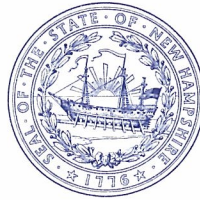


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December 31, 2009

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Re: DE 09-035 Public Service Company of New Hampshire
Distribution Service Rate Case
Company Response dated December 24, 2009 to Staff's Motion to Compel filed on
December 22, 2009

Dear Ms. Howland:

Staff has reviewed the response of Public Service Company of New Hampshire (the Company) dated December 24, 2009 to Staff's Motion to Compel filed on December 22, 2009. The Company's response resolves to Staff's satisfaction the issues raised in Staff's Motion to Compel and thus the Commission does not need to take any action on the Motion.

On the first line of the second paragraph of the Company's response, the Company proposes that pages 3 of 5 and 4 of 5 of the response replace the previously filed Standard Filing Requirements for officers' compensation for the last two years. Staff believes that the correct reference is to pages 2 of 5 and 3 of 5 since those pages refer to 2008 and 2007 compensation data. Finally, Staff agrees that the additionally provided information in the Company's response is properly protected from public disclosure pursuant to Order No. 25,037.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Edward N. Damon".

Edward N. Damon, Director
Legal Division

cc: Service List