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Daniel Goldner
Chairman
New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission
21 S. Fruit St., Suite 10
Concord, New Hampshire 03301

Re: Northern Utilities, Inc., New Hampshire Division - Docket DG 21-131
August 2022 Monthly Cost of Gas Report and Amended Cost of Gas Filing

Dear Chairman Goldner:

Pursuant to Commission Order No. 26,539 (October 29, 2021) in Docket No. DG 21-131, enclosed is Northern Utilities - New Hampshire Division's ("Northern" or "the Company") current calculation of its projected over or under-collection of gas costs and amended cost of gas ("COG") filing for the 2021-2022 summer season.

The current calculation for the 2022 summer season, which reflects NYMEX futures prices as of August 10, 2022, produces an anticipated material under-recovery of gas costs. As a result, Northern is proposing its third amended COG filing in order to prevent a material end-of-summer under-collection of gas costs. This proposed increase in the summer COG is primarily due to continuing increases in NYMEX natural gas prices and reflects a projected under-recovery of \$743,250 in the summer season.

As indicated in Northern's April 2022 Monthly Report, and as discussed in Northern's May 10, 2022 motion in this docket, COG rates had been increased by their maximum level of 25 percent as authorized by the Commission in Order No. 26,539. Due to the continuation of the high NYMEX prices and to address the material under-collection, in this filing Northern is requesting that the Commission authorize an additional increase of the COG rate above the level allowed by Order No. 26,626 and capped by Order No. 26,627, for effect on September 1, 2022

As shown in the included COG model (see Cell H54 of the Tab labeled "Attachment 1"), the amount of the increase calculated to address the under-collection is \$0.2078 per

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therm. That amount is added equally to each of the presently authorized rates as shown in the attached revisions to Page 43 of Northern's tariff. For ease of reference, the proposed adjustments are shown below:

RATE CLASS	CURRENT COG RATE (\$ per therm)	PROPOSED ADJUSTMENT (\$/therm)	PROPOSED COG RATE (\$ per therm)
Residential	0.9126	0.2078	1.1204
C&I Low Winter Use	0.8690	0.2078	1.0768
C&I High Winter Use	0.9395	0.2078	1.1473

Accordingly, pursuant to its tariff, the Company has enclosed for filing the following Tariff Pages reflecting an increase in its COG Rates:

Fourteenth Revised Page 43,
Fourteenth Revised Page 86,
Thirteenth Revised Page 88.

These Tariff Pages are issued August 12, 2022 to be effective on September 1, 2022. Red-line versions of these Tariff Pages are also enclosed.

Support for this rate increase is provided in the supplemental testimony of Christopher Kahl and accompanying attachments. The impact of the September 1 change in COG rates on the typical residential heating customer for the 2021-2022 summer season will be an increase of \$7.43 or 6.7 percent more than the remaining summer period bill at the Company's current COG rate.

If you have any questions regarding this filing, please do not hesitate to contact me or Chris Kahl at (603)773-6425.

Sincerely,



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