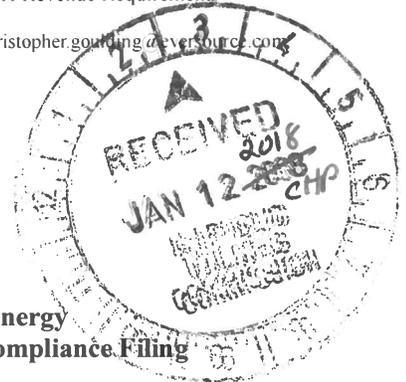


January 12, 2018

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



**Re: DE 11-216; Public Service Company of New Hampshire d/b/a Eversource Energy
Alternative Default Energy Service Rate ADE Monthly Rate Calculation Compliance Filing**

Dear Ms. Howland:

On April 8, 2013 the Commission issued Order No. 25,488 approving a settlement agreement between Commission Staff, the Office of Consumer Advocate and Public Service Company of New Hampshire d/b/a Eversource Energy (Eversource) regarding Eversource's proposal to implement an alternative default energy service rate, Rate ADE. Rate ADE became effective on July 1, 2013 and on December 12, 2014, the Commission issued Order No. 25,739 approving amendments to the administration of Rate ADE and making Rate ADE a monthly variable rate.

On June 28, 2016, the Commission issued Order No. 25,911 extending Rate ADE in its present form for 12 months from July 1, 2016, or until such time as Eversource has transitioned to a competitive solicitation for its default service needs, consistent with the 2015 Restructuring and Rate Stabilization Agreement, approved by the Commission in Order No. 25,920 (July 1, 2016). Eversource includes with this submission the rate for February 2018 under Rate ADE and the relevant tariff page reflecting the change in the rate.

Eversource notes that the Commission issued Order No. 26,092 in Docket No. DE 17-113 on December 29, 2017. Following that order, and the sale of Eversource's thermal generating assets on January 10, 2018, Eversource is transitioning to a competitive solicitation for default service effective April 1, 2018. This transition date will require discontinuing Rate ADE in February 2018 and moving customers in the manner described in Docket No. DE 17-113. Once the transition is finalized, Eversource will cease providing information on Rate ADE.

Additionally, following Order No. 25,739, Eversource no longer calculates Rate ADE on an annual basis. Therefore, this monthly rate setting filing shall take the place of the filing required by Order No. 25,488 requiring Eversource to monitor its forecasted marginal costs on a monthly basis and compare those forecasts to the prices used to calculate the annual rate for Rate ADE, and to provide reports of the forecasts to the Commission on the 15th day of each month.

This submission is being filed electronically with one paper copy being sent to the Commission.

We would be pleased to respond to any questions the Commission may have on this submission.

Very truly yours,

Christopher J. Goulding
Manager, NH Revenue Requirements

CJG:kd
Enclosure
cc: Service List (by electronic mail only)

ALTERNATE DEFAULT ENERGY SERVICE RATE ADE

AVAILABILITY

Subject to the Terms and Conditions of the Tariff of which it is a part, this rate is for energy and capacity in conjunction with Primary General Delivery Service Rate GV, Large General Delivery Service Rate LG or Backup Delivery Service Rate B. Service under this rate is available only to Customers who terminate Supplier Service or Self-Supply Service on or after January 1, 2015, and who do not commit to take service under Default Energy Service Rate DE for an uninterrupted period of 12 months.

Notwithstanding any other Tariff provision or Special Contract terms, no discount shall be applied to this rate.

RATE PER MONTH

The Energy Charge per Kilowatt-Hour will be calculated on a monthly basis and filed with the Commission by the 15th day of each month, to apply to service rendered during the subsequent month. The rate will be based on the Company's forecast of the marginal cost to provide full requirements service to the New Hampshire load zone, plus an adder. The forecast of marginal costs will include forward energy market prices, forward capacity market prices, forecasted ancillary service costs, forecasted ISO-NE market administration costs and forecasted renewable portfolio standard compliance costs. The adder shall be set equal to the non-operating costs of the wet flue gas desulphurization system installed at the Company's Merrimack Station.

| <u>Energy Charge</u> | <u>Per Kilowatt-Hour</u> |
|----------------------|--------------------------|
| January 2018 | 12.16¢ |
| February 2018 | 14.65¢ |

Issued: January 12, 2018

Issued by: /s/ William J. Quinlan
William J. Quinlan

Effective: February 1, 2018

Title: President and Chief Operating Officer

Public Service Company of New Hampshire
d/b/a Eversource Energy

Establishment of Rate ADE for February, 2018.
January, 2018 Report

c/kWh

| 2018 | Marginal Cost-to-Serve | Rate Adder | Total Rate ADE | Notes |
|-------------|---------------------------|---------------|-------------------|-------|
| Jan | 10.92 | 1.24 | 12.16 | |
| Feb | 13.41 | 1.24 | 14.65 | (1) |

Notes:

- (1) The rate shown for this month is a fixed price.