

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

Inter-Department Communication

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FROM: 
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SUBJECT: Docket DE 11-216, Public Service Company of New Hampshire
Alternative Default Energy Service Rate ADE
Tariff Pages and Rate Calculation for Effect July 1, 2013

TO: Debra Howland, Executive Director



On April 8, 2013, the Commission issued Order No. 25,488 conditionally approving a settlement agreement between Public Service Company of New Hampshire (PSNH), the Office of Consumer Advocate (OCA) and Commission Staff (Staff) (collectively, “the Settling Parties”) regarding PSNH’s proposal to implement Alternative Default Energy Service Rate ADE. The condition imposed by the Commission provided that customers who are returned to PSNH’s default service as a result of financial default of their competitive supplier be enrolled at the lower of PSNH’s Default Energy Service Rate DE or Rate ADE.

On May 3, 2013, by letter dated May 2, PSNH filed a letter on behalf of the Settling Parties informing the Commission that the condition would be accepted and setting forth the Settling Parties’ understanding of how that condition would operate in accordance with the settlement agreement.

Finally, on May 21, 2013, PSNH filed tariff pages and rate calculations for implementation of Rate ADE effective July 1, 2013. In addition, PSNH submitted “illustrative” tariff pages for availability changes to Rate DE necessitated by the condition in Order No. 25,488. PSNH said that it was not filing proposed tariff pages for Rate DE at this time because the Commission would soon be determining the Rate DE to be effective July 1, 2013 when it issues an order in Docket DE 12-292. PSNH further stated that it would incorporate the language changes into the tariff page upon the Commission’s order in DE 12-292.

As for the rate to be charged under Rate ADE beginning July 1, 2013, PSNH’s calculations resulted in a rate of 7.83 cents per kilowatt-hour. Staff has reviewed the supporting calculations and tariff pages and views them as consistent with the settlement agreement, Order No. 25,488, and the representations included in PSNH’s May 3, 2013 filing. Therefore Staff recommends the Commission approve the Rate ADE calculation

of 7.83 cents per kilowatt-hour, effective beginning with service rendered July 1, 2013, and allow the following tariff pages to go into effect as presented:

- 1st Revised Page 4
- Original Page 96-A
- Original Page 96-B
- Original Page 96-C

Please let me know if you have any questions or would like to discuss this matter further.

cc: Service List