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Katherine K. Battles, Senior Counsel
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Re: Statutory Changes to the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission Assessment

Dear Katherine K. Battles, Senior Counsel:

On June 16, 2014, the Governor signed Senate Bill 324 into law, revising the Public Utilities Commission assessment statute, RSA 363-A. The effective date of the bill is July 1, 2014. Under the amended statute, competitive natural gas suppliers are required to pay an annual assessment of $10,000. One fourth of the annual assessment amount will be billed by the Commission each quarter beginning August 15, 2014.

In addition, under the new law, information about competitive natural gas suppliers' sales volume and gross revenue received from New Hampshire retail customers must be reported to the Commission. Pursuant to RSA 363-A:2,II, you are required to file annual reports of sales volume and revenues, by customer class, separately for each distribution company territory in which you serve. This information will be used by the Commission to determine assessment amounts to be collected by the local distribution companies from natural gas distribution customers.

Please provide the required sales volume and revenue information for calendar year 2013 no later than July 15, 2014. The attached worksheet may be used to report the required information. The statute requires these reports be filed confidentially. Accordingly, they will be protected under RSA 91-A.

Sincerely,

Debra Howland
Executive Director

Enclosure

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Received by: TM
Date: 7/11/14

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