

FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION
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Fitchburg Gas and Electric Light Company
Docket No. ER05-1242-000

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Dear Ms. Mendonca

1. On July 22, 2005 you submitted, on behalf of Fitchburg Gas and Electric Company (FG&E), a filing to revise Fitchburg's annual transmission revenue requirement for Non-Pool Transmission Facilities Local Network Transmission Service, Firm Point-to-Point Transmission Service and Non-Firm Point-to-Point Transmission Service to be effective June 1, 2005. Among other things, the filing updates the return on equity (ROE) component of the formula rates to 12.8 percent.
2. Notice of the filing was published in the *Federal Register*, 70 Fed. Reg. 44,350 (2005), with interventions and protests due on or before August 12, 2005. No interventions or protests were filed.
3. The Commission, in its March 24, 2004 Order, in Docket No. ER04-157-000, *et al.*, *ISO New England, Inc.*, 106 FERC ¶ 61,280 at P 2-3, 232-50, *errata*, 107 FERC ¶ 61,051, *order on reh'g*, 109 FERC ¶ 61,147 at P 193-207 (2004), accepted and suspended, and made effective, subject to refund, a proposed 12.8 percent base ROE effective as of the New England Regional Transmission Organization Operations Date, February 1, 2005, and set that matter for hearing. The filing at issue here reflects the same proposed 12.8 percent ROE that is at issue in Docket No. ER04-157-000, *et al.*
4. Since FG&E's filing updates the ROE component of its formula rates to reflect the same proposed ROE that is at issue in Docket No. ER04-157-000, *et al.*, and that ROE has been accepted, suspended and made effective subject to refund and set for hearing, the Commission accepts and suspends for a nominal period the proposed revisions

contained in the filing at issue here, and grants waiver of the prior notice requirement to make them effective June 1, 2005, as requested, subject to refund and subject to the outcome of Docket No. ER04-157-000, *et al.*¹

By direction of the Commission.

Magalie R. Salas,
Secretary.

¹ *Central Hudson Gas and Electric Corp.*, 60 FERC ¶ 61,106 at 61,338 (Commission will generally grant waiver of notice when changes and effective date are already prescribed), *order oh reh'g*, 61 FERC ¶ 61,089 (1992).