STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

DG 21-127

LIBERTY UTILITIES (ENERGYNORTH NATURAL GAS) CORP. d/b/a LIBERTY

Petition to Approve Special Contract with Granite Ridge Energy, LLC

Procedural Order Re: Record Request

In order to develop a more complete record for the Commission to consider in this docket, Liberty Utilities (EnergyNorth Natural Gas) Corp. d/b/a Liberty (Liberty or the Company) is directed to provide to the Commission and the parties, within ten days of the date of this request, responses to the following requests for records or specific answers:

- 1) Pursuant to the Settlement Agreement approved by Order No. 23,657 (March 22, 2001), the Company is required to apply 1.75 percent of any revenues collected under the Transportation Agreement to the Company's deferred account for environmental remediation of manufactured gas during any year in which there remains an unrecovered balance in such account.
 - a. For each of the last five years, provide a record of the year-end balance of any deferred account(s) relating to environmental remediation of manufactured gas.
 - b. For each of the last five years, provide a record of any revenues collected under the Transportation Agreement that were applied to a deferred account relating to environmental remediation of manufactured gas.
 - c. Does the Company take a position on an ongoing requirement to apply 1.75 percent of any revenues collected under the Transportation Agreement to an account for environmental remediation of manufactured gas?
- 2) The Direct Testimony of William Killeen, June 25, 2021, at Bates 7 and 9, Mr. Killeen asserts that the existing contract does not allow Liberty to tap into the Londonderry Lateral, and that AES was to be the sole customer. Order No. 23,657 is premised on "sufficient evidence that, while AES will be the only customer initially served by this line, other customers may also be served in the future." Order No. 23,657 at 22 (March 22, 2001). The underlying original transportation agreement approved by Order No. 23,657 also contains the following provision:

"It is agreed by the Parties that the price payable hereunder is intended to compensate EnergyNorth for construction of the Pipeline facilities and that such Pipeline will be used solely to serve the Facility. If, at any time during the term of this Agreement, EnergyNorth wishes to use the Pipeline to provide service to another customer, EnergyNorth shall first obtain the agreement of AES, which agreement shall not be unreasonably withheld, provided that such service does not cause any adverse effect on AES." Transportation Agreement appended to Petition in Docket No. DG 00-145 at 14.

- a. Is there any additional information the Commission should be aware of to substantiate Mr. Killeen's assertion that Liberty is unable to tap into the Londonderry Lateral under the terms of the existing special contract?
- b. At any time in the past 7 years, has the Company sought Granite Ridge's agreement to connect new facilities to the Londonderry Lateral in order to improve service generally or to directly serve new specific customers?
- c. With reference to question 2b above, if answered in the affirmative, did Granite Ridge withhold its agreement?
- d. Describe the amount of capacity the Company expects to be able to utilize on the Londonderry Lateral if the proposed Special Contract is approved.
- 3) Provide a record showing the total amount of undepreciated capital costs the Company currently carries on its books related to the construction and maintenance of the Londonderry Lateral Pipeline.
- 4) Will there be any increase in cost or expense to the Company attributable to it becoming the "meter operator" at the existing TGP meter station in Londonderry?

So ordered, this ninth day of November, 2021.

Dianne Martin 'Presiding Officer Chairwoman

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