

STATE OF NEW YORK  
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

CASE 24-G-0668 - Proceeding on Motion of the Commission as to the Rates, Charges, Rules and Regulations of Liberty Utilities (St. Lawrence Gas) Corp. for Gas Service.

CASE 24-G-0369 - Petition of Liberty Utilities (St. Lawrence Gas) Corp. for Approval to Implement Automated Meter Reading and Recover Associated Costs.

NOTICE OF JOINT PROPOSAL AND SOLICITING PUBLIC COMMENTS

(Issued September 16, 2025)

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** that comments are invited concerning a Joint Proposal filed on August 29, 2025, in the above-captioned proceedings. The terms of the Joint Proposal would establish a new rate plan for Liberty Utilities (St. Lawrence Gas) Corp. (Liberty) for three years beginning November 1, 2025. The three rate years - Rate Year 1 (RY1), Rate Year 2 (RY2), and Rate Year 3 (RY3) - are defined as the 12 months ending October 31, 2026, October 31, 2027, and October 31, 2028, respectively. The signatories to the Joint Proposal are Liberty, trial staff of the Department of Public Service, and Multiple Intervenors; the Utility Intervention Unit of the Division of Consumer Protection of the New York State Department of State, the only other party to this proceeding, does not oppose the Joint Proposal.

If adopted, relevant terms of the Joint Proposal would increase Liberty's gas delivery service revenues, resulting in revenue requirement increases of approximately \$1.1 million in RY1, RY2, and RY3, or a 2.4 percent total revenue increase each rate year. The actual bill impacts of the proposed changes on specific customer classes will vary based upon revenue allocation and rate design.

The proposed revenue requirements reflect a common equity ratio of 46 percent in RY1, 47 percent in RY2, and 48 percent in RY3, and a return on equity of 9.30 percent. The Joint Proposal's terms include an earnings sharing mechanism whereby annual earnings that exceed 9.80 percent will be shared with customers, and a bill discount program for low-income residential customers funded with \$573,977 in RY1, \$626,123 in RY2, and \$705,599 in RY3.

The full text of the Joint Proposal, a summary of its key provisions (prepared by Liberty), and other filings in these proceedings may be reviewed online at the Department of Public Service (Department) web page by going to [www.dps.ny.gov](http://www.dps.ny.gov), clicking on "File Search" (located under the heading "Commission Files"), and entering "24-G-0668" or "24-G-0369" in the box labelled "Search by Case Number."

The Public Service Commission (Commission) may adopt, adopt with changes, or reject, in whole or in part, any of the terms of the Joint Proposal. The Commission may also adopt terms other than those proposed.

**Comments on the Joint Proposal must be received by November 14, 2025,** and should refer to "Case 24-G-0668" or "Case 24-G-0369." Comments may be submitted as follows:

**Internet or Mail:** Go to [www.dps.ny.gov](http://www.dps.ny.gov), click on "File Search" (located under the heading "Commission Files"), enter "24-G-0668" or "24-G-0369" in the box labelled "Search by Case Number," and then click on "Post Comments" located at the top right of the page. Alternatively, comments may be mailed to the Hon. Michelle L. Phillips, Secretary, Public Service Commission, Three Empire State Plaza, Albany, New York 12223-1350; however, electronic filing of comments is strongly encouraged. Comments submitted in accordance with this Notice will be posted on the Department's website and may be accessed

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by searching the case number, as described above, and clicking on the "Public Comments" tab. Please be advised that untimely comments may not be considered by the Commission.

**Toll-Free Opinion Line:** Individuals may call the Commission's Opinion Line at 1-800-335-2120. This number is set up to receive comments about pending cases from in-State callers 24-hours a day. These comments are not transcribed verbatim, but a summary is provided to the Commission.

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MICHELLE L. PHILLIPS  
Secretary