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New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission 21 South Fruit Street, Suite 10 Concord, New Hampshire 03301

> Re: Docket No. DG 23-087 Northern Utilities, Inc. Petition for Expedited Approval of Empress Capacity Agreements OCA's REDACTED Direct Testimony of Marc H. Vatter

To the Commission:

On behalf of the Office of the Consumer Advocate, enclosed for filing please find the OCA's REDACTED written testimony and attachments (Attachments 1 - 4) of Marc H. Vatter. The OCA is filing redacted and confidential versions because included within the testimony, and Attachment 1 is information for which the company has filed a motion for protective order and confidential treatment in the above-referenced proceeding on October 6, 2023 (tab 1).

A CONFIDENTIAL version of this Direct Testimony will be filed separately along with the confidential version of Attachment 1. Please note that only Attachment 1 of the four total supporting attachments has a confidential and redacted version.

Please contact me directly if there are any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

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Attachments cc: Service List