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Securities and Exchange Commission
Judiciary Plaza
450 Fifth Street N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20549

Re: Application/Declaration on Form U-1 by Northeast
Utilities (File No. 70-10045)

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Northeast Utilities respectfully withdraws its Application/Declaration
on Form U-1 in File No. 70-10045, as amended, originally filed
January 25, 2002.

Please contact Jeffrey C. Miller, Assistant General Counsel,
at (860) 665-3532 with any questions or comments with respect to this
application/declaration withdrawal.

/s/ Jeffrey C. Miller
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