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

Re: **Electric Assistance Program** Annual Budget: October 2016 – September 2017 Program Year DE 16-

Dear Ms. Howland:

In Order No. 23,980 in docket DE 02-034, dated May 30, 2002, the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission (the "Commission") directed the state's electric utilities to file an annual budget with the Commission no later than 60 days prior to the start of each program year. In compliance with that directive, Unitil Energy Systems, Inc. ("Unitil") hereby files with the Commission an original and six (6) copies of its EAP annual budget for the program year, October 1, 2016 through September 30, 2017. Unitil is also filing the EAP annual budget electronically in accordance with the Commission's Electronic Report Filing program.

This filing contains two attachments:

Attachment A provides the EAP Projected System Benefits Charge Revenue by month for the period October 1, 2016 through September 30, 2017.

Attachment B provides the EAP Estimated Incremental Ongoing Administrative Costs for the period October 1, 2016 through September 30, 2017.

Unitil would be pleased to provide additional information concerning this matter at the Commission's request. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,

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cc: Office of the Consumer Advocate