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October 17, 2018

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Re: DE 18-153, Liberty Utilities (Granite State Electric) Corp. d/b/a/ Liberty Utilities  
Petition for License to Rebuild and Maintain Electric Lines Over and Across Interstate 93  
in Salem - Closing Docket

Dear Attorney Sheehan:

On October 9, 2018, Liberty Utilities (Granite State Electric) Corp. d/b/a/ Liberty Utilities (Liberty) filed a petition pursuant to RSA 371:17 requesting a license to rebuild and maintain electric lines over and across Interstate 93 in Salem. According to the petition, the proposed overhead crossing in Salem is near Brookdale Road on land owned by the State, and maintained by the New Hampshire Department of Transportation (NHDOT).

On October 15, 2018, Commission Staff filed a memorandum in which the Safety Division recommended that a license not be granted as it is not necessary. The Safety Division confirmed that the proposed crossing is within the right-of-way maintained by the NHDOT, and stated that electric lines crossing over a state highway fall within the jurisdiction of the NHDOT.

The Commission has completed its review of the proposed overhead crossing and has determined that utility crossing of that property comes within the jurisdiction of the NHDOT under RSA 231:161.

Accordingly, the Commission is without jurisdiction to grant the petition with respect to the proposed crossing. This docket will therefore be closed.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Debra A. Howland".

Debra A. Howland  
Executive Director

cc: Docket File  
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