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July 31, 2018

Debra Howland, Executive Director and Secretary
New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission
21 S. Fruit St, Suite 10
Concord, N.H. 03301-2429

**Re: Electric Assistance Program
Annual Budget: October 2018 – September 2019 Program Year
DE 18-_____**

Dear Ms. Howland:

In Order No. 23,980 in docket DE 02-034, dated May 30, 2002, the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission (the "Commission") directed the state's electric utilities to file an annual budget with the Commission no later than 60 days prior to the start of each program year. In compliance with that directive, Unitil Energy Systems, Inc. ("Unitil") hereby files with the Commission an original and six (6) copies of its EAP annual budget for the program year, October 1, 2018 through September 30, 2019. Unitil is also filing the EAP annual budget electronically in accordance with the Commission's Electronic Report Filing program.

This filing contains two attachments:

Attachment A provides the EAP Projected System Benefits Charge Revenue by month for the period October 1, 2018 through September 30, 2019.

Attachment B provides the EAP Estimated Incremental Ongoing Administrative Costs for the period October 1, 2018 through September 30, 2019. The budgeted amounts include estimated incremental costs associated with implementing changes to EAP discounts mandated by Order No. 26,132 in DE18-057. As provided in the order, Unitil will submit its total costs for recovery when the work is completed.

Unitil would be pleased to provide additional information concerning this matter at the Commission's request. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,

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Karen M. Asbury, Director of Regulatory Services

Enclosures: Unitil EAP Annual Budget – August 2018
cc: Office of the Consumer Advocate

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