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March 21, 2019

Public Utilities Commission 21 South Fruit St., Suite 10 Concord, NH 03301

Re: Conditional Approval of Final Proposal 2018-164

Dear Commission Members:

At its meeting on March 15, 2019, the Joint Legislative Committee on Administrative Rules (Committee) voted, pursuant to RSA 541-A:13, V(a), to conditionally approve Final Proposal 2018-164 of the Public Utilities Commission (Commission) containing Puc 3000, relative to competitive natural gas suppliers and aggregators. The Committee's approval was conditioned on amending Final Proposal 2018-164 as specified in the Commission's conditional approval request, received on March 14, 2019. A copy of the conditional approval request, as annotated by Committee staff, is enclosed for your information.

Pursuant to RSA 541-A:13, V(a), you are required to submit a written explanation detailing how the rules have been amended in accordance with the conditional approval within 7 days of the date of the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Commission, which is March 27, 2019. In this instance, the 7th day following the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Commission falls on April 3, 2019. The explanation shall include a letter and a text of the entire final proposed rule, annotated to show the amendments.

The explanation shall be reviewed by the Office of Legislative Services to determine whether the rules have been amended in accordance with the conditional approval and RSA 541-A:13, V(a). If it is determined that the rules have not been amended in accordance with the conditional approval and RSA 541-A:13, V(a), the conditional approval will be deemed a Committee vote to make a preliminary objection as of the date of the conditional approval, and you must respond to the preliminary objection as specified in RSA 541-A:13, V(a).

Please be advised that you may not adopt the rules until the Office of Legislative Services sends written confirmation that your amendments are in accordance with the conditional approval and RSA 541-A:13, V(a).

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If you have any questions concerning the provisions in RSA 541-A relative to conditional approvals, objections, responses, or adoptions, please call me at 271-3680.

Sincerely,

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Michael Morrell Sr. Committee Attorney

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Final Proposal 2018-164 Public Utilities Commission Chapter Puc 3000 Competitive Natural Gas Supplier and Aggregator Rules

<u>Conditional Approval Request</u> March 14, 2019

Proposed language change to Puc 3004.06(d), submitted on behalf of the Public Utilities Commission:

(d) The commission shall terminate the CNGS's registration after *notice and an opportunity to* be heard 60 days of suspension if the requirements in (c)(1)-(4) above are not satisfied.