SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935, the undersigned company has duly caused this Certificate to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

Unitil Resources, Inc.

Bv: /s/ Gail A. Siart

> Gail A. Siart Treasurer

Dated: November 13, 1996

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

Application of Unitil Corporation

CERTIFICATE PURSUANT TO

and its Subsidiaries on Form U-1

RULE 24 UNDER THE PUBLIC) UTILITY HOLDING COMPANY

) ACT OF 1935

(File No. 70-8074)

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Pursuant to the requirements of Rule 24 under the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935, Unitil Corporation, on behalf of itself and its subsidiary, Unitil Resources, Inc. hereby files the attached quarterly report as required by the Securities and Exchange Commission's order approving the formation of a subsidiary company to provide consulting services to non affiliates (HCAR. No. 25816; File No. 70-8074; May 24, 1993) and its order approving the provision by that subsidiary of additional services including energy marketing and energy management services (HCAR. No. 26487; File No. 70-8773; May 31, 1996).

Exhibits

- Description of the various consulting, energy marketing, energy management and other activities undertaken by Unitil Resources, Exhibit A -
- Exhibit B -Statement of the amount of funds invested by Unitil in Unitil Resources, Inc.
- Exhibit C -Description of staffing.
- Exhibit D -Description of the intellectual property.
- Exhibit E -Statement of energy marketing expenses incurred by Unitil Resources, Inc.
- Exhibit F -Statement of energy sales.
- Exhibit G -Financial Statements.

EXHIBIT A Page 1 of 1

Description of Various Consulting, Energy Marketing, Energy Management and Other Activities Undertaken by Unitil Resources Inc:

Staff providing services under the activities listed below (unless otherwise indicated) are located at Unitil Service Corp. (Unitil Service), 6 Liberty Lane West, Hampton, NH 03842-1720, where most client work is performed. From time to time staff visit other locations, predominately in New England, representing client interests.

Consulting Services

A. Kingston-Warren Corporation Consultancy. An agreement was signed as of December 30, 1994 between Unitil Resources and Kingston-Warren Corporation (K-W) under which Unitil Resources will assist K-W in the conduct of studies relating to alternatives to K-W's current retail power supply arrangements. No charges have been assessed to date on this contract.

Energy Marketing Activities

A. New Hampshire Pilot Program. As of July 1, 1996, Unitil Resources became eligible to begin marketing electricity at retail to statewide participants in the New Hampshire Pilot Program. This 24-month program allows 3% of all

electric customers in the State of New Hampshire to purchase unbundled electricity from the supplier of their choice. Revenues generated from this activity during the third quarter of 1996, and for the year-to-date, were both \$64,364.

Energy Management Services

No contracts/activities to date.

EXHIBIT B

Statement of the Amount of Funds Invested by Unitil Corporation in Unitil Resources, Inc.:

The initial investment in Unitil Resources, Inc. was \$10,000. There has been no further investment.

EXHIBIT C

Description of Staffing:

Staff involved in providing service to Unitil Resources, Inc. (Unitil Resources) are located at Unitil Service Corp. (Unitil Service). Service is provided to Unitil Resources pursuant to a service agreement between Unitil Service and Unitil Resources dated July 1, 1993. Services provided by Unitil Service during the third quarter of 1996, and cumulatively to date, included regulatory, finance, accounting, marketing, energy management and administrative services and ranged in number from fifty to seventy-four employees on a part-time basis each month. The following are the percentages of time that were expended on Unitil Resources activities in the third of time that were expended on Unitil Resources activities in the third quarter of 1996 and cumulatively to date:

	Consulting	Energy	Energy		
	& Other Market	ing Mgmt.	Total		
First Quarter	0.20%	0.00%	0.6	00%	0.20%
Second Quarter	0.00	% 3.40%	ó	0.00%	3.40%
Third Quarter	0.00%	2.13%	0.00%	2.13%	
Fourth Quarter					
Year To Date	0.07%	1.84%	0.00%	1.91%	

EXHIBIT D

Description of the Intellectual Property:

No intellectual property was purchased or received during the quarter.

EXHIBIT E

Statement of Energy Marketing Expenses:

Ouarter Ended September 30, 1996 Year-To-Date Period

EXHIBIT F

Statement of Energy Sales:

Kilowatt Hour Sales

for Quarter Ended September 30, 1996 Year to Date

Kilowatt Hour Sales

\$39,477

Retail Energy Marketing Residential

1,534,240 92,088 1,534,240 Commercial 92,088 58,049 Industrial 58,049

Total Retail Energy Marketing 1,684,377 1,684,377

Wholesale Energy Marketing

Total Energy Marketing 1,684,377 1,684,377

EXHIBIT G Page 1 of 5

Unitil Resources, Inc. (A Wholly-owned Subsidiary of Unitil Corporation)

STATEMENTS OF EARNINGS

(UNAUDITED)

	Three Month September 30, 1996		Nine Months Septemb 95			1995
Revenues: Service Revenues Electric Revenues	\$ 64,364	\$2 	39,590	\$15,427 64,364	7 :	\$651,260
Total Revenues	64,364	239,590		79,791		651,260
Operating Expenses: Purchased Power Administrative and General	78,524 32,678	 167,516		3,524 37,138		 417,314
Total Operating Expenses	111,202	`		545,662		417,314
Operating Income	(46,838)		72,074	(465,8	71)	233,946
Nonoperating Income	3,492	10	5 13	, 633	:	210
Earning Before Income Taxes Income Taxes:	(43,346)	72,179	(4	152,238)	234,156	
Current Federal Current State	(13,820) (3,058)	22,933 5,	(142,998) 052 (3	31,656)	74,	150 16,391
Total Income Taxes	(16,878)	27,985		174,654)	9	90,541
Net Income	(\$26,468)	\$44,194	(\$	277,584)	\$143,615	

December 31

1995

Exhibit G Page 2 of 5

Unitil Resources, Inc.

(A Wholly-owned Subsidiary of Unitil Corporation)

(UNAUDITED)

BALANCE SHEETS

Total Current Assets	185,015	331,626	416,220
Unbilled and Accrued Revenue	25,081	25,824	4,181
Accounts Receivable	61,385		258
Cash	\$98,549	\$305,802	\$411,781
Current Assets:			
ASSETS:			

September 30,

1996

Deferred Debits 22,915

1995

Total Assets \$207,930 \$331,626 \$416,220

LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS EOUITY:

Current Liabilities:

Accounts Payable \$132,652 \$48,799 \$50,862

(1,052) 21.663 Taxes Accrued & Other 9,166

Total Current Liabilities 141,818 47,747 72,525

Stockholder's Equity:

Common Stock, \$1.00 par value Authorized - 10,000 shares Outstanding - 10,000 shares

100 100 100 Premium on Common Stock 9,900 9,900 9,900 Retained Earnings 56,112 273,879

Total Stockholder's Equity 283,879 66,112 343,695

Total Liabilities and Equity \$207,930 \$331,626 \$416,220

Exhibit G Page 3 of 5

Unitil Resources, Inc. (A Wholly-owned Subsidiary of Unitil Corporation)

STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (UNAUDITED)

> For the Nine Months Ended September 30.

1996 1995

(16,876)

(12,496)

(313, 232)411,781

Net Cash Flow from Operating Activities:

(\$277,584) Net Income \$143,615

Change in Assets and Liabilities

(Increase) Decrease in:

Accounts Receivable 65,564 Unbilled and Accrued Revenue (20,900)1.484

Deferred Debits (22,915)Increase (Decrease) in:

Accounts Payable 81,790 (3,204)Taxes Accrued & Other (12,496)16,504

Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities (313, 232)207,087

(313, 232)207,087 Net Increase in Cash

Cash at beginning of year 411,781 98,715

Cash at September 30, \$98,549 \$305,802

Exhibit G Page 4 of 5

Unitil Resources, Inc.

(A Wholly-owned Subsidiary of Unitil Corporation)

STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

(UNAUDITED)

For the Nine Months Ended September 30, 1996

0ther Electric Energy Energy

Commodity Mgmt. Consulting Power Services Marketing Sales Total & Other

Net Cash Flow from Operating Activities:

\$7,958 \$(285,542) \$(277,584) Net Income

Change in Assets and Liabilities

(Increase) Decrease in: Accounts Receivable 258 (61, 385)(61, 127)Unbilled and Accrued Revenue (20,900) 3.824 (24,724)

Deferred Debits (22,915) (22,915)

Increase (Decrease) in: Accounts Payable (20, 450)81,790

Taxes Accrued & Other (4,115)(8,381)

Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities (16,349)(300,707)(313, 232)

Net Increase in Cash Cash at beginning of year

Cash at September 30, \$98,549

Exhibit G Page 5 of 5

Unitil Resources, Inc. (A Wholly-owned Subsidiary of Unitil Corporation)

STATEMENTS OF RETAINED EARNINGS (UNAUDITED)

	For the Three Months End September 30, 1996	ed 1995
Retained Earnings, Beginning of Period	\$82,580	\$182,305
Net Income	(26,468)	47,380
Retained Earnings, End of Period	\$56,112	\$229,685
	For the Nine Months Ende September 30, 1996	d 1995
Retained Earnings, Beginning of Period	\$333,696 \$130,264	
Net Income	(277,584)	99,421
Retained Earnings, End of Period	\$56,112	\$229,685