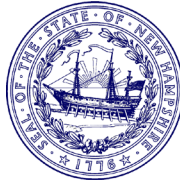


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Daniel C. Goldner, Chairman  
New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission  
21 South Fruit Street  
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Re: DG 23-076 Liberty Utilities (EnergyNorth Natural gas) Corp. d/b/a Liberty  
Winter 2023-2024 and Summer 2024 Cost of Gas and LDAC Filing, *DOE  
Supplemental Technical Statement of Faisal Deen Arif, Gas Director and  
Ashraf Al Alam, Utility Analyst*

Dear Chairman Goldner:

Enclosed please find the New Hampshire Department of Energy's "Supplemental Technical Statement of Faisal Deen Arif, Gas Director and Ashraf Al Alam, Utility Analyst." In the opinion of the Department, further process may be necessary with regard to the impact of the updated Liberty filing on customers, including the impact on carrying charges, and DOE's concern that additional fixed price option costs, including a second letter, postage and staff time, should not be passed to the ratepayers. The Department anticipates that process and resolution could take a few months.

As agreed during the October 19, 2023 hearing, this technical statement is being provided in response to issues raised during the hearing and to Liberty Utilities (EnergyNorth Natural Gas) Corp. d/b/a Liberty's "Updated Cost of Gas" filing (October 23, 2023). (Please note that the Department is also filing a "Technical Statement of Amanda O. Noonan Re FPO Program" that also responds to Liberty's updated filing and issues raised at hearing.)

Consistent with the Commission's current practices, this letter is being filed only in electronic form. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,  
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