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**SUBJECT:** DE 15-511, Liberty Utilities (Granite State Electric) Corp. d/b/a Liberty Utilities Proposed Tariff Amendment to Qualifying Facilities

**TO:** Debra A. Howland, Executive Director and Secretary

**CC:** David K. Wiesner, Staff Attorney

On December 18, 2015, Liberty Utilities (Granite State Electric) Corp., d/b/a Liberty Utilities (Liberty), filed a revised page 10 of its tariff, NHPUC No. 19, relating to energy transactions with qualifying facilities (QFs). The purpose of Liberty's proposed tariff amendments is to eliminate the need for QFs to provide Liberty with an invoice for payment of net energy sales, and also to replace certain references to "payment" with references to "compensation."

Staff reviewed Liberty's proposed tariff amendments and concluded that the proposed amendments are reasonable and appropriate, and therefore there would be no basis for suspension or rejection of these amendments. Staff believes the tariff amendments provide greater clarity of the relevant compensation provisions for small QFs that would be eligible for net metering participation were it not for the statutory limit contained in RSA 362-A:9, I.

Based on the review and analysis summarized above, Staff concluded that Liberty's proposed tariff amendments could be permitted to take effect without Commission action, pursuant to the provisions of RSA 378:3.

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