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March 30, 2023

### **VIA ELECTRONIC FILING**

Ms. A. Shonta Dunston Chief Clerk North Carolina Utilities Commission 430 N. Salisbury Street, Dobbs Building Raleigh, North Carolina 27603

Re: Docket No. G-40, Sub 160

Dear Ms. Dunston:

On November 22, 2021, the North Carolina Utilities Commission ("Commission") issued its Order Approving Merger Subject to Regulatory Conditions in Docket No. G-40, Sub 160. Regulatory Condition No. 35 attached to that Order requires Frontier Natural Gas Company ("Frontier" or the "Company") to file an annual report of affiliated transactions with the Commission each March 31st. This electronic filing constitutes Frontier's annual report for the year ended December 31, 2022.

Thank you for your assistance with this matter. If you have any questions regarding this filing, you may reach me at the number shown above.

Sincerely,

/s/ James H. Jeffries IV James H. Jeffries IV

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**Enclosures** 

cc: Elizabeth Culpepper Megan Jost Brian Franklin

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#### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

The undersigned hereby certifies that a copy of the attached is being served this date upon all of the parties to this docket electronically or by depositing a copy of the same in the United States Mail, First Class Postage Prepaid, at the addresses contained in the official service list in this proceeding.

This the 30th day of March, 2023.

/s/ Niesha Heverly Niesha Heverly

# FRONTIER NATURAL GAS COMPANY REPORT OF AFFILIATED TRANSACTIONS BETWEEN FRONTIER NATURAL GAS & PARENT HEARTHSTONE UTILITIES INC.

#### **JANUARY 1, 2022 TO DECEMBER 31, 2022**

BALANCE DUE TO HEARTHSTONE ON 12/31/21			824,290
INTERCOMPANY ACTIVITY			
	Dividends Insurance - Property Corporate O/H and Payroll IT Support/Hardware Professional Fees Misc		2,075,000 278,405 1,105,428 16,140 29,570 26,537
TOTAL CHARGES FROM HEARTHSTONE		\$	3,531,080
	PAYMENTS TO HEARTHSTONE	\$	(4,403,118)
BALANCE DUE TO HEARTHSTONE ON 12/31/22		\$	(47,748)

FRONTIER NATURAL GAS COMPANY					
	2022 SERVICE DESCRIPTION	TOTAL CORPORATE 2022	FRONTIER PORTION	ALLOCATION METHOD	OPERATING UNIT
1	BANK FEES Service fees on corporate bank accounts.	\$32,564	\$4,670	4 Factor	HEARTHSTONE
2	BENEFITS Benefits paid to Hearthstone corporate employees	\$513,283	\$73,604	4 Factor	HEARTHSTONE
3	CELL PHONES Cost of Cell phones used by corporate employees	\$18,332	\$2,629	4 Factor	HEARTHSTONE
4	DEPRECIATION Depreciation on Hearthstone corporate fixed assets.	\$207,205	\$29,713 \$0	4 Factor	HEARTHSTONE
5	ELECTRICITY	\$807	\$116	4 Factor	HEARTHSTONE
6	EMPLOYEE TRAVEL Employee meals and travel related to travel expense incurred by Hearthstone employees on company business	\$244,334	\$35,037	4 Factor	HEARTHSTONE
7	MAINTENANCE	\$0	\$0	4 Factor	HEARTHSTONE
8	FEES & DUES	\$13,663	\$1,959	4 Factor	HEARTHSTONE
9	IT SUPPORT	\$560,313	\$80,348	4 Factor	HEARTHSTONE
10	SALARIES Salaries of Hearthstone corporate employees	\$4,040,169	\$579,355	4 Factor	HEARTHSTONE
11	LEGAL FEES Hearthstone cost of outside legal services	\$70,998	\$10,181	4 Factor	HEARTHSTONE
12	MISC OTHER	\$182,268	\$26,137	4 Factor	HEARTHSTONE
13	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES Outside accounting, auditing, consulting and tax services	\$513,887	\$73,691	4 Factor	HEARTHSTONE
14	RENT REAL PROPERTY Rent for corporate offices	\$88,947	\$12,755	4 Factor	HEARTHSTONE
15	PUBL & MATERIAL Cost of publications and reference material	\$1,535	\$220	4 Factor	HEARTHSTONE
16	SHIP & POSTAGE	\$4,429	\$635	4 Factor	HEARTHSTONE
17	SUPPLIES	\$29,789	\$4,272	4 Factor	HEARTHSTONE
18	TAXES OTHER THAN INCOME	\$224,779	\$32,233	4 Factor	HEARTHSTONE
19	TRAINING	\$14,420	\$2,068	4 Factor	HEARTHSTONE
20	UTILITIES	\$8,842	\$1,268	4 Factor	HEARTHSTONE
21	WIDE AREA NETWORK	\$97,593	\$13,995	4 Factor	HEARTHSTONE
22	WORKER COMP & LIAB INSURANCE	\$100,396	\$14,397	4 Factor	HEARTHSTONE
23	SAP ACCOUNTING SYSTEM	\$740,221	\$106,147	4 Factor	HEARTHSTONE
	Total Corporate Overhead	\$ <u>7,708,773</u>	\$ <u>1,105,428</u>		

2022 SERVICE DESCRIPTION	FRONTIER'S AMOUNT	ALLOCATION METHOD	OPERATING UNIT
1 Dividends paid to PHC	\$ 2,075,000	FNGC Board Resolutions	PHC
2 Insurance - Property	\$ 278,405	Property Insurance	HEARTHSTONE
3 I/T Support and Purchases for FNGC	\$ 16,140	Purchases made by corporate IT in support of FNGC computer systems	HEARTHSTONE
4 Professional Fees	\$ 29,570	Outside consultants for FNG paid through HUI.	HEARTHSTONE
5 Misc	\$ 26,537	Fees services rendered to FNGC by Hearthstone	HEARTHSTONE
6 PAYMENTS TO HEARTHSTONE	\$ (4,403,118)	Payments to HEARTHSTONE for dividends, intercompany services and expenses.	HEARTHSTONE
TOTAL OTHER TRANSACTIONS	\$ (1,977,466)		
Total Corporate Overhead	\$ 1,105,428		
Due to HEARTHSTONE 1/1/2022	\$ 824,290		
Balance Due to HEARTHSTONE 12/31/2022	\$ (47,748)		