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

Re: CORE Energy Efficiency Programs - Docket No. DE 12-262

Dear Ms. Howland:

Section I.K of the 2013-2014 CORE New Hampshire Energy Efficiency Programs Plan approved by the Commission in its Order No. 25,462 dated February 1, 2013 in Docket DE 12-262, states:

“Once the budgets are approved, there will be no movement of funds between the residential and commercial industrial sectors unless specifically approved by the Commission.” and “Budget transfers to or from individual programs of 20% of the individual program’s budget or less can be made without consultation and without Commission approval. Notice to the Commission’s Staff and interested parties is required.”

Please let this letter serve as notification that PSNH intends to transfer \$375,000 from the Home Performance with ENERGY STAR Program and \$75,000 from the ENERGY STAR Homes Geothermal and Air Source Heat Pump Option program to the Residential Home Energy Assistance program for Program Year 2013 as summarized in the table below. The transfer amounts constitute less than or equal to 20% of each of the program budgets involved in the transfer and all programs are within the residential sector.

PSNH has been working with HPwES contractors and Geothermal Home builders toward meeting goals in these programs, however at this point in the year we do not believe that all projects will be completed in 2013 and will result in reduced spending for 2013. On the other hand, PSNH has an opportunity to serve more HEA homes and potentially meet the projected number of homes served. During 2013, the HEA program has experienced a reduction in and delay of federal Weatherization Assistance Program (WAP) funds and as such, very little WAP funds have been available for collaboration on these homes. As a result, PSNH’s planned

average of \$3,600 per HEA home served in 2013 is actually resulting in an actual average of \$5,200 per HEA home through late summer, with the increase mostly related to reduced or unavailable WAP funding. PSNH HEA homes have received higher incentives, resulting in a lower number of homes served. Working with the Community Action Agencies, PSNH believes it has homes that have been audited that can be served with these additional funds while staying within the 2013 Residential Sector Budget by making the following transfers.

Program	Original 2013 Budget	20% Cap	Amount Transferred To/(From)	Percent Of Budget Transferred
Home Performance with ENERGY STAR	\$1,899,497	\$379,899	(\$375,000)	-20%
ENERGY STAR Homes Geothermal and Air Source Heat Pump Option	\$378,119	\$75,624	(\$75,000)	-20%
Home Energy Assistance	\$2,763,383	\$552,677	\$450,000	16%

Please let us know if there are any questions concerning this request.

Very truly yours,



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cc: DE 12-262 Service List (by electronic mail only)