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PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION 21 S. Fruit Street, Suite 10 Concord, N.H. 03301-2429

May 1, 2012

Re:

DM 12-082 - Hannaford Energy, LLC

Request for Waiver of Commission Order No 25,226

Dear Mr. Silkman:

Mr. Richard Silkman

148 Middle Street Portland, ME 04101

Competitive Energy Services

On February 13, 2012, you filed on behalf Hannaford Energy, LLC's (Hannaford) a request for waiver of Commission Order No. 25,264 (September 1, 2011). According to the request, Hannaford is a "wholly-owned subsidiary of Hannaford Bros. Co. that was established for the purpose of facilitating electricity transactions for Hannaford Bros. Co. through the wholesale market." Hannaford serves no other customers and has no plans to offer its services to any other entity. The substance of the request is that because of the special relationship between Hannaford and its sole retail customer, Hannaford Bros. Co., the requirement that Hannaford prepare and distribute a disclosure label at least once a year does not serve the purpose of the order.

On March 26, 2012, Staff filed its recommendation in support of Hannaford's request. Staff noted in its recommendation that Order No. 25,264 approved a label format and content for providers of electricity to use when complying with the requirement of RSA 378:49 which requires providers to disclose electric service energy sources and environmental characteristics to its customers annually. Staff supports the waiver request inasmuch as Hannaford is a wholly owned subsidy of their only customer, Hannaford Bros. Co. and serves no other retail customers in New Hampshire.

The Commission has reviewed the waiver request as well as Staff's recommendation and has determined that a waiver of the requirements as to form and content of the disclosure label set out in Order No. 25,264 is in the public interest and has approved Hannaford's request. The Commission's grant of the waiver request is as to form and content only, and does not relieve Hannaford of its statutory disclosure obligation under RSA 378:49.

Sincerely,

Debra A. Howland

**Executive Director** 

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