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October 24, 2023

Michael Morell, Director Administrative Rules Division Office of Legislative Services State House Annex, Room 219 25 Capitol Street Concord, NH 03301-6312

Re: En 500 – Rules for Gas Service Department of Energy – Adoption Rulemaking Notice No. 2023-113

Dear Mr. Morell:

The Department of Energy has adopted the En 500 rules captioned above, as conditionally approved by the Joint Legislative Committee on Administrative Rules (JLCAR) on October 19, 2023. The Department submitted a Conditional Approval Response October 23, 2023, and that response was accepted and approved by letter from the Office of Legislative Services (OLS) dated October 23, 2023.

Pursuant to RSA 541-A:14, III and Chapter 3, Section 2.21 of the *New Hampshire Drafting and Procedural Manual for Administrative Rules* (Manual), the Department hereby files with the Director of the Office of Legislative Services in care of the Division of Administrative Rules the enclosed adopted En 500 rules.

The Department hereby certifies that the material enclosed is a true copy of the En 500 Rules for Gas Service, adopted by the Department on October 24, 2023. There are no changes in the adopted rules from the text of the Conditional Rule Response reviewed and approved by the Committee.

As required by Chapter 3, Section 2.21 of the Manual, enclosed for filing are:

(1) Two (2) copies of the adopted rules in the format required by Chapter 4 of the Manual, including (i) the appendix containing the cross-reference table required by RSA 541-A:3-a, II, and (ii) the appendix containing the incorporation by reference information required by RSA 541-A:12, VII; and

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(2) One (1) copy of this cover letter containing the name and address of the agency adopting the rules; identification of the rules by rule numbers; and signature by a voting member of the group of individuals with rulemaking authority, certifying that the material enclosed is a true copy of the rules adopted by the agency on the date given.

It is the intention of the Department that the enclosed rules shall become effective at 12:01 a.m. on **October 25, 2023**.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. Please contact us if you should have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Jared S. Chicoine Commissioner

Enclosures

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