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March 1, 2017

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

Re: **Northern Utilities, Inc. - DG 16-819, 2016 / 2017 Annual Cost of Gas Filing, 2018 / 2019 Hedging Plan**

Dear Director Howland,

Enclosed please find an original and six (6) copies of Northern Utilities, Inc. ("Northern" or the "Company") 2018 / 2019 Hedging Plan. Previously, Northern's annual hedging plans had been included in Summer Period Cost of Gas ("COG") filings. However, Summer Period COG rates are now included with Winter Period COG rates in the Company's Annual COG filing submitted in September. As a result, the annual hedging plan is now filed under separate cover.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact me.

Respectfully Yours,

A blue ink signature of George H. Simmons Jr. written in a cursive style.

George H. Simmons Jr.

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Enclosures

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