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

> Re: Docket No. DG 17-048; Liberty Utilities (EnergyNorth Natural Gas) Corp. d/b/a Liberty Utilities; Report of Technical Session

Dear Ms. Howland:

On April 28, 2017, Liberty Utilities (EnergyNorth Natural Gas) Corp. d/b/a Liberty Utilities filed a petition to implement new permanent rates, to set temporary rates, and to amend various tariffs, all for effect July 1, 2017. The Commission issued Order No. 26,015 (May 8, 2017) which suspended the proposed tariffs and scheduled a pre-hearing conference for May 26, 2017 and a hearing on temporary rates for June 12, 2017.

The Office of Consumer Advocate (OCA) filed a letter on April 3, 2017 indicating its participation in the docket.

Following the May 26th prehearing conference, the parties met in a technical session to establish a proposed procedural schedule for this proceeding.

The Parties agree to the following schedule:

Rolling Data Requests to Company Begins Staff & Intervenor Testimony on Temporary Rates Hearing on Temporary Rates Company Supplement for Training Center Lease Final Set of First Round of Discovery Requests Final Responses to First Round of Discovery **Technical Sessions** Second Round of Rolling Discovery to Company Final Set of Second Round of Discovery Requests

May 16, 2017 June 6, 2017 June 12, 2017 - 10 a.m. June 30, 2017 July 27, 2017 August 10, 2017 August 23 & 24, 2017 August 31, 2017 October 4, 2017

Final Responses to Second Round of Discovery
Technical Sessions
Staff & Intervenor Testimony
Company Data Requests to Staff & Intervenors
Staff & Intervenor Responses
Settlement Conferences
Company Rebuttal Testimony
Settlement Conference s
Target Date for Filing a Settlement
Hearings

October 18, 2017
November 1 & 2, 2017
November 30, 2017
December 7, 2017
December 21, 2017
January 10 & 11, 2018
January 25, 2018
February 6 & 7, 2018
February 15, 2018
February 27 & 28 and March 6 & 7, 2018

The parties agree that discovery responses will be due 10 business days from the issuance of requests. On behalf of the parties, Staff respectfully requests that the Commission approve this proposed procedural schedule.

Sincerely,

Paul B. Duft

Paul B. Dexter Staff Attorney

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