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PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

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August 20, 2021

Re: DE 21-004, Liberty Utilities (Granite State Electric) Corp. d/b/a Liberty

2021 Least Cost Integrated Resource Plan

Establishing Deadline for Filing Proposed Revised Procedural Schedule

To the Parties:

On April 9, 2021, the Commission approved a procedural schedule in above-captioned matter. On June 15, 2021, Commission Staff (Staff), now with the New Hampshire Department of Energy (Energy), filed a letter requesting the suspension of the procedural schedule until further notice. Energy stated that recent Staff attrition left it unable to access the engineering expertise necessary to thoroughly evaluate Liberty Utilities (Granite State Electric) Corp. d/b/a Liberty's (Liberty) 2021 Least Cost Integrated Resource Plan, as required under RSA 378:39. Energy further stated that Liberty and the Office of the Consumer Advocate assented to its request.

It has been determined that Energy has demonstrated circumstances that would cause undue hardship or inconvenience unless an extension were granted, and that an appropriately tailored extension will not unduly delay the proceeding or adversely affect the rights of any party. *See* N.H. Admin. R., Puc 202.04. The parties are directed to develop a proposed revised procedural schedule, taking into account Energy's staffing issue, which will permit the outstanding issues in this docket to be resolved in a timely manner. The parties shall file a proposed revised procedural schedule with the Commission by September 17, 2021.

Sincerely,

Dianne Martin Chairwoman

cc: Service List (Electronically)

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