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Debra A. Howland, Executive Director and Secretary
New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission
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***RE: Northern Utilities, Inc. Gas Energy Efficiency Programs
Docket No. DE 12-262
2013 Funds Transfer***

Dear Director Howland:

Please accept this letter on behalf of Northern Utilities, Inc. (the "Company"). Pursuant to Order Number 25,462, this letter serves as notice to the Commission of a transfer of funds from the Company's residential gas Home Performance with ENERGY STAR[®] (HPwES) to the ENERGY STAR Appliance ("Gas Networks") Program.

Due to the continued low prices of natural gas and the relative lack of demand for the natural gas HPwES program, the Company has determined that all budgeted funds will not be expended in 2013. As a result, the Company is transferring 20% of that program's budget, or \$27,000, to the residential Gas Networks program.

In correspondence dated April 25, 2013 the Company notified the Commission and the parties that funding for the Gas Networks program was nearly exhausted and that gas customers seeking to participate in the Gas Networks program would be served by their electric utility. Since that time, demand for gas appliance rebates has slowed, as is typical over the summer months. By transferring funds from HPwES to Gas Networks, the Company will be able to serve its gas customers via Gas Networks as cooler weather returns and demand for gas appliances increases. As described in the Company's April 25, 2013 correspondence, if Gas Networks funds are fully expended, gas customers' rebate claims will be fulfilled by the electric ENERGY STAR Appliance Program as long as funding allows.

Should the Commission have any questions or concerns regarding this matter, please feel free to contact me.

Yours truly,



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