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Re: DG 17-198 Liberty Utilities (EnergyNorth Natural Gas) Corp. d/b/a Liberty Utilities Withdrawal of Staff Motion to Compel Responses to Data Requests

Dear Ms. Howland:

By this letter, Staff wishes to withdraw its motion to compel responses from Liberty Utilities (Liberty) to certain data requests propounded in the above-captioned docket. Staff's motion to compel was filed on August 1, 2018. Liberty filed a response to the motion on August 7, 2018, stating that the requests were unreasonable and burdensome, but that the remaining responses would be provided on that same day.

Liberty ultimately provided responses to the pending data requests through a number of emails and phone calls with Staff, who determined on September 21, 2018, that the clarifications and additional information were adequate. In the meantime, at the end of August 2018, Liberty introduced a new element related to the petition that could have a major impact on the Granite Bridge Project proposal. On November 16, 2018, Liberty filed a motion to amend the procedural schedule in this docket to accommodate a supplemental filing on the new proposal. The amendment would extend the currently approved, but effectively suspended, procedural schedule for DG 17-198.

In its November 16th motion, the Company states that it plans to provide a range of updated SENDOUT model results with its January filing. Staff anticipates conducting discovery on the new proposal once it is filed. At this time, however, Staff withdraws its pending motion to compel.

Sincerely,

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