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By Electronic and Overnight Mail

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

RE: Northern Utilities, Inc. Gas Energy Efficiency Program –Docket DG 09-053, Order Number 25,136 NH Residential Gas Networks



Dear Director Howland:

Please accept this letter on behalf of Northern Utilities, Inc. ("the Company") regarding the above-referenced matter. Pursuant to Order Number 25,136, the Company is directed to reopen the Gas Networks program for the remainder of 2010 (expending up to \$80,000) when the ARRA Appliance program closes. As of 10/12/2010, the ARRA Appliance program has approximately \$400,000 of funding remaining.

For the 2009 program year, the Company filed the Gas Networks program with the then current Gas Networks rebate offerings. Subsequently, the Gas Networks consortium has updated its rebate offerings, the last time being May 2010. The Company plans to reopen the program with these May 2010 rebate offerings. The Company, relying on the Gas Networks collaborative's research, believes these rebate offerings better serve its customers than the filed 2009 rebates. Additionally, the Company has updated the program further in its 2011/2012 filing in docket DE 10-188.

Please find below two tables, Table 1 indicates filed 2009 rebate offerings. Table 2 indicates the May 2010 rebate offerings.

| \$400 rebate | Warm Air Furnaces ≥92% with Electronic Commutated Motor (ECM) or listed on www.gasnetworks.com as electrically efficient. |
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| \$100 rebate | Warm Air Furnaces ≥92% AFUE rating |
| \$1000 rebate | Forced Hot Water Boilers ≥90% AFUE rating |
| \$500 rebate | Forced Hot Water Boilers ≥85% AFUE rating |
| \$200 rebate | Steam Boilers ≥82% AFUE rating |
| \$1300 rebate | Combined Boiler and Water Heater Unit ≥90% AFUE rating |
| \$300 rebate | High-efficiency indirect fired gas water heater connected to a natural gas-fired heating system. (30 to 75 gallon tank size) .82 EF with electronic ignition |
| \$300 rebate | Tankless, On-demand Water Heaters |
| \$200 rebate | After-Market Boiler Reset Controls - Must be connected to a natural gas boiler |
| \$25 rebate | ENERGY STAR thermostat up to two per account |
| \$10 rebate per window | ENERGY STAR windows up to \$500 |

Table 1: 2009 Gas (Appliances) Networks Rebates Filed

| \$650 rebate | Warm Air Furnaces ≥94% with Electronic Commutated Motor (ECM) or listed on www.gasnetworks.com as electrically efficient. |
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| \$500 rebate | Warm Air Furnaces ≥92% with Electronic Commutated Motor (ECM) or listed on www.gasnetworks.com as electrically efficient. |
| \$400 rebate | Warm Air Furnaces ≥92% AFUE rating |
| \$1000 rebate | Forced Hot Water Boilers ≥90% AFUE rating |
| \$500 rebate | Forced Hot Water Boilers ≥85% AFUE rating |
| \$200 rebate | Steam Boilers ≥82% AFUE rating |
| \$1600 rebate | On-Demand Condensing Unit - Minimum AFUE Rating of 90% with hot water storage of 2 gallons or less |
| \$1000 rebate | On-Demand Non-Condensing Unit - Minimum AFUE Rating of 85% with hot water storage of 2 gallons or less |
| \$500 rebate | High-efficiency indirect fired gas water heater connected to a natural gas-fired heating system. (30 to 75 gallon tank size) |
| \$500 rebate | Condensing Gas Water Heater with 95% thermal efficiency or greater (75 to 300 MBH) |
| \$700 rebate | Tankless, On-demand Water Heaters |
| \$50 rebate | ENERGY STAR-rated Storage Water Heater with an Energy Factor of .62 or greater. |
| \$200 rebate | After-Market Boiler Reset Controls - Must be connected to a natural gas boiler |
| \$25 rebate | ENERGY STAR thermostat up to two per account |

Table 2: 2010 Gas (Appliances) Networks Rebates as of May 2010

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions concerning this matter.

Sincerely,

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