



December 1, 2022

BY ELECTRONIC MAIL

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

**Re: Unitil Energy Systems Inc. Request for Approval of Energy Efficiency Rates
Effective January 1, 2023**

Dear Chair Goldner:

Enclosed please find the proposed January 1, 2023 Energy Efficiency rates for Unitil Energy Systems Inc. (UES). This filing is being made in compliance with RSA 374-F:3, VI-a(d)(2) and includes proposed rate and tariff changes. This filing is made pursuant to Puc 1605.

UES requests approval of the following Tariff sheets:

Schedule SBC, Seventh Revised Page 68 and Third Revised Page 68B.

Included in this filing are schedules supporting the calculation of UES' energy efficiency portion of the SBC. UES has calculated the charges consistent with the directives of HB 549, which set electric rates at the 2020 level, with those rates adjusted annually beginning January 1, 2023 and calculated using the most recently available 3-year average of the consumer price index (CPI-W) as published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics plus a 0.25 percent adder as calculated by the department of energy (DOE). The DOE provided a CPI-W of 3.997%. The CPI-W plus 0.25% results in a total factor of 4.247% that was utilized in the calculations herein. UES' total proposed SBC is comprised of the proposed energy efficiency component of \$0.00550 per kWh, the low income energy assistance component of \$0.00150 per kWh and a proposed lost base revenue component of \$0.00000 per kWh. The currently effective lost base revenue component,

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\$0.00003 per kWh, of the SBC was approved in DE 20-092, Order No. 26,621, dated April 29, 2022 for the May 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022 period. The proposed lost base revenue component reflects the approval of revenue decoupling in accordance with DE 21-030. The Company is also providing a reconciliation of costs and revenues consisting of actual data through October 2022 and forecasted costs and revenues through December 31, 2022.

Please note that the Company is not providing summary of rates tariff pages at this time but will do so when an order is issued and all January 1, 2023 rate changes are known.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Patrick H. Taylor', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Patrick H. Taylor
Chief Regulatory Counsel

Enclosures