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Debra A. Howland
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New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission
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Re: DG 16-827 Concord Steam Customer Transition Fund
Proposal for Customer Transition Assistance

Dear Ms. Howland:

On March 22, 2017, Staff filed a Summary and Recommendation with the Commission that summarized the results of Concord Steam customer responses to the Commission request for information mailed March 9, 2017 and a recommendation based on the new data. Staff recommended that the parties be given until March 31, 2017 to file a modified program proposal for non-profits and residential customers, if Staff and the parties determined that financial assistance is necessary and appropriate.

Attached is a Staff Proposal for Customer Transition Assistance (Proposal) that incorporates some of the settlement terms Staff and the parties discussed at the March 2, 2017 technical session and Status Conference and meets the guiding principles established by the Commission. Due to time constraints Staff was unable to organize a meeting with the parties but did share the Proposal with Liberty Utilities, which concurs with the Proposal.

The Proposal will have a negligible impact on Liberty rates but will provide financial assistance to the limited number of non-profit organizations and residential customers for which the cost of conversion exceeds five years of anticipated energy savings.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Stephen P. Frink".

Stephen P. Frink
Assistant Director, Gas & Water Division

cc: service list

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