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## Via electronic mail only

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

**RE:** Docket No. DE 22-060 - Consideration of Changes to the Current Net Metering Tariff Structure, Including Compensation of Customer-Generators

Joint Party status update and procedural schedule modification request

## Chair Goldner:

On February 10, 2023, the parties to this docket: Public Service Company of New Hampshire d/b/a Eversource Energy; Liberty Utilities (Granite State Electric) Corp. d/b/a Liberty; Unitil Energy Systems, Inc.; the New Hampshire Department of Energy; the Office of the Consumer Advocate; Conservation Law Foundation; Clean Energy New Hampshire; Granite State Hydropower Association; Standard Power of America; Consumer Energy Alliance; IBEW Local 490; Colonial Power Group, Inc.; Walmart Inc.; and the Community Power Coalition of New Hampshire (collectively the "Joint Parties") convened the first of the stakeholder sessions scheduled prior to the commencement of the formal procedural schedule for adjudication in this docket. While there was productive conversation at that first meeting, there is currently no real information with which to update the Commission, and so the Joint Parties request that the March 16 status conference currently scheduled be moved until after the stakeholder process has concluded.

At this time, the Joint Parties believe that a status conference would be premature, and therefore ask that the Commission move the status conference to sometime after the final stakeholder session on April 20 and before utility testimony and proposed tariff changes are due on August 11. If the Commission were to move the status conference from March 16 to a date after the stakeholder sessions have concluded, the Joint Parties would be able to avail themselves of a full stakeholder process prior to the status conference, thereby allowing for a more meaningful dialogue at the status conference between the Joint Parties and the Commission regarding progress made to date. If the status conference occurs on March 16, however, the Joint Parties will only be able to report that the first stakeholder session has been held.

Accordingly, the Joint Parties respectfully request that the Commission move the status conference to sometime between April 20 and August 11 and keep the March 16 session as a stakeholder session so that the Joint Parties and the Commission can best utilize the procedural process and maximize administrative efficiency in this docket.

Consistent with current Commission policy this filing is being made electronically only; paper copies will not follow. If you have any questions, please contact me. Thank you for your assistance with this matter.

Regards,

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o/b/o the Joint Parties

cc: DE 22-060 service list