



Liberty Utilities (Granite State Electric) Corp. d/b/a Liberty Utilities

DE 18-057
Electric Assistance Program

Staff Technical Session Data Requests - Set 2

Date Request Received: 1/10/20
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Date of Response: 1/24/20
Respondent: Nicole Harris

REQUEST:

Reference Staff Set 1-5 (and Liberty's response)

Pursuant to a Commission Order and Settlement Agreement, *see Liberty Utilities, Petition for Permanent and Temporary Rates*, Order 26,187 (November 2, 2018) pp. 12-13 in Docket 17-048, recovery of programming charges associated with implementing decoupling were capped at \$50,000. Please confirm that the actual costs charged by Cogsdale to implement decoupling were upwards of \$200,000, rounded to the nearest thousand dollars.

RESPONSE:

First, to clarify the question above, the Commission did not approve a settlement agreement in Docket No. DG 17-048. Rather, the Commission rejected a settlement agreement filed in that docket by the Company and the OCA but incorporated portions of the agreement into its order. Please see the response to Staff 1-5 for further discussion.

The discussion during the technical session in this docket was that the total costs of the Normal Weather Adjustment upgrade were upwards of \$200,000. The total cost of the project was \$231,000 of which \$103,000 were costs associated with Cogsdale.