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Debra A. Howland
Executive Director and Secretary
New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission
21 S. Fruit St., Suite 10
Concord, New Hampshire 03301

Re: **Northern Utilities, Inc. -- DG 20 , 2020 / 2021 Annual Cost of Gas and Associated Charges Filing**

Dear Director Howland,

Enclosed please find one redacted copy and one confidential copy of Northern Utilities, Inc. ("Northern" or the "Company") proposed 2020 / 2021 Annual Cost of Gas ("COG") Adjustment filing and other proposed rate and tariff changes.

Northern respectfully requests approval for the following Tariff Sheets:

Third Revised Page 40 (COG);
Third Revised Page 41 (COG);
Seventh Revised Page 42 (COG);
Eighth Revised Page 43 (COG);
Fourth Revised Page 62 (LDAC);
Ninth Revised Page No. 85 (Rate Summaries);
Tenth Revised Page No. 86 (Rate Summaries);
Eighth Revised Page No. 87 (Rate Summaries);
Ninth Revised Page No. 88 (Rate Summaries);
Third Revised Page 141 (Appendix A);
Third Revised Page 153 (Appendix C); and
Third Revised Page 158 (Appendix D).

The above listed Tariff Sheets are issued September 17, 2020 by Robert B. Hevert, Senior Vice President to be effective November 1, 2020 and May 1, 2021.

Third Revised Page 40 (COG) is a statement of the Company's anticipated direct and indirect costs of gas for the 2020 / 2021 Winter Period.

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Third Revised Page 41 (COG) is a statement of the Company's anticipated direct and indirect costs of gas for the 2021 Summer Period.

Seventh Revised Page 42 (COG) contains the calculations of the proposed 2020 / 2021 Winter Period COG Adjustment Rates for Residential and General Service (C&I) Sales Customers.

Eighth Revised Page 43 (COG) contains the calculations of the proposed 2021 Summer Period COG Adjustment Rates for Residential and General Service (C&I) Sales Customers.

Fourth Revised Page 62 (LDAC) contains proposed rates for the Company's RLIARA, EEC, LRR, and ERC, all of which are components of the Company's Local Distribution Adjustment Charge (LDAC) Rate. Support for the ERC was filed under separate cover on September 17, 2020. The proposed LDAC Rate presented on Fourth Revised Page 62 is \$0.1099 for Residential customers and \$0.0472 for C&I customers.

Eighth Revised Page 85 and Ninth Revised Page 87 (Rate Summaries) have been updated to reflect the proposed 2020 / 2021 Winter Period COG and LDAC Rates.

Tenth Revised Page 86 and Ninth Revised Page 88, (Rate Summaries) have been updated to reflect the proposed 2021 Summer Period COG and LDAC Rates.

Third Revised Page 141 (Appendix A), Schedule of Administrative Fees and Charges, has been updated to reflect the Company's latest proposed Supplier Balancing Charge, Company Allowance Calculation and Peaking Service Demand Charge.

Third Revised Page 156 (Appendix C) lists the proposed Capacity Assignment Allocators.

Third Revised Page 158 (Appendix D) includes the proposed Re-entry Rate and Conversion Rate for November 2020 through April 2021, and for May 2021 through October 2021.

The proposed 2020/ 2021 Winter Season COG rate for Residential customers is \$0.7315 per therm and the proposed 2021 Summer Season COG rate for Residential customers is \$0.4412 per therm. The proposed LDAC Rate for Residential customers is \$0.1099 per therm.



The typical bill for a Residential heating customer for the 2020 / 2021 Winter Season is projected to be \$1,053.04. This is higher than the 2019 / 2020 Winter Season bill by \$123.60 or 13.3%.¹ The typical bill for a Residential heating customer for the 2021 Summer Season is projected to be \$286.83. This is higher than the 2020 Summer Season bill by \$32.47 or 12.77%.

Please note the following pages of this filing contain the following CONFIDENTIAL data: delivered city-gate costs and delivered cost per dekatherm (Schedule 24-FXW, pages 1 and 2 of 2); peaking demand cost estimates (Schedule 20-FXW, page 5 of 6); asset management agreement revenue (Schedule 20-FXW, page 6 of 6); natural gas commodity price forecast (Schedule 23-FXW, page 1 of 26); the projected value of asset management agreements (Schedule 21-FXW, page 5 of 7); LNG inventory costs (Schedule 10-CAK); total commodity cost and per unit commodity cost by supply source (Schedule 23-FXW, pages 1 and 3 of 3); reconciliation costs and volumes (Schedule 13-CAK Form III, Schedule 4, pages 3 and 4 of 4); and detailed basis price information (Schedule 25-FXW, pages 1 through 8 and 11 through 15 of 15, Schedule 29-FXW, page 1) and confidential supplier information (Schedule 39-FXW, Page 1). The Company submits that this material falls within the provisions of Puc 201.06(a)(26), and it is relying upon the procedures outlined in Puc 201.06 and 201.07 to protect confidentiality.

In accordance with the Commission's temporary moratorium on paper filings, the Company is submitting these tariff pages only in electronic format.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Patrick H. Taylor", written over a horizontal line.

Patrick H. Taylor
Attorney for Northern Utilities, Inc.

¹ This bill impact includes changes to the Company's COG, LDAC and Distribution Base Rates.