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Subject: Fw: IMPORTANT HELP NEEDED FOR NH PUC HEARING NEXT WEEK

Ms. Sandy Deno,

Please take notice and be diligent. Take action and refusing Liberty Gas precent agreement.

Re: DG 14-380 Liberty Precedent Agreement

I have been following the developments of the Liberty precedent agreement proceedings under Docket 14-380. As a resident of Mason NH. I am not a Liberty Gas customer. You should be alerted and concerned about the impact of this agreement on my community and the implications for New Hampshire's energy future. I request emphatically that the PUC Commissioners to reject the late-filed settlement agreement as ill advised based on the following:

- The PUC's staff own expert consultant, Melissa Whitten, recommended against approval of the original proposed Liberty agreement, citing it as "speculative" and not "least cost" plan. This would furthermore leave the Company (and rate payers) with substantial excess capacity over the life of the contract.*
- The NH Office of Consumer Advocate likewise recommended against approval of the petition stating the Company's analysis is not thorough.*
- The capacity adjustment made for the settlement agreement is minimal and it ignores the defects associated with the original position, including the OCA's assessment of cost allocation to consumers, stating that it is fundamentally unreasonable to require rate payers now to unnecessarily bear significantly greater burden compared to rate payers in the future.*

In addition to the significant flaws of both the original and revised proposed agreements, the following considerations should take precedence in any serious evaluation of New Hampshire's energy future:

- Any major investment for our rate payers should be right-sized for what is actually needed in New England and should follow the NH Office of Energy and Planning (OEP) 10-year strategy.*
- The NH OEP's 10 year strategy strongly promotes "Diversity of Supply" as one of its principal components for a sound and stable energy policy. With New England already above 50% natural gas use, this contract along with the massive NED project would throw us off the charts in regards to diversity.*
- A major investment in infrastructure in NH should be cost-effective and not speculative.*

- To meet future demand both the PUC consultant and the OCA recommend other options be thoroughly examined against the proposed solution; and that evaluation should include externalities, such as the taking of private property, into consideration.

Our state needs your help and protection.. Please act swiftly and directly.

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