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The Northeast Utilities System



May 13, 2008

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

Re: Transmission Cost Adjustment Mechanism Docket No. DE 08-XXX

Dear Ms. Howland:

Enclosed please find an original and six copies of a Petition for Approval of New Rate under the Transmission Cost Adjustment Mechanism. Also please find seven copies of the testimony and attachments of Robert A. Baumann containing a sample calculation of the average rate to be applied on and after July 1, 2008. PSNH currently estimates that there will be an increase in the average rate from the current 0.752 cents per kilowatt-hour to 0.910 cents per kilowatt-hour. The final rates for transmission will not be known until just after the first of the month. PSNH will make a revised calculation at that time and file additional testimony from Stephen R. Hall on the calculation of the actual charges for each class. The average rate PSNH ultimately requests may differ from the current calculation.

PSNH requests that the Commission open a proceeding and schedule a hearing so that a final determination of a rate may be made by June 24, 2008. PSNH plans to make the transition from the current Customer Billing System to the new C2 System on July 1, 2008. It would be preferable to have a week in which to test the new rate on the new billing system. PSNH has discussed this matter with Staff and the Office of Consumer Advocate, and a hearing date of June 11, 2008 was reserved for this matter on the Commission's schedule. Copies have been provided to the persons on the attached service list pursuant to Puc§203.02 and Puc §203.11.

Very truly yours,

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Enclosures cc: Service List

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