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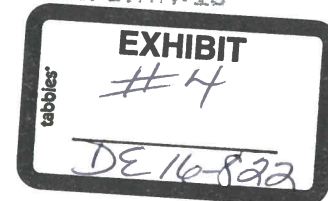
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Debra A. Howland
Executive Director
New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission
21 South Fruit Street, Suite 10
Concord, NH 03301-2429



RE: Docket No. DE 16-822
2017 Default Energy Service Rate – Preliminary Mid-Year Adjustment

Dear Director Howland:

Please find enclosed for filing an original and six copies of the pre-filed testimonies and attachments of Christopher J. Goulding and Daniel J. Ludwig and the technical statement of Christopher J. Goulding and Frederick B. White setting forth Public Service Company of New Hampshire d/b/a Eversource Energy's ("Eversource") request for an adjustment to the current default Energy Service ("ES") rate effective on January 1, 2017 and approved by Order No. 25,974 (December 23, 2016). As described in Mr. Goulding's testimony, the current ES rate is 11.17 cents per kWh (including the 1.72 cents per kWh cost of the scrubber). The preliminary proposed adjustment is for the rate to equal 11.60 cents per kWh (also including the 1.72 cents per kWh cost of the scrubber), an increase of 0.43 cents per kWh as compared to the present rate. Eversource will update the rate with more up-to-date information in June 2017. Eversource is proposing the amended ES rate change take effect July 1, 2017 consistent with its proposal to change the Stranded Cost Recovery Charge rate, which is being filed contemporaneously.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. Thank you for your assistance with this matter.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Matthew J. Fossum".

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Enclosures
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