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

**Re: Docket No. DE 13-018; Granite State Electric Company Default Service Request for Proposals for the Period February 1, 2014 to April 30, 2014 for the Large Customer Group**

Dear Ms. Howland:

On November 8, 2013, Granite State Electric Company plans to issue a Default Service Request for Proposals ("RFP") to procure default service for the Period February 1, 2014 to April 30, 2014 for the Large Customer Group.

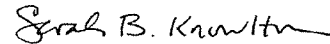
Pursuant to the terms of the Settlement Agreement approved by the Commission in Order No. 24,577 in Docket DE 05-126 (January 13, 2006) as modified by Order No. 24,922 in Docket DE 08-011/DE 05-126 (December 19, 2008), Granite State plans to solicit a bid price that includes the cost of all market products on an as-delivered energy basis, i.e., an all-inclusive bid price.

I am submitting, for notice purposes, Granite State's proposed timeline for this RFP:

<b>RFP Process Steps</b>	<b>November 2013 RFP</b>
RFP Issued	November 8, 2013
Indicative Bids Due	December 3, 2013
Final Bids Due	December 10, 2013
Contract Execution	December 11, 2013
Default Service Filing to Commission	December 16, 2013
Commission Order Needed	December 23, 2013
Service Begins	February 1, 2014

The Company understands that the Commission has placed a tentative hold on December 19 for the hearing in this matter. Given that the order must be issued within five business days of the default service filing, we are proposing to make the filing on December 16. The Company could make the filing earlier but that would require an earlier hearing date. Thank you for your assistance with this matter. Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any questions.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Sarah B. Knowlton".

Sarah B. Knowlton

cc: Service list