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Via electronic mail only

Daniel Goldner, Chairman 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 request to postpone hearings for additional time for settlement negotiations; request for additional hearing time

Chairman Goldner:

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; IBEW Local 490; Colonial Power Group, Inc.; Walmart Inc.; and the Community Power Coalition of New Hampshire (collectively the "Parties") have commenced settlement negotiations in earnest, and the Parties are pleased to report that progress is being made toward settlement. However, the current procedural schedule would require a settlement to be filed by March 5 for the hearing scheduled for March 12. The Parties agree that while significant progress has been made, both dates are premature given the current status of settlement discussions.

Additionally, the Parties believe that the complexity and quantity of issues within the scope of the docket will require more than one three-hour hearing to fully address, and would instead request that three days be reserved for hearings in this docket. Taking into account the current positions of the Parties and the ground left to cover before settlement can potentially be reached, the Parties recommend the following dates to conclude the docket:

Settlement discussions: ongoing

File settlement agreement: March 27, 2024

Hearings: April 3, 4 and 11 (if needed)

¹ Consumer Energy Alliance was contacted multiple times, but no response was received. All other parties to this docket have assented to the proposed schedule in this letter.

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Regards,

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o/b/o the Parties

cc: DE 22-060 service list