

Liberty Utilities (Granite State Electric) Corp. d/b/a Liberty Utilities

DE 19-064
Distribution Service Rate Case
2019 Step Adjustment

Staff Data Requests - Set 2

Date Request Received: 6/5/20
Request No. Staff 2-5

Date of Response: 6/15/20
Respondent: Heather M. Tebbetts
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REQUEST:

Given the impacts of the current economic recession due to COVID-19 pandemic, is the previously forecasted load growth contained in the Salem Area Study of 14MW – 17MW reliable, in Liberty’s view? Please explain why or why not. Please provide Liberty’s most recent updated forecast of load growth in the Salem Area.

RESPONSE:

The Salem area load growth is actually higher than the 14-17 MW that was originally anticipated. Please see the response to Staff 2-3.