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Daniel C. Goldner, Chairman
New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission
21 South Fruit Street
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Re: DG 23-085 Northern Utilities, Inc., Petition for Approval of 2023-2024 Winter and 2024 Summer Cost of Gas, *DOE Technical Statement of Faisal Deen Arif, Gas Director, and Ashraf Al Alam, Utility Analyst, and Exhibit 5 for hearing on October 26, 2023*

Dear Chairman Goldner:

Enclosed please find the New Hampshire Department of Energy (DOE or "the Department")'s Technical Statement of Faisal Deen Arif, Gas Director and Ashraf Al Alam, Utility Analyst. This technical statement is timely filed. *See Commission Procedural Order (Oct. 18, 2023.)*

The DOE has also identified this technical statement as Exhibit 5 at the hearing scheduled for 1:00 p.m. on October 26, 2023. See (Joint) Witness and Exhibit List sent to the Commission by Northern Utilities Inc. and dated October 19, 2023. Accordingly, the DOE encloses a copy of the technical statement, pre-marked as Exhibit 5 for identification.

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,

/s/ Mary E. Schwarzer

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