

December 1, 2023

BY ELECTRONIC MAIL

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

Re: Northern Utilities Inc. Request for Approval of Energy Efficiency Rates Effective January 1, 2024

Dear Chairman Goldner:

Enclosed please find the proposed January 1, 2024 Energy Efficiency rates for Northern Utilities, Inc. ("Northern"). This filing is being made in compliance with RSA 374-F:3, VI-a(d)(2) and pursuant to Puc 1605 and includes proposed rate and tariff changes.

Northern respectfully requests approval of the following Tariff sheets:

- V. Local Delivery Adjustment Charge (LDAC);
 - Fourth Revised Page 46;
 - Twelfth Revised Page 62;
- Summary of Rates;
 - Twenty-fourth Revised Page 86;
 - Twenty-fourth Revised Page 88.

Included with this filing are schedules supporting the calculation of the energy efficiency charge included in Northern's LDAC. The Company has calculated the charges consistent with the directives of HB 549, as amended by SB 113,¹ 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 and as calculated by the Department of Energy ("DOE"). The DOE provided a CPI-W of 4.896 percent. As shown on the Twelfth Revised Page 62, Northern's proposed EEC for residential customers is \$0.0545 per kWh, and the proposed EEC for Commercial and Industrial customers is

¹ The 0.25% adder was removed from the calculation per SB 113 amended RSA 374-F:3, VI-a(d)(2).

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\$0.0270 per kWh. Northern is also providing a reconciliation of costs and revenues consisting of actual data through October 2023 and forecasted costs and revenues through December 31, 2023.

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

Sincerely,

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Enclosures