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Mark D. Marini, Secretary
Department of Public Utilities
One South Station, 5th Floor
Boston, MA 02110

Re: Inquiry into Establishing Policies and Practices for Electric and Gas Companies – D.P.U. 20-58

Dear Secretary Marini:

On behalf of Fitchburg Gas and Electric Light Company d/b/a Unitil, Massachusetts Electric Company and Nantucket Electric Company, Boston Gas Company and former Colonial Gas Company, each d/b/a National Grid, and NSTAR Gas Company, Eversource Gas Company of Massachusetts, and NSTAR Electric Company, each d/b/a Eversource Energy, and Liberty Utilities (New England Natural Gas Company) Corp. d/b/a Liberty (collectively, the “Distribution Companies”),¹ enclosed for filing is a Motion to Extend the Small Commercial Arrearage Forgiveness Program (“AFP”).

Currently, the Small Commercial AFP is approved to be offered through December 31, 2020. Given the upcoming termination, the Distribution Companies respectfully request the Department issue a decision on the Motion by December 21, 2020.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. Please contact me with any questions you may have regarding this filing.

Sincerely,



Ashley S. Wagner, Esq.

¹ The Berkshire Gas Company’s Small Commercial Arrearage Forgiveness Program is already approved through March 31, 2021.

Enclosures

cc: Rachel Cottle, Esq. – Hearing Officer
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