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## Via Electronic Mail Only

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

Re: Docket No. DE 23-044; Liberty Utilities (Granite State Electric) Corp. d/b/a Liberty
Default Service Request for Proposals for the Six-Month Period February 1, 2024, to July 31,
2024, for the Large Customer Group and the Small Customer Group

Dear Chairman Goldner:

On November 1, 2023, Liberty Utilities (Granite State Electric) Corp. plans to issue a Default Service Request for Proposals ("RFP") to procure default service for the six-month period February 1, 2024, to July 31, 2024, for both the Large Customer Group and the Small Customer Group.

Pursuant to the terms of the settlement agreement and orders approving Liberty's default service procedures,<sup>1</sup> Liberty plans to solicit a bid price that includes the cost of all market products on an as-delivered energy basis, i.e., an all-inclusive bid price.

I am submitting, for notice purposes, the following proposed timeline for this RFP, <u>and</u> respectfully request a hearing on or about December 13, 2023, to meet the timeline:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See approved by the Commission in Order No. 24,577 in Docket DE 05-126 (January 13, 2006) as modified by Order No. 24,922 in Docket DE 08-011/DE 05-126 (December 19, 2008), modified by Order No. 25,601 in Docket DE 13-018 (November 27, 2013) and further modified by Order No. 25,806 in Docket DE 15-010 (September 2, 2015).

RFP Process Steps	November 2023 RFP
RFP Issued	November 1, 2023
Indicative Bids Due	November 28, 2023
Final Bids Due	December 5, 2023
Energy Service Filing to Commission	December 8, 2023
Commission Order Needed	December 15, 2023
Service Begins	February 1, 2024

Also, the Commission has scheduled a December 19, 2023, hearing in this docket to address the issues relating to the 2020 vintage, Class III renewable energy credits. See August 10, 2023, Commencement of Adjudicative Hearing (initially scheduling the hearing for August 31) and August 23, 2023, Procedural Order (moving the hearing to December 19). Since some of the Liberty witnesses testifying in both hearings will be travelling from Missouri, the Company respectfully asks that the Commission reschedule the REC hearing for the same day that it schedules the default service hearing, requested in this letter to be December 13, 2023.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Michael J. Sheehan

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