



August 26, 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. – Draft Order Suspending Proposed Tariff and Scheduling Prehearing Conference and Temporary Rate Hearing

Dear Chairwoman Martin:

On August 2, 2021, Northern Utilities, Inc. (“Northern” or the “Company”) submitted its filing in support of a request for a rate increase pursuant to N.H. Admin. Rules Puc 1600 *et seq.* The Company’s filing proposes a change in permanent rates to take effect with service rendered on and after September 1, 2021. Northern also proposed temporary rates to be implemented for service rendered on or after October 1, 2021 in the event that the Commission suspends the Company’s proposed permanent tariff pursuant to RSA 378:6.

Northern encloses, *for the Commission’s convenience*, a draft Order Suspending the Proposed Tariff and Scheduling a Prehearing Conference and Temporary Rate Hearing. The Company drafted this Order using the structure and content of similar orders issued by the Commission in recent rate cases, including DE 21-030, Unitil Energy Systems, Inc.’s pending rate case.

As noted above, Northern offers this draft Order for the Commission’s convenience. The Company is not requesting that the Commission adopt this Order as drafted and understands that the Commission may utilize a different form of Order. This letter and draft Order should not be construed as a motion pursuant to Puc 203.07. Please do not hesitate to contact me directly if you have any questions regarding this letter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Patrick H. Taylor", written in a cursive style.

Patrick H. Taylor

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