STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

DG 21-036

LIBERTY UTILITIES (ENERGYNORTH NATURAL GAS) CORP. d/b/a LIBERTY

Petition for Approval of a Renewable Natural Gas Supply and Transportation Agreement

Procedural Order Re: Reactivation of Docket

On February 1, 2022, the Commission issued Order No. 26,574, in which it granted Liberty Utilities (EnergyNorth Natural Gas) Corp. d/b/a Liberty's (Liberty) motion to suspend the procedural schedule in this docket while the New Hampshire General Court addressed pending legislation initiated by LSR 2022-2878 (later introduced as SB 424-FN), "relative to renewable energy and natural gas." The Commission directed Liberty to submit an appropriate filing to reactivate the docket within five business days of final action on the bill or no later than August 1, 2022. Order No. 26,574 at 3.

On July 5, 2022, Liberty filed a letter requesting the Commission to reactivate the docket following the enactment of the bill, further stating that it would consult with the New Hampshire Department of Energy (DOE) regarding a request for proposal (RFP) and later file a proposed procedural schedule. SB 424-FN (enacted as 2022 N.H. Laws, ch. 279) added, among other things, a new chapter, RSA chapter 362-I. RSA chapter 362-I requires, among other things, gas utilities electing to purchase renewable natural gas to conduct a competitive bidding process through RFPs and to consult with the DOE on all issues related to these RFPs.

Liberty's request to reactivate this docket is GRANTED. Liberty shall consult with the other parties and file either an agreed-upon procedural schedule or proposed procedural schedule <u>on or before August 15, 2022.</u> The proposed procedural schedule DG 21-036 July 12, 2022 Page 2

should include, if necessary, a deadline by which Liberty will file an amended petition

stating what relief it is now seeking in light of SB 424-FN's enactment.

So ordered, this twelfth day of July, 2022.

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