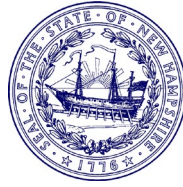


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Re: DG 23-087 Northern Utilities Inc. Petition for Expedited Approval of Empress Capacity Agreement, *DOE's REDACTED Technical Statement of Arif & Alam*

Dear Chairman Goldner:

Enclosed please find the New Hampshire Department of Energy's ("DOE" or "the Department") *REDACTED Technical Statement of Arif & Alam*, as required by the Commission's *Commencement of Adjudicative Proceedings and Notice of Prehearing Conference (October 12, 2023)*. See *Procedural Order Re: Request to Extend Deadline (Oct. 13, 2023)*.

A CONFIDENTIAL version of this Technical Statement will be filed under separate cover.

Consistent with the Commission's current practice, this letter is being filed in electronic format.

Respectfully Submitted,

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