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His Excellency, Governor Christopher T. Sununu
and the Honorable Council
State House
Concord, New Hampshire 03301

Your Excellency and Honorable Councilors:

REQUESTED ACTION

Pursuant to RSA 94:1-a, it is respectfully requested that approval be granted to the Public Utilities Commission to authorize a salary increment of $6,196.84 to Chairwoman Dianne Martin, (Position #9U138) effective upon Governor and Council approval. Funding is 100% Utilities Assessment and is available in account 02-81-81-810010-28120000-501096.

EXPLANATION

This request is forwarded for your consideration in accordance with RSA 94:3, which provides that "upon recommendation of the appointing authority, the holder of any position mentioned in RSA 94:1-a shall be entitled to an annual increase in salary." Pursuant to RSA 363:3, "the governor, with the advice and consent of the council," appoints the chair and commissioners to the Public Utilities Commission. Chairwoman Martin was appointed as Chairwoman on September 18, 2019. As Chairwoman of the Public Utilities Commission, she serves as administrative head of the agency and as the presiding officer for the Commission. By statute, the Chair of the Public Utilities Commission also serves as the Chair and Chief Executive of the Site Evaluation Committee. Chairwoman Martin was also elected Chair of the Nuclear Decommissioning Financing Committee.

The salary for the Chairwoman and Commissioners at the Public Utilities Commission is set forth in RSA 94:1-a, I, Group JJ ($94,186.04 to $131,357.20). Her salary would increase from Step 6 ($125,160.36) to Step 7 ($131,357.20) which would bring her salary into parity with the other Commissioners.

Respectfully submitted,

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Julianne Pelletier,
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