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



**Re: Docket No. DE 11-\_\_\_\_; Granite State Electric Company d/b/a National Grid  
Default Service Request for Proposals for the Period May 1, 2011 to July 31, 2011  
for the Large Customer Group and May 1, 2011 to October 31, 2011 for the Small  
Customer Group**

Dear Ms. Howland:

On February 4, 2011, Granite State Electric Company d/b/a National Grid ("National Grid" or "Company") plans to issue a Default Service Request for Proposals ("RFP") to procure default service for the period May 1, 2011 to July 31, 2011 for its Large Customer Group and the period May 1, 2011 to October 31, 2011 for its Small Customer Group.

Pursuant to the terms of the Settlement Agreement approved by the Commission in Order No. 24,577 in Docket DE 05-126 (January 13, 2006) as modified by Order No. 24,922 in Docket DE 08-011/DE 05-126 (December 19, 2008), National Grid plans to solicit a bid price that includes the cost of all market products on an as-delivered energy basis, i.e., an all inclusive bid price.

I am submitting, for notice purposes, National Grid's proposed timeline for this RFP, which was provided as part of its most recent default service filing in DE 10-020.

RFP	February 2011 RFP
RFP Issued	February 4, 2011
Indicative Bids Due	March 2, 2011
Final Bids Due	March 9, 2011
Contract Execution	March 10, 2011
Default Service Filing to Commission	March 15, 2011
Commission Order Needed	March 22, 2011
Service Begins	May 1, 2011

Thank you for your time and attention to this matter. Please feel free to contact me with any questions.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Sarah B. Knowlton", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Sarah B. Knowlton

cc: Meredith A. Hatfield, Esq.  
Celia O'Brien, Esq.