



August 2, 2021

**BY E-MAIL**

Dianne Martin, Chair  
New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission  
21 S. Fruit St, Suite 10  
Concord, N.H. 03301-2429

Re: DG 21-104 Northern Utilities, Inc. - Filing of Rate Schedules

Dear Chairwoman Martin:

Pursuant to N.H. Admin. Rules Puc 1600 *et seq.*, Northern Utilities, Inc. (“Northern” or the “Company”) hereby submits to the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission (“the Commission”) its filing in support of its request for a rate increase. Pursuant to the Executive Director’s letter dated March 17, 2020 suspending all Commission rules requiring the filing of paper copies, Northern is submitting this filing in electronic form only. The Company’s electronic filing complies with Puc 203.03. Northern will retain an original copy of the filing, and is prepared to provide paper copies at the Commission’s request.

The change in permanent rates proposed for effect with service rendered on and after September 1, 2021 would increase Northern’s total annual revenues by \$7,782,950, which represents an increase of 8.1 percent above present rates. Northern is also requesting implementation of temporary rates for service rendered on and after October 1, 2021, and until a final order on permanent rates is issued. The requested temporary rates will produce an increase in annual revenues of \$3,220,742, or a 3.6 percent increase above present rates.

In addition to this cover letter, the enclosed filing consists of proposed tariffs, prefiled testimony and supporting schedules, and rate case materials as required by Puc 1604.01(a).

Northern respectfully requests that the Commission issue an order of notice and schedule a prehearing conference upon receipt of this filing.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. Please do not hesitate to contact me directly if you have any questions or concerns.

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Patrick H. Taylor", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Patrick H. Taylor

cc: Donald M. Kreis, Consumer Advocate