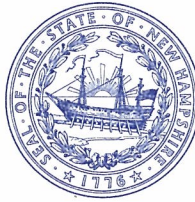


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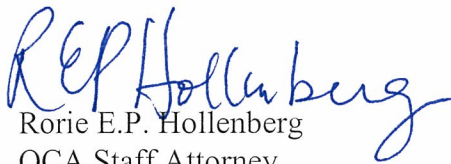
**RE: DG 10-017 National Grid – Rate Case**  
**OCA's Response to Company's Rate Case Expense Request**

Dear Ms. Howland:

I enclose for the Commission's review and consideration an original and six copies of the Office of the Consumer Advocate's Response to National Grid's Rate Case Expense Request.

Thank you for your time and assistance with this filing. Please contact me with any questions.

Sincerely,

  
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