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Via Electronic Mail Only

Daniel Goldner, Chairman
New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission
21 South Fruit Street, Suite 10
Concord, New Hampshire 03301-2429

Re: Docket No. DG 22-046; Gas Assistance Program

Dear Chairman Goldner:

In Order No. 26,662 (Aug. 5, 2022), the Commission approved the continuation of the current Gas Assistance Program ("GAP") for the 2022-2023 winter season, and directed the gas utilities to provide the following information by this date:

We will require that Northern and Liberty report results of the GAP for the 2022-2023 winter period to the Commission by May 31, 2023, together with any suggested changes to the GAP program.

Order No. 26,662 at 7.

On behalf of Liberty Utilities (EnergyNorth Natural Gas) Corp. d/b/a Liberty, and in compliance with Order No. 26,662, first, attached please find a schedule with the results of the GAP for the 2022-2023 winter period.

Second, as for "any suggested changes," Liberty recognizes that the Company's GAP benefits exceeded the 1% threshold discussed in Order 26,662, and slightly exceeded the Department of Energy's proposed 1.5% threshold. Nonetheless, in light of all the factors reviewed in this docket, including economic conditions, Liberty's customer mix with its

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substantial number of low-income customers, and the modest impact GAP has on rates, the only changes Liberty suggests is that the Commission increase Liberty's threshold to 1.5% and that this threshold not be treated as a "cap" on benefits, but be considered as a number that, if exceeded, would warrant further inquiry.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "M. Sheehan", written in a cursive style.

Michael J. Sheehan

Attachment

cc: Service List