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October 18, 2012

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

**Re: DG 12-242: Concord Steam Corporation  
Settlement Agreement – Temporary Rates**

Dear Ms. Howland:

Enclosed for filing with the Commission are seven (7) copies of a Settlement Agreement among Concord Steam Corporation (the “Company”) and the staff of the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission (“Staff”) in connection with temporary rates. A hearing on the merits for temporary rates is scheduled for October 23, 2012.

The Company, with the assent of the Staff, requests a waiver of the Puc 203.20(e), which requires that settlements be filed no less than five days prior to the hearing. Key personnel of the Company were recently out of State on business and accepting this settlement will promote the orderly and efficient conduct of the October 23 proceeding and will not impair the rights of any party to the proceeding. See Puc 203.20(f).

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any questions.

Very truly yours,

Patrick H. Taylor

cc: Service List

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