

February 10, 2016

Ms. Debra A. Howland Executive Director and Secretary New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission 21 S. Fruit Street, Suite 10 Concord, N.H. 03301-2429



Re: Notice of Probable Violation – No. PS1601NU

Dear Ms. Howland,

On January 24, 2016, the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission's Safety Division issued to Northern Utilities, Inc. ("Northern" or the "Company") a Notice of Probable Violation ("NOPV") for two service line pressure tests that were conducted on the Dover-Durham High Pressure System. These pressure tests allegedly violated 49 CFR §§192.513, 192.503, 192.619, 192.605, 192.603 and 192.13. Pursuant to PUC 511.06(a)(4), the Company requests an informal conference with Commission staff. We understand that the informal conference will be conducted pursuant to PUC 511.07 and that, among other things, the Company will be able to gain a better understanding of the basis for the alleged violation(s) during the informal conference.

Please contact me at your convenience so we can determine a mutually available time for the informal conference.

Very Truly Yours,

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