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May 27, 2015

Re: DG 14-380 Liberty Utilities (EnergyNorth Natural Gas) Corp. d/b/a Liberty Utilities
OCA and PLAN Waiver Requests

To the Parties:

Pursuant to the Commission's rules and the approved procedural schedule, paper and electronic copies of testimony of Commission Staff (Staff), the Office of the Consumer Advocate (OCA), and Pipeline Awareness Network for the Northeast (PLAN) were due to be filed on May 8, 2015.

Filings submitted on May 8th by both the OCA and PLAN were deficient in a number of ways including but not limited to mismarking of confidential materials, submission of the wrong number of paper copies, or filing after the close of business. Both the OCA and PLAN corrected their filings and requested waiver of the Commission's procedural rules..

Pursuant to Puc 201.05, the Commission may waive a rule if it finds a waiver serves the public interest and does not disrupt the orderly and efficient resolution of matters before the Commission. The Commission has determined that the standards for waiver are satisfied here. The Commission has therefore determined to waive Puc 203.02(a) and allow the filing of one paper and an electronic version of certain attachments and to waive Puc 202.05 and allow the late filing of testimony.

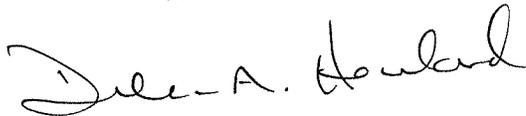
Parties should remain mindful, however, of the Commission's requirements regarding the number of paper copies necessary for the Clerk's Office to accept a submission and thereby to establish the date of filing. *See* Puc 202.05 *referencing* Puc 203.02. In general, one original and six copies of a complete filing must be submitted. Puc 203.02(a)(1). If the submission contains confidential material, parties must file an original and six paper copies of a motion for confidential treatment along with one redacted and seven confidential copies of the document for which confidential treatment is sought. No motion need be filed, but one redacted and seven confidential copies must be filed even where, as here, the confidential information is the subject of a motion for confidential treatment previously filed, where a protective order has already issued, or where the confidential material consists of information for which a party has asserted confidentiality and stated an intent to subsequently file a motion for confidential treatment. *See* Secretarial Letter (February 19, 2015) (granting EnergyNorth's motion for confidential treatment) and Secretarial Letter (March 25, 2015) (accepting EnergyNorth's revised redactions). In the latter case, parties should clearly state in their cover letters why they are not filing a motion for confidential treatment when they file documents marked confidential. Parties should

also remain mindful that the Commission's regular hours are from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on non-holiday week days. Puc. 103.01(j). Submissions received after 4:30 p.m. on their due date are considered late.

In future, if a filing is not complete under Puc 202.05, 203.02, and 203.08 when submitted, the Clerk's Office will reject the submission and direct the party to resubmit a complete filing all at one time. When the complete filing is submitted, the Clerk will then enter the complete filing into the record and place the electronic version in Docket Book, dated as of the day the complete filing was submitted.

In closing, the Commission alerts the OCA and PLAN that a future failure to comply with its filing requirements may result in the rejection of a filing.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Debra A. Howland". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'D' and 'H'.

Debra A. Howland
Executive Director

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