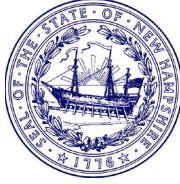


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Daniel C. Goldner, Chairman
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Re: DE 22-004 Eversource Energy Implementation of the Clean Energy Fund – DOE
Position on Audit Issues

Dear Chairman Goldner:

On June 28, 2023, the Public Utilities Commission (Commission) issued a procedural order in the above captioned docket requiring the Department of Energy (Department) to provide the Commission with an update on the status of the audit and associated report originally contemplated in Order Nos. 26,636 and 26,720 by July 14, 2023. On July 13, 2023, the Department submitted its final audit report. On August 25, 2023, the Commission issued a procedural order requesting that the Department file a position statement as to whether there are any outstanding audit issues in this docket by September 15, 2023.

The Department submits this letter to inform the Commission that the Audit Division has completed its audit and has no outstanding audit issues related to the Clean Energy Fund. The Department would like to note that it did meet with representatives of Public Service Company of New Hampshire d/b/a Eversource Energy (Company) informally to discuss concerns related to how the Company tracks and accounts for certain items (e.g., costs and savings) related to the Clean Energy Fund and other energy efficiency programs. Pursuant to Commission Order No. 26,577, the Department will review the Clean Energy Fund programs next year to ensure that these costs are accurately tracked and do not include any costs associated with the NHSaves programs. In addition, in the NHSaves Energy Efficiency Plan dockets, the Department will also review the costs, savings, and resulting performance incentives to ensure that no Clean Energy Fund program activities are included. The Department thanks the Company for their time and will continue to review the Company's accounting methods in each annual audit.

Pursuant to current Commission policy, this filing is being made electronically only.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Matthew C. Young".

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