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



RE: Northern Utilities, Inc. Short-Term Debt Limit Waiver
Docket No. DG 11-XXX

Dear Director Howland:

Enclosed please find an original and six copies of a Petition and accompanying testimony and schedules of David L Chong regarding Northern Utilities, Inc.'s ("Northern") request for an increase of its short-term debt limit.

Please note that Section V of Mr. Chong's testimony is confidential in nature and an original and six copies of the CONFIDENTIAL testimony are being provided in a separate sealed envelope. A Motion for Protective Treatment is also enclosed.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or concerns. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Gary Epler
Attorney for Northern Utilities, Inc.

Enclosures

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