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December 18, 2014 ·

Gary Epler, Esq. Chief Regulatory Counsel Unitil Energy Systems, Inc. 6 Liberty Lane West Hampton, New Hampshire 03842

Re: DE 14-061, Unitil Energy Systems, Inc. 2014 Default Service Schedule Approval of 2014 Lead/Lag Study

Dear Mr. Epler:

On April 4, 2014, Unitil Energy Systems, Inc. (UES) made the first filing in connection with its solicitation of default service for 2014. UES included in the filing the 2014 Lead/Lag study it prepared for use in connection with the calculation of 2014 rates.

The Commission issued Order No. 25,648 on April 11, 2014 which approved the filing and conditionally approved the use of the Lead/Lag study pending Staff's review of the study.

On July 25, 2014, Staff filed a memorandum recommending that the Commission approve the results of the 2014 Lead/Lag study in UES's calculation of rates. UES made its second default service filing on September 26, 2014. In Order No. 25,720 (October 3, 2014), the Commission approved the filing, noted that Staff had recommended the approval of the Lead/Lag study, and provided the Office of Consumer Advocate (OCA) with 10 days to provide comments on the study. On October 10, 2014, the OCA filed a letter stating its agreement with Staff's recommendation.

The Commission has reviewed UES's 2014 Lead/Lag study and the recommendations of Staff and the OCA. The Commission has approved the 2014 Lead/Lag study for use in the calculation of UES's 2014 default service rates.

Sincerely, bland

Debra A. Howland Executive Director

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