Continuing to Meet Customers' Needs During this Challenging Time

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## Steps We've Taken for Employee and Public Safety

- HR Command Center established
- Limited building access
- 4,000 employees working remotely
- Modified safety plans
  - Handwashing/social distancing/face coverings
  - One employee per vehicle
  - Deep cleaning of company facilities and vehicles
- Extensive employee safety and health communications
- Requiring same standards of contractors







## **Meeting Customers' Needs Safely**

- Implemented **safety guidelines** for work on customers' premises
- Expanded critical facilities list
- Adjusted municipal communications for working remotely
- Trained Eversource community liaisons and briefed communities
- Continued execution of our work plan
- Delayed planned system outages during stay at home order
- Modified Emergency Response Plans
- Continued ERP planning underway for hurricane season







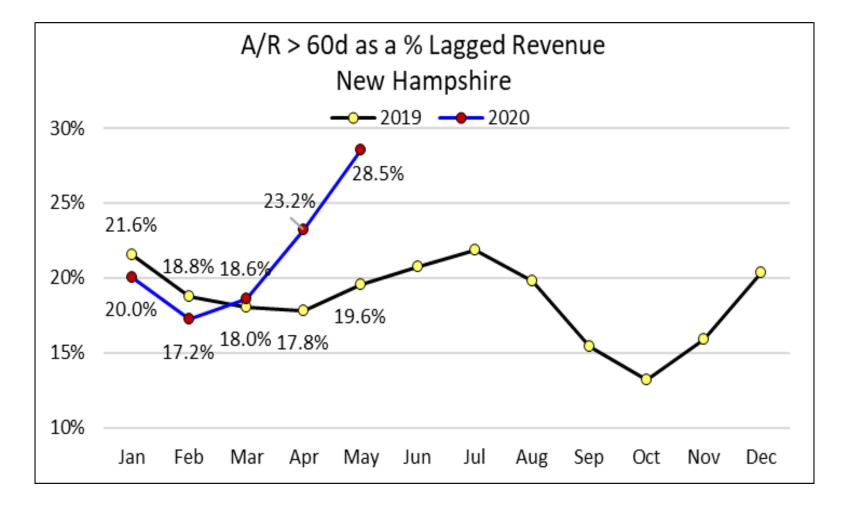
## Special Customer Pandemic Programs and Services

#### • Suspended:

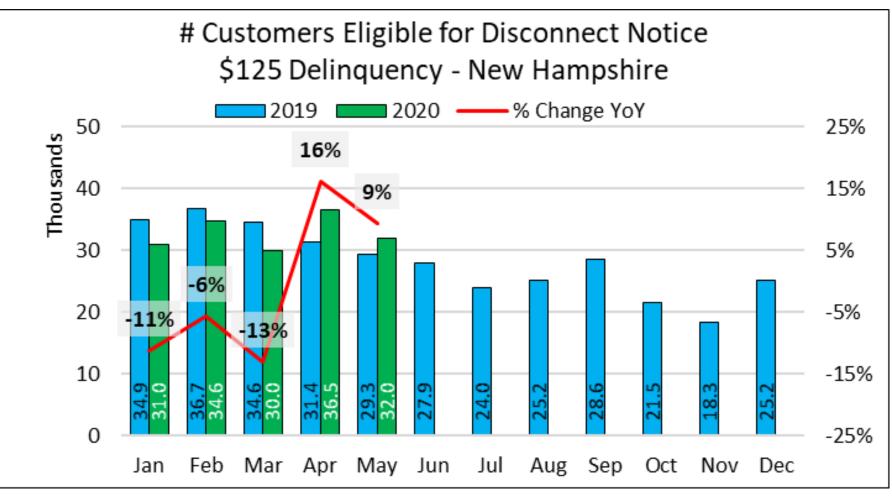
- Shut offs for non-payment
- Security deposits
- Late fees
- Delinquent balance notifications
- **Reconnected residential customers** without payment following disconnect prior to COVID-19
- Extended payment plans with no down payment for past-due amounts



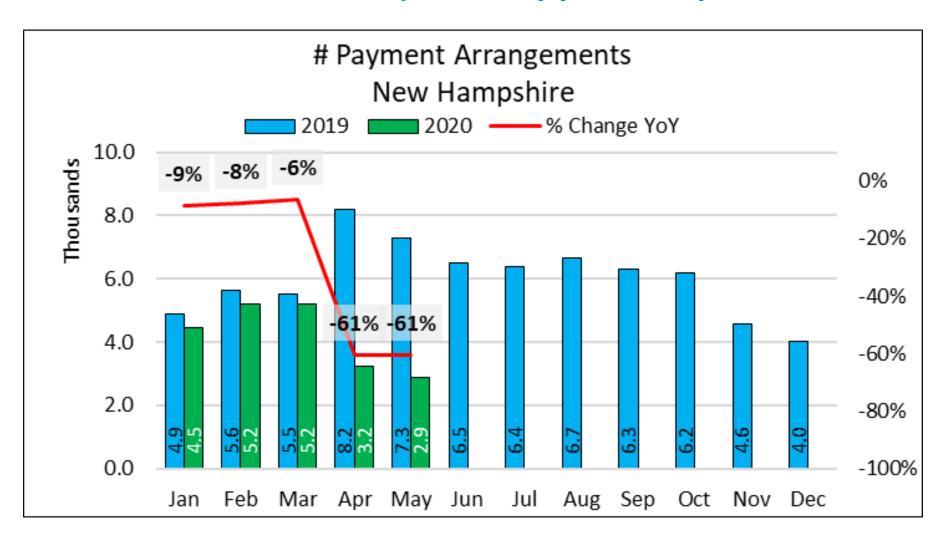
#### Accounts Receivable >60 days old as a % of revenue billed two months prior has *increased 45%* year-over-year.



9% more customers eligible for a disconnect notice in May 2020 (32k) compared to May 2019 (29k), which is an improvement from April.



#### Customer engagement in payment arrangements has decreased by 61%, May year-over-year.



### Increasingly Targeted Customer Communications as Disconnect Moratorium Ends

Phased restart: businesses, residential, residential hardship customers

## Awareness & Education

- "We can help"
- Special payment arrangements
- Stimulus outreach & support

#### **Soft Collections**

Targeted Outreach:

- Past due balances
- Payment arrangement options & protections

#### **Collections Restart** Targeted Outreach:

- Early-warning shutoff notifications
- Automated shutoff notifications
- Disconnect for nonpayment



#### **Looking to the Future**

**States have:** Approved **regulatory frameworks** to address long-term financial impacts of COVID-19

# We can: Continue to provide sustained customer support with appropriate regulatory guidance and cost-recovery assurances

