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***By Hand Delivery and Electronic Mail***

Debra A. Howland  
Executive Director  
New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission  
21 South Fruit Street, Suite 10  
Concord, NH 03301-2429

**Re: Docket No. DE 12-023; Granite State Electric Company Default Service Rates for the Period February 1, 2013 to April 30, 2013 for the Large and Medium Commercial and Industrial Customer Group**

Dear Ms. Howland:

I enclose for filing one redacted and seven confidential copies of Granite State Electric Company d/b/a Liberty Utilities' proposed Default Service rates for the Large and Medium Commercial and Industrial Customer Group for the three-month period February 1, 2013 through April 30, 2013. This filing includes the pre-filed direct testimony of John D. Warsaw and accompanying schedules.

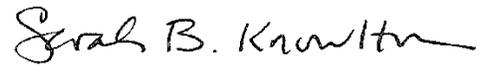
Certain schedules included in this filing contain confidential information, specifically, the Company's transaction confirmation with the winning supplier, bid evaluation and summary, REC pricing, and retail meter commodity cost calculations. The Company requests confidential treatment of these materials pursuant to Puc 201.04(a)(5), 201 .06(a)(30) and 201.07, which collectively afford confidential treatment of such materials in routine Default Service filings. With respect to the wholesale power purchase prices included in this filing, the Company requests confidential treatment only until such time those prices are required to be made public by FERC.

The Company believes the proposed Default Service rates are consistent with RSA 374-F:3,V(c) and Commission precedent and are in the public interest as reflective of "competitive market" prices. *See* NH RSA 374-F:3,V(c). Accordingly, the Company respectfully requests that the Commission approve the proposed rates to become effective for service on and after February 1, 2013 through April 30, 2013 for the Large and Medium Commercial and Industrial Group.

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Thank you for your assistance with this matter.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Sarah B. Knowlton". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long, sweeping underline.

Sarah B. Knowlton

cc: Service list