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Suzanne Amidon
New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission
21 S. Fruit Street, Suite 10
Concord, NH 03301-2429

RE: Unitil Energy Services, Inc.
Docket No. DE 10-292

Dear Attorney Amidon:

Enclosed on behalf of Unitil Energy Systems, Inc. ("UES" or the "Company"), please find the Company's responses to Staff's 1st Set of Data Requests in the above-referenced docket.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions regarding this filing. Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,

Gary Epler
Attorney for Unitil Energy Systems, Inc.

Enclosure

cc: Meredith Hatfield, Consumer Advocate

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UNITIL ENERGY SYSTEMS, INC.

DE 10-292

Tariff Filing for Step Adjustment for Distribution Energy Resources

Data Requests from Commission Staff – Set #1

Date Request Received: 12/20/2010

Date of Response: 01/03/2011

Request No. Staff 1-1

Witness: George Gantz

Request:

UES requested recovery of certain costs labeled "Ongoing Program Management and Reporting Costs," which were estimated at \$135,640 for 2010. Does the Company's step adjustment request include those estimated costs? If so, specify where in the filing those costs can be found. If some or all of the estimated costs are not included in the step-adjustment, please explain how those costs will be collected.

Response:

No, the Company has not requested costs in the category it had labeled "Ongoing Program Management and Reporting Costs" in DE 09-137. In the Commission's Final Order No. 25,111, the Commission declined to approve recovery of such costs through the cost recovery process authorized in its Order, therefore the Company is not seeking recovery of such costs in its step adjustment filing in this docket.

The Company has made every effort to minimize expenses that would have fallen into the category of Ongoing Program Management and Reporting including expenses associated with its continuing activities in relation to the projects approved in DE 09-137. Given that such costs were not recoverable in the DER step adjustment process, the appropriate avenue for recovery of any such costs would be in the context of a base rate case as part of ongoing operation and maintenance expense. Notably, however, none of these costs were included in the test period in the Company's pending base rate case in Docket DE 10-055.

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Tariff Filing for Step Adjustment for Distribution Energy Resources

Data Requests from Commission Staff – Set #1

Date Request Received: 12/20/2010

Date of Response: 01/03/2011

Request No. Staff 1-2

Witness: George Gantz

Request:

Please specify the status of the micro-turbine and Solar PV projects. That is, is construction complete and, if so, are the projects operational? Please provide the date each project became operational.

Response:

The two generation projects are fully operational. The final letter of authorization for the interconnected operation of the microturbine was issued on August 17, 2010, and the final letter of authorization for the interconnected operation of the solar PV project was issued on August 31, 2010. Both were placed in commercial operation immediately upon receipt of the letters. Copies of the letters of authorization are attached as Attachment Staff 1-2. The final segment of solar panels, bringing the project to 100kW from 75kW, went online on September 22, 2010.



8/17/2010

Mr. Clay Mitchell
Revolution Energy
Dover, NH 03820

Re: Interconnection of the 65 kW Capstone Combined Heat & Power (CHP) micro-turbine at the Seacoast School of Technology

Dear Clay:

This letter is to notify you that the 65 kW Capstone Combined Heat & Power (CHP) micro-turbine located at the Seacoast School of Technology, 40 Linden St. in Exeter, New Hampshire is approved to be interconnected to the Unitil electrical distribution system.

The approval of the interconnection of the micro-turbine is pursuant to the terms and conditions contained in the Interconnection Service Agreement executed between Unitil Energy Systems, Inc., Revolution Energy, LLC and the Exeter Region Cooperative School District signed on August 17th, 2010.

For your convenience, I have attached the Interconnection Service Agreement.

Please contact me with any questions or concerns at 603-294-5123.

Respectfully yours,

Tim Noonis
Sr. Business Development Executive

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8/31/2010

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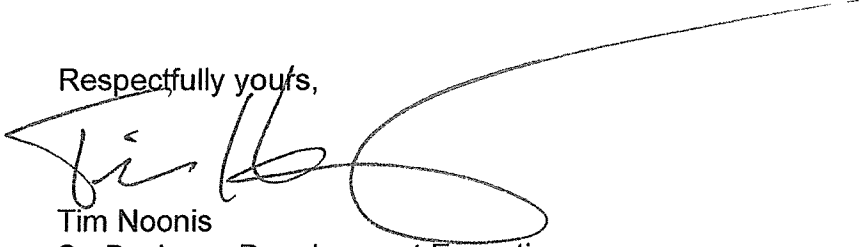
Dear Clay,

This letter is to notify you that we have tested the customer owned generator and the inverter system at the following address: Blue Hawk Drive, Exeter, NH.

We have replaced the existing meter with a "net meter" and you are now authorized to energize your generator and interconnect to the Unitil electric system.

Please call me with any questions or concerns at 603-294-5123 or by email at noonis@unitil.com.

Respectfully yours,



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