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Re: DG 08-009; EnergyNorth Natural Gas, Inc. d/b/a National Grid NH

Dear Ms. Howland:

I am writing to request that the Commission clarify the effective date of the permanent rates authorized by its Order No. 24,972, issued May 29, 2009. Page 70 of the order includes a provision stating "that permanent rates in accordance with this Order commence on July 1, 2009 on a service-rendered basis." In its Order No. 24,888 dated August 18, 2008, the Commission approved temporary rates effective with service rendered as of August 24, 2008. The Commission's May 29, 2009 order correctly states that the Company's compliance filing should include a reconciliation between temporary and permanent rates, something that would not be possible if the permanent rates were effective on a service rendered basis as of July 1, 2009.

It is the Company's understanding that the language referred to above was intended to direct the Company to implement the authorized rate changes on and after July 1, 2009, but that the rate change would be effective with regard to service rendered on and after August 24, 2008, consistent with the temporary rate order. I would appreciate it if the Commission would issue a letter confirming this understanding or giving the Company further direction as to the Commission's intention.

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This letter is not intended to waive the Company's right to file a motion for reconsideration regarding the foregoing or any other issue relating to the May 29 order, but rather is being submitted in response to a discussion with the Director of the Commission's Legal Division to address this issue expeditiously.

Sincerely,

Steven V. Camerino

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cc: Service List (electronically only)