## **Liberty Utilities**

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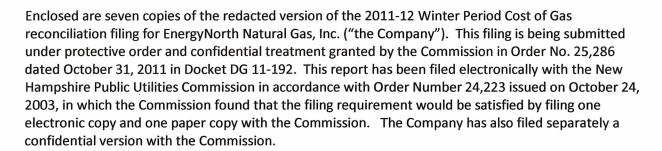
Re:

DG 11-192 EnergyNorth Natural Gas, Inc.

2011-12 Winter Period Cost of Gas Reconciliation

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Dear Ms. Howland:



The filing shows an under collection for the 2011-12 Winter Period of \$1,606,569 summarized as follows:

Winter Period Beginning Balance	\$3,735,297
Less: Cost of Gas Revenue Billed	(\$47,440,335)
Add: Cost of Gas Allowable (5/1/11 -10/31/11)	\$1,890,001
Add: Cost of Gas Allowable (11/1/11 -4/30/12)	\$43,421,606
Winter Period Ending Balance	\$1,606,569

This filing consists of a six-page summary and nine supporting schedules. Page 1 of the Summary compares the actual deferred gas costs to the projections submitted in the Company's filing including the beginning balance, interest and other allowable adjustments to gas costs, gas costs and gas cost revenue. The result is a net under collection of \$1,606,569. Page 2 of the Summary compares the actual allowed Bad Debt and Working Capital costs to the filed projections submitted in the Company's filing resulting in an under collection of \$113,348 and an over collection of \$541, respectively, for a net under collection for all the gas accounts of \$1,719,376. Page 3 of the Summary compares actual demand



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charges of \$9,753,327 to the \$12,917,335 in demand charges estimated in the filing. Page 4 shows a similar comparison for commodity costs. The actual commodity costs were \$35,119,541 compared to \$46,765,731 in the filing. The \$11,646,190 decrease in commodity costs was caused mainly by lower prices than originally forecasted. The results show that the actual demand and commodity costs were \$14,810,198 lower than filed. Page 5 of the Summary provides a variance analysis that explains how much of the difference between actual costs and forecasted costs is due to weather (\$3,447,242) changes in demand (\$7,743,150) and changes in gas prices (\$3,619,807). Page 6 of the Summary shows the calculation of the actual Transportation Cost of Gas Revenue compared to the filing.

The attached Schedule 1 provides a monthly summary of the deferred gas cost account balances including beginning balances, actual gas cost allowable, gas cost collections, and interest applied. Schedule 1A provides the same information for bad debt associated with the cost of gas. Schedule 2 provides the details of gas cost by source. Schedule 3 provides the detailed calculation of winter gas cost revenue billed by rate class. Schedule 4 provides a monthly summary of the non-firm margin and capacity release credits to the winter cost of gas account. Schedule 5 provides the monthly summary of the deferred gas cost balances associated with gas working capital. It shows the monthly beginning account balances, working capital allowable, the working capital collections and the interest applied to derive the monthly ending balances. Schedule 6 shows the bad debt and working capital calculation that determines the amount of expense booked for those items. Schedule 7 provides the backup calculations for the revenue billed to recover working capital and bad debt by rate class. Schedule 8 provides a summary of the monthly commodity costs and related volumes. Schedule 9 provides a summary of the monthly prime interest rates used to calculate the interest on the deferred balances.

Please return one copy of this filing to me bearing the Commission's receipt stamp in the envelope that has been provided for your convenience.

Please do not hesitate to contact me with questions regarding this filing.

Sincerely,

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