



Stephen J. Curran Joins Unitil Team as Controller

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Hampton, NH – October 18, 2000: Unitil Corporation (AMEX: UTL) (www.unitil.com) announced today that Stephen J. Curran has been hired as Controller, Unitil Service Corp., reporting to Anthony J. Baratta, Jr., Unitil Corporation's Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer. Mr. Curran will be based at Unitil's corporate headquarters in Hampton, NH, and will direct the Company's regulated and unregulated accounting operations including managing the Company's budgeting, tax, and financial reporting functions.

"I am extremely pleased to have someone of Steve Curran's background and experience on board," said Mr. Baratta. "He adds great depth and strength to our management team and will help Unitil achieve its strategic and financial objectives."

Mr. Curran joins Unitil after a 21 year career with Bay State Gas Company where he was the Corporate Controller. He is licensed as a CPA and has earned a Bachelor's degree in Economics from Boston College and an MBA from Boston University. Steve is a member of several professional associations including the Massachusetts Society of Certified Public Accountants, the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, and the Financial Executive's Institute. Steve currently resides in Canton, MA.

Unitil is a public utility holding company with subsidiaries providing electric service in New Hampshire and electric and gas service in Massachusetts and energy services throughout the Northeast. It's subsidiaries include Concord Electric Company, Exeter & Hampton Electric Company, Fitchburg Gas and Electric Light Company, Unitil Power Corp., Unitil Realty Corp., Unitil Service Corp. and its unregulated business unit Unitil Resources, Inc. Usource L.L.C. is a subsidiary of Unitil Resources, Inc. The Usource product line is available at www.usourceonline.com

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