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March 23, 2018

### Via ERF and US Mail

Debra A. Howland Executive Director New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission 21 S. Fruit Street, Suite 10 Concord, NH 03301-2429

RE:

DG 17-141 Liberty Utilities (EnergyNorth Natural Gas) Corp. d/b/a Liberty Utilities

**Keene Division** 

2017/2018 Winter Period Cost of Gas - April 2018 Monthly COG Adjustment

Dear Ms. Howland:

On behalf of Liberty Utilities (EnergyNorth Natural Gas) Corp. - Keene Division (the "Company") and in accordance with New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission (the "Commission") Order No. 26,067 (October 31, 2017) in Docket DG 17-141, I enclose for filing the Company's current (March) calculation of its projected over or under collection of gas costs for the 2017/2018 Winter season ending April 30, 2018.

The calculation reflects the NYMEX closing prices as of March 09, 2018. The resulting projected over collection of approximately \$17,040 is approximately 1.2% of the total revised anticipated gas costs for the 2017/2018 winter season. Please note that the Company is estimating an additional \$294,294 in production costs and CNG demand charges that will be included in the Winter 2017/2018 COG reconciliation filing, but not in this rate filing.

Liberty elects to implement the decrease of \$0.0445 per therm for the April 1st billing cycle.

The current and revised cost of gas rates are summarized in the following table.

Cost of Gas Rate					
<b>Current Rate</b>	<b>Revised Rate</b>	Change			
\$1.5666	\$1.5221	(\$0.0445)			

Please note this report has been filed via the Commission's Electronic Report Filing system.

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Thank you for your attention to this matter. Please do not hesitate to call if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Catherine A. McNamara

**Enclosures** 

# LIBERTY UTILITIES (ENERGYNORTH NATURAL GAS) CORP D/B/A LIBERTY UTILITIES - KEENE DIVISION

### (OVER)/UNDER COLLECTION - NOVEMBER 2017 THROUGH APRIL 2018

	COSTS	PRIOR	ACTUAL NOV-17	ACTUAL DEC-17	ACTUAL JAN-18	ACTUAL FEB-18	FORECAST MAR-18	FORECAST APR-18	TOTAL
1	FIRM SENDOUT (therms)		147,747	248,770	269,861	187,464	202,528	116,956	1,173,326
2	COMPANY USE (therms)		4,509	7,302	6,980	5,172	6,043	3,352	33,358
3	TOTAL SENDOUT (therms)		152,256	256,072	276,841	192,636	208,571	120,308	1,206,684
4	COST PER THERM (WACOG)		\$1.0888	\$1.1522	\$1.3101	\$1.2876	\$1.2325	\$1.2010	\$1.2208
5	UNBILLED PROPANE COSTS (NET)		(\$167,064)	(\$105,456)	\$53,238	\$37,526	\$90,878	\$90,878	(\$0)
6	PRODUCTION COSTS & CNG DEMAND CHARGES		\$65,177	\$56,095	\$38,404	\$36,674	\$41,167	\$56,777	\$294,294
7	REMOVE CURRENTLY UNAPPROVED COSTS **		(\$65,177)	(\$56,095)	(\$38,404)	(\$36,674)	(\$41,167)	(\$56,777)	(\$294,294)
8	ACCOUNTING ADJUSTMENT		(\$168,179)	\$56,317	(\$56,317)	\$0	\$0	\$0	(\$168,179)
9	TOTAL GAS COSTS		(\$169,461)	\$245,903	\$359,623	\$285,559	\$347,945	\$235,366	\$1,304,935
	REVENUES								
10 11	()		14,368 52,707	32,378 125,637	55,196 220,356	44,619 176,789	47,686 143,057	48,027 144,081	242,274 862,627
12	TOTAL SALES		67,075	158,015	275,552	221,408	190,742	192,108	1,104,900
13	FPO RATE PER THERM		\$1.2408	\$1.2408	\$1.2408	\$1.2408	\$1.2408	\$1,2408	\$1.2408
14	NON-FPO RATE PER THERM		\$1.2533	\$1.2533	\$1.3008	\$1.5666	\$1.5666	\$1.5666	\$1.4339
15 16	FPO REVENUES NON-FPO REVENUES		\$17,828 \$66,058	\$40,175 \$157,461	\$68,487 \$286,608	\$55,363 \$276,958	\$59,168 \$224,112	\$59,592	\$300,613
17	TOTAL REVENUES	- T	\$83,886	\$197,635	\$355,095	\$332,321	\$283,280	\$285,309	\$1,236,914 \$1,537,527
18	(OVER)/UNDER COLLECTION		(\$253,347)	\$48,268	\$4,528	(\$46,762)	\$64,664	(\$49,943)	(\$232,592)
19	INTEREST AMOUNT		\$398	\$92	\$198	\$247	\$0	\$27	\$962
20	TOTAL (OVER)/UNDER COLLECTION	\$214,590	(\$252,949)	\$48,360	\$4,726	(\$46,515)	\$64,664	(\$49,916)	(\$17,040)
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# LIBERTY UTILITIES (ENERGYNORTH NATURAL GAS) CORP D/B/A LIBERTY UTILITIES - KEENE DIVISION ELECTS TO IMPLEMENT A \$0.0445 DECREASE TO THE NON-FPO COST OF GAS RATE.

29	Mont Belvieu Futures Prices (per gallon)	NOV-17	DEC-17	JAN-18	FEB-18	MAR-18	APR-18
30	Winter COG Filing - 11/16/17 quotations	\$0.9804	\$0.9931	\$0.9881	\$0.9719	\$0.8875	\$0.8125
	Winter COG Filing - 12/18/17 quotations		\$0.9931	\$0.9225	\$0.9188	\$0.8575	\$0.7981
	Winter COG Filing - 1/18/18 quotations			\$0.9349	\$0.9300	\$0.8825	\$0.8300
	Winter COG Filing - 2/16/18 quotations				\$0.8177	\$0.7575	\$0.7125
34	Winter COG Filing - 3/09/18 quotations					\$0.7589	\$0.7288

<sup>\*\*</sup> The Company is incurring both production costs and CNG demand charges which will be included in the Winter 2017/2018 COG reconciliation once the CNG facility is approved by the Commission's Safety Division, in compliance with Order No. 26,065 in Docket No. DG 17-068

## LIBERTY UTILITIES (ENERGYNORTH NATURAL GAS) CORP D/B/A LIBERTY UTILITIES - KEENE DIVISION

#### Calculation of the Cost of Gas Rate

Period Covered:

Winter Period November 1, 2017 through April 30, 2018

Projected Gas Sales - therms

1,102,601

Total Anticipated Cost of Propane Sendout

\$1,410,222

Add:

Deduct:

Prior Period Deficiency Uncollected

\$0 \$0

Interest

Prior Period Excess Collected

(\$29,372)

Interest

\$1,053

Prior Period Adjustments and Interest

(\$28,319)

**Total Anticipated Cost** 

\$1,381,903

1.2331%

Cost of Gas Rate

Non-Fixed Price Option Cost of Gas Rate (per therm)

\$1.2533

Fixed Price Option Premium

(\$0.0125)

Fixed Price Option Cost of Gas Rate (per therm)

\$1.2408

Non-Fixed Price Option Cost of Gas Rate - Beginning Period (per therm)

\$1.2533

Mid Period Adjustment - January 1, 2018 Mid Period Adjustment - February 1, 2018 \$0.0475 \$0.2658

Mid Period Adjustment - April 1, 2018

(\$0.0445)

Revised Non-Fixed Price Option Cost of Gas Rate - Effective April 1, 2018 (per therm)

\$1.5221

Pursuant to tariff section 17(d), the Company may adjust the approved cost of gas rate upward on a monthly basis to the following rate:

Maximum Cost of Gas Rate - Non-Fixed Price Option (per therm)

\$1.5666

Issued: Effective: April 1, 2018

March 16, 2018

Issued By: /s/ Susan L. Fleck

Susan L. Fleck

President

In Compliance with DG 17-141, Order No. 26,067