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

> Re: Docket No. IR 13-244 Investigation into Payment Hierarchy between Electric Distribution Utilities and Competitive Suppliers Proposed Change to Procedural Schedule

Dear Ms. Howland:

The purpose of this letter is to inform the Commission of the status of settlement discussions in the above-captioned docket and to request a change in the hearing date for this matter.

Staff and the parties have reached a settlement agreement in principle; however, an initial draft settlement agreement was first circulated among Staff and the parties on Friday, January 24, 2014. The hearing is currently scheduled for February 6, 2014, and Staff and the parties do not believe that provides sufficient time to review and finalize the agreement. Based on the foregoing, Staff requests that the February 6, 2014 hearing date be cancelled. Staff respectfully requests that the Commission reschedule the hearing for March 4, 2014 to begin at 10:00 a.m. If you have any questions, please let me know.

I certify that a copy of this letter will be served electronically on the parties to this proceeding when the letter is filed with the Commission.

Sincerely,

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