corp. (f/k/a Granite State Electric Company) in accordance with the terms of the respective Transition Service Agreement(s) for the three-month period January 1, 2014 – March 31, 2014 ("Current Period"):

- 1. Reg-1 Regulatory Support General
- 2. Reg-2 Regulatory Reporting

All capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined herein shall have the same meanings as in the Settlement Agreement dated April 10, 2012 and approved by Order No. 25,370.

In addition, Staff hereby confirms that National Grid USA has completed and transferred the following Transition Services to Liberty Utilities (EnergyNorth Natural Gas) Corp. (f/k/a EnergyNorth Natural Gas, Inc.) in accordance with the terms of the respective Transition Service Agreement(s) for the Current Period:

- 1. Gas Ops-3 Emergency Maintenance Engineering & Technical Services
- 2. Gas Ops-4 Gas Field Crew Dispatching and Scheduling
- 3. Reg-1 Regulatory Support General
- 4. Reg-2 Regulatory Reporting

Accordingly and pursuant to the Settlement Agreement dated April 10, 2012 and approved by Order No. 25,370, Staff hereby authorizes the prompt release and disbursement of the following amount from the Pool A Escrow Funds to National Grid USA:

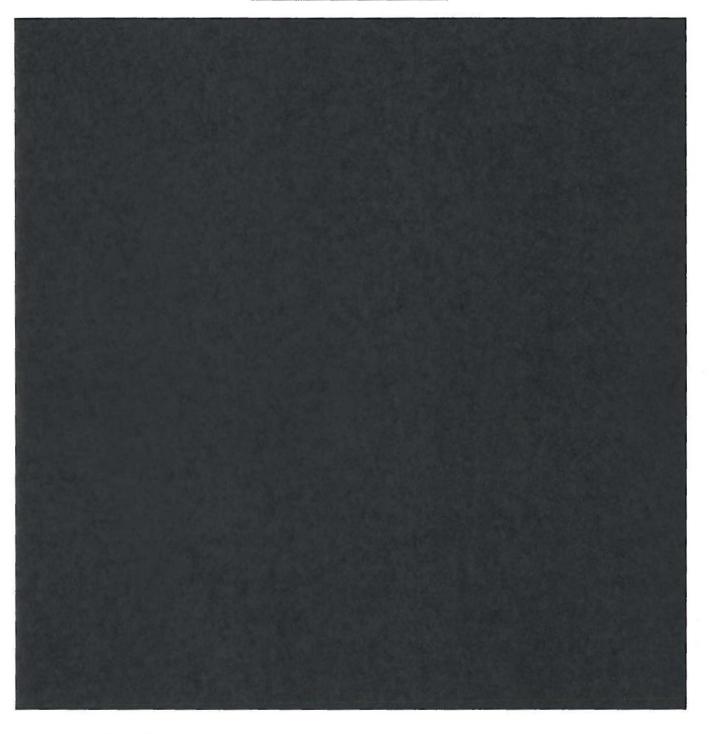
	# of TSA Services	# of Schedule L TSA Services	Adjusted # of TSA
Services:			
Completed in Current Period:	6	0	6
Previously Completed:	98	8	90
Cumulative Completed:	104	8	96
Total # of TSAs:	153	10	143
Adjusted Cumulative Completed Divided by Adjusted Total:			67.13%
Total Pool A Escrow Funds (non-reserved):		Ψ)	\$ 12,000,000
Pool A Escrow Funds for Disbursal (% x total):			\$ 8,055,600
Less Pool A Escrow Funds Previously Disbursed:			\$ 7,552,800
Total Disbursement Amount for Current Period:			\$ 502,800

STAFF OF THE NEW HAMPSHIRE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

By: F. Anne Ross, Esq.
General Counsel

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SCHEDULE 3.1 <u>DISBURSEMENT REQUEST</u>



All capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined herein shall have the same meanings as in the Escrow Agreement.

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Pursuant to N.H. Admin Rule Puc 203.11 (a) (1): Serve an electronic copy on each person identified on the service list.

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FILING INSTRUCTIONS:

a) Pursuant to N.H. Admin Rule Puc 203.02 (a), with the exception of Discovery, file 7 copies, as well as an electronic copy, of all documents including cover letter with:

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- b) Serve an electronic copy with each person identified on the Commission's service list and with the Office of Consumer Advocate.
- c) Serve a written copy on each person on the service list not able to receive electronic mail.