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

Re: DE 22-027, Petition of New Hampshire Transmission, LLC for Authority to Construct, Own, Operate, and Finance Additional Transmission Equipment – Request to Treat Information Contained in the Department’s Technical Statement as Confidential

Dear Chairman Goldner:

On August 12, 2022, the Department of Energy (DOE) filed confidential and redacted versions of their technical statement in the above referenced docket. A portion of the confidential information contained in this filing was provided to DOE by New Hampshire Transmission, LLC as discovery in response to a Department Data Request and a portion of the request was obtained directly from the ISO-NE New Hampshire 2029 Solutions Study on file with DOE.

The DOE intends to submit a motion for confidential treatment of this information at or before the commencement of the hearing in this docket. The Department has a good faith basis for seeking confidential treatment of these documents because the information contains Critical Energy Infrastructure Information, which is exempt from mandatory disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act pursuant to 16 U.S.C.A. § 824o-1(d)(1)(A). Therefore, consistent with Admin. Rule Puc 203.08(d) and (e), the Department requests that the Commission treat this information as confidential.

Consistent with current Commission policy, this letter is being filed only in electronic form. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

/s/ *Matthew Young*

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