

Liberty Utilities (EnergyNorth Natural Gas) Corp. d/b/a Liberty Utilities

DG 20-041
Keene 2020 Summer Cost of Gas

Staff Data Requests - Set 1

Date Request Received: 4/3/20
Request No. Staff 1-1

Date of Response: 4/11/20
Respondent: Catherine McNamara

REQUEST:

Ref. Tariff page 90, and Schedule F.

- a) Please explain the reasons for the Summer 2019 over-collection;
- b) Please quantify how each component contributed to the over-collection.

RESPONSE:

- a) The Summer 2019 over-collection of \$80,938 was primarily driven by the removal of production costs of \$57,215 and prior period CNG demand costs of \$37,500 from the COG deferral account (see Attachment Staff 1-2), and decreases in market prices. On August 26, 2019, the Company contacted Staff and explained that these adjustments along with updated market prices would have resulted in a September 2019 COG rate of \$0.1031 per therm. Not wanting to send improper price signals to customers, it was mutually agreed by the Company and Staff to only lower the September 2019 COG rate to \$0.4607 per therm. Since the COG rate wasn't lowered to the calculated COG rate the Company had an over-collection.
- b) Please see the response to a) above.