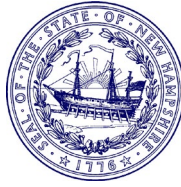


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Daniel C. Goldner, Chairman
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Re: DE 23-073 Low Income Electric Assistance Program, 2023-2024 Electric Assistance Program Budgets, DOE Audit Report and REVISED Report for EAP PY 2022-2023

Dear Chairman Goldner,

The New Hampshire Department of Energy ("Department" or "DOE") hereby provides the Department's *Year 21 of the Electric Assistance Program (EAP)'s DE 22-043 Program Year October 2022- September 2023 **Final** Audit Report*. (Emphasis in original), *see* Order No. 26,891 (Sept 28, 2023) at 6 (requesting EAP PY 2022-2023 audit); *see also* Department Letter dated September 29, 2023 (anticipating that audit report will be available in May 2024). The **Final Audit Report** is dated May 6, 2024. *See attached.*

Almost immediately after the May 6 report was filed, the Department made a minor clarification on page 7 and reissued the audit as the Department's *Year 21 of the Electric Assistance Program (EAP)'s DE 22-043 Program Year October 2022- September 2023 **REVISED Final** Audit Report*. (Emphasis in original). The **Revised Final Audit Report** is dated May 7, 2024. *See attached.* The only change in text occurs on page 7 and changes the original phrase "... and on August 21, 2023 an additional \$350,000 was deposited." to the separate sentence, "On August 21, 2023 an additional \$350,000 was withdrawn from the nonlapsing fund and deposited into the EAP dedicated fund account."

The Department is providing both the original and revised audit reports in the interest of clarity and transparency.

Consistent with the Commission's current policy, this letter is being filed solely in electronic form. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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