

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**Inter-Department Communication**

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SUBJECT: DA 14-179, First Amended Affiliate Services Agreements of Liberty Utilities (Granite State Electric) Corp. and Liberty Utilities (EnergyNorth Natural Gas) Corp.

TO: Debra A. Howland, Executive Director

On June 30, 2014, Liberty Utilities filed the first Amended Affiliate Service Agreement with Liberty Utilities (Granite State Electric) Corp. and Liberty Utilities (EnergyNorth Natural Gas) Corp, both d/b/a Liberty Utilities. The Agreements were effective as of June 27, 2014. The agreements are between Algonquin Power & Utilities Corp. ("APUC"), a Canadian Corporation; Liberty Utilities (Canada) Corp. ("Liberty Utilities CA"), a Canadian Corporation; Liberty Utilities Co., a Delaware Company; and Liberty Energy Utilities (New Hampshire) Corp. ("Liberty NH") (the "Provider Companies"), which are companies engaged, in part, in the rendering of services to companies in the APUC holding company system, and between each of the aforementioned companies Granite State Electric and EnergyNorth Natural Gas (the "Receiving Companies").

The new agreements were filed pursuant to RSA 366:3, which require utilities to file copies of agreements between a public utility and an affiliate where the value of the transaction exceeds \$500.

Staff has reviewed the new Service Agreement with Granite State Electric and is in the process of reviewing the Service Agreement with EnergyNorth in the context of Docket No. DG 14-180. At this point, Staff does not recommend that the Commission take any further action pursuant to RSA 366. Because any issues that may arise related to the Service Agreements can and will be addressed in other proceedings, Staff recommends that this docket be closed without opening a formal investigation.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

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