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September 11, 2012

Debra A. Howland
Executive Director
New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission
21 S. Fruit Street, Suite 10
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Re: DG 12-203 Glacial Natural Gas, Inc.
Renewal Registration as a Competitive Natural Gas Supplier

Dear Ms. Howland:

Staff is writing in reference to its ongoing review of the application for renewal of registration as a natural gas supplier made by Glacial Natural Gas, Inc. (Glacial), in the above-captioned docket.

On July 12, 2012, Staff issued a letter of deficiency to Glacial, regarding the need for use of the current application format for Glacial's renewal application. Glacial filed a properly updated renewal application on July 30, 2012.

In its review of Glacial's renewal application, Staff determined that Glacial's surety bond value, issued by its insurer, Acstar, would require an increase from the current \$50,000 to \$100,000 in order for Glacial to remain in compliance with the terms of N.H. Code Admin. Rule Puc 3003.03, and advised Glacial of the increased surety requirements. Certain inadvertent clerical delays have developed in connection with Glacial's and Acstar's good-faith efforts to comply with Staff's request, thereby delaying Staff's recommendation for approval of Glacial's application. (Glacial's registration as a natural gas supplier expires today, September 11, 2012).

These delays have been resolved by Glacial and Acstar, and Staff expects to file its recommendation for approval of Glacial's application in the near future. In the interim, Staff would request that the Commission issue a secretarial letter indicating its regulatory forbearance regarding Glacial's registration during the pendency of this docket.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Robert J. Wyatt".

Robert J. Wyatt
Utility Analyst IV

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