

March 16, 2010

## BY HAND-DELIVERY AND E-MAIL

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

Re:

Unitil Energy Systems, Inc.

Notice of Intent to File Rate Schedules

Dear Director Howland:

Please accept this letter on behalf of Unitil Energy Systems, Inc. ("Unitil"), in accordance with the New Hampshire Code of Administrative Rules, Section 1604.05, of Unitil's Notice of Intent to File Rate Schedules pursuant to RSA Ch. 378. The approximate amount of the proposed change in rates Unitil will be seeking is \$ 7.5 million, or 5.1 percent of total revenue. Unitil also intends to file rate schedules requesting temporary rates, pursuant to RSA 378:27, for implementation during the pendency of the permanent rate relief request.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. Please do not hesitate to contact me directly if you have any questions or concerns.

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