

**STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**

DG 24-100

**LIBERTY UTILITIES (ENERGYNORTH NATURAL GAS) CORP. d/b/a LIBERTY-KEENE
DIVISION**

Winter 2024-2025 Cost of Gas

Procedural Order Re: Limiting Scope of October 29 Hearing

On September 9, 2024, Liberty Utilities (EnergyNorth Natural Gas) Corp. d/b/a Liberty-Keene Division (Liberty-Keene) filed its Winter 2024–2025 Cost of Gas (COG). On October 11, 2024, the Office of Consumer Advocate (OCA) filed the testimony of Marc H. Vatter which recommended a change to the method for calculating carrying charges on overcollections and under-collections and the interest rate applied by Liberty Utilities (EnergyNorth Natural Gas) Corp. d/b/a Liberty-Keene (Liberty-Keene). On October 16, 2024, the New Hampshire Department of Energy (DOE) filed a technical statement suggesting the Commission carve out the issue of changing the method for calculating carrying charges and does not address the matter in the technical statement.

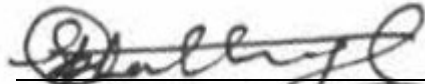
The Commission agrees with the DOE that the issue regarding the method of calculating carrying charges should be considered separately from the proposed rate adjustment. The Commission also notes that Liberty-Keene’s petition included proposed changes to the Fixed Price Option (FPO) Letter sent to consumers. Both are complicated and important issues that should be reviewed fully, which the Commission would not be able to do during the relatively truncated COG proceeding.

Accordingly, the Commission limits the scope of the October 29, 2024 hearing as laid out in this order. These issues shall be noticed after the October 29 hearing and addressed at a later time.

So ordered, this twenty-fourth day of October, 2024.



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