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

Re: **DE 13-156**
Petition for Approval of Financing Transactions

Dear Ms. Howland:

As directed by the Commission's Order of Notice dated September 26, 2013 Public Service Company of New Hampshire has caused to be published a legal notice relative to the above-captioned docket. The legal notice appeared in The Union Leader on October 2, 2013.

Enclosed is the required affidavit of publication with a copy of the legal notice attached.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures

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I hereby certify that the legal notice: (0000859860) PUB UTILITIES–DE 13–156
was published in the New Hampshire Union Leader
On:
10/02/2013.

State of New Hampshire
Hillsborough County

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

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day of

October 2013

Phyllis E Manning

Notary Public



Legal Notice

**STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
DE 13-156
PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY
OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
Petition for Approval
of Financing Transactions
NOTICE OF ORDER NISI NO. 25,577
APPROVING PETITION
September 26, 2013**

On May 24, 2013, Public Service Company of New Hampshire (PSNH or Company) filed a petition for authority to conduct certain financing transactions pursuant to RSA Chapter 369. Specifically, PSNH requested authority to (1) issue up to \$315 million aggregate principal amount of long-term debt securities (Long-Term Debt) through December 31, 2014 (Financing Period); 2) mortgage its property in connection with the Long-Term Debt issuance; (3) issue new tax-exempt or taxable bonds for the purpose of refinancing \$89,250,000 in N.H. Business Finance Authority 4.75% pollution control revenue bonds (PCRB) 2001 tax-exempt Series B; and (4) rescind the quarterly compliance filing requirements mandated by Order No. 24,781 (August 3, 2007). Staff filed a recommendation on September 9, 2013 recommending that the Commission approve the petition. The petition and subsequent docket filings, other than any information for which confidential treatment is requested of or granted by the Commission,

are posted to the Commission's website at <http://www.puc.nh.gov/Regulatory/Docketbk/2013/13-156.html>.

Pursuant to RSA 369:1 and 4, and based upon the filing and related documents, and Staff's recommendation, the Commission finds that PSNH's issuance of long-term debt is in the public good. The petition is therefore approved on a nisi basis. The Commission places the following condition on PSNH's proposal to issue new tax-exempt or taxable bonds for the purpose of refinancing its Series B PCRBs: the issuance is authorized provided that PSNH can demonstrate that net present value savings are achievable based on reasonable interest rate conditions.

All persons interested in responding to this Order Nisi may submit their comments or file a written request for a hearing which states the reasons and basis for a hearing no later than October 4, 2013 for the Commission's consideration; and any party interested in responding to such comments or request for a hearing shall do so no later than October 7, 2013. This Order Nisi shall be effective October 8, 2013 unless the Commission orders otherwise.

(UL - Oct. 2)