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Re: CPT 2023-002, Complaint of Community Power Coalition of New Hampshire against Public Service Company of New Hampshire d/b/a Eversource Energy; New Hampshire Department of Energy Letter to Community Power Coalition of New Hampshire

Dear Mr. Below:

The Department of Energy (DOE) is writing this letter to respectfully request the information regarding CPT 2023-002, which was discussed on January 9, 2024.

On July 13, 2023, you on behalf of Community Power Coalition of New Hampshire (CPCNH) filed your Complaint against Public Service Company of New Hampshire d/b/a Eversource Energy (Eversource or Company), which was docketed as CPT 2023-002 (DOE Complaint). That same date, you filed a similar Complaint with the Public Utilities Commission (PUC), which was docketed as DE 23-062 (PUC Complaint). In both Complaints, CPCNH alleged, in part, that Eversource was not adhering to the Puc 2200 rules. On July 10, 2023, Eversource provided a response to the PUC Complaint, and on July 17, 2023 CPCNH filed its Reply. There has been no further action in the PUC docket since CPCNH filed its Reply on July 13, 2023.

On June 14, 2023, Eversource, Liberty Utilities (Granite State Electric) Corp. d/b/a Liberty, and Until Energy Systems filed a petition for a waiver from certain provisions of the Puc 2200 rules, which the PUC docketed as DE 23-063. On December 12, 2023, the PUC approved a request filed by Eversource on behalf of all parties to temporarily suspend the current procedural schedule as the parties had made progress toward resolving pending issues.

On July 24, 2023, Public Service Company of New Hampshire d/b/a Eversource Energy (Eversource) submitted a response to your DOE Complaint. On October 30, 2023, the DOE sent a letter to Eversource asking the Company to clarify its response as it

relates to Section 6.1 of the DOE Complaint. On December 14, 2023, the Company provided a formal response to the DOE. On January 9, 2024, Eversource, CPCNH, and the DOE met to discuss the Complaint. At the end of the meeting, CPCNH agreed that it would provide an updated outline/table addressing all resolved and outstanding issues raised at this meeting. CPCNH also agreed that it would specify in the outline if any of the issues were also raised in the PUC Complaint, in DE 23-063, or in the EDI Working Group.¹ At the conclusion of the meeting, CPCNH informed the participants that it would distribute its outline shortly. On January 19, 2024; January 26, 2024; and February 2, 2024, the Department of Energy asked CPCNH for this information. However, to date this information has not been provided.

It is very important for the Department to receive this information in a timely manner so that it can process this complaint efficiently. Please provide the requested information by Thursday, February 29, 2024.

The DOE has waived the filing of paper copies in this matter and this letter is being sent electronically only.

Sincerely,

/s/ Molly M. Lynch

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cc (electronically only): Clifton Below; Office of Consumer Advocate; Amanda Noonan; Matthew Young, Esq.; Brian Callnan.

¹ On December 5, 2023, the Department announced that it will be convening an EDI Working Group in early 2024 with the first meeting focused on working group governance, future agenda items, and other relevant issues.