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Ms. Debra A. Howland Executive Director New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission 21 S. Fruit Street, Suite 10 Concord, NH 03301

RE:

Docket No. DG 17-198 Liberty Utilities/Granite Bridge

Objection to Schedule Delay

Dear Ms. Howland,

The Greater Nashua Chamber of Commerce is opposed to delaying the previously agreed upon hearing schedule in the Liberty-Granite Bridge docket. Holding the hearing on December 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>, as previously approved, is the optimal timeframe to avoid undue delays in the consideration of Granite Bridge.

Our members depend on access to affordable natural gas service. Timely consideration of Granite Bridge is the first step toward avoiding a natural gas service moratorium. Delays in the Granite Bridge docket make it more likely that businesses in need of new natural gas service would be unable to access it due to the constraints in the natural gas system which necessitate the Granite Bridge project in the first place.

We respectfully request that the hearing dates of December 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>, 2019, remain in effect.

Thank you for your consideration of our request.

Sincerely,

Tracy S. Hall //
President and CEO

Greater Nashua Chamber of Commerce