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Via Electronic Mail Only

Daniel Goldner, Chair
New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission
21 South Fruit Street, Suite 10
Concord, New Hampshire 03301-2429

**Re: Docket No. DE 22-035; Liberty Utilities (Granite State Electric) Corp. d/b/a Liberty
Request for Step Increase**

Dear Chair Goldner:

On behalf of Liberty Utilities (Granite State Electric) Corp., d/b/a Liberty, and in compliance with the November 19, 2022, Procedural Order issued in this docket, attached please find the *Technical Statement of Heather M. Tebbetts*, with attachments. This filing provides the requested calculations of the step adjustment approved in this docket, which calculations address the agreed audit issues (to which Liberty does not object), removes the revenue requirement related to the two Salem area projects (to which Liberty does object), and calculates rates necessary to retroactively adjust the step increase with these changes. The Commission has scheduled a February 3, 2023, hearing to resolve the remaining issues in this docket.

The Company also seeks a waiver of Puc 1603.05(a)(1), which states: "A utility that proposes to revise an existing tariff shall submit ... [t]he entire page on which any revision occurs." The Company notes that tariff pages filed now to reflect the requested rate changes will be out of date well before the time of hearing, order, and effective date because of another docket that will also adjust rates before then, the RDAF filing in Docket No. DE 22-052. The Company will prepare and file a proposed tariff in advance of the hearing in this docket.

The Commission "shall waive the provisions of any of its rules ... if the commission finds that: (1) The waiver serves the public interest; and (2) the waiver will not disrupt the orderly and efficient resolution of matters before the commission." Puc 201.05(a). When considering whether a waiver request serves the public interest, "the commission shall waive a rule if ... [t]he purpose of the rule would be satisfied by an alternative method proposed." Puc 201.05(b).

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In ruling on a similar waiver request at the outset of this docket, the Commission approved an alternative method to comply with the rule, that Liberty file illustrative tariff pages showing the changes proposed in this docket as the alternative method of complying with Puc 1603.05(a)(1). Liberty thus requests leave to file illustrative tariff pages and rate schedules reflecting the proposed effective date prior to hearing.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "M. Sheehan", written in a cursive style.

Michael J. Sheehan

Attachment

Cc: Service List