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Daniel C. Goldner, Chairman
New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission
21 South Fruit Street
Concord, NH 03301

Re: DE 22-035; Liberty Utilities (Granite State Electric) Corp., d/b/a Liberty; Request for Step Adjustment; Letter from Department of Energy Supporting Approval of Rate Reductions Called for in Liberty's February 15, 2023, Filing

Dear Chairman Goldner:

On February 15, 2023, Liberty Utilities (Granite State Electric) Corp., d/b/a Liberty (Liberty) filed a request involving rate reductions resulting from updated calculations associated with Liberty's revised step adjustment as requested by the Commission at the February 7, 2023, hearing in this docket. Liberty noted in the cover letter of their filing that they believed the Department of Energy (DOE) agreed with the calculations and supported the requested rate reductions.

DOE has reviewed the above-mentioned filing and agrees with the updated calculations. DOE supports approval of the rate reductions as requested by Liberty in the filing, effective March 1, 2023.

Consistent with the Commission's current practices, this letter is being filed only in electronic form.

Sincerely,

/s/ *Paul B. Dexter*

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