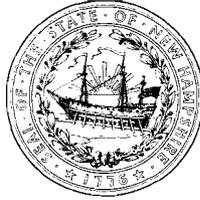


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September 21, 2010

Re: DE 10-028, Unitil Energy Systems, Inc.
Petition for Approval of Default Service Solicitation and Proposed Default
Service Tariff
Scheduling of Hearing

To the Parties:

On September 9, 2005, the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission (Commission) issued Order No. 24,511 in Docket No. DE 05-064, Unitil Energy Systems, Inc. Unitil) which, among other things, approved Unitil's solicitation process for procuring default service for its G1 and Non-G1 customers. On September 17, 2010, Unitil filed a petition for approval of default service solicitation and proposed default service for the period beginning November 1, 2010 through January 31, 2011 for 100 percent of its default service for its G1 customers, and for 25 percent of the non-G1 customers for November 1, 2010 through October 31, 2011, and 25 percent for November 1, 2010 through October 31, 2012. In support of its Petition, Unitil filed the testimony and related exhibits of Robert S. Furino and Linda S. MacNamara.

The Commission will hold a hearing on Thursday, September 23, 2010 at 10:00 a.m., at which time the Commission will hear the testimony of Mr. Furino, Ms. MacNamara and Commission Staff. This approach is consistent with Order No. 24,511 at p. 15 which states "when Unitil presents its Supply Agreement and the accompanying rates, we will review the rates pursuant to RSA 363:17-a.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Debra A. Howland".

Debra A. Howland
Executive Director