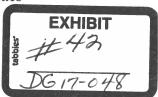
Liberty Utilities (EnergyNorth Natural Gas) Corp. d/b/a Liberty Utilities

## DG 17-048 Distribution Service Rate Case

Staff Data Requests - Set 8



Date Request Received: 10/4/17

Request No. Staff 8-23

Date of Response: 10/18/17 Respondent: Lori Oliveira

## **REQUEST:**

Salaries and Wages: Reference Staff 1.1, attachment 1-1.1 Tab RR-EN-3-2 and Audit Report dated August 22, 2017, page 117. Audit found that EnergyNorth included severance pay of \$144,130. Please provide:

- a) Amount included in test year
- b) When was the severance paid?
- c) What were the circumstances that resulted in severance pay being paid?
- d) What were the positions and the amount for each person that received severance pay?

## **RESPONSE:**

- a) \$144,129.54
- b) Severance payments were made throughout 2016 for employee resignations and layoffs.
- c) Please refer to Confidential Attachment Staff 8-23.
- d) Please refer to Confidential Attachment Staff 8-23.

In Confidential Attachment Staff 8-23 the Company has marked as confidential (or redacted) only the amount of severance paid in 2016 to a list of employees, by title only, who resigned or were laid off in 2016. Since one could easily determine the identity of the employees who resigned or were laid off by reviewing the job titles disclosed in Confidential Attachment Staff 8-23, the amount paid to those job titles constitutes confidential personnel information protected by RSA 91-A:5, IV. Therefore, pursuant to that statute and Puc 203.08(d), the Company has a good faith basis to seek confidential treatment of this information, and will submit a motion seeking confidential treatment prior to the final hearing in this docket.

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Position	Reason	8840-2-9820-69-5010-9200
Accountant, Energy North	Resignation	
Manager, Gas	Resignation	
Payroll Specialist	Layoff	
Manager, Contact Center and Load Data Services	Resignation	
Manager, EHSS	Resignation	
Revenue Accountant	Layoff	
Coordinator, Accounts Payable	Layoff	
Vice President, Finance	Layoff	
Manager, Compliance, Quality, and Emergency Management	Layoff	

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