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chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

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FORM 8-K							
		CURRENT REPORT Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act 1934					
	Date of Repo	rt (Date of earliest event reported): Jul	y 25, 2018				
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	New Hampshire (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	1-8858 (Commission File Number)	02-0381573 (IRS Employer Identification No.)				
6 Liberty Lane West, Hampton, New Hampshire (Address of principal executive offices)			03842-1720 (Zip Code)				
	Registrant's	telephone number, including area code: (603) 7	772-0775				
	(For	N/A mer name or former address, if changed since last report)					
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Item 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement

The disclosure required by this item is included in Item 5.02 and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers

On July 25, 2018, upon the recommendation of its Compensation Committee, the Board of Directors of Unitil Corporation (the "Registrant" or the "Company") approved amended and restated Forms of Severance Agreement between the Company and employees with whom the Company has an existing Severance Agreement, including named executive officers Thomas P. Meissner, Jr. (Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer), Mark H. Collin (Senior Vice President, Chief Financial Officer & Treasurer), Todd R. Black (Senior Vice President), and Laurence M. Brock (Controller and Chief Accounting Officer). A copy of the amended and restated Forms of Severance Agreement (the "Agreements") are attached to this Form 8-K as Exhibits 10.1 and 10.2. The Agreements were amended and restated to remove all references to the excise tax gross-up provision. The amendments to the Agreements did not change the severance terms, which for Mr. Meissner is two years and for Messrs. Collin, Black and Brock is three years. In addition, the Form of Severance Agreement applicable to employees who do not participate in the Company's Defined Benefit Pension Plan (the "DB Plan") was further amended to remove all references to any benefit to be realized from the DB Plan, a copy of which is attached to this Form 8-K as Exhibit 10.3. All the named executive officers participate in the DB Plan so this additional amendment does not apply to them.

Also, on July 25, 2018, upon the recommendation of its Compensation Committee, the Board of Directors of the Company approved an amended and restated Employment Agreement between the Company and Thomas P. Meissner, Jr. A copy of the Employment Agreement is attached to this Form 8-K as Exhibit 10.4. Mr. Meissner's Employment Agreement was amended and restated because Mr. Meissner's Severance Agreement was amended and restated as described above.

Also, on July 25, 2018, upon the recommendation of its Compensation Committee, the Board of Directors of the Company approved an amended and restated Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan (the "SERP"), effective as of May 1, 2018. A copy of the amended and restated SERP is attached to this Form 8-K as Exhibit 10.5. Thomas P. Meissner, Jr., Mark H. Collin and Todd R. Black are current participants in the SERP. The SERP was amended to provide for the remittance of applicable FICA payroll taxes due and payable at the time of participants' retirement. In addition, on July 25, 2018, the Board of Directors approved the closing of the SERP to new participants, also effective as of May 1, 2018.

Also, on July 25, 2018, upon the recommendation of its Compensation Committee, the Board of Directors of the Company approved the Unitil Corporation Deferred Compensation Plan (the "DC Plan") is attached to this Form 8-K as Exhibit 10.6. The DC Plan is a non-qualified deferred compensation plan that will provide a vehicle for participants to accumulate tax-deferred savings to supplement retirement income. The DC Plan, which is generally effective January 1, 2019, will be open to a select group of senior management or highly compensated employees as determined by the Board of Directors, and may also be used for recruitment and retention purposes for newly hired senior executives. The DC Plan design mirrors the Company's Tax Deferred Savings and Investment Plan formula, but provides for contributions on compensation above the IRS limit, which will allow participants to defer up to 85% of base salary, and up to 85% of any cash incentive for retirement. The Company may also elect to make discretionary contributions on behalf of any participant in an amount determined by the Board of Directors. The Company anticipates that one or more of its named executive officers or other executive officers will participate in the DC Plan in the future.

This summary of the material amendments to these agreements is qualified in its entirety by reference to the agreements filed herewith as exhibits.

Item 9.01	Financial Statements and Exhibits
(d) Exhibits	
Number	<u>Exhibit</u>
10.1	Amended and Restated Form of Severance Agreement (Three-Year Term)
10.2	Amended and Restated Form of Severance Agreement (Two-Year Term)
10.3	Amended and Restated Form of Severance Agreement (Two-Year Term; Non Pension)
10.4	Amended and Restated Employment Agreement between Unitil Corporation and Thomas P. Meissner, Jr.
10.5	Amended and Restated Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan
10.6	<u>Unitil Corporation Deferred Compensation Plan</u>

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

UNITIL CORPORATION

By: /s/ Mark H. Collin

Mark H. Collin

Senior Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer

Date: July 31, 2018

UNITIL CORPORATION

SEVERANCE AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT, dated this [] day of [], [] made effective as of the date on which a Change in	
Control (as defined in paragraph 2) occu	urs, by and amo	ng Unitil Corp	oration ("Unitil"), a New Hampshire corporation, Unitil	
Service Corp., a New Hampshire corporation and a wholly-owned subsidiary of Unitil ("Subsidiary") (Unitil and Subsidiary are				
herein referred to collectively as the "Co	mpany") and [] (the "Employee").	

WITNESSETH THAT:

WHEREAS, the Employee is an employee of the Company and an integral part of its management who participates in the decision making process relative to short and long-term planning and policy for the Company; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of Unitil, determined that it would be in the best interests of Unitil, its shareholders and the Employee to assure continuity in the management of the Company's administration and operations in the event of a Change in Control by entering into an employment agreement to retain the services of the Employee, and the Board of Directors of the Subsidiary made the same determination; and

WHEREAS, the Company and the Employee previously entered into a severance agreement dated the [] day of [], 20[] (the "Prior Agreement") and the Company and the Employee desire to amend and restate the Prior Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Company and the Employee agree that this Agreement shall amend and supersede the terms and conditions of the Prior Agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby agreed by and between the parties hereto as follows:

- 1. <u>Employment</u>. The Company agrees to continue the Employee in its employ and the Employee agrees to remain in the employ of the Company for the period stated in paragraph 4 hereof and upon the terms and conditions herein provided.
 - 2. Change in Control. The term "Change in Control" shall mean the occurrence of any of the following:
- (a) Unitil receives a report on Schedule 13D filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to Section 13(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (hereinafter referred to as the "Exchange Act"), disclosing that any person, group, corporation or other entity is the beneficial owner, directly or indirectly, of twenty-five (25%) percent or more of the outstanding common stock of Unitil;
- (b) any person (as such term is defined in Section 13(d) of the Exchange Act), group, corporation or other entity other than Unitil or a wholly-owned subsidiary of Unitil, purchases shares pursuant to a tender offer or exchange offer to acquire any common stock of Unitil (or securities convertible into common stock) for cash, securities or any other consideration, provided that after consummation of the offer, the person, group, corporation or other entity in question is the beneficial owner (as such term is defined in Rule 13d-3 under the Exchange Act), directly or indirectly, of twenty-five (25%) percent or more of the outstanding common stock of Unitil (calculated as provided in paragraph (d) of Rule 13d-3 under the Exchange Act in the case of rights to acquire common stock);
- (c) the stockholders of Unitil approve (i) any consolidation or merger of Unitil in which Unitil is not the continuing or surviving corporation or pursuant to which shares of common stock of Unitil would be converted into cash, securities or other property (except where Unitil shareholders before such transaction will be the owners of more than seventy-five (75%) percent of all classes of voting stock of the surviving entity), or (ii) any sale, lease, exchange or

other transfer (in one transaction or a series of related transactions) of all or substantially all the assets of Unitil; or

(d) there shall have been a change in a majority of the members of the Board of Directors of Unitil within a twenty-five (25) month period unless the election or nomination for election by the Unitil stockholders of each new director was approved by the vote of two-thirds of the directors then still in office who were in office at the beginning of the twenty-five (25) month period.

Should the Change in Control be stockholder approval under paragraph 2(c) and if the Board of Directors of Unitil determines the approved transaction will not be completed and is abandoned prior to any termination of the Employee's employment, a Change in Control shall no longer be in effect and the provisions of this Agreement shall continue in the effect as if a Change in Control had not occurred.

3. <u>Position and Responsibilities</u>. During the period of employment hereunder, the Employee agrees to serve the Company in an executive capacity. Such service shall involve duties and responsibilities at least equal in importance and scope to those of the Employee's position immediately prior to the effective date of this Agreement, as the Board of Directors, the Chairman of the Board of Directors or chief executive officer or any other executive officer of the Company to whom the Employee reports may from time to time determine. During said period, the Employee also agrees to serve, if elected, as an officer and/or director of any subsidiary or affiliate of the Company.

4. Term and Duties.

(a) The period of the Employee's employment under this Agreement shall be deemed to have commenced as of the effective date of this Agreement and shall continue for a period of thirty-six (36) full calendar months thereafter.

- (b) During the period of employment hereunder and except for illness or incapacity and reasonable vacation periods, the Employee's business time, attention, skill and efforts shall be exclusively devoted to the business and affairs of the Company; provided, however, that nothing in this Agreement shall preclude the Employee from devoting time during reasonable periods required for
- (i) serving as a director or member of a committee of any company or organization involving no conflict of interest with the Company or any of its subsidiaries or affiliates,
 - (ii) delivering lectures and fulfilling speaking engagements, and
- (iii) engaging in charitable and community activities, provided that such activities do not materially affect or interfere with the performance of the Employee's obligations to the Company.

5. Compensation.

(a) For all services rendered by the Employee in any capacity during employment under this Agreement, including services as an executive, officer, director, or member of any committee of the Company or of any subsidiary or affiliate of the Company, the Company shall pay the Employee a fixed salary at an annual rate not less than the annual rate of salary being paid to Employee immediately prior to the effective date of this Agreement. Such salary shall be subject to such periodic percentage increases after the effective date of this Agreement as the Company pays generally to the Company's senior management employees from time to time, and shall be payable in accordance with the customary payroll practices of the Company. Such periodic increases in salary, once granted, shall not be subject to revocation.

- (b) In addition to the salary payable under subsection (a), above, the Company shall provide to the Employee a bonus opportunity not less than the bonus opportunity in effect for the year in which the effective date of this Agreement occurs and in any event shall pay to the Employee annual bonuses in an amount at least equal to the amount of the last payment to the Employee under any short-term incentive performance program of the Company or any subsidiary of the Company in effect during the twelve (12) month period prior to the effective date of this Agreement. Nothing in this subsection (b) shall be deemed to require the Company to (i) have or continue an incentive performance program in effect prior to the effective date of this Agreement or (ii) award to the Employee any bonuses under such program prior to the effective date of this Agreement.
- (c) Nothing in this Agreement shall preclude or affect any rights or benefits that may now or hereafter be provided for the Employee or of which the Employee may be or become eligible under any bonus or other form of compensation or employee benefit plan now existing or that may hereafter be adopted or awarded by the Company. Specifically, the Employee shall:
- (i) participate in the Unitil Corporation Retirement Plan and any related excess benefit or supplemental retirement program (hereinafter referred to collectively as the "Retirement Program");
 - (ii) participate in any savings or thrift plan maintained by the Company;
- (iii) participate in any stock option, stock appreciation right, equity incentive or deferred compensation plan maintained by the Company;
 - (iv) participate in the Company's death benefit plans;
 - (v) participate in the Company's disability benefit plans;

- (vi) participate in the Company's medical, dental and health and welfare plans; and
- (vii) participate in equivalent successor plans of the Company for which senior management employees are eligible;

provided, however, that nothing in this Agreement shall preclude the Company from amending or terminating any such plan or program, on the condition that such amendment or termination is applicable to all of the Company's senior management employees generally. For purposes of the foregoing, any plan or program maintained by any subsidiary of the Company which is made available to the senior management of the Company and its subsidiaries taken as a whole, shall be deemed to be a plan or program maintained by the Company.

- 6. <u>Business Expenses</u>. The Company shall pay or reimburse the Employee for all reasonable travel or other expenses incurred in connection with the performance of the Employee's duties under this Agreement in accordance with such procedures as the Company may from time to time establish.
- 7. Additional Benefits. Nothing in this Agreement shall affect the Employee's eligibility to participate in all group health, dental, hospitalization, life, travel or accident or other insurance plans or programs and all other perquisites, fringe benefit or retirement plans or additional compensation, including termination pay programs, which the Company or any subsidiary of the Company may hereafter, in their sole and absolute discretion, elect to make available to the senior management employees of the Company generally, and the Employee shall be eligible to receive, during the period of employment under this Agreement, all benefits and emoluments for which key employees are eligible under every such plan, program, perquisite or arrangement to the extent permissible under the general terms and provisions thereof.

- 8. <u>Termination of Employment</u>. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, the Employee's employment under this Agreement may be terminated for any of the following reasons:
- (a) By the Company for Cause. For purposes of this Agreement, the term "Cause" shall mean the occurrence of any of the following events: (i) the Employee's conviction for the commission of a felony or (ii) the Employee's fraud or dishonesty which has resulted or is likely to result in material economic damage to the Company or any of its subsidiaries, as determined in good faith by the Directors of the Company at a meeting of the Board of Directors at which the Employee is provided an opportunity to be heard;
- (b) By the Employee for Good Reason. For purposes of this Agreement, the term "Good Reason" shall mean the occurrence of any of the following events unless the Employee specifically agrees in writing that such event or condition shall not constitute Good Reason: (i) a material diminution in the Employee's base compensation; (ii) a material diminution in the Employee's authority, duties or responsibilities; (iii) material diminution in the authority, duties, or responsibilities of the supervisor to whom the Employee is required to report, including, if the Employee reports directly to the Board of Directors of Unitil, a requirement that the Employee report to a corporate officer or employee instead of reporting directly to the Board of Directors of Unitil; (iv) a material diminution in the budget over which the Employee retains authority; (v) a material change in the geographic location at which the Employee must perform services, which the Company has determined to include a change in the Employee's principal place of employment by the Company from the location of the Company's principal place of business immediately prior to the date this Agreement becomes effective to a location more than fifty (50) miles from such principal place of business; or (vi) any other action or inaction that constitutes a material breach by the Company of the Agreement;

provided, however, no event specified in this paragraph 8(b) shall constitute Good Reason unless the Employee has given written notice to the Company, specifying the event relied upon for such termination within ninety (90) days after the occurrence of such event and the Company has not remedied such within thirty (30) days of receipt of such notice;

- (c) By the Company upon the Disability of the Employee. For purposes of this Agreement, the term "Disability" is defined as the inability of the Employee to engage in his regular occupation for twelve (12) consecutive months and the inability thereafter to engage in any occupation in which the Employee could reasonable expect to engage giving due consideration to Employee's education, training and experience. The Employee must be under the regular medical care of a physician in connection with treatment for Disability;
 - (d) By the Employee without Good Reason; or
- (e) By the Company for any reason other than Cause or the Employee's Disability.

 For purposes of this Agreement, the Employee's employment shall be deemed to have terminated automatically as of the date of the Employee's death.

9. Payments Upon Termination of Employment.

- (a) In the event of any termination of the Employee's employment hereunder (i) by the Employee for Good Reason or (ii) by the Company for any reason other than Cause or the Employee's Disability, then, as soon as practicable (but not more than sixty (60) days) after any such termination the Company shall pay to the Employee the following amounts, and shall provide the Employee and the dependents, beneficiaries and estate of the Employee with the following, as liquidated damages or severance pay, or both:
- (i) a lump sum cash payment equal to the present value of thirty-six (36) monthly salary payments, assuming for this purpose that (1) each monthly salary payment

would have been equal to one-twelfth (1/12th) of the Employee's annual salary in effect at the time of employment termination (disregarding any reductions in annual salary that were not approved by the Employee) and (2) such monthly salary payments would have been made on each of the thirty-six (36) monthly anniversaries of the date the Employee's employment terminated;

(ii) a lump sum cash payment equal to the present value of two (2) annual bonus payments, assuming for this purpose that (1) each such annual bonus payment would have been equal to the Employee's target annual bonus for the year in which employment termination occurs (disregarding any reductions in such target annual bonus that were made in the year of employment termination and that were not approved by the Employee) and (2) the first annual bonus would have been paid on the last business day of the first February following the date of employment termination and the second annual bonus would have been paid on the last business day of the second February following the date of employment termination;

(iii) A lump sum cash amount equal to the present value of the excess of (1) the aggregate benefit that would have been paid under the Retirement Program described in paragraph 5(c)(i), above, as in effect on the date of this Agreement, if the Employee had continued to be employed and to be entitled to service credit for eligibility and benefit purposes during the thirty-six (36) month period immediately following such termination, over (2) the aggregate benefit actually payable under the Retirement Program and any successor retirement program of the Company. For purposes of such calculation, the following assumptions shall apply: (1) that the Employee would continue to be compensated during the thirty-six (36) month period following termination at an annual rate of compensation equal to that used to calculate the payments provided by paragraph 9(a)(i) and (ii) above, calculated on the basis of the

compensation amount used in the benefit formula under the Retirement Program; (2) that the Employee is fully vested in the benefit payable under the Retirement Program; and (3) that the aggregate benefit that would have been paid under the Retirement Program is as of either the normal or early retirement date for which the Employee would have qualified, if the Employee were still employed on that date, whichever would produce the highest present value amount payable under this paragraph; and (4) that for purposes of the calculation of the lump sum cash amount as described herein it will be assumed that the Employee would receive aggregate retirement benefits for a period to be determined by an actuarial analysis in accordance with the standard assumptions used in providing annual funding for the Company's normal Retirement Program;

(iv) A lump sum cash amount equal to the present value of the contributions which would have been made by the Company or any subsidiary of the Company to the Employee's account pursuant to any savings or thrift plan maintained by the Company or any subsidiary of the Company in which the Employee was participating immediately prior to such termination, calculated as if the Employee had continued to be employed and to be entitled to such contributions during the thirty-six (36) month period immediately following such termination, at a rate of contribution equal to that made by the Company or any subsidiary of the Company during the most recent contribution period preceding such termination; and

(v) A lump sum cash amount equal to the sum of (1) the present value of the monthly cost that would have been incurred by the Company (exclusive of the Employee's portion thereof and determined in good faith by the Company) if it provided group medical, dental and life insurance coverage to the Employee and the Employee's eligible dependents (at the same level and Employee cost as in effect at the time of employment termination) for a period of two (2) consecutive years following employment termination, determined based on the

determined based on the cost of such coverage at the time of employment termination and assuming such cost remained constant through the coverage period, and (2) an additional payment (the "Additional Payment") in an amount such that, after payment by the Employee of all Federal, State, city and local income taxes and the Employee's portion of all payroll taxes imposed upon the Additional Payment, the Employee retains an amount of the Additional Payment equal to the Federal, State, city and local income taxes and the Employee's portion of all payroll taxes imposed upon the payment provided pursuant to subpart (1) of this paragraph 9(a)(v). For a period of two (2) consecutive years following employment termination, the Employee and the Employee's eligible dependents shall remain eligible to participate in the Company's group medical, dental and life insurance plan, in each case, that is generally available to other senior executives of the Company; provided, that the Employee shall pay one-hundred (100%) percent of the cost of such coverage. The continued coverage provided under this paragraph 9(a)(v) shall not count against the Employee's and the Employee's dependent's continuation of coverage period required under the Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1985, as amended (or any similar state or local law).

(b) For purposes of calculating the lump sum cash payments provided by paragraphs 9(a)(i) through (v), above, present value shall be determined by using a discount factor equal to one percentage point below the Prime Rate, compounded annually. The "Prime Rate" shall be the base rate on corporate loans at large U.S. money center commercial banks as reported in The Wall Street Journal (or, if such rate is no longer published, such other base rate on corporate loans by large money center commercial banks in the United States to their most creditworthy customers as published by any newspaper or periodical of general circulation) as of the date on which termination shall have occurred.

- (c) If the Employee terminates employment hereunder for any reason other than for Good Reason, if the Company terminates the Employee's employment as a result of Disability or Cause or if the Employee's employment hereunder is terminated due to the Employee's death, the Company shall have no further obligation hereunder and no further payments (except for accrued and unpaid salary, bonus and expense reimbursement) shall be made to the Employee.
- 10. <u>Source of Payments</u>. All payments provided for in paragraphs 5, 6, 7 and 9 shall be paid in cash from the general funds of the Company and its subsidiaries. The Company shall not be required to establish a special or separate fund or other segregation of assets to assure such payments.
- 11. <u>Litigation Expenses</u>. The Company agrees to pay, upon written demand therefor by the Employee, all legal fees and expenses the Employee reasonably incurs as a result of any dispute or contest (regardless of the outcome thereof) by or with the Company or others regarding the validity or enforceability of, or liability under, any provision of this Agreement. The Employee agrees to repay to the Company any such fees and expenses paid or advanced by the Company if and to the extent that the Company or such others obtains a judgment or determination that the Employee's claim was frivolous or was without merit from a court of competent jurisdiction from which no appeal may be taken, whether because the time to do so has expired or otherwise. Notwithstanding any provision hereof or any other agreement, (a) the Company may offset any other obligation it has to the Employee by the amount of such repayment, (b) the amount of expenses eligible for reimbursement during any calendar year may not affect the expenses eligible for reimbursement in any other calendar year, (c) no reimbursement of an expense pursuant to the first sentence of this paragraph 11 shall be provided to the Employee later than the calendar year following the calendar year in which the

expense was incurred and (d) the right to reimbursement under this Section 11 is not subject to liquidation or exchange for another benefit.

Notwithstanding any provision of New Hampshire law to the contrary, in no event shall the Employee be required to reimburse the Company for any of the costs and expenses relating to such litigation or other proceeding. The obligation of the Company under this paragraph 11 shall survive the termination for any reason of this Agreement (whether such termination is by the Company, by the Employee, upon the expiration of this Agreement or otherwise) and shall remain in effect until the applicable statute of limitation has expired with respect to any possible dispute or contest by or with the Company or others regarding the validity or enforceability of, or liability under, any provision of this Agreement.

- 12. <u>Income Tax Withholding</u>. The Company may withhold from any payments made under this Agreement all federal, state, city or other taxes as shall be required pursuant to any law or governmental regulation or ruling.
- 13. Entire Understanding. This Agreement contains the entire understanding between the Company and the Employee with respect to the subject matter hereof and supersedes any prior employment agreement between the Company and the Employee, except that this Agreement shall not affect or operate to reduce any benefit or compensation inuring to the Employee of a kind elsewhere provided and not expressly provided for in this Agreement.
- 14. <u>Mitigation</u>. In no event shall the Employee be obligated to seek other employment or take any other action by way of mitigation of the amounts payable to the Employee under any of the provisions of this Agreement.
- 15. <u>Release</u>. Prior to receipt of any payments pursuant to paragraph 9 of this Agreement, the Employee shall execute a general employment claims release of the Company in a form reasonably acceptable to the Company. Notwithstanding anything contained herein to

the contrary, the Company shall have no obligation to make any payments pursuant to paragraph 9 of this Agreement unless the Employee executes such release and the release becomes non-revocable by the sixtieth (60th) day following the date of termination of the Employee's employment.

- 16. Severability. If, for any reason, any one or more of the provisions or part of a provision contained in this Agreement shall be held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable in any respect, such invalidity, illegality or unenforceability shall not affect any other provision or part of a provision of this Agreement not held so invalid, illegal or unenforceable, and each other provision or part of a provision shall to the full extent with law continue in full force and effect. If this Agreement is held invalid or cannot be enforced, then to the full extent permitted by law any prior agreement between the Company and the Employee shall be deemed reinstated as if this Agreement had not been executed.
- 17. Consolidation, Merger, or Sale of Assets. Nothing in this Agreement shall preclude the Company from consolidating or merging into or with, or transferring all or substantially all of its assets to, another corporation with a net worth at least equal to that of the Company hereunder. Upon such a consolidation, merger or transfer of assets and assumption, the term "the Company", as used herein shall mean such other corporation and this Agreement shall continue in full force and effect. If, in connection with a Change in Control, the Employee accepts employment with an entity that is or will be considered the Company pursuant to the prior sentence (or any parent or subsidiary thereof), the Employee shall not be considered to have terminated employment for purposes of this Agreement solely as a result of the termination of employment with the Company and commencement of employment with such successor "Company" entity. For avoidance of doubt, (a) the prior sentence shall not preclude the Employee from terminating employment due to Good Reason if an event or condition that

constitutes Good Reason arises before, as a result of, or after such termination of employment with the Company and commencement of employment with such successor "Company" entity and (b) the Employee's acceptance of employment with a successor entity shall not be deemed to constitute the Employee's agreement in writing that an event or condition shall not constitute Good Reason.

- 18. <u>Notices</u>. All notices, requests, demands and other communications required or permitted hereunder shall be given in writing and shall be deemed to have been duly given if delivered or mailed, postage prepaid, first class as follows:
 - (a) to the Company:
 Unitil Corporation
 6 Liberty Lane West
 Hampton, New Hampshire 03833
 Attention: Corporate Secretary
 - (b) to the Employee: at the address then shown in the Employee's employment records.
- 19. <u>No Attachment</u>. Except as required by law, no right to receive payments under this Agreement shall be subject to anticipation, commutation, alienation, sale assignment, encumbrance, charge, pledge, or hypothecation or to execution, attachment, levy, or similar process or assignment by operation of law, and any attempt, voluntary or involuntary, to effect any such action shall be null, void and of no effect.
- 20. <u>Binding Agreement</u>. This Agreement shall be binding upon, and shall inure to the benefit of, the Employee and the Company and their respective permitted successors and assigns.
- 21. <u>Modification and Waiver</u>. This Agreement may not be modified or amended except by an instrument in writing signed by the parties hereto. No term or condition of this Agreement shall be deemed to have been waived, nor shall there be any estoppel against the enforcement of any provision of this Agreement except by written instrument signed by the party charged with

such waiver or estoppel. No such written waiver shall be deemed a continuing waiver unless specifically stated therein, and each such waiver shall operate only as to the specific term or condition waived and shall not constitute a waiver of such term or condition for the future or as to any act other than specifically waived.

- 22. <u>Headings of No Effect</u>. The paragraph headings contained in this Agreement are included solely for convenience of reference and shall not in any way affect the meaning or interpretation of any of the provisions of this Agreement.
- 23. <u>Governing Law</u>. This Agreement and its validity, interpretation, performance, and enforcement shall be governed by the laws of the State of New Hampshire, without giving effect to the choice of law provisions in effect in such State.
- 24. Code Section 409A. The provisions of this Agreement and all payments made pursuant to this Agreement are intended to comply with, and should be interpreted so that they are consistent with, the requirements of Section 409A of the Code, and any related regulations or other applicable guidance promulgated thereunder (collectively, "Section 409A"). It is the intent of the parties hereto that all severance payments and benefits provided pursuant to this Agreement qualify as short-term deferrals, as defined in Treasury Regulation §1.409A-1(a)(4), separation pay due to an involuntary separation from service under Treasury Regulation §1.409A-1(b)(9)(iii), and/or limited payments, as defined in Treasury Regulation §1.409A-1(b)(9)(v)(D)). Notwithstanding the foregoing, if (i) it is determined that any payments or benefits provided pursuant to this Agreement that are paid upon separation from service (as that term is used in Section 409A) constitute deferred compensation for purposes of Section 409A (after taking into account the exception for short-term deferrals set forth in Treasury Regulation §1.409A-1(a)(4), the exception for separation pay due to an involuntary separation set forth in Treasury Regulation §1.409A-1(b)(9)(iii), the exception for limited payments as set forth in

Treasury Regulation §1.409A-1(b)(9)(v)(D) and/or any other applicable exception from Section 409A) and (ii) the Employee is a "specified employee," as determined under the Company's policy for determining specified employees, on the date on which the separation from service occurs, no such payments or benefits shall be provided prior to the first business day after the date that is six (6) months following the Employee's termination of employment or, if the Employee dies during such six (6) month period, on the first business day after the date of the Employee's death. The first payment that can be made shall include the cumulative amount of any amounts that could not be paid during such six (6) month period. In addition, interest will accrue at the 10-year T-bill rate (as in effect as of the first business day of the calendar year in which the termination of employment occurs) on all payments not paid to the Employee prior to the first business day after the six (6) month anniversary of termination of employment that otherwise would have been paid during such six (6) month period had this delay provision not applied to the Employee and shall be paid with the first payment after such six (6) month period. For all purposes under this Agreement, references to termination of employment, employment termination or words of similar import shall be interpreted to mean "separation from service," as that term is used in Section 409A, and the Employee's employment shall in no event be deemed to have terminated unless and until a separation from service shall have occurred for purposes of Section 409A.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Company has caused this Agreement to be executed by its officers thereunto duly authorized, and the Employee has signed this Agreement, all as of the date first above written.

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UNITIL CORPORATION

SEVERANCE AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT, dated this [] day of [], [] made effective as of the date on which a Change in	
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WITNESSETH THAT:

WHEREAS, the Employee is an employee of the Company and an integral part of its management who participates in the decision making process relative to short and long-term planning and policy for the Company; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of Unitil, determined that it would be in the best interests of Unitil, its shareholders and the Employee to assure continuity in the management of the Company's administration and operations in the event of a Change in Control by entering into an employment agreement to retain the services of the Employee, and the Board of Directors of the Subsidiary made the same determination; and

WHEREAS, the Company and the Employee previously entered into a severance agreement dated the [] day of [], 20[] (the "Prior Agreement") and the Company and the Employee desire to amend and restate the Prior Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Company and the Employee agree that this Agreement shall amend and supersede the terms and conditions of the Prior Agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby agreed by and between the parties hereto as follows:

- 1. <u>Employment</u>. The Company agrees to continue the Employee in its employ and the Employee agrees to remain in the employ of the Company for the period stated in paragraph 4 hereof and upon the terms and conditions herein provided.
 - 2. Change in Control. The term "Change in Control" shall mean the occurrence of any of the following:
- (a) Unitil receives a report on Schedule 13D filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to Section 13(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (hereinafter referred to as the "Exchange Act"), disclosing that any person, group, corporation or other entity is the beneficial owner, directly or indirectly, of twenty-five (25%) percent or more of the outstanding common stock of Unitil;
- (b) any person (as such term is defined in Section 13(d) of the Exchange Act), group, corporation or other entity other than Unitil or a wholly-owned subsidiary of Unitil, purchases shares pursuant to a tender offer or exchange offer to acquire any common stock of Unitil (or securities convertible into common stock) for cash, securities or any other consideration, provided that after consummation of the offer, the person, group, corporation or other entity in question is the beneficial owner (as such term is defined in Rule 13d-3 under the Exchange Act), directly or indirectly, of twenty-five (25%) percent or more of the outstanding common stock of Unitil (calculated as provided in paragraph (d) of Rule 13d-3 under the Exchange Act in the case of rights to acquire common stock);
- (c) the stockholders of Unitil approve (i) any consolidation or merger of Unitil in which Unitil is not the continuing or surviving corporation or pursuant to which shares of common stock of Unitil would be converted into cash, securities or other property (except where Unitil shareholders before such transaction will be the owners of more than seventy-five (75%) percent of all classes of voting stock of the surviving entity), or (ii) any sale, lease, exchange or

other transfer (in one transaction or a series of related transactions) of all or substantially all the assets of Unitil; or

(d) there shall have been a change in a majority of the members of the Board of Directors of Unitil within a twenty-five (25) month period unless the election or nomination for election by the Unitil stockholders of each new director was approved by the vote of two-thirds of the directors then still in office who were in office at the beginning of the twenty-five (25) month period.

Should the Change in Control be stockholder approval under paragraph 2(c) and if the Board of Directors of Unitil determines the approved transaction will not be completed and is abandoned prior to any termination of the Employee's employment, a Change in Control shall no longer be in effect and the provisions of this Agreement shall continue in the effect as if a Change in Control had not occurred.

3. <u>Position and Responsibilities</u>. During the period of employment hereunder, the Employee agrees to serve the Company in an executive capacity. Such service shall involve duties and responsibilities at least equal in importance and scope to those of the Employee's position immediately prior to the effective date of this Agreement, as the Board of Directors, the Chairman of the Board of Directors or chief executive officer or any other executive officer of the Company to whom the Employee reports may from time to time determine. During said period, the Employee also agrees to serve, if elected, as an officer and/or director of any subsidiary or affiliate of the Company.

4. Term and Duties.

(a) The period of the Employee's employment under this Agreement shall be deemed to have commenced as of the effective date of this Agreement and shall continue for a period of twenty-four (24) full calendar months thereafter.

- (b) During the period of employment hereunder and except for illness or incapacity and reasonable vacation periods, the Employee's business time, attention, skill and efforts shall be exclusively devoted to the business and affairs of the Company; provided, however, that nothing in this Agreement shall preclude the Employee from devoting time during reasonable periods required for
- (i) serving as a director or member of a committee of any company or organization involving no conflict of interest with the Company or any of its subsidiaries or affiliates,
 - (ii) delivering lectures and fulfilling speaking engagements, and
- (iii) engaging in charitable and community activities, provided that such activities do not materially affect or interfere with the performance of the Employee's obligations to the Company.

5. Compensation.

(a) For all services rendered by the Employee in any capacity during employment under this Agreement, including services as an executive, officer, director, or member of any committee of the Company or of any subsidiary or affiliate of the Company, the Company shall pay the Employee a fixed salary at an annual rate not less than the annual rate of salary being paid to Employee immediately prior to the effective date of this Agreement. Such salary shall be subject to such periodic percentage increases after the effective date of this Agreement as the Company pays generally to the Company's senior management employees from time to time, and shall be payable in accordance with the customary payroll practices of the Company. Such periodic increases in salary, once granted, shall not be subject to revocation.

- (b) In addition to the salary payable under subsection (a), above, the Company shall provide to the Employee a bonus opportunity not less than the bonus opportunity in effect for the year in which the effective date of this Agreement occurs and in any event shall pay to the Employee annual bonuses in an amount at least equal to the amount of the last payment to the Employee under any short-term incentive performance program of the Company or any subsidiary of the Company in effect during the twelve (12) month period prior to the effective date of this Agreement. Nothing in this subsection (b) shall be deemed to require the Company to (i) have or continue an incentive performance program in effect prior to the effective date of this Agreement or (ii) award to the Employee any bonuses under such program prior to the effective date of this Agreement.
- (c) Nothing in this Agreement shall preclude or affect any rights or benefits that may now or hereafter be provided for the Employee or of which the Employee may be or become eligible under any bonus or other form of compensation or employee benefit plan now existing or that may hereafter be adopted or awarded by the Company. Specifically, the Employee shall:
- (i) participate in the Unitil Corporation Retirement Plan and any related excess benefit or supplemental retirement program (hereinafter referred to collectively as the "Retirement Program");
 - (ii) participate in any savings or thrift plan maintained by the Company;
- (iii) participate in any stock option, stock appreciation right, equity incentive or deferred compensation plan maintained by the Company;
 - (iv) participate in the Company's death benefit plans;
 - (v) participate in the Company's disability benefit plans;

- (vi) participate in the Company's medical, dental and health and welfare plans; and
- (vii) participate in equivalent successor plans of the Company for which senior management employees are eligible;

provided, however, that nothing in this Agreement shall preclude the Company from amending or terminating any such plan or program, on the condition that such amendment or termination is applicable to all of the Company's senior management employees generally. For purposes of the foregoing, any plan or program maintained by any subsidiary of the Company which is made available to the senior management of the Company and its subsidiaries taken as a whole, shall be deemed to be a plan or program maintained by the Company.

- 6. <u>Business Expenses</u>. The Company shall pay or reimburse the Employee for all reasonable travel or other expenses incurred in connection with the performance of the Employee's duties under this Agreement in accordance with such procedures as the Company may from time to time establish.
- 7. Additional Benefits. Nothing in this Agreement shall affect the Employee's eligibility to participate in all group health, dental, hospitalization, life, travel or accident or other insurance plans or programs and all other perquisites, fringe benefit or retirement plans or additional compensation, including termination pay programs, which the Company or any subsidiary of the Company may hereafter, in their sole and absolute discretion, elect to make available to the senior management employees of the Company generally, and the Employee shall be eligible to receive, during the period of employment under this Agreement, all benefits and emoluments for which key employees are eligible under every such plan, program, perquisite or arrangement to the extent permissible under the general terms and provisions thereof.

- 8. <u>Termination of Employment</u>. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, the Employee's employment under this Agreement may be terminated for any of the following reasons:
- (a) By the Company for Cause. For purposes of this Agreement, the term "Cause" shall mean the occurrence of any of the following events: (i) the Employee's conviction for the commission of a felony or (ii) the Employee's fraud or dishonesty which has resulted or is likely to result in material economic damage to the Company or any of its subsidiaries, as determined in good faith by the Directors of the Company at a meeting of the Board of Directors at which the Employee is provided an opportunity to be heard;
- (b) By the Employee for Good Reason. For purposes of this Agreement, the term "Good Reason" shall mean the occurrence of any of the following events unless the Employee specifically agrees in writing that such event or condition shall not constitute Good Reason: (i) a material diminution in the Employee's base compensation; (ii) a material diminution in the Employee's authority, duties or responsibilities; (iii) material diminution in the authority, duties, or responsibilities of the supervisor to whom the Employee is required to report, including, if the Employee reports directly to the Board of Directors of Unitil, a requirement that the Employee report to a corporate officer or employee instead of reporting directly to the Board of Directors of Unitil; (iv) a material diminution in the budget over which the Employee retains authority; (v) a material change in the geographic location at which the Employee must perform services, which the Company has determined to include a change in the Employee's principal place of employment by the Company from the location of the Company's principal place of business immediately prior to the date this Agreement becomes effective to a location more than fifty (50) miles from such principal place of business; or (vi) any other action or inaction that constitutes a material breach by the Company of the Agreement;

provided, however, no event specified in this paragraph 8(b) shall constitute Good Reason unless the Employee has given written notice to the Company, specifying the event relied upon for such termination within ninety (90) days after the occurrence of such event and the Company has not remedied such within thirty (30) days of receipt of such notice;

- (c) By the Company upon the Disability of the Employee. For purposes of this Agreement, the term "Disability" is defined as the inability of the Employee to engage in his regular occupation for twelve (12) consecutive months and the inability thereafter to engage in any occupation in which the Employee could reasonable expect to engage giving due consideration to Employee's education, training and experience. The Employee must be under the regular medical care of a physician in connection with treatment for Disability;
 - (d) By the Employee without Good Reason; or
- (e) By the Company for any reason other than Cause or the Employee's Disability.

 For purposes of this Agreement, the Employee's employment shall be deemed to have terminated automatically as of the date of the Employee's death.

9. Payments Upon Termination of Employment.

- (a) In the event of any termination of the Employee's employment hereunder (i) by the Employee for Good Reason or (ii) by the Company for any reason other than Cause or the Employee's Disability, then, as soon as practicable (but not more than sixty (60) days) after any such termination the Company shall pay to the Employee the following amounts, and shall provide the Employee and the dependents, beneficiaries and estate of the Employee with the following, as liquidated damages or severance pay, or both:
- (i) a lump sum cash payment equal to the present value of twenty-four (24) monthly salary payments, assuming for this purpose that (1) each monthly salary payment

would have been equal to one-twelfth (1/12th) of the Employee's annual salary in effect at the time of employment termination (disregarding any reductions in annual salary that were not approved by the Employee) and (2) such monthly salary payments would have been made on each of the twenty-four (24) monthly anniversaries of the date the Employee's employment terminated;

(ii) a lump sum cash payment equal to the present value of two (2) annual bonus payments, assuming for this purpose that (1) each such annual bonus payment would have been equal to the Employee's target annual bonus for the year in which employment termination occurs (disregarding any reductions in such target annual bonus that were made in the year of employment termination and that were not approved by the Employee) and (2) the first annual bonus would have been paid on the last business day of the first February following the date of employment termination and the second annual bonus would have been paid on the last business day of the second February following the date of employment termination;

(iii) A lump sum cash amount equal to the present value of the excess of (1) the aggregate benefit that would have been paid under the Retirement Program described in paragraph 5(c)(i), above, as in effect on the date of this Agreement, if the Employee had continued to be employed and to be entitled to service credit for eligibility and benefit purposes during the twenty-four (24) month period immediately following such termination, over (2) the aggregate benefit actually payable under the Retirement Program and any successor retirement program of the Company. For purposes of such calculation, the following assumptions shall apply: (1) that the Employee would continue to be compensated during the twenty-four (24) month period following termination at an annual rate of compensation equal to that used to calculate the payments provided by paragraph 9(a)(i) and (ii) above, calculated on the basis of

the compensation amount used in the benefit formula under the Retirement Program; (2) that the Employee is fully vested in the benefit payable under the Retirement Program; and (3) that the aggregate benefit that would have been paid under the Retirement Program is as of either the normal or early retirement date for which the Employee would have qualified, if the Employee were still employed on that date, whichever would produce the highest present value amount payable under this paragraph; and (4) that for purposes of the calculation of the lump sum cash amount as described herein it will be assumed that the Employee would receive aggregate retirement benefits for a period to be determined by an actuarial analysis in accordance with the standard assumptions used in providing annual funding for the Company's normal Retirement Program;

(iv) A lump sum cash amount equal to the present value of the contributions which would have been made by the Company or any subsidiary of the Company to the Employee's account pursuant to any savings or thrift plan maintained by the Company or any subsidiary of the Company in which the Employee was participating immediately prior to such termination, calculated as if the Employee had continued to be employed and to be entitled to such contributions during the twenty-four (24) month period immediately following such termination, at a rate of contribution equal to that made by the Company or any subsidiary of the Company during the most recent contribution period preceding such termination; and

(v) A lump sum cash amount equal to the sum of (1) the present value of the monthly cost that would have been incurred by the Company (exclusive of the Employee's portion thereof and determined in good faith by the Company) if it provided group medical, dental and life insurance coverage to the Employee and the Employee's eligible dependents (at the same level and Employee cost as in effect at the time of employment termination) for a period of two (2) consecutive years following employment termination, determined based on the

determined based on the cost of such coverage at the time of employment termination and assuming such cost remained constant through the coverage period, and (2) an additional payment (the "Additional Payment") in an amount such that, after payment by the Employee of all Federal, State, city and local income taxes and the Employee's portion of all payroll taxes imposed upon the Additional Payment, the Employee retains an amount of the Additional Payment equal to the Federal, State, city and local income taxes and the Employee's portion of all payroll taxes imposed upon the payment provided pursuant to subpart (1) of this paragraph 9(a)(v). For a period of two (2) consecutive years following employment termination, the Employee and the Employee's eligible dependents shall remain eligible to participate in the Company's group medical, dental and life insurance plan, in each case, that is generally available to other senior executives of the Company; provided, that the Employee shall pay one-hundred (100%) percent of the cost of such coverage. The continued coverage provided under this paragraph 9(a)(v) shall not count against the Employee's and the Employee's dependent's continuation of coverage period required under the Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1985, as amended (or any similar state or local law).

(b) For purposes of calculating the lump sum cash payments provided by paragraphs 9(a)(i) through (v), above, present value shall be determined by using a discount factor equal to one percentage point below the Prime Rate, compounded annually. The "Prime Rate" shall be the base rate on corporate loans at large U.S. money center commercial banks as reported in The Wall Street Journal (or, if such rate is no longer published, such other base rate on corporate loans by large money center commercial banks in the United States to their most creditworthy customers as published by any newspaper or periodical of general circulation) as of the date on which termination shall have occurred.

- (c) If the Employee terminates employment hereunder for any reason other than for Good Reason, if the Company terminates the Employee's employment as a result of Disability or Cause or if the Employee's employment hereunder is terminated due to the Employee's death, the Company shall have no further obligation hereunder and no further payments (except for accrued and unpaid salary, bonus and expense reimbursement) shall be made to the Employee.
- 10. <u>Source of Payments</u>. All payments provided for in paragraphs 5, 6, 7 and 9 shall be paid in cash from the general funds of the Company and its subsidiaries. The Company shall not be required to establish a special or separate fund or other segregation of assets to assure such payments.
- 11. <u>Litigation Expenses</u>. The Company agrees to pay, upon written demand therefor by the Employee, all legal fees and expenses the Employee reasonably incurs as a result of any dispute or contest (regardless of the outcome thereof) by or with the Company or others regarding the validity or enforceability of, or liability under, any provision of this Agreement. The Employee agrees to repay to the Company any such fees and expenses paid or advanced by the Company if and to the extent that the Company or such others obtains a judgment or determination that the Employee's claim was frivolous or was without merit from a court of competent jurisdiction from which no appeal may be taken, whether because the time to do so has expired or otherwise. Notwithstanding any provision hereof or any other agreement, (a) the Company may offset any other obligation it has to the Employee by the amount of such repayment, (b) the amount of expenses eligible for reimbursement during any calendar year may not affect the expenses eligible for reimbursement in any other calendar year, (c) no reimbursement of an expense pursuant to the first sentence of this paragraph 11 shall be provided to the Employee later than the calendar year following the calendar year in which the

expense was incurred and (d) the right to reimbursement under this Section 11 is not subject to liquidation or exchange for another benefit.

Notwithstanding any provision of New Hampshire law to the contrary, in no event shall the Employee be required to reimburse the Company for any of the costs and expenses relating to such litigation or other proceeding. The obligation of the Company under this paragraph 11 shall survive the termination for any reason of this Agreement (whether such termination is by the Company, by the Employee, upon the expiration of this Agreement or otherwise) and shall remain in effect until the applicable statute of limitation has expired with respect to any possible dispute or contest by or with the Company or others regarding the validity or enforceability of, or liability under, any provision of this Agreement.

- 12. <u>Income Tax Withholding</u>. The Company may withhold from any payments made under this Agreement all federal, state, city or other taxes as shall be required pursuant to any law or governmental regulation or ruling.
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- 14. <u>Mitigation</u>. In no event shall the Employee be obligated to seek other employment or take any other action by way of mitigation of the amounts payable to the Employee under any of the provisions of this Agreement.
- 15. <u>Release</u>. Prior to receipt of any payments pursuant to paragraph 9 of this Agreement, the Employee shall execute a general employment claims release of the Company in a form reasonably acceptable to the Company. Notwithstanding anything contained herein to

the contrary, the Company shall have no obligation to make any payments pursuant to paragraph 9 of this Agreement unless the Employee executes such release and the release becomes non-revocable by the sixtieth (60th) day following the date of termination of the Employee's employment.

- 16. Severability. If, for any reason, any one or more of the provisions or part of a provision contained in this Agreement shall be held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable in any respect, such invalidity, illegality or unenforceability shall not affect any other provision or part of a provision of this Agreement not held so invalid, illegal or unenforceable, and each other provision or part of a provision shall to the full extent with law continue in full force and effect. If this Agreement is held invalid or cannot be enforced, then to the full extent permitted by law any prior agreement between the Company and the Employee shall be deemed reinstated as if this Agreement had not been executed.
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constitutes Good Reason arises before, as a result of, or after such termination of employment with the Company and commencement of employment with such successor "Company" entity and (b) the Employee's acceptance of employment with a successor entity shall not be deemed to constitute the Employee's agreement in writing that an event or condition shall not constitute Good Reason.

- 18. <u>Notices</u>. All notices, requests, demands and other communications required or permitted hereunder shall be given in writing and shall be deemed to have been duly given if delivered or mailed, postage prepaid, first class as follows:
 - (a) to the Company:
 Unitil Corporation
 6 Liberty Lane West
 Hampton, New Hampshire 03833
 Attention: Corporate Secretary
 - (b) to the Employee: at the address then shown in the Employee's employment records.
- 19. <u>No Attachment</u>. Except as required by law, no right to receive payments under this Agreement shall be subject to anticipation, commutation, alienation, sale assignment, encumbrance, charge, pledge, or hypothecation or to execution, attachment, levy, or similar process or assignment by operation of law, and any attempt, voluntary or involuntary, to effect any such action shall be null, void and of no effect.
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- 21. <u>Modification and Waiver</u>. This Agreement may not be modified or amended except by an instrument in writing signed by the parties hereto. No term or condition of this Agreement shall be deemed to have been waived, nor shall there be any estoppel against the enforcement of any provision of this Agreement except by written instrument signed by the party charged with

such waiver or estoppel. No such written waiver shall be deemed a continuing waiver unless specifically stated therein, and each such waiver shall operate only as to the specific term or condition waived and shall not constitute a waiver of such term or condition for the future or as to any act other than specifically waived.

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- (a) Unitil receives a report on Schedule 13D filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to Section 13(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (hereinafter referred to as the "Exchange Act"), disclosing that any person, group, corporation or other entity is the beneficial owner, directly or indirectly, of twenty-five (25%) percent or more of the outstanding common stock of Unitil;
- (b) any person (as such term is defined in Section 13(d) of the Exchange Act), group, corporation or other entity other than Unitil or a wholly-owned subsidiary of Unitil, purchases shares pursuant to a tender offer or exchange offer to acquire any common stock of Unitil (or securities convertible into common stock) for cash, securities or any other consideration, provided that after consummation of the offer, the person, group, corporation or other entity in question is the beneficial owner (as such term is defined in Rule 13d-3 under the Exchange Act), directly or indirectly, of twenty-five (25%) percent or more of the outstanding common stock of Unitil (calculated as provided in paragraph (d) of Rule 13d-3 under the Exchange Act in the case of rights to acquire common stock);
- (c) the stockholders of Unitil approve (i) any consolidation or merger of Unitil in which Unitil is not the continuing or surviving corporation or pursuant to which shares of common stock of Unitil would be converted into cash, securities or other property (except where Unitil shareholders before such transaction will be the owners of more than seventy-five (75%) percent of all classes of voting stock of the surviving entity), or (ii) any sale, lease, exchange or

other transfer (in one transaction or a series of related transactions) of all or substantially all the assets of Unitil; or

(d) there shall have been a change in a majority of the members of the Board of Directors of Unitil within a twenty-five (25) month period unless the election or nomination for election by the Unitil stockholders of each new director was approved by the vote of two-thirds of the directors then still in office who were in office at the beginning of the twenty-five (25) month period.

Should the Change in Control be stockholder approval under paragraph 2(c) and if the Board of Directors of Unitil determines the approved transaction will not be completed and is abandoned prior to any termination of the Employee's employment, a Change in Control shall no longer be in effect and the provisions of this Agreement shall continue in the effect as if a Change in Control had not occurred.

3. <u>Position and Responsibilities</u>. During the period of employment hereunder, the Employee agrees to serve the Company in an executive capacity. Such service shall involve duties and responsibilities at least equal in importance and scope to those of the Employee's position immediately prior to the effective date of this Agreement, as the Board of Directors, the Chairman of the Board of Directors or chief executive officer or any other executive officer of the Company to whom the Employee reports may from time to time determine. During said period, the Employee also agrees to serve, if elected, as an officer and/or director of any subsidiary or affiliate of the Company.

4. Term and Duties.

(a) The period of the Employee's employment under this Agreement shall be deemed to have commenced as of the effective date of this Agreement and shall continue for a period of twenty-four (24) full calendar months thereafter.

- (b) During the period of employment hereunder and except for illness or incapacity and reasonable vacation periods, the Employee's business time, attention, skill and efforts shall be exclusively devoted to the business and affairs of the Company; provided, however, that nothing in this Agreement shall preclude the Employee from devoting time during reasonable periods required for
- (i) serving as a director or member of a committee of any company or organization involving no conflict of interest with the Company or any of its subsidiaries or affiliates,
 - (ii) delivering lectures and fulfilling speaking engagements, and
- (iii) engaging in charitable and community activities, provided that such activities do not materially affect or interfere with the performance of the Employee's obligations to the Company.

5. Compensation.

(a) For all services rendered by the Employee in any capacity during employment under this Agreement, including services as an executive, officer, director, or member of any committee of the Company or of any subsidiary or affiliate of the Company, the Company shall pay the Employee a fixed salary at an annual rate not less than the annual rate of salary being paid to Employee immediately prior to the effective date of this Agreement. Such salary shall be subject to such periodic percentage increases after the effective date of this Agreement as the Company pays generally to the Company's senior management employees from time to time, and shall be payable in accordance with the customary payroll practices of the Company. Such periodic increases in salary, once granted, shall not be subject to revocation.

- (b) In addition to the salary payable under subsection (a), above, the Company shall provide to the Employee a bonus opportunity not less than the bonus opportunity in effect for the year in which the effective date of this Agreement occurs and in any event shall pay to the Employee annual bonuses in an amount at least equal to the amount of the last payment to the Employee under any short-term incentive performance program of the Company or any subsidiary of the Company in effect during the twelve (12) month period prior to the effective date of this Agreement. Nothing in this subsection (b) shall be deemed to require the Company to (i) have or continue an incentive performance program in effect prior to the effective date of this Agreement or (ii) award to the Employee any bonuses under such program prior to the effective date of this Agreement.
- (c) Nothing in this Agreement shall preclude or affect any rights or benefits that may now or hereafter be provided for the Employee or of which the Employee may be or become eligible under any bonus or other form of compensation or employee benefit plan now existing or that may hereafter be adopted or awarded by the Company. Specifically, the Employee shall:
 - (i) participate in any savings or thrift plan maintained by the Company;
- (ii) participate in any stock option, stock appreciation right, equity incentive or deferred compensation plan maintained by the Company;
 - (iii) participate in the Company's death benefit plans;
 - (iv) participate in the Company's disability benefit plans;
 - (v) participate in the Company's medical, dental and health and welfare plans; and
- (vi) participate in equivalent successor plans of the Company for which senior management employees are eligible;

provided, however, that nothing in this Agreement shall preclude the Company from amending or terminating any such plan or program, on the condition that such amendment or termination is applicable to all of the Company's senior management employees generally. For purposes of the foregoing, any plan or program maintained by any subsidiary of the Company which is made available to the senior management of the Company and its subsidiaries taken as a whole, shall be deemed to be a plan or program maintained by the Company.

- 6. <u>Business Expenses</u>. The Company shall pay or reimburse the Employee for all reasonable travel or other expenses incurred in connection with the performance of the Employee's duties under this Agreement in accordance with such procedures as the Company may from time to time establish.
- 7. Additional Benefits. Nothing in this Agreement shall affect the Employee's eligibility to participate in all group health, dental, hospitalization, life, travel or accident or other insurance plans or programs and all other perquisites, fringe benefit or retirement plans or additional compensation, including termination pay programs, which the Company or any subsidiary of the Company may hereafter, in their sole and absolute discretion, elect to make available to the senior management employees of the Company generally, and the Employee shall be eligible to receive, during the period of employment under this Agreement, all benefits and emoluments for which key employees are eligible under every such plan, program, perquisite or arrangement to the extent permissible under the general terms and provisions thereof.
- 8. <u>Termination of Employment</u>. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, the Employee's employment under this Agreement may be terminated for any of the following reasons:
- (a) By the Company for Cause. For purposes of this Agreement, the term "Cause" shall mean the occurrence of any of the following events: (i) the Employee's conviction

for the commission of a felony or (ii) the Employee's fraud or dishonesty which has resulted or is likely to result in material economic damage to the Company or any of its subsidiaries, as determined in good faith by the Directors of the Company at a meeting of the Board of Directors at which the Employee is provided an opportunity to be heard;

(b) By the Employee for Good Reason. For purposes of this Agreement, the term "Good Reason" shall mean the occurrence of any of the following events unless the Employee specifically agrees in writing that such event or condition shall not constitute Good Reason: (i) a material diminution in the Employee's base compensation; (ii) a material diminution in the Employee's authority, duties or responsibilities; (iii) material diminution in the authority, duties, or responsibilities of the supervisor to whom the Employee is required to report, including, if the Employee reports directly to the Board of Directors of Unitil, a requirement that the Employee report to a corporate officer or employee instead of reporting directly to the Board of Directors of Unitil; (iv) a material diminution in the budget over which the Employee retains authority; (v) a material change in the geographic location at which the Employee must perform services, which the Company has determined to include a change in the Employee's principal place of employment by the Company from the location of the Company's principal place of business immediately prior to the date this Agreement becomes effective to a location more than fifty (50) miles from such principal place of business; or (vi) any other action or inaction that constitutes a material breach by the Company of the Agreement; provided, however, no event specified in this paragraph 8(b) shall constitute Good Reason unless the Employee has given written notice to the Company, specifying the event relied upon for such termination within ninety (90) days after the occurrence of such event and the Company has not remedied such within thirty (30) days of receipt of such notice;

- (c) By the Company upon the Disability of the Employee. For purposes of this Agreement, the term "Disability" is defined as the inability of the Employee to engage in his regular occupation for twelve (12) consecutive months and the inability thereafter to engage in any occupation in which the Employee could reasonable expect to engage giving due consideration to Employee's education, training and experience. The Employee must be under the regular medical care of a physician in connection with treatment for Disability;
 - (d) By the Employee without Good Reason; or
- (e) By the Company for any reason other than Cause or the Employee's Disability.

 For purposes of this Agreement, the Employee's employment shall be deemed to have terminated automatically as of the date of the Employee's death.

9. Payments Upon Termination of Employment.

- (a) In the event of any termination of the Employee's employment hereunder (i) by the Employee for Good Reason or (ii) by the Company for any reason other than Cause or the Employee's Disability, then, as soon as practicable (but not more than sixty (60) days) after any such termination the Company shall pay to the Employee the following amounts, and shall provide the Employee and the dependents, beneficiaries and estate of the Employee with the following, as liquidated damages or severance pay, or both:
- (i) a lump sum cash payment equal to the present value of twenty-four (24) monthly salary payments, assuming for this purpose that (1) each monthly salary payment would have been equal to one-twelfth (1/12th) of the Employee's annual salary in effect at the time of employment termination (disregarding any reductions in annual salary that were not approved by the Employee) and (2) such monthly salary payments would have been made on

each of the twenty-four (24) monthly anniversaries of the date the Employee's employment terminated;

(ii) a lump sum cash payment equal to the present value of two (2) annual bonus payments, assuming for this purpose that (1) each such annual bonus payment would have been equal to the Employee's target annual bonus for the year in which employment termination occurs (disregarding any reductions in such target annual bonus that were made in the year of employment termination and that were not approved by the Employee) and (2) the first annual bonus would have been paid on the last business day of the first February following the date of employment termination and the second annual bonus would have been paid on the last business day of the second February following the date of employment termination;

(iii) A lump sum cash amount equal to the present value of the contributions which would have been made by the Company or any subsidiary of the Company to the Employee's account pursuant to any savings or thrift plan maintained by the Company or any subsidiary of the Company in which the Employee was participating immediately prior to such termination, calculated as if the Employee had continued to be employed and to be entitled to such contributions during the twenty-four (24) month period immediately following such termination, at a rate of contribution equal to that made by the Company or any subsidiary of the Company during the most recent contribution period preceding such termination; and

(iv) A lump sum cash amount equal to the sum of (1) the present value of the monthly cost that would have been incurred by the Company (exclusive of the Employee's portion thereof and determined in good faith by the Company) if it provided group medical, dental and life insurance coverage to the Employee and the Employee's eligible dependents (at the same level and Employee cost as in effect at the time of employment termination) for a

period of two (2) consecutive years following employment termination, determined based on the determined based on the cost of such coverage at the time of employment termination and assuming such cost remained constant through the coverage period, and (2) an additional payment (the "Additional Payment") in an amount such that, after payment by the Employee of all Federal, State, city and local income taxes and the Employee's portion of all payroll taxes imposed upon the Additional Payment, the Employee retains an amount of the Additional Payment equal to the Federal, State, city and local income taxes and the Employee's portion of all payroll taxes imposed upon the payment provided pursuant to subpart (1) of this paragraph 9(a)(iv). For a period of two (2) consecutive years following employment termination, the Employee and the Employee's eligible dependents shall remain eligible to participate in the Company's group medical, dental and life insurance plan, in each case, that is generally available to other senior executives of the Company; provided, that the Employee shall pay one-hundred (100%) percent of the cost of such coverage. The continued coverage provided under this paragraph 9(a) (iv) shall not count against the Employee's and the Employee's dependent's continuation of coverage period required under the Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1985, as amended (or any similar state or local law).

(b) For purposes of calculating the lump sum cash payments provided by paragraphs 9(a)(i) through (iv), above, present value shall be determined by using a discount factor equal to one percentage point below the Prime Rate, compounded annually. The "Prime Rate" shall be the base rate on corporate loans at large U.S. money center commercial banks as reported in The Wall Street Journal (or, if such rate is no longer published, such other base rate on corporate loans by large money center commercial banks in the United States to their most creditworthy customers as published by any newspaper or periodical of general circulation) as of the date on which termination shall have occurred.

- (c) If the Employee terminates employment hereunder for any reason other than for Good Reason, if the Company terminates the Employee's employment as a result of Disability or Cause or if the Employee's employment hereunder is terminated due to the Employee's death, the Company shall have no further obligation hereunder and no further payments (except for accrued and unpaid salary, bonus and expense reimbursement) shall be made to the Employee.
- 10. <u>Source of Payments</u>. All payments provided for in paragraphs 5, 6, 7 and 9 shall be paid in cash from the general funds of the Company and its subsidiaries. The Company shall not be required to establish a special or separate fund or other segregation of assets to assure such payments.
- 11. <u>Litigation Expenses</u>. The Company agrees to pay, upon written demand therefor by the Employee, all legal fees and expenses the Employee reasonably incurs as a result of any dispute or contest (regardless of the outcome thereof) by or with the Company or others regarding the validity or enforceability of, or liability under, any provision of this Agreement. The Employee agrees to repay to the Company any such fees and expenses paid or advanced by the Company if and to the extent that the Company or such others obtains a judgment or determination that the Employee's claim was frivolous or was without merit from a court of competent jurisdiction from which no appeal may be taken, whether because the time to do so has expired or otherwise. Notwithstanding any provision hereof or any other agreement, (a) the Company may offset any other obligation it has to the Employee by the amount of such repayment, (b) the amount of expenses eligible for reimbursement during any calendar year may not affect the expenses eligible for reimbursement in any other calendar year, (c) no reimbursement of an expense pursuant to the first sentence of this paragraph 11 shall be provided to the Employee later than the calendar year following the calendar year in which the

expense was incurred and (d) the right to reimbursement under this Section 11 is not subject to liquidation or exchange for another benefit.

Notwithstanding any provision of New Hampshire law to the contrary, in no event shall the Employee be required to reimburse the Company for any of the costs and expenses relating to such litigation or other proceeding. The obligation of the Company under this paragraph 11 shall survive the termination for any reason of this Agreement (whether such termination is by the Company, by the Employee, upon the expiration of this Agreement or otherwise) and shall remain in effect until the applicable statute of limitation has expired with respect to any possible dispute or contest by or with the Company or others regarding the validity or enforceability of, or liability under, any provision of this Agreement.

- 12. <u>Income Tax Withholding</u>. The Company may withhold from any payments made under this Agreement all federal, state, city or other taxes as shall be required pursuant to any law or governmental regulation or ruling.
- 13. Entire Understanding. This Agreement contains the entire understanding between the Company and the Employee with respect to the subject matter hereof and supersedes any prior employment agreement between the Company and the Employee, except that this Agreement shall not affect or operate to reduce any benefit or compensation inuring to the Employee of a kind elsewhere provided and not expressly provided for in this Agreement.
- 14. <u>Mitigation</u>. In no event shall the Employee be obligated to seek other employment or take any other action by way of mitigation of the amounts payable to the Employee under any of the provisions of this Agreement.
- 15. <u>Release</u>. Prior to receipt of any payments pursuant to paragraph 9 of this Agreement, the Employee shall execute a general employment claims release of the Company in a form reasonably acceptable to the Company. Notwithstanding anything contained herein to

the contrary, the Company shall have no obligation to make any payments pursuant to paragraph 9 of this Agreement unless the Employee executes such release and the release becomes non-revocable by the sixtieth (60th) day following the date of termination of the Employee's employment.

- 16. Severability. If, for any reason, any one or more of the provisions or part of a provision contained in this Agreement shall be held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable in any respect, such invalidity, illegality or unenforceability shall not affect any other provision or part of a provision of this Agreement not held so invalid, illegal or unenforceable, and each other provision or part of a provision shall to the full extent with law continue in full force and effect. If this Agreement is held invalid or cannot be enforced, then to the full extent permitted by law any prior agreement between the Company and the Employee shall be deemed reinstated as if this Agreement had not been executed.
- 17. Consolidation, Merger, or Sale of Assets. Nothing in this Agreement shall preclude the Company from consolidating or merging into or with, or transferring all or substantially all of its assets to, another corporation with a net worth at least equal to that of the Company hereunder. Upon such a consolidation, merger or transfer of assets and assumption, the term "the Company", as used herein shall mean such other corporation and this Agreement shall continue in full force and effect. If, in connection with a Change in Control, the Employee accepts employment with an entity that is or will be considered the Company pursuant to the prior sentence (or any parent or subsidiary thereof), the Employee shall not be considered to have terminated employment for purposes of this Agreement solely as a result of the termination of employment with the Company and commencement of employment with such successor "Company" entity. For avoidance of doubt, (a) the prior sentence shall not preclude the Employee from terminating employment due to Good Reason if an event or condition that

constitutes Good Reason arises before, as a result of, or after such termination of employment with the Company and commencement of employment with such successor "Company" entity and (b) the Employee's acceptance of employment with a successor entity shall not be deemed to constitute the Employee's agreement in writing that an event or condition shall not constitute Good Reason.

- 18. <u>Notices</u>. All notices, requests, demands and other communications required or permitted hereunder shall be given in writing and shall be deemed to have been duly given if delivered or mailed, postage prepaid, first class as follows:
 - (a) to the Company:
 Unitil Corporation
 6 Liberty Lane West
 Hampton, New Hampshire 03833
 Attention: Corporate Secretary
 - (b) to the Employee: at the address then shown in the Employee's employment records.
- 19. <u>No Attachment</u>. Except as required by law, no right to receive payments under this Agreement shall be subject to anticipation, commutation, alienation, sale assignment, encumbrance, charge, pledge, or hypothecation or to execution, attachment, levy, or similar process or assignment by operation of law, and any attempt, voluntary or involuntary, to effect any such action shall be null, void and of no effect.
- 20. <u>Binding Agreement</u>. This Agreement shall be binding upon, and shall inure to the benefit of, the Employee and the Company and their respective permitted successors and assigns.
- 21. <u>Modification and Waiver</u>. This Agreement may not be modified or amended except by an instrument in writing signed by the parties hereto. No term or condition of this Agreement shall be deemed to have been waived, nor shall there be any estoppel against the enforcement of any provision of this Agreement except by written instrument signed by the party charged with

such waiver or estoppel. No such written waiver shall be deemed a continuing waiver unless specifically stated therein, and each such waiver shall operate only as to the specific term or condition waived and shall not constitute a waiver of such term or condition for the future or as to any act other than specifically waived.

- 22. <u>Headings of No Effect</u>. The paragraph headings contained in this Agreement are included solely for convenience of reference and shall not in any way affect the meaning or interpretation of any of the provisions of this Agreement.
- 23. <u>Governing Law</u>. This Agreement and its validity, interpretation, performance, and enforcement shall be governed by the laws of the State of New Hampshire, without giving effect to the choice of law provisions in effect in such State.
- 24. Code Section 409A. The provisions of this Agreement and all payments made pursuant to this Agreement are intended to comply with, and should be interpreted so that they are consistent with, the requirements of Section 409A of the Code, and any related regulations or other applicable guidance promulgated thereunder (collectively, "Section 409A"). It is the intent of the parties hereto that all severance payments and benefits provided pursuant to this Agreement qualify as short-term deferrals, as defined in Treasury Regulation §1.409A-1(a)(4), separation pay due to an involuntary separation from service under Treasury Regulation §1.409A-1(b)(9)(iii), and/or limited payments, as defined in Treasury Regulation §1.409A-1(b)(9)(v)(D)). Notwithstanding the foregoing, if (i) it is determined that any payments or benefits provided pursuant to this Agreement that are paid upon separation from service (as that term is used in Section 409A) constitute deferred compensation for purposes of Section 409A (after taking into account the exception for short-term deferrals set forth in Treasury Regulation §1.409A-1(a)(4), the exception for separation pay due to an involuntary separation set forth in Treasury Regulation §1.409A-1(b)(9)(iii), the exception for limited payments as set forth in

Treasury Regulation §1.409A-1(b)(9)(v)(D) and/or any other applicable exception from Section 409A) and (ii) the Employee is a "specified employee," as determined under the Company's policy for determining specified employees, on the date on which the separation from service occurs, no such payments or benefits shall be provided prior to the first business day after the date that is six (6) months following the Employee's termination of employment or, if the Employee dies during such six (6) month period, on the first business day after the date of the Employee's death. The first payment that can be made shall include the cumulative amount of any amounts that could not be paid during such six (6) month period. In addition, interest will accrue at the 10-year T-bill rate (as in effect as of the first business day of the calendar year in which the termination of employment occurs) on all payments not paid to the Employee prior to the first business day after the six (6) month anniversary of termination of employment that otherwise would have been paid during such six (6) month period had this delay provision not applied to the Employee and shall be paid with the first payment after such six (6) month period. For all purposes under this Agreement, references to termination of employment, employment termination or words of similar import shall be interpreted to mean "separation from service," as that term is used in Section 409A, and the Employee's employment shall in no event be deemed to have terminated unless and until a separation from service shall have occurred for purposes of Section 409A.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Company has caused this Agreement to be executed by its officers thereunto duly authorized, and the Employee has signed this Agreement, all as of the date first above written.

Unitil CORPORATION	
Ву: []
Unitil SERVICE CORP.	
Ву: []
Employee: []
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EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT

AGREEMENT (the "Agreement"), effective as of July 25, 2018 (the "Commencement Date"), by and between UNITIL CORPORATION, a New Hampshire corporation (the "Company"), and THOMAS P. MEISSNER, JR. (the "Executive").

The Company desires to continue to employ the Executive, and the Executive is willing to continue to be employed by the Company, on the terms and conditions of this Agreement.

Accordingly, in consideration of the premises and the respective covenants and agreements of the parties herein contained, and intending to be legally bound hereby, the parties hereto agree as follows:

- 1. <u>Employment</u>. The Company hereby agrees to continue to employ the Executive, and the Executive hereby agrees to continue to be employed by the Company, on the terms and conditions set forth herein.
- 2. <u>Term.</u> The employment of the Executive under this Agreement shall commence on the Commencement Date and shall end at the close of business on April 24, 2021 (the "Term").
- 3. <u>Title, Duties and Authority.</u> The Executive shall serve as Chairman of the Board of Directors (the "Board") and as a member of the Board (in each case to the extent (i) the Executive is elected to the Board by the Company's shareholders, (ii) the Executive has not resigned from the Board and (iii) the Executive holding that position is consistent with the Company's bylaws then in effect), and as Chief Executive Officer and President of the Company, and shall have such responsibilities and duties for the Company and its subsidiaries consistent with the Executive's positions as Chairman and Board member (in each case if the Executive holds those positions), Chief Executive Officer and President. The Executive shall have all of the powers and duties usually incident to the offices of Chairman (if the Executive holds that position), Chief Executive Officer and President. The Executive shall devote substantially all of his working time and efforts to the business and affairs of the Company.

4. <u>Compensation and Benefits</u>.

- (a) <u>Base Salary</u>. During the Term, the Company shall pay the Executive a base salary ("Base Salary"), payable in accordance with the Company's normal practice for paying base salaries to its executive employees. The Base Salary shall be payable at the initial rate of \$550,000 per annum, and shall be subject to annual review by the Board for discretionary periodic adjustments in accordance with the Company's compensation policies. For the purposes of this Agreement, the "Board" means the Board of Directors of the Company and/or one or more committees of the Board of Directors of the Company created by the Board of Directors of the Company.
- (b) <u>Incentive Compensation</u>. The Executive shall participate in the Company's Management Incentive Plan at the initial target rate of 65%, which shall be subject to annual review by the Compensation Committee of the Board, or the Board, for discretionary adjustments in accordance with the Company's compensation policies.
- (c) <u>Employee Benefits</u>. The Executive shall be entitled to participate in the Company's Supplemental Executive Retirement Program (the "SERP"), and all other employee benefit

plans made available by the Company (or any affiliate thereof) to all of its executives during the Term as may be in effect from time to time.

- (d) <u>Stock Plans</u>. The Executive shall be entitled to participate in any stock option, restricted stock, phantom stock or similar plan of the Company or any subsidiary as and to the extent provided by the Board from time to time.
- (e) <u>Expenses</u>. During the Term, the Executive shall be entitled to receive prompt reimbursement upon submission of expense claims to the Company for all reasonable and customary expenses incurred by the Executive in performing services hereunder, in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Company's expense reimbursement policy. The Executive shall be entitled to a monthly allowance of \$1,000 for the leasing or financing of a vehicle in accordance with the Company's automobile policies. The Executive shall be reimbursed for annual membership in a local health club.
- (f) <u>Vacations</u>. The Executive shall be entitled to paid vacation in accordance with the Company's vacation policy, subject to a minimum of four (4) weeks of paid vacation per year. The Executive shall also be entitled to all paid holidays and sick days given by the Company to its executives.
- (g) <u>Taxes</u>. The Company may withhold from any amounts payable under this Agreement such federal, state, local and/or other taxes as shall be required to be withheld pursuant to any applicable law or regulation.
- (h) <u>Board Fees</u>. The Executive shall promptly remit to the Company any compensation received by the Executive (including, without limitation, any fees, equity securities or retirement benefits) for service on the board of directors or similar governing body of any entity in which the Company owns at least five percent of the voting equity securities, unless the Board authorizes the Executive to retain some or all of any such compensation. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Executive shall be entitled to retain any reimbursements paid to him by any such entity of the actual out-of-pocket expenses incurred by the Executive in attending any meeting of any such board or other governing body. Nothing in this Section 4(h) shall be deemed to authorize the Executive to serve on the board of directors or similar governing body of any other entity if doing so would cause the Executive to be in breach of his obligations under any other provision of this Agreement.
- (i) <u>Change in Control</u>. The Company and the Executive have entered into a Severance Agreement ("Severance Agreement") providing for certain compensation and benefits during and after employment (including severance benefits) if a change in control of the Company occurs. This Agreement shall not affect the Executive's rights or obligation under the Severance Agreement and, as long as the Severance Agreement is not in effect, the Severance Agreement shall not affect this Agreement or the Executive's rights or obligations under this Agreement. As provided in the Severance Agreement, if the Severance Agreement becomes effective due to a change in control, the Severance Agreement shall supersede this Agreement.
- 5. <u>Termination</u>. The Company, by action of the Board, may terminate the Executive's employment hereunder for any reason.
- (a) If the Executive's employment is terminated by the Company during the Term for any reason other than for Cause (as defined below), death, or Disability (as defined below), or if the Executive terminates his employment hereunder for Good Reason (as defined below), except as otherwise provided in Section 10 hereof, and provided the Executive executes a severance agreement and release in a form acceptable to the Company, the Company shall pay to the Executive, as soon as practicable (but in no

event prior to the effective date of the severance agreement and release, as defined therein, which shall not exceed fifteen (15) days after execution of the severance agreement and release without revocation on the part of the Executive (but in no event later than March 15th of the calendar year following the Executive's termination)):

- (i) all accrued and unpaid salary, bonus and expense reimbursements;
- (ii) a lump sum cash payment equal to the present value of twenty-four (24) monthly salary payments, assuming for this purpose that (A) each monthly salary payment would have been equal to $1/12^{th}$ of the Executive's Base Salary in effect at the time of his employment termination (disregarding any reductions in Base Salary that were not approved by the Executive) and (B) such monthly salary payments would have been made on each of the 24 monthly anniversaries of the date the Executive's employment terminated;
- (iii) a lump sum cash payment equal to the present value of two (2) annual bonus payments, assuming for this purpose that (A) each such annual bonus payment would have been equal to the average of the annual bonus amounts received by the Executive in the two calendar years preceding the year in which the employment termination occurs and (B) the first annual bonus would have been paid on the last business day of the first February following the date of employment termination; and
- (iv) a lump sum cash amount equal to the present value of the monthly cost that would have been incurred by the Company (exclusive of the Executive's portion thereof and determined in good faith by the Company) if it provided group medical, dental and life insurance coverage to the Executive and the Executive's eligible dependents (at the same level and Executive cost as in effect at the time of employment termination) for a period of two (2) consecutive years following employment termination, determined based on the cost of such coverage at the time of employment termination and assuming such cost remained constant through the coverage period. Following employment termination, the Executive and the Executive's eligible dependents shall have the option to continue his medical and dental insurance coverage at his own expense pursuant to the Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1985 and the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1989 ("COBRA") through the insurance plan(s) then offered by the Company, which plan(s) and premium rate(s) may be modified from time to time. The Company will continue to provide basic life insurance for up to twelve months, after which time, the Executive will have the option to convert his basic life insurance with the Carrier to an individual policy without evidence of insurability.

For purposes of calculating the lump sum cash payments provided by this Section 5, present value shall be determined by using a discount factor equal to one percentage point below the Prime Rate, compounded annually. The "Prime Rate" shall be the base rate on corporate loans at large U.S. money center commercial banks as reported in *The Wall Street Journal* (or, if such rate is no longer published, such other base rate on corporate loans by large money center commercial banks in the United States to their most creditworthy customers as published by any newspaper or periodical of general circulation) as of the date on which termination shall have occurred.

(b) If the Executive terminates his employment hereunder for any reason other than for Good Reason, if the Executive's employment hereunder is terminated due to the Executive's death, or if the Company terminates the Executive's employment as a result of Disability or Cause, the Company shall have no further obligation hereunder and no further payments (except for accrued and unpaid salary, bonus and expense reimbursement) shall be made to the Executive.

- (c) <u>Disability</u>. For purposes of this Agreement, "Disability" shall mean the Executive's incapacity due to physical or mental illness which, if he were to apply, would in the sole determination of the Board entitle him to the receipt of benefits under the Company's long-term disability plan and if the Executive shall not have returned to the performance of his duties hereunder on a full-time basis within thirty (30) days after a written Notice of Termination (as defined in Section 6(a)) is given to the Executive by the Company.
 - (d) <u>Cause</u>. For the purposes of this Agreement, "Cause" shall mean:
- (i) the failure by the Executive to substantially perform the Executive's duties hereunder (other than any such failure resulting from the Executive's incapacity due to physical or mental illness which shall be subject to the provisions of Section 5(c));
 - (ii) the willful violation by the Executive of any of the Executive's material obligations hereunder;
- (iii) the willful engaging by the Executive in misconduct which is materially injurious to the business or reputation of the Company or any of its affiliates; or
 - (iv) the Executive's conviction of a felony.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Executive shall not be terminated for Cause without:

- (A) reasonable notice to the Executive setting forth the reasons for the Company's intention to terminate the Executive's employment hereunder for Cause;
- (B) the failure of the Executive to cure the nonperformance, violation or misconduct described in the notice referred to in clause (A) of this paragraph, if the cure thereof is possible, to the reasonable satisfaction of the Board, within fifteen (15) days of such notice;
- (C) an opportunity for the Executive, together with the Executive's counsel, to be heard before the Board; and
- (D) delivery to the Executive of a written Notice of Termination (as defined in Section 6(a)) from the Company notifying him that in the good faith opinion of a majority of the Board the Company is entitled to terminate the Executive for Cause as set forth above, and specifying the particulars thereof in detail.
- (e) <u>Good Reason</u>. For the purposes of this Agreement, "Good Reason" shall mean the occurrence of any of the following events or conditions unless the Executive specifically agrees in writing that such event or condition shall not constitute Good Reason:
- (i) a material diminution in the Executive's authority, duties or responsibilities or the Company requiring the Executive to report to a corporate officer or employee rather than reporting directly to the Board;
 - (ii) a material change in the geographic location at which the

Executive must perform services, which includes a change in the Executive's principal place of employment by the Company from the location of the Company's principal place of business on the date of this Agreement to a location more than fifty (50) miles from such principal place of business;

- (iii) a material diminution in the Executive's base compensation; or
- (iv) any other action or inaction that constitutes a material breach by the Company of the Agreement.

6. <u>Termination Procedure</u>.

(a) <u>Notice of Termination</u>. Any termination of the Executive's employment by the Company or by the Executive shall be communicated by a written Notice of Termination to the other party hereto in accordance with Section 8. For purposes of this Agreement, a "Notice of Termination" shall mean a notice which shall indicate the specific termination provision in this Agreement relied upon and the Date of Termination, and shall set forth in reasonable detail the facts and circumstances claimed to provide a basis for termination of the Executive's employment hereunder pursuant to the provision so indicated.

(b) <u>Date of Termination</u>. "Date of Termination" shall mean:

- (i) if the Executive's employment is terminated on account of the Executive's Disability, thirty (30) days after a Notice of Termination has been provided pursuant thereto (provided that the Executive shall not have returned to the performance of the Executive's duties on a full-time basis during such thirty (30) day period);
- (ii) if the Executive's employment is terminated for Cause, the date specified in the Notice of Termination provided pursuant thereto; and
- (iii) if the Executive's employment is terminated for any other reason, the date on which a Notice of Termination is provided or any later date (within thirty (30) days) set forth in such Notice of Termination.
- (c) <u>Termination for Good Reason</u>. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, no event or condition described in Section 5(e) shall constitute "Good Reason" unless (i) the Executive gives the Company notice of the termination for Good Reason within ninety (90) days of the initial existence of the event or condition constituting Good Reason and (ii) the Executive gives the Company thirty (30) days' prior written notice of such termination due to Good Reason and the Company fails to cure such event or condition within the thirty (30) day period.

7. Restrictions.

(a) Reasonable Covenants. It is expressly understood by and between the Company and the Executive that the covenants contained in this Section 7 are an essential element of this Agreement and that but for the agreement by the Executive to comply with these covenants and thereby not to diminish the value of the organization and goodwill of the Company or any affiliate of the Company, if any, including, without limitation relations with their employees, suppliers, customers and accounts, the Company would not enter into this Agreement. The Executive acknowledges that he has been given the opportunity to independently consult with his legal counsel and agrees that such covenants are reasonable and proper.

, ,	ncompetition; No Diversion of Customers, Etc. During the Term and for twelve (12) months after the later Permination, or (ii) the last day a payment is made to the Executive pursuant to Section 5, the Executive shall
(i)	engage directly, alone or in association with or as a shareholder, principal, agent, partner, officer,

- (i) engage directly, alone or in association with or as a shareholder, principal, agent, partner, officer, director, employee or consultant of any other organization or entity, in competition with the Company and/or any of its affiliates;
- (ii) divert to any competitor of the Company or any of its affiliates, any customer of the Company or any of its affiliates; or
- (iii) solicit or encourage any officer, employee or consultant of the Company or any of its affiliates to leave the employ of the Company or any of its affiliates;

<u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that the Executive may invest in stocks, bonds or other securities of any competitor of the Company or any of its affiliates if:

- (A) such stocks, bonds or other securities are listed on any national or regional securities exchange or have been registered under Section 11(g) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934;
- (B) the Executive's investment does not exceed, in the case of any class of the capital stock of any one issuer, one percent (1%) of the issued and outstanding shares, or, in the case of other securities, one percent (1%) of the aggregate principal amount thereof issued and outstanding; and
- (C) such investment would not prevent, directly or indirectly, the transaction of business by the Company and/or any of its affiliates with any state, district, territory or possession of the United States or any governmental subdivision, agency or instrumentality thereof by virtue of any statute, law, regulation or administrative practice.

If, at any time, the provision of this Section 7(b) shall be determined to be invalid or unenforceable by reason of being vague or unreasonable as to the area, duration or scope of activity, this Section 7(b) shall be considered severable and shall become and shall be immediately amended solely with respect to such area, duration and scope of activity as shall be determined to be reasonable and enforceable by the court or other body having jurisdiction over the matter and the Executive agrees that this Section 7(b) as so amended shall be valid and binding as though any invalid or unenforceable provision had not been included herein. Except as provided in this Section 7 and in Section 3, nothing in this Agreement shall prevent or restrict the Executive from engaging in any business or industry in any capacity.

(c) <u>Public Support and Assistance</u>. The Executive agrees that following any termination of his employment hereunder by the Company, the Executive shall not disclose or cause to be disclosed any negative, adverse or derogatory comments or information of a substantial nature about the Company or its management, or about any product or service provided by the Company, or about the Company's prospects for the future (including any such comments or information with respect to affiliates of the Company). The Company and/or any of its affiliates may seek the assistance, cooperation or testimony of the Executive following any such termination in connection with any investigation, litigation or proceeding arising out of matters within the knowledge of the Executive and related to the Executive's position as an officer or employee of the Company, and in any such instance, the Executive shall provide

such assistance, cooperation or testimony and the Company shall pay the Executive's reasonable costs and expenses in connection therewith; in addition, if such assistance, cooperation or testimony requires more than a nominal commitment of the Executive's time, the Company shall compensate the Executive for such time at a per diem rate derived from the Executive's Base Salary at the time of the Executive's Date of Termination.

- (d) Nondisclosure of Confidential Information. During the Term, the Executive shall hold in a fiduciary capacity for the benefit of the Company and its affiliates all Confidential Information (as defined below). After termination of the Executive's employment with the Company, the Executive shall keep secret and confidential all Confidential Information and shall not use or disclose to any third party in any fashion or for any purpose whatsoever, any Confidential Information. As used herein, "Confidential Information" shall mean any information regarding this Agreement, or any other information regarding the Company or its affiliates which is not available to the general public, and/or not generally known outside the Company or any such affiliate, to which the Executive has or shall have had access at any time during the course of the Executive's employment with the Company, including, without limitation, any information relating to the Company's (and its affiliates'):
 - (i) business, operations, plans, strategies, prospects or objectives;
 - (ii) products, technologies, processes, specifications, research and development operations or plans;
 - (iii) customers and customer lists;
 - (iv) sales, service, support and marketing practices and operations;
 - (v) financial condition and results of operations;
 - (vi) operational strengths and weaknesses; and
 - (vii) personnel and compensation policies and procedures.

Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Section 7, the Executive may discuss this Agreement with the members of the Executive's immediate family and with the Executive's personal legal advisors.

<u>Notice Concerning Immunity from Liability for Confidential Disclosure of a Trade Secret to the Government or in a Court Filing.</u> The Defend Trade Secrets Act of 2016 provides that:

- (1) An individual shall not be held criminally or civilly liable under any Federal or State trade secret law for the disclosure of a trade secret under the Act that: (A) is made (i) in confidence to a Federal, State, or local government official, either directly or indirectly, or to an attorney; and (ii) solely for the purpose of reporting or investigating a suspected violation of law; or (B) is made in a complaint or other document filed in a lawsuit or other proceeding, if such filing is made under seal.
- (2) An individual who files a lawsuit for retaliation by an employer for reporting a suspected violation of law may disclose the trade secret to the attorney of the individual and use the trade secret information in the court proceeding, if the individual: (A) files any document containing the trade secret under seal; and (B) does not disclose the trade secret, except pursuant to court order.

- (e) <u>Specific Performance</u>. Without intending to limit the remedies available to the Company, the Executive agrees that damages at law would be an insufficient remedy to the Company in the event that the Executive violates any of the provisions of this Section 7, and that the Company may apply for and, upon the requisite showing, have injunctive relief in any court of competent jurisdiction to restrain the breach or threatened breach of or otherwise to specifically enforce any of the covenants contained in this Section 7 without the necessity of a bond.
- (f) Reporting Possible Violations of Federal Law or Regulation; Disclosures Protected Under Whistleblower Provisions. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Agreement, (i) nothing in this Agreement shall prohibit the Executive from reporting possible violations of federal law or regulation to any governmental agency or entity, including but not limited to the Department of Justice, the Securities and Exchange Commission, the Congress, and any agency Inspector General, or making other disclosures that are protected under the whistleblower provisions of federal law or regulation, (ii) the Executive does not need the prior authorization of the Company to make any such reports or disclosures and (iii) the Executive is not required to notify the Company that the Executive has made any such reports or disclosures.
 - (g) <u>Survival of Provisions</u>. This Section 7 shall survive after the termination of this Agreement.
- 8. <u>Notice.</u> For the purpose of this Agreement, notices, demands and all other communications provided for herein shall be in writing and shall be deemed to have been duly given when delivered or (unless otherwise specified) mailed by United States certified or registered mail, return receipt requested, postage prepaid, addressed as follows:

If to the Executive:

Thomas P. Meissner, Jr. 77 State Street, Unit 201 Portsmouth, NH 03801

If to the Company:

Unitil Corporation Attn: Corporate Secretary 6 Liberty Lane West Hampton, NH 03842

or to such other address as any party may have furnished to the other in writing in accordance herewith, except that notices of change of address shall be effective only upon receipt.

9. <u>Successors</u>. Without the prior written consent of the Executive, this Agreement cannot be assigned by the Company except that it shall be binding automatically on any successors and assigns of all or substantially all of the business and/or assets of the Company (whether direct or indirect, by purchase, merger, consolidation or otherwise). In addition, without the prior written consent of the Company, this Agreement cannot be assigned by the Executive, except that the right to receive payments or benefits hereunder may be transferred by will or the laws of descent and distribution. This Agreement and all rights of the Executive hereunder shall inure to the benefit of and be enforceable by the Executive's personal or legal representatives.

- Code Section 409A. The provisions of this Agreement and all payments made pursuant to this Agreement are intended to comply with, and should be interpreted so that they are consistent with, the requirements of Section 409A of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), and any related regulations or other applicable guidance promulgated thereunder (collectively, "Section 409A"). It is the intent of the parties hereto that all severance payments and benefits provided pursuant to this Agreement qualify as short-term deferrals, as defined in Treasury Regulation §1.409A-1(b)(4), separation pay due to an involuntary separation from service under Treasury Regulation §1.409A-1(b)(9)(iii), and/or limited payments, as defined in Treasury Regulation \$1.409A-1(b)(9)(v)(D)). Notwithstanding the foregoing, if (i) it is determined that any payments or benefits provided pursuant to this Agreement upon a separation from service (as that term is used in Section 409A) constitute deferred compensation for purposes of Section 409A (after taking into account the exception for short-term deferrals set forth in Treasury Regulation §1.409A-1(b)(4), the exception for separation pay due to an involuntary separation set forth in Treasury Regulation §1.409A-1(b)(9)(iii), the exception for limited payments as set forth in Treasury Regulation $\S1.409A-1(b)(9)(v)(D)$ and/or any other applicable exception from Section 409A) and (ii) the Executive is a "specified employee," as determined under the Company's policy for determining specified employees, on the date on which the termination of employment occurs, no such payments or benefits shall be provided prior to the first business day after the date that is six months following the Executive's termination of employment or, if the Executive dies during such six month period, on the first business day after the date of the Executive's death. The first payment that can be made shall include the cumulative amount of any amounts that could not be paid during such six-month period. In addition, interest will accrue at the Federal short-term rate determined under Section 1274(d) of the Code (as in effect on the date of the separation from service or, if such date is not a business day, the first business day prior to such date) on all payments not paid to the Executive prior to the first business day after the sixth month anniversary of termination of employment that otherwise would have been paid during such six-month period had this delay provision not applied to the Executive and shall be paid with the first payment after such six-month period. For all purposes under this Agreement, references to termination of employment, employment termination or words of similar import shall be interpreted to mean "separation from service," as that term is used in Section 409A, and the Executive's employment shall in no event be deemed to have terminated unless and until a separation from service shall have occurred for purposes of Section 409A.
- 11. <u>Arbitration</u>. Except as provided in Section 7(e), all controversies, claims or disputes arising out of or relating to this Agreement shall be settled by binding arbitration to be conducted in Hampton, New Hampshire under the rules of the American Arbitration Association, as the sole and exclusive remedy of either party, and judgment upon any such award rendered by the arbitrator(s) may be entered in any court of competent jurisdiction. The costs of arbitration shall be borne by the unsuccessful party or otherwise as determined by the arbitrators in their discretion.
- 12. <u>Governing Law</u>: The validity, interpretation, construction and performance of this Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of New Hampshire without regard to conflicts of law principles.
- 13. <u>Amendments</u>. No provision of this Agreement may be modified, waived or discharged unless such waiver, modification or discharge is agreed to in writing signed by the Executive and such officer of the Company as may be specifically designated for such purpose by the Board. No waiver by either party hereto at any time of any breach by the other party hereto of, or compliance with, any condition or provision of this Agreement to be performed by such other party shall be deemed a waiver of similar or dissimilar provisions or conditions at the same or at any prior or subsequent time.

- 14. <u>Counterparts</u>. This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed to be an original but all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument.
- 15. Entire Agreement. Except as otherwise provided in Section 4(i) hereof, this Agreement sets forth the entire agreement of the parties hereto in respect of the subject matter contained herein and supersedes all prior agreements, promises, covenants, arrangements, communications, representations or warranties, whether oral or written, by any officer, employee or representative of any party hereto. No agreements or representations, oral or otherwise, express or implied, with respect to the subject matter hereof have been made by either party which are not set forth expressly in this Agreement. For avoidance of doubt, while this Agreement is in effect, the Executive shall not be eligible to receive severance payments under the Unitil Corporation Severance Pay Plan, as may be amended from time to time, or any successor or similar plan maintained by the Company or an affiliate.
- 16. <u>Severability</u>. The invalidity or unenforceability of any provision of this Agreement shall not affect the validity or enforceability of any other provision hereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Agreement as of the date and year first above written.

UNITIL CORPORATION

By: /s/ Lisa Crutchfield

Name: Lisa Crutchfield

Title: Chair, Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors

THOMAS P. MEISSNER, JR.

/s/ Thomas P. Meissner, Jr.

UNITIL CORPORATION SUPPLEMENTAL EXECUTIVE RETIREMENT PLAN AS ADOPTED BY UNITIL SERVICE CORP.

(as amended and restated effective May 1, 2018)

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Article 1 PURPOSE AND INTENT

The principal objective of the Unitil Corporation Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan As Adopted By Unitil Service Corp. (the "Plan") is to ensure the payment of a competitive level of retirement income in order to attract, retain and motivate selected executives. The Plan was designed to provide supplements to designated employees which, when combined with other employment related and government sponsored retirement benefits, will provide for the aggregate level of retirement benefits specified herein. The Plan is intended to be "a plan which is unfunded and is maintained by an employer primarily for the purpose of providing deferred compensation for a select group of management or highly compensated employees" within the meaning of sections 201(2), 301(a)(3) and 401(a)(1) of ERISA, and shall be interpreted and administered in a manner consistent therewith.

The Plan was originally established and adopted effective January 1, 1987, and was amended and restated in its entirety effective on each of January 1, 1998, December 31, 2007 and December 31, 2016. The Plan is hereby further amended and restated in its entirety, effective May 1, 2018.

Article 2 DEFINITIONS

Whenever used herein, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise, the following words and phrases shall have the meanings herein specified, and the following definitions shall be equally applicable to both the singular and plural forms of any of the terms herein defined. The masculine pronoun whenever used herein shall include the feminine and neuter genders and the singular number as used herein shall include the plural, and the plural the singular, unless the context clearly indicates a different meaning.

- 2.1 "Basic Plan" shall mean the Unitil Corporation Retirement Plan as adopted, and from time to time amended, by the Employer.
- 2.2 "Basic Plan Benefit" shall mean the annual amount of benefit payable from the Basic Plan to a Participant in the form of a straight life annuity.
- 2.3 "Beneficiary" shall mean the individual designated by the Participant to receive payments upon the death of a Participant in accordance with Article 8.
- 2.4 "Board of Directors" shall mean the Board of Directors of Unitil Corporation or any successor thereof.
- 2.5 "Change in Control" shall mean the occurrence of any of the following:
 - (a) Unitil Corporation receives a report on Schedule 13D filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to Section 13(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (hereinafter referred to as the "Exchange Act"), disclosing that any person, group, corporation or other entity is the beneficial owner, directly or indirectly, of twenty-five (25%) percent or more of the outstanding common stock of Unitil Corporation;
 - (b) any person (as such term is defined in Section 13(d) of the Exchange Act), group, corporation or other entity other than Unitil Corporation or a wholly-owned subsidiary of Unitil Corporation, purchases shares pursuant to a tender offer or exchange offer to acquire any common stock of Unitil Corporation (or securities convertible into common stock) for cash, securities or any other consideration,

provided that after consummation of the offer, the person, group, corporation or other entity in question is the beneficial owner (as such term is defined in Rule 13d-3 under the Exchange Act), directly or indirectly, of twenty-five (25%) percent or more of the outstanding common stock of Unitil Corporation (calculated as provided in paragraph (d) of Rule 13d-3 under the Exchange Act in the case of rights to acquire common stock);

- (c) the stockholders of Unitil Corporation approve (i) any consolidation or merger of Unitil Corporation in which Unitil Corporation is not the continuing or surviving corporation or pursuant to which shares of common stock of Unitil Corporation would be converted into cash, securities or other property (except where Unitil Corporation shareholders before such transaction will be the owners of more than seventy-five (75%) percent of all classes of voting stock of the surviving entity), or (ii) any sale, lease, exchange or other transfer (in one transaction or a series of related transactions) of all or substantially all the assets of Unitil Corporation; or
- (d) there shall have been a change in a majority of the members of the Board of Directors within a twenty-five (25) month period unless the election or nomination for election by the Unitil Corporation stockholders of each new director was approved by the vote of two-thirds of the directors then still in office who were in office at the beginning of the twenty-five (25) month period.

Should the Change in Control be stockholder approval under paragraph 2.5(c) and if the Board of Directors determines the approved transaction will not be completed and is abandoned prior to any termination of the Participant's employment, a Change in Control shall no longer be in effect and the provisions of the Plan shall continue in effect as if a Change in Control had not occurred.

- 2.6 "Change in Control Participant" shall have the meaning given to that term in Section 9.1.
- 2.7 "Early Retirement Date" shall mean the first day of the month in which the Participant has both attained age fifty-five (55) and completed fifteen (15) years of Service (excluding Service completed prior to age eighteen (18)).
- 2.8 "Employer" shall mean Unitil Service Corp. and any affiliated employer and any successor company which may continue the Plan.

- 2.9 "Final Average Earnings" shall mean the highest twelve (12) month average of the sum of base salary plus cash incentive payments received by a Participant, calculated by determining the thirty-six (36) consecutive month period of the last one hundred twenty (120) months of his tenure as an employee with the Employer during which he received the highest sum of base salary plus cash incentive payments, and then dividing that sum by three (3).
- 2.10 "Normal Retirement Date" shall mean the first day of the month in which occurs the Participant's 65th birthday.
- 2.11 "Other Retirement Income" shall mean the retirement income payable to a Participant from the following sources as of the date the Participant's benefits commence under the Plan:
 - (a) the straight life annuity equivalent of the value of the total contributions, but not including a Participant's salary deferral contributions, made by the Employer under the Unitil Corporation Tax Deferred Savings and Investment Plan on behalf of the Participant during such Participant's employment at the Employer; and
 - (b) retirement income in the form of a straight life annuity payable to a Participant from any previous employers.

In determining the straight life annuity equivalent under this Section 2.11, the following actuarial assumptions shall be used: the interest rate or rates and table used by the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation to value immediate annuities (as of the beginning of the calendar year in which the determination is being made) under Section 4062 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974.

- 2.12 "Participant" shall mean an employee of the Employer who is designated by the Board of Directors to participate in the Plan.
- 2.13 "Plan" shall mean the Unitil Corporation Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan As Adopted By Unitil Service Corp. and as set forth in this document and as may be amended from time to time.
- 2.14 "Primary Social Security Benefit" shall mean the annual primary insurance amount to which the Participant is entitled or would, upon application therefore, be entitled at the later of age 65 or

actual retirement under the provisions of the Federal Social Security Act as in effect on the Participant's termination date assuming that the Participant will have no income after termination which would be treated as wages for purposes of the Social Security Act.

- 2.15 "Retirement Date" shall mean the first to occur of the Participant's Normal Retirement Date or Early Retirement Date.
- 2.16 "Service" shall mean a Participant's years of Credited Service as defined in the Basic Plan for benefit calculation purposes, provided that, except as provided in Section 7.2, no Service shall be credited to a Participant subsequent to his termination of Participation pursuant to Section 4.2.

Article 3 ADMINISTRATION

The Plan shall be administered by the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors shall have the authority to interpret the provisions of the Plan and decide all questions and settle all disputes which may arise in connection with the Plan, all in the sole exercise of its discretion. The Board of Directors may establish operative and administrative rules and procedures in connection therewith, provided that such procedures are consistent with the requirements of section 503 of ERISA. All interpretations, decisions and determinations made by the Board of Directors shall be final, conclusive and binding on all persons concerned. No member of the Board of Directors who is a Participant may vote or otherwise participate in any decision or act with respect to a matter relating to himself or his beneficiaries.

Article 4 PARTICIPATION

- 4.1 <u>Participation.</u> The Participants in the Plan shall be those "management" or "highly compensated" employees within the meaning of sections 201(2), 301(a)(3) and 401(a)(1) of ERISA who shall be employees of the Employer and who shall be selected from time to time by the Board of Directors. Unless selected by the Board of Directors in the sole exercise of its discretion, no employee of the Employer shall have a right to become a Participant in the Plan. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, upon a Change in Control, no new Participants may be added to the Plan.
- 4.2 <u>Termination of Participation.</u> A Participant's participation in the Plan shall end upon his termination of service with the Employer for any reason or his ceasing to be a management or highly compensated employee within the meaning of Sections 201(2), 301(a)(3) and 401(a)(1) of ERISA. In addition, subject to Section 7.2, the Board of Directors may terminate an employee's participation in the Plan.

Article 5 ELIGIBILITY FOR BENEFITS

- 5.1 <u>Eligibility for Retirement Benefits.</u> A Participant shall be eligible to receive a benefit under the Plan if (a) the Participant's employment terminates on or after his Retirement Date or (b) a Change in Control has occurred. Benefits shall be determined in accordance with Article 6 or Article 9, as the case may be, and shall commence in accordance with Article 7.
- 5.2 <u>Eligibility for Pre-Retirement Death Benefits.</u> The Beneficiary of each Participant who dies before commencement of benefits pursuant to Section 7.1 or Section 7.2, as the case may be, but after either (a) a Change in Control or (b) completing at least five years of Service shall be eligible to receive the benefit described in Article 8.
- 5.3 <u>Termination Prior to Retirement.</u> Except as otherwise provided in Section 5.2 and Article 9, no benefits are payable under the Plan if a Participant's employment terminates for any reason, including death, prior to the Participant's Retirement Date.

Article 6 Amount and Form of Retirement Benefits

- 6.1 <u>Amount of Benefit.</u> The annual retirement benefit payable to a Participant under the Plan whose termination of employment occurs on or after his Normal Retirement Date shall equal sixty percent (60%) of such Participant's Final Average Earnings reduced, but not below zero, by the sum of (a), (b) and (c) where
 - (a) equals the Basic Plan Benefit;
 - (b) equals the Other Retirement Income; and
 - (c) equals the Primary Social Security Benefit.
- 6.2 <u>Early Retirement Benefit.</u> The annual retirement benefit payable to a Participant under the Plan whose termination of employment occurs on or after his Early Retirement Date shall be determined in accordance with the provisions of Section 6.1 but shall be reduced by 5/12 of one percent (1%) for each full calendar month that the Participant's termination of employment precedes the month in which occurs the Participant's 60th birthday.
- 6.3 <u>Form of Benefit.</u> The retirement benefits determined under this Article 6 shall be payable as a monthly annuity for the life of a Participant unless the Participant has elected to receive reduced benefits in an optional form of payment.

The optional forms of payment available for election by a Participant under the Plan shall be the same as those provided under the Basic Plan, provided that any such election shall be made prior to the Participant's termination of employment. If an optional form of payment is elected, the benefits payable shall be the actuarial equivalent of the Participant's retirement benefits under the Plan. In determining actuarial equivalence, the actuarial reduction factors set forth in the Basic Plan used to convert a straight life annuity to an optional form of payment shall be used under the Plan.

Article 7 PAYMENT OF RETIREMENT BENEFITS

- 7.1 <u>Termination on or after Retirement Date.</u> Except as otherwise provided in Section 7.2 and Articles 8 and 12, all benefits payable under the Plan shall commence on the date of the Participant's termination of employment. Benefits will continue to be paid on the first day of each succeeding month. The last payment will be on the first day of the month in which the retired Participant dies unless the Participant has elected an optional form of payment in accordance with Section 6.3.
- Termination before Retirement Date after a Change in Control. Except as otherwise provided in Articles 8 and 12, benefits payable to a Change in Control Participant pursuant to Article 9 shall commence on the earlier to occur of the following: (a) the date the Change in Control Participant could have received benefits under Section 6.1 or (b) the date the Change in Control Participant could have received benefits under Section 6.2, as the case may be, determined by assuming the Change in Control Participant had remained employed and continued to accrue additional years of Service after the date of employment termination. Benefits will continue to be paid on the first day of each succeeding month. The last payment will be on the first day of the month in which the retired Change in Control Participant dies unless the Change in Control Participant has elected an optional form of payment in accordance with Section 6.3. For avoidance of doubt, if a Participant's employment terminates on or after the Participant's Retirement Date, the Participant's benefits shall be determined pursuant to Article 6 and shall be paid pursuant to Section 7.1, whether or not a Change in Control has occurred.
- 7.3 FICA Taxes. Upon the Participant's termination of employment and the commencement of the payment of benefits in accordance with the provisions hereof, the Employer will (A) remit on the Participant's behalf all applicable FICA taxes due and payable on the then present value of the Plan benefits (such present value shall be determined by the Employer's actuary) and (B) remit on the Participant's behalf any federal, state, city, local or payroll taxes payable upon the payment of applicable FICA taxes provided pursuant to this Section 7.3.

Article 8 DEATH BENEFIT

- 8.1 Amount. A Beneficiary described in Section 5.2 shall receive an annuity for life determined in accordance with the surviving spouse benefit provision of the Basic Plan (other than the requirement that such benefit may only be paid to the surviving spouse) and the relevant provisions of Article 6 or, after a Change in Control, Article 9.
- 8.2 <u>Commencement.</u> The benefit described in Section 8.1 shall commence as of the first day of the month following the later of (a) the date the Participant dies or (b) the Participant's Retirement Date.

Article 9 CHANGE IN CONTROL

- 9.1 <u>Eligibility for Change in Control Benefits.</u> Notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary, if a Change in Control occurs, Participants in the Plan as of the date of the Change in Control shall be entitled to receive benefits determined in accordance with this Article 9 if the Participant's employment terminates prior to the Participant's Retirement Date (a "Change in Control Participant").
- 9.2 <u>Amount of Change in Control Benefit.</u> A Change in Control Participant's benefit payable pursuant to this Article 9 shall be determined in accordance with the provisions of (a) Section 6.1, if, pursuant to Section 7.2, the Change in Control Participant's benefits commence on the first date the Participant could have received benefits under Section 6.1 or (b) Section 6.2, if, pursuant to Section 7.2, the Change in Control Participant's benefits commence on the first date the Participant could have received benefits under Section 6.2.
- 9.3 <u>Payment of Change in Control Benefit.</u> A Change in Control Participant's benefits shall be paid in accordance with Section 7.2.

Article 10 FORFEITURE OF BENEFITS

Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, if a Participant or Beneficiary who is receiving, or may be entitled to receive, a benefit hereunder engages in competition with the Employer or any affiliated employer (without prior authorization of the Board of Directors) or is discharged for cause, or performs acts of willful malevolence or gross negligence in a matter of material importance to the Employer or any affiliated employer, payments thereafter payable hereunder to such Participant or Beneficiary shall, at the discretion of the Board of Directors, be forfeited and the Employer shall have no further obligation hereunder to such Participant or Beneficiary, provided, however, that no action by the Board of Directors pursuant to this Article 10 shall have any effect on the benefits that a Change in Control Participant is otherwise entitled to receive hereunder.

Article 11 NATURE OF CLAIM FOR PAYMENTS

Benefits under the Plan shall be paid from the general assets of the Employer (which term, solely for the purposes of this Article 11, shall mean the Employer or any affiliated employer). The Plan shall be administered as an unfunded plan which is not intended to meet the qualification requirements of section 401 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"). Neither a Participant nor his Beneficiary shall be entitled to receive any payment for benefits under the Plan from the qualified trust maintained for the Basic Plan. Should the Board of Directors elect to insure the Plan, in whole or in part, through the medium of life insurance or annuities, or both, the Employer shall be the owner and beneficiary of any insurance or annuity contracts. The Employer reserves the absolute right, in its sole discretion, to terminate such life insurance or annuities, as well as any other program, at any time, either in whole or in part. At no time shall the Participant be deemed to have any right, title, or interest in or in any specified asset or assets of the Employer, including, but not by way of restriction, any insurance or contract or contracts or the proceeds therefrom. Any such policy shall not in any way be considered to be security for the performance of the obligations of the Employer under the Plan. If the Employer decides to purchase a life insurance or annuity policy on the life of the Participant, he shall sign any papers that may be required for that purpose and undergo any medical examination or tests which may be necessary.

Article 12 CODE SECTION 409A

The provisions of the Plan and all payments made pursuant to the Plan are intended to comply with, and should be interpreted so that they are consistent with, the requirements of Section 409A of the Code, and any related regulations or other applicable guidance promulgated thereunder (collectively, "Section 409A"). If the Participant is a "specified employee," as determined under the Employer's policy for determining specified employees, on the date on which the Participant's termination of employment occurs, the Participant's benefits shall not be paid or commence until the first business day after the date that is six months following the Participant's termination of employment or, if the Participant dies during such six month period, on the first business day after the date of the Participant's death. The first payment that can be made shall include the cumulative amount of any amounts that could not be paid during such six-month period. In addition, interest will accrue at the Federal short-term rate determined under Section 1274(d) of the Code (as in effect on the date of the separation from service or, if such date is not a business day, the first business day prior to such date) on all payments not paid to the Participant prior to the first business day after the sixth month anniversary of termination of employment that otherwise would have been paid during such six-month period had this delay provision not applied to the Participant and shall be paid with the first payment after such six-month period. For all purposes under the Plan, references to termination of employment or words of similar import shall be interpreted to mean "separation from service," as that term is used in Section 409A, and the Participant's employment shall in no event be deemed to have terminated unless and until a separation from service shall have occurred for purposes of Section 409A.

Article 13 NO ASSIGNMENT OR ALIENATION

The interest hereunder of any Participant or Beneficiary shall not be alienable by the Participant or Beneficiary by assignment or any other method and shall not be subject to be taken by his creditors by any process whatsoever, and any attempt to cause such interest to be so subjected shall not be recognized, except to such extent required by law.

Article 14 NO CONTRACT OF EMPLOYMENT

The Plan shall not be deemed to constitute a contract of employment between the Employer and any Participant, or to be consideration for the employment of any Participant. Neither the action of establishing the Plan for the Employer nor any action taken by or on behalf of the Employer or by the Board of Directors under the provisions hereof, nor any provision of the Plan, shall be construed as giving to any Participant the right to be retained in its employ or any right to any payment whatsoever except to the extent of the benefits provided for by the Plan. The Employer expressly reserves its right at any time to dismiss any Participant without liability for any claim against the Employer or for any claim for any payment whatsoever, except to the extent provided for in the Plan.

Article 15 CLAIMS AND APPEAL PROCEDURES

In the event that benefits under the Plan are not paid to a Participant or his Beneficiary or contingent annuitant (each a "Claimant") and the Claimant believes he is entitled to receive them, the Claimant (this will also include, for the purposes of these procedures, any representative authorized by the Claimant) may file a claim in writing with the Employer. If such claim is denied in whole or in part, the Claimant will be provided with written notification within ninety (90) days after such claim is received by the Employer. The written notice will (a) set forth the specific reasons for denying the claim; (b) make reference to the specific portions of the Plan that resulted in the denial of the claim; (c) describe any additional material or information still required from the Claimant to complete the claim; and (d) explain the claims review procedures and applicable time limits.

If special circumstances require more time for the Employer to process such claim, the Employer will provide the Claimant a notice before the end of the first ninety (90) days after the claim is received. This notice will explain the reasons for the extension and the date a decision is expected. The extension will not be for more than ninety (90) days.

If such claim is denied by the Employer, the Claimant will have sixty (60) days to request a review. The Claimant will have a right to a reasonable opportunity for full and fair review of the adverse determination. The Claimant may submit any and all written comments, documents, records and other information relating to the claim. The Employer will take into account all comments, documents, records and information the Claimant has submitted, regardless of whether or not they were submitted or considered in the original determination. The Claimant will be provided, upon request and free of charge, access to and copies of documents, records and other information relevant to the claim.

The Employer will notify the Claimant of the decision on review within sixty (60) days after the Employer received the request for review, unless special circumstances make an extension of time necessary for the Employer to process the review (for example, if a hearing is deemed necessary). In that case, the Employer will notify the Claimant of the decision on review not later than one hundred twenty (120) days after the Employer first received the request for review. If

such an extension of time for review is required, written notice of the extension will be furnished to the Claimant before the end of the first sixty (60) days, and will include the reasons for the extension and the date the decision is expected. If the extension is due to the Claimant's failure to submit information necessary to decide the claim, the period for making the benefit determination will be tolled from the date on which the notification of the extension is sent to the Claimant until the date the Claimant responds to the request for information.

Any notice of the Employer's adverse determination of such claim on appeal will set forth the specific reasons for the adverse decision on such appeal and will reference the specific portions of the Plan on which the adverse decision is based. The Claimant will be notified of his rights to access relevant documents, as well as information on further steps that the Claimant is entitled to take.

An adverse decision of the Employer on a claim may be appealed by the Claimant to a court of competent jurisdiction.

Article 16 AMENDMENT

The Plan may be altered, amended or revoked in writing by the Board of Directors at any time; provided, however, that no such alteration, amendment or revocation (a) that adversely affects a Participant's or Beneficiary's vested benefits under the Plan shall be made without the prior written consent of the Participant or Beneficiary so affected, or (b) that is made after a Change in Control shall be made without the prior written consent of all Participants or Beneficiaries then entitled to benefits hereunder.

Article 17 GOVERNING LAW

The Plan shall be governed and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of New Hampshire except to the extent preempted by federal law.

Article 18 SUCCESSORS

The provisions of the Plan shall bind and inure to the benefit of the Employer and its successors and assigns. The term successors as used herein shall include any corporate or other business entity which shall, whether by merger, consolidation, purchase or otherwise acquire all or substantially all of the business and assets of the Employer, and successors of any such corporation or other business entity.

UNITIL CORPORATION DEFERRED COMPENSATION PLAN

WHEREAS, Unitil Corporation desires to establish an unfunded plan maintained for the purpose of providing deferred compensation for a select group of management or highly compensated employees within the meaning of sections 201(2), 301(a)(3) and 401(a)(1) of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 as amended, and the regulations thereunder;

NOW, THEREFORE, effective January 1, 2019, the Unitil Corporation Deferred Compensation Plan is hereby established as follows:

SECTION 1. PURPOSE OF PLAN

The Plan is intended to be "a plan which is unfunded and is maintained by an employer primarily for the purpose of providing deferred compensation for a select group of management or highly compensated employees" within the meaning of sections 201(2), 301(a)(3) and 401(a)(1) of ERISA, and shall be interpreted and administered in a manner consistent therewith. The provisions of the Plan are intended to comply with requirements of Code section 409A in form and operation and shall be interpreted in a manner consistent with such Code section and regulations promulgated pursuant thereto.

SECTION 2. DEFINITIONS

- **2.1 "Administrator"** means the Board or the committee or subcommittee appointed pursuant to Section 16.1.
- **2.2 "Beneficiary"** means the person or entity determined to be a Participant's beneficiary pursuant to Section 14.
- **2.3 "Board"** means the board of directors of Unitil Corporation.
- **2.4 "Change in Control"** shall mean the occurrence of any of the following:
 - (a) Unitil Corporation receives a report on Schedule 13D filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to Section 13(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (hereinafter referred to as the "Exchange Act"), disclosing that any person, group, corporation or other entity is the beneficial owner, directly or indirectly, of twenty-five (25%) percent or more of the outstanding common stock of Unitil Corporation;
 - (b) any person (as such term is defined in Section 13(d) of the Exchange Act), group, corporation or other entity other than Unitil Corporation or a wholly-owned subsidiary of Unitil Corporation, purchases shares pursuant to a tender offer or exchange offer to acquire any common stock of Unitil Corporation (or securities convertible into common stock) for cash, securities or any other consideration,

provided that after consummation of the offer, the person, group, corporation or other entity in question is the beneficial owner (as such term is defined in Rule 13d-3 under the Exchange Act), directly or indirectly, of twenty-five (25%) percent or more of the outstanding common stock of Unitil Corporation (calculated as provided in paragraph (d) of Rule 13d-3 under the Exchange Act in the case of rights to acquire common stock);

- (c) the stockholders of Unitil Corporation approve (i) any consolidation or merger of Unitil Corporation in which Unitil Corporation is not the continuing or surviving corporation or pursuant to which shares of common stock of Unitil Corporation would be converted into cash, securities or other property (except where Unitil Corporation shareholders before such transaction will be the owners of more than seventy-five (75%) percent of all classes of voting stock of the surviving entity), or (ii) any sale, lease, exchange or other transfer (in one transaction or a series of related transactions) of all or substantially all the assets of Unitil Corporation; or
- (d) there shall have been a change in a majority of the members of the Board of Directors within a twenty-five (25) month period unless the election or nomination for election by the Unitil Corporation stockholders of each new director was approved by the vote of two-thirds of the directors then still in office who were in office at the beginning of the twenty-five (25) month period.

Should the Change in Control by stockholder approval under Section 2.4(c) and if the Board determines the approved transaction will not be completed and is abandoned prior to any termination of the Participant's employment, a Change in Control shall no longer be in effect and the provisions of the Plan shall continue in effect as if a Change in Control had not occurred.

- 2.5 "Code" means the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended from time to time.
- **2.6 "Company"** means Unitil Corporation and any wholly-owned subsidiary of Unitil Corporation and any successor company which may continue the Plan.
- **2.7 "Compensation"** means the base salary paid to, and any cash incentive compensation earned by, a Participant for the Plan Year.
- **2.8 "Disability"** means a condition in which the Participant:
 - (a) is unable to engage in any substantial gainful activity by reason of any medically determinable physical or mental impairment which, in the opinion of the Administrator, can be expected to result in death or can be expected to last for a continuous period of not less than 12 months; or
 - (b) is, by reason of any medically determinable physical or mental impairment which, in the opinion of the Administrator, can be expected to result in death or can be expected to last for a continuous period of not less than 12 months, receiving

- income replacement benefits for a period of not less than three months under an accident and health plan covering employees of the Company; or
- (c) is determined to be totally disabled by the Social Security Administration.
- **2.9 "ERISA"** means the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, all amendments thereto and all federal regulations promulgated pursuant thereto.
- 2.10 "401(k) Plan" means the Unitil Corporation Tax Deferred Savings and Investment Plan, as amended from time to time.
- **2.11 "Normal Retirement Age"** means the earlier of (i) age sixty-five (65), or (ii) age fifty-five (55) with fifteen (15) years of service. For this purpose, a Participant shall be credited with a year of service for each Plan Year in which he is credited with at least one thousand (1,000) hours of service.
- **2.12 "Participant"** means an employee of the Company who is eligible to participate in the Plan pursuant to Section 3.
- **2.13 "Plan"** means the Unitil Deferred Compensation Plan, as set forth herein and as amended from time to time.
- **2.14 "Plan Year"** means the calendar year.

SECTION 3. ELIGIBLE EMPLOYEES

The Administrator shall determine which management employees and other employees of the Company shall be eligible to participate in the Plan from time to time, the eligibility waiting period and such other conditions as may be applicable from time to time.

SECTION 4. ELECTION TO DEFER COMPENSATION

A Participant may elect to defer a specified percentage of his Compensation (from one percent (1%) to eighty-five percent (85%)) for a Plan Year by filing an election with the Administrator (pursuant to Section 5) on or prior to such date that the Administrator may specify (but no later than the last day of the preceding Plan Year). A separate election may be made with respect to any cash incentive compensation to be earned for the Plan Year. Any election so made shall not be binding for any following Plan Year, and accordingly, a new election must be filed for any following Plan Year to effect any deferral for such Plan Year on such date that the Administrator may specify (but no later than the last day of the preceding Plan Year), provided, however, that, subject to the provisions of section 409A of the Code, a Participant who first becomes eligible to participate in the Plan after the beginning of a Plan Year shall be entitled to make a deferral election (with respect to Compensation and/or any cash incentive compensation to be earned

after the date of the election) within thirty (30) days of becoming eligible.

In addition, each Participant may elect to establish one or more separate "in-service withdrawal accounts", to which shall be credited such portion of his deferrals and any Company contributions made on his behalf under Section 7 as the Participant may designate, and subject to the provisions of Section 11, which shall be distributed as of a date selected by the Participant on the election form used to make his deferral election for the applicable year.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, if a Participant receives a distribution under the Plan as a result of an unforeseeable emergency pursuant to Section 12, or receives a hardship distribution under the 401(k) Plan, the Participant's deferral election under the Plan shall be cancelled for the balance of the Plan Year in which such distribution is received.

SECTION 5. MANNER OF ELECTION

Any election made by a Participant pursuant to the Plan shall be made in accordance with rules and procedures and on such forms as may from time to time be prescribed by the Administrator.

SECTION 6. ACCOUNTS

The Company shall establish and maintain on its books with respect to each Participant a separate account which shall record (a) any Compensation deferred by the Participant under the Plan pursuant to the Participant's election, (b) any Company contributions made on behalf of the Participant pursuant to Section 7 below, and (c) the allocation of any hypothetical investment experience.

If a Participant elects to establish one or more "in-service withdrawal accounts" under Section 4, such accounts shall be established and maintained on the Company's books and shall record (a) any Compensation deferred by the Participant under the Plan, and any Company contributions made on his behalf, which the Participant has elected to be credited to the applicable account, and (b) the allocation of any hypothetical investment experience relating thereto. There shall also be established for each Participant a separate "retirement account" which shall record (a) any Compensation deferred by the Participant, and any Company contributions made on his behalf, under the Plan which the Participant has not elected to be credited to an "in-service withdrawal account" and (b) the allocation of any hypothetical investment experience relating thereto.

SECTION 7. COMPANY CONTRIBUTIONS

For any Plan Year, the Company may elect to credit to the account of each Participant, or any Participant designated by the Board, an amount equal to a specified percentage of such Participant's Compensation, a flat dollar amount and/or an amount equal to a specified percentage of any Compensation deferred under Section 4. Any such credit shall be made

entirely at the discretion of the Administrator and the amount of any such credit may be different for different Participants.

SECTION 8. ADJUSTMENTS TO ACCOUNTS

Each Participant's accounts shall be reduced by the amount of any distributions to the Participant from the applicable account, by any federal, state and/or local tax withholding and any social security withholding tax as may be required by law, and by any applicable administrative expenses. Pursuant to procedures established by the Administrator, each Participant's accounts shall be adjusted as of each business day the New York Stock Exchange is open to reflect the earnings or losses of any hypothetical investment media as may be designated by the Administrator and, if applicable, elected by the Participant.

SECTION 9. INVESTMENT OF ACCOUNTS

For purposes of determining the amount of earnings and appreciation and losses and depreciation to be credited to a Participant's accounts, each Participant's accounts shall be deemed invested in the investment options (designated by the Administrator as available under the Plan) as the Participant may elect, from time to time, in accordance with such rules and procedures as the Administrator may establish, provided, however, that no provision of the Plan shall require the Company to actually invest any amounts in any fund or in any other investment vehicle.

SECTION 10. VESTED STATUS

Subject to the provisions of Section 21, each Participant shall have a nonforfeitable (vested) right to the fair market value of the Participant's accounts.

SECTION 11. TIME AND MANNER OF DISTRIBUTION

Distribution of a Participant's "retirement account" (within the meaning of Section 6) shall be made or commence on or around July 1 following the close of the Plan Year in which the Participant "separates from service" with the Company (within the meaning of section 409A of the Code), provided, however, that payment may be delayed under any of the circumstances permitted under said section 409A, and, provided, further, that, if any amounts credited to a Participant's accounts become subject to tax under section 409A of the Code, such amounts shall be immediately distributed to the Participant.

Each Participant shall elect, on the election form used to make his deferral election for the year, either of the following modes of distribution for his retirement account:

(a) a single lump sum payment; or

(b) annual installments over a period of up to fifteen (15) years, the amount of each installment to equal the balance of the Participant's retirement account immediately prior to the installment divided by the number of installments remaining to be paid. The first installment shall be made on or around July 1 following the close of the Plan Year in which the Participant separates from service with the Company, with each subsequent installment being made on the first day of the calendar month coinciding with or following the one (1) year anniversary of the prior payment.

A Participant may subsequently elect to change the mode of distribution of his retirement account, or to delay the date on which distribution of the Participant's retirement account is to be made or commence, subject to the following conditions: (i) any such election may not take effect until twelve (12) months after the date on which the election is made; (ii) payment with respect to such election must be deferred for a period of at least five (5) years from the date on which payment would otherwise have been made or commence; and (iii) if the subsequent election relates to a payment that was scheduled to be made on a specified date, the subsequent election must be made at least twelve (12) months prior to the date the first amount was scheduled to be paid.

Any "in-service" withdrawal account established for a Participant under Section 6 shall be distributed in a lump-sum cash payment, as of the dates previously designated by the Participant, provided, however, that a Participant may subsequently elect to delay the date on which distribution of an in-service withdrawal account is to be made, subject to the following conditions: (i) the subsequent election must be made at least twelve (12) months prior to the date the in-service withdrawal account was scheduled to be paid, and (ii) payment must be deferred for a period of at least five (5) years from the date on which payment was initially to have been made, and provided, further, that if a Participant separates from service prior to the scheduled payment date of any in-service withdrawal accounts, such accounts shall be distributed to the Participant at the same time and in the same manner as the Participant's retirement account.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, each Participant may elect, on the election form used to make his initial deferral election, to have his accounts distributed, in the form of a single sum payment, on or around July 1 following the close of the Plan Year in which a Change in Control occurs.

Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Section 11, except as otherwise provided under section 409A of the Code, if a Participant fails to make a distribution election, or if the total fair market value of a Participant's accounts does not exceed the amount in effect for the applicable year under Code section 402(g)(1)(B) as of the date of the Participant's separation from service, the Participant's accounts shall be distributed to the Participant in a single lump-sum payment on or around July 1 following the Participant's separation from service.

Payment shall be treated as made upon the date specified under the Plan if payment is made on such date or a later date within the same taxable year of the Participant or, if later, by the 15th day of the third calendar month following the date specified under the Plan, provided the Participant is not permitted, directly or indirectly, to designate the taxable year of the payment.

SECTION 12. DISTRIBUTION IN THE EVENT OF UNFORESEEABLE EMERGENCY

In the event of an "unforeseeable emergency" (within the meaning of section 409A of the Code), a Participant may, by filing an election with the Administrator (in such form and manner as may be prescribed by the Administrator), request to receive a distribution from the Plan in an amount not to exceed the lesser of (i) the fair market value of the Participant's accounts or (ii) the amount necessary to satisfy the unforeseeable emergency. Any such distribution request shall be granted at the sole discretion of the Administrator, in accordance with the rules and procedures established by the Administrator, and subject to the provisions of section 409A of the Code.

SECTION 13. DEATH BENEFIT

In the event of the death of a Participant while in the employ of the Company, the fair market value of the Participant's accounts shall be distributed to the Participant's Beneficiary, in a single lump sum payment, on or around July 1 following the close of the Plan Year in which the Participant's death occurs.

In the event a Participant dies after distribution has commenced under the Plan, the balance of the Participant's accounts, if any, shall be distributed to the Participant's Beneficiary, in a single lump sum payment, within ninety (90) days following the Participant's death.

Payment shall be treated as made upon the date specified under the Plan if payment is made at such date or a later date within the same taxable year of the Beneficiary or, if later, by the 15th day of the third calendar month following the date specified under the Plan and if the Beneficiary is not permitted, directly or indirectly, to designate the taxable year of the payment.

SECTION 14. BENEFICIARY DESIGNATION

A Participant may designate the person or persons to whom the Participant's accounts under the Plan shall be paid in the event of the Participant's death, by filing a designation of beneficiary form with the Administrator. If no Beneficiary is designated, or no Beneficiary survives the Participant, payment shall be made to the Participant's surviving spouse, or if none, to the Participant's estate. If a Beneficiary survives the Participant, but dies before the balance payable to the Beneficiary has been distributed, any remaining balance shall be paid to the Beneficiary's estate.

SECTION 15. DOMESTIC RELATIONS ORDERS

If a domestic relations order issued by any court of proper authority directs assignment of all or any portion of a Participant's accounts to the Participant's spouse or former spouse as part of a divorce settlement, the portion so assigned shall be distributed, in a lump-sum, to the spouse or former spouse on or around July 1 following the close of the Plan Year in which the order was received by the Administrator or, if later, following the close of the Plan Year in which the order

clearly specifies the amount to be assigned and any other terms necessary to comply with such order and with the provisions of Code section 409A.

SECTION 16. PLAN ADMINISTRATION

<u>16.1</u> **Administration.** The Plan shall be administered by the Board or, in the discretion of the Board, a committee or subcommittee of the Board (the "Committee"), appointed by the Board and composed of at least two members of the Board. All references in the Plan to the Administrator shall be understood to refer to the Committee or the Board, whoever shall administer the Plan.

Where the Committee serves as Administrator, in the event that a vacancy on the Committee occurs on account of the resignation of a member or the removal of a member by vote of the Board, a successor member shall be appointed by vote of the Board. The Administrator shall select one of its members as Chairman and shall hold meetings at such times and places as it may determine. A majority shall constitute a quorum, and acts of the Administrator at which a quorum is present, or acts reduced to or approved in writing by all its members, shall be the valid acts of the Administrator.

The Administrator is authorized to interpret and construe any provision of the Plan, to determine eligibility and benefits under the Plan, to prescribe, amend and rescind rules and regulations relating to the Plan, to adopt such forms as it may deem appropriate for the administration of the Plan, to provide for conditions and assurances deemed necessary or advisable to protect the interests of the Company and to make all other determinations necessary or advisable for the administration of the Plan, but only to the extent not contrary to the express provisions of the Plan or the provisions of section 409A of the Code and the regulations and rulings promulgated thereunder. The Administrator shall be responsible for the day-to-day administration of the Plan. Determinations, interpretations or other actions made or taken by the Administrator under the Plan shall be final and binding for all purposes and upon all persons.

The Company shall indemnify, hold harmless and defend the Administrator and/or the Board (and its delegates) from any liability which the Administrator and/or the Board (or it delegates) may incur in connection with the performance of its duties in connection with the Plan, so long as the Administrator and/or the Board (or such delegate) was acting in good faith and within what the Administrator and/or the Board (or such delegate) reasonably understood to be the scope of its duties.

16.2 Review Procedure.

(a) Pursuant to procedures established by the Administrator, claims for benefits under the Plan made by a Participant or Beneficiary (the "claimant") must be submitted in writing to the Administrator.

If a claim is denied in whole or in part, the Administrator shall notify the claimant within ninety (90) days (or forty-five (45) days if the claim relates to a

determination of Disability) after receipt of the claim (or within one hundred eighty (180) days (or seventy-five (75) days for a Disability claim), if special circumstances require an extension of time for processing the claim, and provided written notice indicating the special circumstances and the date by which a final decision is expected to be rendered is given to the claimant within the initial ninety (90) day period, or forty-five (45) day period, as the case may be). If notification is not given in such period, the claim shall be considered denied as of the last day of such period and the claimant may request a review of the claim.

The notice of the denial of the claim shall be written in a manner calculated to be understood by the claimant and shall set forth the following:

- (i) the specific reason or reasons for the denial of the claim;
- (ii) the specific references to the pertinent Plan provisions on which the denial is based;
- (iii) a description of any additional material or information necessary to perfect the claim, and an explanation of why such material or information is necessary; and
- (iv) a statement that any appeal of the denial must be made by giving to the Administrator, within sixty (60) days (or one hundred eighty (180) days in the case of a Disability claim) after receipt of the denial of the claim, written notice of such appeal, such notice to include a full description of the pertinent issues and basis of the claim.

With respect to any denial of a Disability claim, the denial shall include an explanation of the basis for disagreeing with, or not following, (A) the views, presented by the claimant, of health care professionals treating the claimant and/or vocational professionals who evaluated the claimant; (B) the views, obtained on behalf of the Plan in connection with the claim, of medical or vocational experts (whether or not the advice was relied upon in denying the claim); (C) a determination made by the Social Security Administration, presented by the claimant, if applicable. In addition, the denial shall set forth internal rules, guidelines, protocols, standards, or similar criteria relied upon in denying the claim; or alternatively, include a statement that such internal rules, guidelines, protocols, standards or other similar criteria do not exist.

(b) Upon denial of a claim in whole or part, the claimant (or his duly authorized representative) shall have the right to submit a written request to the Administrator for a full and fair review of the denied claim, to be permitted to review documents pertinent to the denial, and to submit issues and comments in writing. Any appeal of the denial must be given to the Administrator within the period of time prescribed under (a)(iv) above. If the claimant (or his duly authorized representative) fails to appeal the denial to the Administrator within

the prescribed time, the Administrator's adverse determination shall be final, binding and conclusive.

With respect to any Disability claim, prior to denying the claim upon appeal, the Administrator shall provide the claimant, free of charge, with any new or additional evidence considered, relied upon, or generated in connection with the claim. Such evidence shall be provided as soon as possible and sufficiently in advance of the date on which the notice of adverse benefit determination on review is required to be provided in order to give the claimant an opportunity to respond prior to that date, and if the denial is based on new or additional rationale, the Administrator shall provide the claimant with such rationale, free of charge and as soon as possible and sufficiently in advance of the date on which the notice of adverse benefit determination on review is required to be provided in order to give the claimant an opportunity to respond prior to that date.

The Administrator may hold a hearing or otherwise ascertain such facts as it deems necessary and shall render a decision which shall be binding upon both parties. The Administrator shall advise the claimant of the results of the review within sixty (60) days (or forty-five (45) days in the case of a Disability claim) after receipt of the written request for the review, unless special circumstances require an extension of time for processing, in which case a decision shall be rendered as soon as possible, but not later than one hundred twenty (120) days (or ninety (90) days in the case of a Disability claim) after receipt of the request for review. If such extension of time is required, written notice of the extension shall be furnished to the claimant prior to the commencement of the extension. The decision of the review shall be written in a manner calculated to be understood by the claimant and shall include specific reasons for the decision and specific references to the pertinent Plan provisions on which the decision is based. The decision of the Administrator shall be final, binding and conclusive.

SECTION 17. FUNDING

<u>17.1</u> **Plan Unfunded.** The Plan is unfunded for tax purposes and for purposes of Title I of ERISA. Accordingly, the obligation of the Company to make payments under the Plan constitutes solely an unsecured (but legally enforceable) promise of the Company to make such payments, and no person, including any Participant or Beneficiary shall have any lien, prior claim or other security interest in any property of the Company as a result of the Plan. Any amounts payable under the Plan shall be paid out of the general assets of the Company and each Participant and Beneficiary shall be deemed to be no more than a general unsecured creditor of the Company.

17.2 Rabbi Trust. The Company may create a grantor trust to pay its obligations hereunder (a so-called rabbi trust), the assets of which shall be, for all purposes, the assets of the Company. In the event the trustee of such trust is unable or unwilling to make payments directly to Participants and Beneficiaries and such trustee remits payments to the Company for delivery to

Participants and Beneficiaries, the Company shall promptly remit such amount, less applicable income and other taxes required to be withheld, to the Participant or Beneficiary.

SECTION 18. AMENDMENT

The Company, by resolution of the Board, shall have the right to amend, suspend or terminate the Plan at any time subject to the provisions of section 409A of the Code; provided, however, that no such action shall, without the Participant's consent, impair the Participant's right with respect to any existing account under the Plan. The termination of the Plan, with respect to some or all of the Participants, and any resulting distribution of the account balances of such affected Participants, shall be made in accordance with the provisions of section 409A of the Code and shall not constitute the impairment of such Participant's rights hereunder.

SECTION 19. TERMINATION OF THE PLAN

The Company, by resolution of the Board, and subject to the provisions of Section 409A of the Code, may elect to terminate and liquidate the Plan within the thirty (30) days preceding or the twelve (12) months following a Change in Control, provided all agreements, methods, programs and other arrangements sponsored by the Company immediately after the time of the Change in Control with respect to which deferrals of Compensation are treated as having been deferred under a single plan under section 409A of the Code are terminated and liquidated with respect to each Participant that experienced the Change in Control, so that under the terms of the termination and liquidation, all such Participants are required to receive their vested accounts under the terminated agreements, methods, programs and other arrangements within twelve (12) months of the date the Company irrevocably takes all necessary action to terminate and liquidate the agreements, methods, programs and other arrangements.

The Company, by resolution of the Board, and subject to the provisions of section 409A of the Code, may elect to terminate and liquidate the Plan, provided that: (i) the termination and liquidation does not occur proximate to a downturn in the financial health of the Company; (ii) the Company terminates and liquidates all agreements, methods, programs, and other arrangements sponsored by the Company that would be aggregated with any terminated and liquidated agreements, methods, programs, and other arrangements under section 409A of the Code, if the same employee had deferrals of compensation under all of the agreements, methods, programs and other arrangements that are terminated and liquidated; (iii) no payments in liquidation of the Plan are made within twelve (12) months of the date the Company takes all necessary action to irrevocably terminate and liquidate the Plan had not occurred; (iv) all payments are made within twenty-four (24) months of the date the Company takes all necessary action to irrevocably terminate and liquidate the Plan; and (v) the Company does not adopt a new plan that would be aggregated with the terminated Plan under section 409A of the Code if the same employee participated in both plans, at any time within three (3) years following the date the Company takes all necessary action to irrevocably terminate and liquidate the Plan.

SECTION 20. NO ASSIGNMENT

A Participant's right to the amount credited to his account under the Plan shall not be subject in any manner to anticipation, alienation, sale, transfer, assignment, pledge, encumbrance, attachment or garnishment by creditors of the Participant or the Participant's Beneficiary, except to the extent permitted in accordance with Section 15 above.

SECTION 21. TERMINATION FOR CAUSE

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein contained, in the event a Participant's employment with the Company is terminated "for cause," no benefits (other than those attributable to the Participant's deferrals under Section 4) shall be due or payable under the Plan, and such Participant's "retirement account" (within the meaning of Section 6) (less such Participant's interest attributable to deferrals under Section 4) shall be forfeited. For this purpose, termination "for cause" shall mean a termination resulting from (i) a conviction of robbery, extortion, embezzlement, fraud, grand larceny, burglary, perjury, income tax evasion, misapplication of Company funds, false statements in violation of 18 U.S.C. Sec. 1001, and any other felony that is punishable by a term of imprisonment of more than one year, or (ii) any breach of the Participant's duty of loyalty to the Company, any acts of omission in the performance of his duties not in good faith or which involve intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law, or any transaction in the performance of his duties from which the Participant derived an improper personal benefit.

SECTION 22. SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS

The provisions of the Plan shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the Company, its successors and assigns, and the Participant, his Beneficiaries, heirs, legal representatives and assigns.

SECTION 23. NO CONTRACT OF EMPLOYMENT

Nothing contained herein shall be construed as a contract of employment between a Participant and the Company, or as a right of the Participant to continue in employment with the Company, or as a limitation of the right of the Company to discharge the Participant at any time, with or without cause.

SECTION 24. ENFORCEABILITY

If any term or condition of the Plan shall be invalid or unenforceable to any extent or in any application, then the remainder of the Plan, and such term or condition except to such extent or in such application, shall not be affected thereby, and each and every term and condition of the Plan shall be valid and enforced to the fullest extent and in the broadest application permitted by law.

SECTION 25. CONSTRUCTION

Wherever appropriate, the use of the masculine gender shall be extended to include the feminine and/or neuter, and the singular form of word extended to include the plural, or vice versa.

SECTION 26. GOVERNING LAW

The Plan shall be interpreted in a manner consistent with Code section 409A and the guidance issued thereunder by the Department of the Treasury and the Internal Revenue Service and shall also be subject to and construed in accordance with the provisions of ERISA, where applicable, and otherwise by the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, without regard to the conflict of law provisions of any jurisdiction.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Company, by its duly authorized officer, has caused the Plan to be executed as of the 25th day of July, 2018.

UNITIL CORPORATION

By:

/s/ Mark H. Collin Mark H. Collin, Authorized Officer