

**THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**

**BEFORE THE**

**PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**

**DOCKET NO. DG 17-\_\_\_**

**PETITION OF NORTHERN UTILITIES, INC. TO MODIFY PART VII, DELIVERY  
TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF ITS TARIFF**

Northern Utilities, Inc. (“Northern”) respectfully petitions the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission (“Commission”) to change the capacity assignment provisions, and certain related provisions, of the Delivery Service Terms and Conditions, Part VII of the Company’s Tariff. In support of this Petition, Northern states as follows:

1. Northern is a public utility providing natural gas service to customers in twenty (20) municipalities in the southeastern and seacoast regions of New Hampshire.

2. The Delivery Service Terms and Conditions, Part VII of the Company’s Tariff, set forth the terms under which customers may purchase their gas supply from retail suppliers. Included with these terms are those governing the process of capacity assignment, or the which is the allocation of capacity held by the Company to third-party Suppliers servicing the Company’s customers. The Company assigns capacity either by releasing it directly to Suppliers, who then enter into replacement contracts directly with pipeline or storage operators, or in the form of Company-Managed supply.

3. This Company generally seeks to modify the capacity assignment provisions in its Terms and Conditions relating to: (a) the amount of capacity assigned by the Company to each Delivery Service customer; (b) the customers that are exempt from assignment; (c) the resources that are subject to assignment and the form that such assignment takes; and (d) Delivery Service

customer eligibility to receive Sales Service and associated stay period and migration fee requirements.

4. In support of this Petition, the Company submits the prefiled testimony of Robert S. Furino, with Appendices A – C.

WHEREFORE, Northern respectfully requests that the Commission:

- A. Approve the Company's proposed changes to of the Delivery Service Terms and Conditions, Part VII of the Company's Tariff; and
- B. Grant such further relief as the Commission deems just and necessary.

Dated at Hampton, NH on this 20<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2017.

Respectfully submitted,

Northern Utilities, Inc.

By Its Attorney,



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