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Ms. Kimberley J. Santopietro
Executive Secretary
Department of Public Utility Control
10 Franklin Square
New Britain, CT 06051

Re: Docket 08-07-04- Application of The United Illuminating Company to Increase its Rates and Charges

Dear Ms. Santopietro:

The United Illuminating Company (“UI” or the “Company”) is writing to the Department of Public Utility Control (“Department”) with respect to current capital market conditions and their adverse impact on the Company. It is universally known that the equity markets have been in a precarious condition and have deteriorated substantially. As shown in the chart below, while the markets and utility stocks in general have declined, the stock of UI’s parent, UIL Holdings Corporation (“UIL”), has suffered a particularly steep and continuous decline, and indeed has fallen almost 40% since December 31, 2008.

