

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
BEFORE THE
NEW HAMPSHIRE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

Liberty Utilities (Granite State Electric) Corp.
d/b/a Liberty Utilities

Energy Service for the Period of February 1 – July 31, 2020

Docket No. DE 19-059

Technical Statement of David B. Simek

December 16, 2019

A. Purpose of Technical Statement

On September 13, 2019, Liberty Utilities (Granite State Electric) Corp. (“Liberty” or “the Company”) filed its proposed timeline for the RFP for the Energy Service rate period of February 1 – July 31, 2020.

On December 10, 2019, the Company received final bids, as is discussed in John D. Warshaw’s testimony that is simultaneously being filed with this Technical Statement.

B. Rate Proposal

Liberty is proposing a fixed six-month Energy Service rate for the period of February 1 – July 31, 2020, for the Small Customer Group¹ based on a weighted average of the six monthly contract prices contained in the supply agreement with the winning Energy Service supplier for the Small Customer Group.

The Company is also proposing monthly Energy Service rates for the Large Customer Group² based on the six monthly contract prices contained in the supply agreement with the winning Energy Service supplier for the Large Customer Group.

1. RPS

The adder for RPS compliance will change effective February 1, 2020, from \$.00559 per kWh to \$.00711 per kWh for both the large and small customer classes. Mr. Warshaw further discusses the changes to RPS adder in his testimony.

2. Small Customer Group Total Rate

The Energy Service rate for the period of February 1 – July 31, 2020, for the Small Customer Group is \$.07127 per kWh, as calculated on Schedule DBS-2.

¹ Customers taking service under Domestic Service Rate D; Domestic Service - Optional Peak Load Pricing Rate D-10; Outdoor Lighting Service Rate M; Limited Total Electrical Living Rate T; General Service Rate G-3; or Limited Commercial Space Heating Rate V of the Company’s Retail Delivery Tariff.

² Customers taking service under General Long-Hour Service Rate G-2 or General Service Time-Of-Use Rate G-1 of the Company’s Retail Delivery Tariff.

3. Large Customer Group Total Rate

The Energy Service rates for the period of February 1 – July 31, 2020, for the Large Customer Group are calculated on Schedule DBS-1 and are as follows:

	<u>Large Customer Group</u>					
	<u>February-20</u>	<u>March-20</u>	<u>April-20</u>	<u>May-20</u>	<u>June-20</u>	<u>July-20</u>
Base ES Rate	\$0.09599	\$0.07627	\$0.06565	\$0.05718	\$0.05096	\$0.05640
ESAF	(\$0.00822)	(\$0.00822)	(\$0.00822)	(\$0.00822)	(\$0.00822)	(\$0.00822)
ESCRAF	\$0.00261	\$0.00261	\$0.00261	\$0.00261	\$0.00261	\$0.00261
<u>RPS</u>	<u>\$0.00711</u>	<u>\$0.00711</u>	<u>\$0.00711</u>	<u>\$0.00711</u>	<u>\$0.00711</u>	<u>\$0.00711</u>
Total	\$0.09749	\$0.07777	\$0.06715	\$0.05868	\$0.05246	\$0.05790

C. Bill Impacts

As shown in Schedule DBS-3, for a residential customer taking Energy Service using 650 kWh per month, the total bill impact of the proposed rate in this filing, as compared to rates effective today is a bill decrease of \$3.79 per month, or 3.22 percent, from \$117.51 to \$113.72 per month.