



**Public Service
of New Hampshire**

A Northeast Utilities Company

DE 14-347
Public Service Energy Park
780 No. Commercial Street, Manchester, NH 03101

Public Service Company of New Hampshire
P.O. Box 330
Manchester, NH 03105-0330
(603) 634-2961
Fax (603) 634-2438
Matthew.Fossum@nu.com

Matthew J. Fossum
Senior Counsel

NHPUC 3DEC'14PM4:03

December 3, 2014

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

ORIGINAL	
N.H.P.U.C. Case No.	DE 14-347
Exhibit No.	#1
Witness	Christopher J. Goulding
DO NOT REMOVE FROM FILE	

Re: DE 14-XXX, Public Service Company of New Hampshire
Petition to Amend Assessment Collection Method

Dear Director Howland:

In June 2014, the New Hampshire Legislature passed, and the Governor signed, Senate Bill 324 (Laws 2014, Ch. 136) which amended RSA chapter 363-A regarding the manner in which public utilities, and others, are assessed to cover the expenses of the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission ("Commission"). Among other things, the law requires that all amounts assessed to, or paid by, electric distribution utilities be collected from customers through the utility's distribution rates. It further requires that the Commission, by order, establish rate recovery mechanisms for each utility to enable recovery of the assessed amounts.

Accordingly, and consistent with these requirements, Public Service Company of New Hampshire's ("PSNH") hereby petitions the Commission to amend its base distribution rate and to establish a rate recovery mechanism for PSNH. Included with this submission are the testimony and supporting schedules of Christopher J. Goulding describing PSNH's proposal for collecting its assessment through its distribution rate, and PSNH's proposed recovery mechanism. PSNH requests that the Commission review this submission and set a schedule that will provide for an order to be issued in sufficient time to implement any changes on January 1, 2015 at the time of other rate changes.

Very truly yours,

Matthew J. Fossum
Senior Counsel

Enclosures
CC: OCA

LINKED