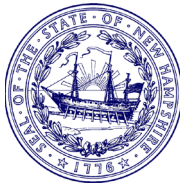


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Re: DE 24-073; Petition of Office of the Consumer Advocate to Initiate Investigation;  
Initial Brief of the Department of Energy

Dear Chairman Goldner:

Pursuant to the Public Utilities Commission's Procedural Order in this matter dated August 28, 2024, the Department of Energy provides its Initial Brief.

Consistent with current practice, this letter is filed electronically.

Sincerely,

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