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**STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
BEFORE THE
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**

Docket No. DE 13-063

Granite State Electric Company d/b/a Liberty Utilities
Distribution Service Rate Case

JOINT DIRECT TESTIMONY

OF

STEPHEN R. HALL

AND

HOWARD GORMAN

October 9, 2013

1 **I. INTRODUCTION**

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3 **Q. Mr. Hall, please state your name and business address.**

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5 A. My name is Stephen R. Hall. My business address is 11 Northeastern Boulevard, Salem,
6 NH 03079.

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9 **Q. By whom are you employed and in what capacity?**

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11 A. I am employed by Liberty Energy Utilities (New Hampshire) Corp. (“Liberty Energy
12 NH”) as its Director and Head of Regulatory, Government and Community Affairs.
13 Liberty Energy NH provides services to Granite State Electric Company. My
14 management responsibilities are primarily in the areas of compliance, financial and
15 regulatory services.

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18 **Q. Please describe your educational background.**

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20 A. I received a Bachelor of Science degree in Mathematics Education from the University of
21 New Hampshire in 1977 and a Master’s in Business Administration from the University
22 of New Hampshire in 1979.

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26 **Q. Please describe your business / professional background.**

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28 A. From June 1979 to August 2013, I was employed by Public Service Company of New
29 Hampshire (“PSNH”), most recently as the Manager of Revenue Requirements. In this
30 capacity, I was responsible for a wide range of rate and regulatory matters for PSNH,

1 including distribution rate cases, energy service rates, stranded cost recovery, and
2 transmission cost recovery. I was also responsible for regulatory relations for PSNH, and
3 had supervisory responsibility for revenue requirements. I also previously had
4 responsibility for pricing, rate design and tariff administration.

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6 **Q. Have you previously testified before the New Hampshire Public Utilities
7 Commission (“PUC” or “Commission”)?**

8 A. I have previously testified before the Commission on numerous occasions on a variety of
9 issues in my areas of responsibility.

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11 **Q. Mr. Gorman, please state your name, employer and business address.**

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13 A. My name is Howard Gorman. I am the President of HSG Group, Inc. My business
14 address is 45 Hill Park Avenue, Great Neck, NY 11021.

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17 **Q. Are you the same Howard Gorman that submitted testimony in DE 13-063
18 regarding Granite State’s Marginal Cost Study?**

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20 A. Yes.

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23 **Q. Please describe your business / professional background.**

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25 A. My professional and educational qualifications are set forth in Attachment HSG-1 to that
26 testimony.

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1 **Q. Have you previously testified before the New Hampshire Public Utilities**
2 **Commission (“PUC”or “Commission”)?**

3 A. I have only testified before the Commission in this docket, though I have appeared before
4 many other state regulatory bodies on behalf of utilities.

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6 **Q. What is the purpose of your testimony in this case?**

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8 A. The purpose of our testimony is to adopt the testimony of ChristiAne G. Mason that was
9 submitted in this docket as part of the Joint Direct Testimony of ChristiAne G. Mason
10 and Dr. Michael R. Schmidt on March 29, 2013 in support of Granite State’s request for a
11 permanent distribution rate increase, subject to any changes made to the Company’s
12 filing during the course of this case.

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14 **Q. Does this conclude your testimony?**

15 A. Yes, it does.
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