STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

DE 23-003

LIBERTY UTILITIES (GRANITE STATE ELECTRIC) CORP. d/b/a LIBERTY Proposed Purchase of Receivables Program

SUPPLEMENTAL ORDER OF NOTICE

On September 13, 2023, Liberty Utilities (Granite State Electric) Corp. d/b/a Liberty (Liberty), on behalf of the other parties to this docket,¹ filed a settlement agreement (Settlement Agreement) on the general terms of Liberty's proposed purchase of receivables (POR) program. One term of the Settlement Agreement included that the Commission notice a supplemental phase of this proceeding to consider changes to Liberty's delivery service tariff and Electric Supplier Services Master Agreement necessary to implement the proposed POR program. Under the Settlement Agreement, the proposed POR program will not go into effect until the Commission approves the necessary revisions to the supplier agreement and tariff.

The Commission denied the Settlement Agreement, but approved parts of the POR program described therein, and continued this proceeding to a second phase to further develop inputs in the calculation of discount percentage rate of the POR program, and to address necessary revisions to Liberty's delivery service tariff and Electric Supplier Services Master Agreement. Order No. xx,xxx (ADMIN INSERT DATE). This order is to provide supplemental notice of the additional issue presented in this proceeding: the consideration of revisions to Liberty's delivery service tariff and

¹ These parties include: the New Hampshire Department of Energy; the Community Power Coalition of New Hampshire; and Direct Energy Services, LLC, Direct Energy Business, LLC, Direct Energy Business Marketing, LLC, Reliant Energy Northeast LLC, and XOOM Energy New Hampshire, LLC (together, the NRG Retail Companies).

Electric Supplier Services Master Agreement necessary to implement the POR program. The Commission notes that, at this time, Liberty has not filed proposed revisions to these documents with the Commission. All docket filings, other than any information subject to confidential treatment, are available on the Commission's website at https://www.puc.nh.gov/Regulatory/Docketbk/2023/23-003.html.

Based upon the foregoing, it is hereby

FURTHER ORDERED, that any entity or individual may petition to intervene and seek to be admitted as a party in this proceeding. Each party has the right to have an attorney represent the party at the party's own expense; and it is

FURTHER ORDERED, that, consistent with N.H. Admin. R., Puc 203.17 and Puc 203.02, any entity or individual seeking to intervene in the proceeding shall file with the Commission a petition to intervene with copies sent to Liberty and any other parties on the service list, on or before ADMIN INSERT DATE. The petition shall state the facts demonstrating how the petitioner's rights, duties, privileges, immunities, or other substantial interests may be affected by the proceeding, consistent with N.H. Admin. R., Puc 203.17; and it is

FURTHER ORDERED, that any party objecting to a petition to intervene make said objection on or before ADMIN INSERT DATE; and it is

FURTHER ORDERED, that the parties file a procedural schedule to adjudicate the issues outlined in Order No. xx,xxx (ADMIN INSERT DATE) and this supplemental order of notice by ADMIN INSERT DATE; and it is

FURTHER ORDERED, that parties shall file any proposed exhibits, written testimony, motions, or other documents intended to become part of the record in this proceeding with the Commission. Pursuant to the secretarial letter issued on March 17, 2020, which is posted on the Commission's website at https://www.puc.nh.gov/Regulatory/Secretarial%20Letters/20200317-SecLtr-Temp-Changes-in-Filing-Requirements.pdf, all Commission rules requiring the filing of paper copies are suspended until further notice. Parties may elect to submit any filing in electronic form unless otherwise ordered by the Commission. Filings will be considered filed as of the time the electronic copy is received by the Commission; and it is

FURTHER ORDERED, that routine procedural inquiries may be made by contacting the Commission's Clerk's Office at (603) 271-2431 or

<u>ClerksOffice@puc.nh.gov</u>. All requests to the Commission should be made in a written pleading filed with the Commission. Unless otherwise authorized by law, *ex parte* communications are prohibited; and it is

FURTHER ORDERED, that pursuant to N.H. Admin. R., Puc 203.12, Liberty shall notify all entities and individuals by publishing a copy of this order of notice on its website no later than two business days after the date of issue, such publication to be documented by affidavit filed with the Commission on or before ADMIN INSERT DATE. In addition, the Clerk shall publish this order of notice on the Commission's website no later than two business days after the date of issue; and it is

FURTHER ORDERED, that any hearings in this matter shall be conducted in accordance with the hearing guidelines issued in this docket.

So ordered, this ADMIN INSERT DATE.

Daniel C. Goldner Chairman Pradip K. Chattopadhyay Commissioner Carleton B. Simpson Commissioner

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