

APPENDIX II-A

REQUEST FOR ADVANCE PUBLIC COMMENT ON SUBJECT
MATTER OF POSSIBLE RULEMAKING

	Rule Number	<u>Puc 3000</u>
1. Agency Name & Address: Public Utilities Commission 21 South Fruit Street, Suite 10 Concord, NH 03301	2. RSA Authority: <u> RSA 365:8-a </u> 3. Federal Authority: _____ 4. Type of Action: Adoption _____ Amendment _____ Repeal _____ Readoption _____ Readoption w/amendment <u> X </u>	
5. Short Title: Competitive Natural Gas Marketer Rules		

IN ACCORDANCE WITH RSA 541-A:11, VIII THIS AGENCY IS SOLICITING PUBLIC COMMENT ON A SUBJECT MATTER OF POSSIBLE RULEMAKING UNDER ACTIVE CONSIDERATION PRIOR TO FORMALLY PROPOSING RULES IN THE RULEMAKING PROCESS. WHERE, WHEN, AND HOW PERSONS MAY PROVIDE COMMENT ARE INDICATED BELOW.

6. (a) Summary of the subject matter, or summary of the rule if drafted, and the effect on those regulated:

RSA 365:8-a authorizes the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission (PUC) to adopt rules establishing requirements for suppliers of natural gas and aggregators of natural gas customers, including registration of such suppliers and aggregators before soliciting or doing business in the state, registration fees, disclosure of information to customers, standards of conduct, submission to commission jurisdiction for mediation and resolution of disputes, imposition of penalties for failure to comply with commission requirements, and consumer protection and assistance requirements. The current rules governing this conduct are to expire in 2010. The PUC intends, therefore, to readopt the rules, and to include revisions and updates to the registration and reporting requirements for suppliers of natural gas and aggregators of natural gas customers.

6. (b) Brief description of the groups affected:

The rules and amendments affect suppliers of natural gas, aggregators of natural gas customers and may also affect natural gas local delivery companies and the customers of these entities.

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7. Contact person for copies, questions, and receipt of comment including requests to accommodate persons with disabilities:

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8. Deadline for submission of comment in writing or, if practicable for the agency, in the electronic format specified: **February 12, 2010**

Fax

E-mail

Other format (specify):

9. Technical session scheduled for:

Date and Time: **February 5, 2010 at 10:00 A.M.**

Place: **Hearing Room A, NH Public Utilities Commission,
21 South Fruit Street, Suite 10, Concord, NH 03301**