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Submitted via electronic mail only

Daniel Goldner, Chair
New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission
21 Fruit Street, Suite 10
Concord, New Hampshire 03301

RE: DE 22-060; Business & Industry Association of New Hampshire (BIA) Comments

Dear Chairman Goldner,

The Business and Industry Association of New Hampshire (BIA) supports the settlement agreement proposed in docket DE 22-060.

We support the current tariffed levels for both small and large projects as described in the settlement agreement proposed by the joint parties of this docket. We believe the net metering tariff structure currently in place should stay in effect following approval of this settlement agreement by the Commission. The maintaining of the status quo by keeping the current alternative net metering compensation tariff structure in place is key to preventing unreasonable or unjust cost-shifting to New Hampshire ratepayers. Unreasonable cost-shifts have long been a notable concern of the members of the BIA. We believe keeping the current tariff structure as proposed in the settlement agreement by the joint parties in this docket will alleviate cost shifting concerns previously held by the business community.

Further, we believe the twenty-year legacy period is essential for upholding a successful market for distributed generation in New Hampshire. Now more than ever, businesses need opportunities to lower their energy costs. We believe a legacy period helps ensure this opportunity in New Hampshire.

BIA believes the proposed settlement agreement would successfully preserve net metering opportunities without unreasonable cost shifts for businesses, small and large, looking to lower their cost of energy in the state of New Hampshire. BIA respectfully urges the Commission to approve the proposed settlement agreement.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Michael Skelton'.

Michael Skelton
President & CEO
Business and Industry Association of New Hampshire (BIA)

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