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Via Electronic Mail Only

Daniel C. Goldner, Chairman
New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission
21 South Fruit Street, Suite 10
Concord, NH 03301-2429

**Re: Docket No. DE 21-004; Liberty Utilities (Granite State Electric) Corp.
Least Cost Integrated Resource Plan
Partially Assented-to Request to Modify Procedural Schedule**

Dear Chairman Goldner:

On behalf of Liberty Utilities (Granite State Electric) Corp., d/b/a Liberty, I write to request further changes to the procedural schedule in this docket.

The parties conducted a technical session on October 24 to generally review DOE's October testimony and subsequent responses to discovery. The result of that discussion is that that parties believe it would be preferable for Liberty to file a supplement to its LCIRP, rather than rebuttal testimony, because Liberty may be able to satisfy many of DOE's recommendations through such a supplemental filing. See Direct Joint Testimony of Jay E. Dudley, Ronald D. Willoughby, and Joseph J. DeVirgilio, at Bates 46-47. Rebuttal testimony provides Liberty the opportunity to rebut, or contest, assertions in the DOE testimony. It appears from the October 24 technical session that there is not too much in dispute and a supplement to the LCIRP may bring the parties to agreement that the plan satisfies the statutory requirements.

Therefore, Liberty respectfully suggests the following changes to the procedural schedule:

| | <u>Existing Schedule</u> | <u>Proposed Schedule</u> |
|---------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Tech Session/Settlement Conf. | October 24 | October 24 |
| Liberty Rebuttal Testimony | Oct. 31 | |
| Liberty Supplement to LCIRP | | December 12 |
| Discovery on LCIRP Supplement | | December 20 |
| Responses | | January 6, 2023 |
| Settlement Conference | Nov. 8 | January 20 |
| Settlement/Recommendation | Nov. 22 | February 3 |
| Hearing Dates, two full days | Dec. 7 and 8 | after February 13 |

The New Hampshire Department of Energy assents to this request. The Office of the Consumer Advocate did not indicate its position. There are no other parties in this docket.

Thank you.

Sincerely,



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