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Daniel C. Goldner, Chairman New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission 21 South Fruit Street Concord, NH 03301-2429

Re: DE 23-092 Unitil Energy Systems, Inc. 2024 Reliability Enhancement Program and Vegetation Management Program Plan – DOE Request for Extension of Time

## Dear Chairman Goldner:

On November 17, 2023, Unitil Energy Systems, Inc. (Company) filed its 2024 Reliability Enhancement Program and Vegetation Management Program Report. On November 22, 2023, the Public Utilities Commission (Commission) requested that the New Hampshire Department of Energy (DOE) submit its analysis of the report with a recommendation for Commission action by January 30, 2024.

Respectfully, due to staff availability, the Department requests the deadline for the Department's analysis and recommendation pertaining to the Company's Report be extended until March 15, 2024.

The relief requested is consistent with Puc 202.04 requirements. The Department made a good faith effort to obtain the assent of the Company and the Office of the Consumer Advocate prior to filing this request and believes neither party's rights will be adversely affected by this extension. In addition, this request will not unduly delay the proceeding, as additional time is essential to allow the Department to file an accurate analysis and recommendation. The Department will be caused undue hardship or inconvenience if the extension is not granted, and therefore the extension sought is reasonable and appropriate.

Pursuant to current Commission policy, this filing is being made electronically only.

Sincerely,

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