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Daniel C. Goldner, Chairman  
New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission  
21 S. Fruit Street, Suite 10  
Concord, New Hampshire 03301

**Re: Docket No. DE 23-039  
Liberty Utilities (Granite State Electric) Corp. d/b/a Liberty  
Request for Change in Distribution Rates  
Settlement Discussions Between Parties**

Dear Chairman Goldner:

On April 30, 2024 the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission (the “Commission”) issued Order No. 27,000 approving the audit proposals of the Department of Energy (“DOE”). The Order directed the DOE to submit a proposed procedural schedule for this audit work by May 20, 2024. The DOE submitted its proposed procedural schedule on May 20, 2024 indicating that the audit work would be completed by January 1, 2026 and that an additional six months of work was expected before the case would conclude at the end of June 2026. This is approximately two years after this case was previously anticipated to conclude.

In consideration of this extended timeline, parties have engaged in discussions to determine whether a settlement can be reached that would resolve this proceeding sooner (while still allowing DOE to conduct an audit). These settlement discussions are ongoing and productive. Accordingly, the Company writes to respectfully request that the Commission refrain from taking any further actions regarding this docket at this time. The Commission’s most recent procedural order issued on May 23, 2024 stayed this proceeding through July 31, 2024. The Company will provide a further update regarding these settlement discussions on or before August 30, 2024.

Please contact me if you have any questions. Thank you.

Sincerely,



Jessica Buno Ralston

cc: Service List, Docket DE 23-039