

October 31, 2022

## BY E-MAIL<sup>1</sup>

Daniel Goldner, Chairman New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission 21 S. Fruit Street, Suite 10 Concord, NH 03301-2429

Re: <u>Unitil Energy Systems, Inc.</u>, DE 22-\_\_\_\_

Petition for Authorization to Construct Kingston Solar Project

## Chairman Goldner:

Unitil Energy Systems, Inc. ("UES" or the "Company") respectfully petitions the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission ("the Commission") to: (1) approve a two-stage framework for the Commission's review of UES's proposal to construct, own, and operate a 4.99 megawatt utility-scale photovoltaic generating facility located in Kingston, New Hampshire (the "Kingston Solar Project" or the "Project"); (2) find that the Company's filing meets the minimum requirements set forth in NH RSA 374-G:5, I; (3) find that the Kingston Solar Project is in the public interest pursuant to RSA 374-G:5, II and authorize construction of the Project; (4) authorize UES to seek recovery of Project costs in the Company's next base distribution rate case; and (5) approve recovery by the Company of its reasonable costs associated with this filing through the Company's Schedule EDC.

## UES's filing includes the following Exhibits:

- 1. Exhibit KES-1: Direct Testimony of Kevin E. Sprague. Mr. Sprague's testimony summarizes and supports the Company's Kingston Solar Project proposal.
- 2. Exhibits JSD-1 through JSD-7: Direct Testimony and Exhibits of Jacob S. Dusling. Mr. Dusling's testimony and exhibits explain, among other things, the development and technical aspects of the Kingston Solar Project.
- 3. Exhibits FDGP-1 through FDGP-3: Direct Testimony and Exhibit of Andre J. Francoeur, Todd R. Diggins, Christopher J. Goulding, and Jeffrey M. Pentz. The testimony of these witnesses presents the Company's analysis of the benefits and costs of proposed Kingston Solar Project and the associated rate implications
- 4. Exhibits GPP-1 through GPP-4: Direct Testimony and Exhibits of Carolyn C. Gilbert and Kevin R. Pierce of Daymark Energy Advisors. The testimony of Ms. Gilbert and Mr. Pierce discusses and quantifies the economic benefits, emissions reduction

This filing is made electronically in accordance with the Secretarial Letter dated March 17, 2020.

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benefits, and Demand Reduction Induced Price Effects benefits of the Kingston Solar Project.

Pursuant to RSA 374-G:5, UES requests that the Commission render a decision on the Company's filing within six months of the filing date.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions regarding this filing.

Sincerely,

Patrick H. Taylor

cc: New Hampshire Department of Energy Office of the Consumer Advocate