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## Via Hand-Delivery and Electronic Mail

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

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## Re: Docket No. DE 18-016; Liberty Utilities (Granite State Electric) Corp. d/b/a Liberty Utilities Petition to Sell Water Heater Rental Program

## Assented-to Request to Extend Until February 15, 2019, the Deadline to File a Final Report

Dear Ms. Howland:

On behalf of Liberty Utilities (Granite State Electric) Corp. d/b/a Liberty Utilities, I write to request an extension, until February 15, 2019, of the deadline to file a "final report" in this docket.

The order approving the sale of the water heater program stated "that Liberty shall file with the Public Utilities Commission a final report within three months of the date of the transaction closing that provides details of the resulting net book value of the Program assets on the date of the closing." Order No. 26,148 (June 15, 2018). The closing date was October 1, 2018, making the deadline January 1, 2019.

It took many weeks following October 1 to process all the customer decisions to opt-in or opt-out of the new program, answer questions, and complete other related administrative tasks. The Company is now processing the data and calculating the net book value for each water heater that was transferred to the purchaser. Given the many other tasks the finance department must complete prior to and immediately following the year end, the Company will not be able to prepare the "final report" by the original deadline. The Company thus requests a 45-day extension. The extension will not affect customers. All the customer-related activities are complete.

Counsel for Staff and for the Office of the Consumer Advocate both assent to the relief sought.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

When

Michael J. Sheehan

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