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March 13, 2017

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

Re: Docket No. DE 16-383; Liberty Utilities (Granite State Electric) Corp. d/b/a Liberty Utilities; Distribution Service Rate Case; Request for Waiver of Puc 203.20.e

Dear Ms. Howland:

Staff and the parties continue to work towards a comprehensive settlement of all issues in this case. We have requested that the Commission review the settlement at a hearing on March 21, 2017. Pursuant to Puc Rule 203.20.e this settlement would need to be filed on or before March 14, 2017.

Staff, with the assent of Liberty Utilities, respectfully requests a waiver of this rule and leave to file the Settlement on March 15, 2017. Because it is anticipated that all parties will sign the settlement and the settlement will resolve all issues in the case, Staff submits that granting this waiver will promote the orderly and efficient conduct of this proceeding and will not impair the rights of any party.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

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