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December 11, 2013

Debra Howland, Executive Director  
New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission  
21 South Fruit Street, Suite 10  
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Re: DE 12-262 Granite State Electric Company d/b/a/ Liberty Utilities-Transfer Request  
Staff Recommendation to Approve Budget Transfer to ENERGY STAR Homes

Dear Ms. Howland:

On December 10, 2013, Granite State Electric Company d/b/a/Liberty Utilities requested the ability to transfer funds within the residential sector of its Core electric energy efficiency programs to meet 2013 year-end demand for its ENERGY STAR®Homes program. Liberty Utilities expects to under-spend in its Home Performance with ENERGY STAR® program and ENERGY STAR® Appliance program and wishes to transfer from those programs \$35,000 and \$20,000, respectively, to the ENERGY STAR® Homes program. This budget transfer represents more than 20% of the approved budget and, therefore, the company is filing the budget transfer request with the Commission in accordance with Section I (K) of the Commission-approved 2013-2014 Core program.<sup>1</sup>

Staff supports the proposed transfer. Absent any comments to the contrary by any interested party within two weeks of the filing, and absent Commission notification within 30 days of the need to conduct an in-depth review, Staff believes the transfer will be deemed approved per Section I (K).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Marcia A. Brown".

Marcia A. Brown  
Staff Attorney

Cc: Docket Related Service List

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<sup>1</sup> Budget transfers to or from individual programs greater than 20% of the individual program's budget shall be filed with the Commission. The Commission's Staff and interested parties may file any comments with the Commission within two weeks of the filing. If no action has been taken by the Commission's staff and interested parties, the budget transfer request shall be deemed approved unless the Commission notifies the company of the need for a more in-depth review within thirty (30) days of the filing.