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Hearing Officer

**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS**

**DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES**

Inquiry of the Department of Public Utilities )  
into Establishing Policies and Practices for )  
Electric and Gas Companies Regarding Customer )  
Assistance and Ratemaking Measures in )  
Connection to the State of Emergency )  
Regarding the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19 )  
Pandemic. )  
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D.P.U. 20-58

**JOINT MOTION FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME**

Fitchburg Gas and Electric Light Company d/b/a Unitil (“Unitil”), Massachusetts Electric Company and Nantucket Electric Company, Boston Gas Company and Colonial Gas Company, each d/b/a National Grid (“National Grid”), NSTAR Gas Company, Eversource Gas Company of Massachusetts, and NSTAR Electric Company, each d/b/a Eversource Energy (“Eversource”), Liberty Utilities (New England Natural Gas Company) Corp. d/b/a Liberty (“Liberty”), and The Berkshire Gas Company (“Berkshire”)(together, the “Distribution Companies”) pursuant to 220 C.M.R. 1.02(5) hereby request an extension to file the Distribution Companies’ Bad Debt Write-Off Reports.

On January 29, 2021, pursuant to D.P.U. 20-58-D, the Distribution Companies filed a compliance filing regarding the Ratemaking proposal. As part of the compliance filing, the Distribution Companies committed to tracking and reporting on delivery-related bad-debt write offs for two years with a report due August 1, 2022. D.P.U. 20-58, Compliance Filing at 5-6 (January 29, 2021)(Stamp Granted June 3, 2021).

The Department’s regulations grant discretion to the Commission or the presiding officer to extend any time limit prescribed in a proceeding, as long as good cause is demonstrated. 220

C.M.R. § 1.02(5). The Distribution Companies require additional time to review, compile, and analyze the delivery-related bad-debt write off data to be provided in the report. The Distribution Companies respectfully request an extension of five business days to submit the delivery-related bad-debt write off report to the Department. This extension will result in moving the current deadline from Monday, August 1, 2022 to Monday, August 8, 2022.

**WHEREFORE**, for the foregoing reasons, the Distribution Companies request a five-business-day extension of time to file their delivery-related bad-debt write off reports.

Respectfully Submitted,

**DISTRIBUTION COMPANIES**

By their attorneys,

**FITCHBURG GAS AND ELECTRIC  
LIGHT COMPANY d/b/a UNITIL**



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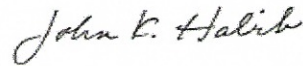


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