

Liberty Utilities (EnergyNorth Natural Gas) Corp. d/b/a Liberty–Keene Division

DG 22-015

Summer 2022 Cost of Gas

Department of Energy Data Requests - Set 1

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Respondent: Catherine McNamara

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**REQUEST:**

**Ref: DG 21-130, October 25, 2021 Transcript at 60-62 [Tab 37]**

During the October 25, 2021 hearing in Docket No. DG 21-130, the Winter 2021-22 and Summer 2022 COG for EnergyNorth, Liberty acknowledged that its filing contained some testimony about an emergency stabilization licensing agreement that has to do with a gas holder building in Concord. At that time, Mary Casey of Liberty confirmed that the agreement had been finalized, that the subject was “for informational purposes” and that Liberty was not asking the Commission to take any action with respect to the restoration of the gas holder building or approval or review of funds spent to that end.

- a) Please explain whether any element or aspect of the Liberty Keene Summer 2022 COG includes costs or expenses or review of Liberty’s restoration of the gas holder building in Concord.
- b) Please identify any funds Liberty has spent, to date, on that project.
- c) Please state whether Liberty’s stabilization and/or restoration of the gas holder building has been or will included in the LDAC for Liberty Keene’s Summer 2022 period. If so, please identify the amount included in any LDAC.

**RESPONSE:**

- a) The Liberty Keene Summer 2022 COG does not include any costs or expenses related to the restoration of the gasholder building in Concord, nor does the filing ask the Commission to review that matter. These costs will be presented in EnergyNorth’s Winter 2022/2023 COG filing, which will include proposed changes to the LDAC, where the gasholder costs have been recovered.
- b) The Company has not begun preparing the LDAC filing, therefore has not analyzed the expenditures to date on this or any other environmental project at this time. This will be addressed in the LDAC filing to be made in early August 2022.

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- c) The LDAC rate included in this Liberty Keene Summer 2022 COG filing does not include any costs or expenses or review of Liberty's restoration of the gasholder building in Concord. The LDAC rates included in the Keene Summer 2022 COG filing are those approved in Order 26,541 (Oct. 29, 2021) in Docket No. DG 21-130 (EnergyNorth COG and LDAC filing), Order Nos. 26,553 (Nov. 12, 2021), 26,560 (Jan. 7, 2022) and 26,579 (Feb. 10, 2022) in Docket No. DE 20-092 (adjusting the energy efficiency component of the LDAC), and Order No. 26,554 (Dec. 9, 2021) in Docket No. DG 21-128 (approving the rate for the property tax adjustment mechanism, or PTAM).