

March 25, 2013

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



Re:

Northern Utilities, Inc., New Hampshire Division - Docket DG 12-273
March 2013 Monthly Cost of Gas Report

Dear Director Howland:

Pursuant to the Commission's Order No. 25,434 in Docket DG 12-273, enclosed are an original and one copy of Northern Utilities - New Hampshire Division's (the Company) current calculation of its projected over or under collection of gas costs ending April 30, 2013 for the 2012-2013 winter season. The Company is also providing a summary of its hedging transactions and monthly inventory interest calculation, both updated through February 2013.

The calculation, which reflects the Company's actual November 1, 2012 balance and gas futures prices as of March 21, 2013, produces an anticipated over-recovery for the winter 2012-2013 period. As a result, Northern is reducing its projected cost of gas by \$572,000 or 2.78%.

Accordingly, pursuant to its tariff, the Company has enclosed for filing the following Tariff Pages reflecting a decrease in its Cost of Gas ("COG") Adjustment Rates:

Seventieth Revised Page 39, Sixtieth Revised Page 94, and Sixtieth Revised Page 95.

These Tariff Pages are issued March 25, 2013, to be effective for usage on and after April 1, 2013. Red-line versions of these Tariff Pages are also enclosed.

The impact of the April 1 change in the Cost of Gas Adjustment Rate on the typical residential heating customer for the 2012-2013 winter period will be (\$42.70) or 3.29 percent less than the winter period bill at the Company's current Cost of Gas Adjustment Rate.

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If you have any questions regarding this filing, please do not hesitate to contact me or Chris Kahl at (603)773-6425.

Very truly yours,

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## **Enclosures**

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