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Daniel C. Goldner, Chairman
New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission
21 South Fruit Street
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Re: DG 23-067; Liberty Utilities (EnergyNorth Natural Gas) Corp. d/b/a Liberty;
Request for Change in Distribution Rates; Department of Energy Request for
Opportunity to Respond to Liberty's Proposed Scope for Consulting Project

Dear Chairman Goldner:

By letter dated March 21, 2024, Liberty Utilities (EnergyNorth Natural Gas) Corp. d/b/a Liberty provided the Public Utilities Commission (Commission) with a scope and signed engagement letter concerning a consulting report Liberty plans to submit in this matter. The report is to be prepared by PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP (PwC). Liberty concludes its March 21 letter by requesting "confirmation from the Commission that no further revisions to the scope of work [for the PwC consulting engagement] are necessary."

The Department of Energy (Department) respectfully requests that the Commission take no action on Liberty's request until the Department has had an opportunity to review and respond to Liberty's proposed scope, signed engagement letter, and request to the Commission. In addition, the Department plans to provide its view on whether the scope and signed PwC engagement letter incorporate the input the Department provided to Liberty, consistent with the Commission's Procedural Order dated March 14, 2024. The Department expects to provide its response on or before March 29, 2024.

Consistent with the Commission's current practices this letter is being filed only in electronic form.

Sincerely,

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