

January 22, 2024

## BY E-MAIL

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

Re: Docket No. DE 23-054 UNITIL ENERGY SYSTEMS, INC.

Dear Chair Goldner:

On December 8, 2023, the Commission issued an order authorizing the Unitil Energy Systems, Inc. ("UES" or "Company") to recover the costs of power supply through energy service rates for effect for the six-month period of February 1, 2024, through July 31, 2024. As part of this Order, the Commission directed the Company develop a proposal, for submission to the Commission no later than January 22, 2024, for an ISO-New England market-based procurement tranche of 10 to 20 percent, through whatever combination of direct Day-Ahead and Real-Time ISO-New England market acquisitions the Company finds advisable, for the Company's upcoming August 2024-January 2025 energy service period for the Company's small and medium customer groups.

In compliance with that directive, the Company submits the enclosed Joint Testimony of Jeffrey M. Pentz and Linda S. McNamara and accompanying Exhibits JMP-LSM-2 and JMP-LSM-3. Through this Joint Testimony the Company presents its proposal to use its existing RFP process to procure full requirements service for 90% of its default service load requirements and the Company proposes to procure the remaining 10% of load requirements via the self-supply process, whereby the Company would make direct purchases and settlement in the ISO-NE real-time markets.

As indicated in the Joint Testimony, should the Commission order the Company to implement the enclosed proposal, the Company respectfully requests that the Commission issue any such directive by <u>April 8, 2024</u> in order to give the Company enough time to make the necessary changes.

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Thank you for your attention to this matter. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions concerning this filing.

Sincerely,

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