STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

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LIBERTY UTILITIES (ENERGYNORTH NATURAL GAS) CORP. D/B/A LIBERTY UTILITIES

Petition for a License to Construct and Maintain a Natural Gas Pipeline Beneath Beaver Brook in Pelham

Summary of Order *Nisi* No. <u>27,077</u> Granting Water Crossing License

November 22, 2017

On November 22, 2017, the Commission approved a petition pursuant to RSA 371:17 filed by Liberty Utilities (EnergyNorth Natural Gas) Corp. d/b/a Liberty Utilities (Liberty) requesting a license to construct and maintain a natural gas pipeline under Beaver Brook in Pelham, New Hampshire. The Commission's Order granting the license, along with the petition and subsequent docket filings, other than any information for which confidential treatment is requested of or granted by the Commission, are posted on the Commission's website at http://puc.nh.gov/Regulatory/Docketbk/2017/17-093.html.

The Commission determined that the proposed pipeline is necessary to meet the reasonable requirements of service to the public and that the license could be granted without substantially affecting the public rights in those waters. The Commission approved Liberty's license request subject to certain conditions related to the safe construction, operation, and maintenance of the proposed crossing.

The Commission delayed the effectiveness of its approval of Liberty's request to ensure the public receives notice of the Commission's determination and has an opportunity to request a hearing. All persons interested in responding to the Commission's action may submit their comments or file a written request for a hearing, which states the reason and basis for a hearing,

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no later than December 11, 2017. Any person(s) responding to such comments and requests for hearing shall do so no later than December 18, 2017. Following consideration of any comments and requests for hearing received, the Commission may further extend the final effective date of its order. The Commission's order shall become final and effective on December 22, 2017, unless the Commission orders otherwise.