SCHEDULE 12

TRANSMISSION COST ALLOCATION ON AND AFTER JANUARY 1, 2004

This Schedule 12 describes the cost allocation treatment of upgrades, modifications or additions to the transmission system in New England on and after January 1, 2004. Nothing in this Schedule 12 shall eliminate the PTF status of transmission facilities that were PTF on December 31, 2003; and any upgrades to such facilities that continue to meet the definition of PTF specified in this OATT shall be classified as PTF for all purposes under this OATT. The costs of all upgrades to the Highgate Transmission Facilities will be treated as HTF and allocated according to this schedule, as may be amended from time to time, provided that such HTF upgrades shall not be limited by Appendix B to Attachment F Implementation Rule under this OATT if classified as Regional Benefit Upgrades.

A. Process for Categorizing Upgrades for Cost Allocation:

Upgrades, modifications or additions to the New England Transmission System shall be categorized by the ISO, with advisory input from the Reliability Committee and the Planning Advisory Committee, as appropriate. A list of categorized Transmission Upgrades shall be made part of each annual and interim RSP, subject to the provisions of Attachment K of this OATT.

B. Transmission Cost Allocation by Category:

1. Generator Interconnection Related Upgrades:

The cost for all Generator Interconnection Related Upgrades shall be allocated pursuant to Schedule 11 of this OATT.

2. Elective Transmission Upgrades:

The cost for all Elective Transmission Upgrades shall not be included in the Pool-Supported PTF costs recoverable under this OATT, but shall be allocated solely to the entity or entities volunteering to make and pay for such Elective Transmission Upgrades.

3. **NEMA Upgrades:**

The cost for all NEMA Upgrades shall be included in the Pool-Supported PTF costs recoverable under this Tariff for so long as such Transmission Upgrades continue to meet the definition of PTF under this OATT and allocated to Transmission Customers taking service under this OATT.

4. RTEP02 Upgrades:

The costs for all RTEP02 Upgrades placed in service on or before December 20, 2007, shall be included in the Pool-Supported PTF costs recoverable under this OATT for so long as such Transmission Upgrades continue to meet the definition of PTF under this OATT and allocated to Transmission Customers taking service under this OATT.

5. Regional Benefit Upgrades:

The cost for all Regional Benefit Upgrades, as well as all transmission facilities that were PTF as of December 31, 2003 and upgrades to such facilities that meet the definition of PTF under this OATT, shall be included in the Pool-Supported PTF costs recoverable under this OATT for so long as such Transmission Upgrades and such existing PTF continue to meet the definition of PTF under this OATT and allocated to Transmission Customers taking service under this OATT. Market Efficiency Transmission Upgrades that are not RBUs shall not be included in the Pool-Supported PTF Costs recoverable under this OATT.

6. Public Policy Transmission Upgrade Costs:

- (a) Seventy percent of the costs of each Public Policy Transmission Upgrade shall be allocated to Transmission Customers taking service under this OATT in the same manner as Regional Benefit Upgrades.
- (b) The remaining thirty percent of the costs of each Public Policy Transmission Upgrade shall be allocated to the Regional Network Load of each state in direct proportion to the state's share of the public policy planning need that gives rise to the Public Policy Transmission Upgrade ("Planning Need"). Each state's share of the Planning Need shall be: (i) as shown in a Planning Need identified by NESCOE in a request for a Public Policy Transmission Study pursuant to Section 4A.1 of Attachment K, based on its estimate of the MWhs of electric energy (or MWs of capacity, if applicable) needed over the requested study period to satisfy the state and federal Public Policy Requirements it identified for evaluation and how such needs are allocated among the states, which shall take into account the MWhs (or MWs of capacity, if applicable) associated with contracts and other mechanisms that are available and capable to satisfy the Public Policy Requirements for the year or years of need considered in the requested Public Policy Transmission Study; or (ii) if NESCOE does not provide a Planning Need in such a request, the load-ratio share of the Regional Network Load of each state that has been identified pursuant to the procedures set forth in Sections 4A.1 and 4A.1.1 of Attachment K as having one or more Public Policy

Requirements that will be evaluated in the corresponding Public Policy Transmission Study. Nothing in this Schedule 12 shall prevent the applicable PTOs from filing with the Commission an alternative cost allocation for a Public Policy Transmission Upgrade in accordance with the TOA or a Qualified Transmission Project Sponsor that is not a PTO from filing with the Commission an alternative cost allocation for a Public Policy Transmission Upgrade. The revenue requirements for such Public Policy Transmission Upgrades shall be separately determined in accordance with the provisions of Attachment F to this OATT, subject to separate incentives or other modifications specifically approved by the Commission for such upgrades under Section 205 of the Federal Power Act.

Notwithstanding anything else in this Section 6, the costs of Public Policy Transmission Upgrades to address the Public Policy Requirement of a local government shall not be allocated under Schedule 12 and shall be allocated under a separate local schedule or cost recovery mechanism.

7. Local Benefit Upgrades:

The cost for Local Benefit Upgrades shall not be included in the Pool-Supported PTF costs recoverable under this OATT.

8. Localized Costs:

Localized Costs shall not be included in the Pool-Supported PTF costs recoverable under this OATT, or in costs allocated to Regional Network Load according to Section 6 of this Schedule 12, but instead the responsibility for such Localized Costs shall be the responsibility of the entity or entities causing or subject to such Localized Costs. The System Operator, in accordance with Schedule 12C of this OATT, shall review RTEP02 Upgrades, Regional Benefit Upgrades, reconstructions/replacements of all or part of Pool Transmission Facilities, and Public Policy Transmission Upgrades and identify any Localized Costs associated with them.

9. Merchant Transmission Facilities Cost Allocation

The cost of all Merchant Transmission Facilities, including the cost of Transmission Upgrades required to interconnect the Merchant Transmission Facilities to the PTF, shall be the responsibility of the developer of the Merchant Transmission Facilities, and shall not be included in the Pool-Supported PTF costs recoverable under this OATT.