THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE BEFORE THE NEW HAMPSHIRE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

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UNITIL ENERGY SYSTEMS, INC.)	DOCKET NO. DE 23-057
Petitioner)	
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SUPPLEMENTAL PETITION FOR APPROVAL OF REVENUE DECOUPLING ADJUSTMENT FACTOR, ANNUAL STRANDED COST CHARGE, EXTERNAL DELIVERY CHARGE, AND PROPOSED TARIFF CHANGES

At the request of the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission ("Commission"), and in the interest of providing additional clarity for the record, Unitil Energy Systems, Inc., ("UES" or "Company") hereby submits this Supplemental Petition setting forth the approvals sought by the Company in this proceeding. This Supplemental Petition is offered into evidence as Hearing Exhibit 6.

By its Petition submitted on June 16, 2023,¹ and this Supplemental Petition, the Company requests the following approvals from the Commission:

- Approval of the Company's Revenue Decoupling Adjustment Factors ("RDAFs");
- Approval of UES's Annual Stranded Cost Charge ("SCC") and External Delivery Charge ("EDC") Reconciliation and Rate filing;
- Approval of tariffs incorporating the results of the reconciliations into rates; and
- Grant the Company's Motion for Confidential Treatment and Protective Order.²

In support of its Supplemental Petition, UES states the following:

I. Revenue Decoupling Adjustment Factors

1. The Company's RDAF is designed to collect the difference between the actual and authorized Revenue Per Customer by rate class.

The Company's initial Petition is provided in Hearing Exhibit 3 at Bates Pages 4-7.

The Company's Motion for Confidential Treatment and Protective Order is provided in Hearing Exhibit 3 at Bates Pages 8-12.

2. As summarized in Hearing Exhibit 1, Bates Page 14, the RDAF requested for approval is calculated as the following amounts by rate class:

Revenue Decoupling Adjustment (eligible for credit/(collection))		
Domestic – D and TOU-D	General Service – Regular General G2, G2 kWh Meter, and Quick Recovery Water Heating and Space Heating	Large General Service – G1
(\$911,619)	\$6,046	(\$43,220)

- 3. As described in Hearing Exhibit 1, Bates Pages 8-9, the amount calculated for the Domestic Group (\$911,619) reflects an adjustment for the three percent Revenue Decoupling Adjustment Cap. The difference between the actual Revenue Decoupling Adjustment (\$959,262) and the cap-adjusted amount (\$911,619) results in a deferral of \$47,642.
- 4. As shown on Hearing Exhibit 1, Bates Page 14, the UES seeks Commission approval for the following RDAFs, effective August 1, 2023:

Revenue Decoupling Adjustment Factor (\$/kWh) (positive figures represent a charge to customers; negative figures represent a credit to customers)		
Domestic – D and TOU-D	General Service – Regular General G2, G2 kWh Meter, and Quick Recovery Water Heating and Space Heating	Large General Service – G1
\$0.00186	(\$0.00002)	\$0.00014

5. As shown on Hearing Exhibit 1, Bates Pages 21-25, for customers on Default Service, residential class bills will increase by approximately 0.5 percent, general service class bills will decrease by less than 0.1 percent, and large general service class bills will increase by approximately 0.1 percent.

II. Stranded Cost Charge and External Delivery Charge

- 6. As discussed in Hearing Exhibit 3, Bates Page 17, the SCC is the mechanism by which UES recovers Unitil Power Corp.'s stranded costs from retail customers. As discussed in Hearing Exhibit 3, Bates Pages 20-21, the EDC is the mechanism by which the Company recovers the costs associated with providing transmission services outside UES's system and other costs for energy and transmission related services.
- 7. As summarized on Hearing Exhibit 3, Bates Pages 19 and 30, the SCC requested for approval is calculated as a credit of (\$111,580). As summarized on Hearing Exhibit 3, Bates Page 34, the EDC requested for approval is calculated to recover the following:

Transmission Only	Non-Transmission	Total
\$34,622,218	\$15,632,072	\$50,254,291

8. As summarized in Hearing Exhibit 3, Bates Pages 30 and 34, the Company seeks approval for the following SCC and EDC for effect August 1, 2023:

Class	SCC	EDC
Residential	(\$0.00010)/kWh	\$0.04486/kWh
General Service G2 (kWh rates)	(\$0.00010)/kWh	\$0.04486/kWh
General Service G2	(\$0.00010)/kWh	\$0.04486/kWh
G2 - Quick Recovery Water Heat and/or Space Heat	(\$0.00010)/kWh	\$0.04486/kWh
Large General Service	(\$0.00010)/kWh	\$0.04486/kWh
Outdoor Lighting	(\$0.00010)/kWh	\$0.04486/kWh

9. As shown on Hearing Exhibit 3, Bates Page 56, for customers taking Default Service, the average class bill impacts as a result of the proposed SCC and EDC, versus current rates, are an approximate 5.3 percent increase for the residential class, 5.6 percent increase for the general service classes, 15.2 percent increase for the large general service class, and 3.7 percent increase for the Outdoor lighting class.

10. As shown on Hearing Exhibit 3, Bates Page 64, based on all August 1, 2023 rate changes (approved Default Service, and proposed RDAF, EDC, and SCC), for customers taking Default Service, the average class bill impacts versus current rates, are an approximate 29.0 percent decrease for the residential class, 30.8 percent decrease for the general service classes, and 20.1 percent decrease for the Outdoor lighting class. Based on changes to the delivery rates only, G1 average bills will increase approximately 15.3 percent.

III. Proposed Tariff Charges

11. In order to implement the proposed RDAF, EDC and SCC, the Company seeks the Commission's approval of the following revised tariff pages:

Tariff Pages:	Record Reference:	
Summary Of Delivery Service Rates, Page 4 and 5	Exh. 3 Bates Page 403 and 404	
Summary Of Whole House Residential Time Of Use	Exh. 5 Bates Page 26	
tes And Electric Vehicle Rates, Page 5-A		
Summary Of Low-Income Electric Assistance	Exh. 3 Bates Page 406	
Program Discounts, Page 6	Exil. 5 Dates Fage 400	
Calculation Of The Stranded Cost Charge, Page 65	Exh. 3 Bates Page 407	
Calculation Of The External Delivery Charge, Page 67	Exh. 3 Bates Page 408	
Calculation Of The Revenue Decoupling Adjustment	Exh. 4 Bates Page 3	
Factors, Page 69-H	Exil. 4 Dates 1 age 3	

IV. Conclusion

UES respectfully requests that the Commission issue a final order no later than <u>July 31</u>, <u>2023</u>, containing the following findings of fact, conclusions, grants, and approvals:

- 1. FIND that UES has accurately calculated appropriate changes to the rate mechanisms that are the subject of this proceeding;
- 2. FIND that UES' revenue decoupling adjustment factor, stranded cost charge, and external delivery charge are just and reasonable and in the public interest;
 - 3. GRANT APPROVAL of the tariff changes requested herein; and

4. GRANT the Company's Motion for Confidential Treatment and Protective Order.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that I have served the foregoing Supplemental Petition on the Service List in this docket.

Dated at Hampton, New Hampshire this 26th day of July, 2023.

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