STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE before the PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

Public Service Company of New Hampshire d/b/a Eversource Energy

Docket No. DE 19-XX

Notice of Intent to File Rate Schedules

Pursuant to RSA 378:27 and N.H. Code of Admin. Rules Puc 1604.05, Public Service Company of New Hampshire d/b/a Eversource Energy ("Eversource" or the "Company") hereby provides notice of its intent to file with the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission on or about April 26, 2019, rate schedules for temporary rates seeking an overall increase in annual distribution revenue of approximately \$33 million based on a test year ending December 31, 2018. The Company's rate filing will show that operating and maintenance expense as of December 31, 2018 reflects operational cost savings arising from the merger of Northeast Utilities and NSTAR and through rigorous cost control, resulting in test-year operating expense approximately \$12 million lower than incurred in 2012, the year of the merger. Therefore, the primary cost drivers requiring new rates at this time are capital investments and vegetation management costs for work undertaken to maintain the safety and reliability of the electric system, along with costs incurred to restore power to customers following several major storm events in 2017 and 2018. The Company's rate filing will include a credit to customers to account for the changes in federal and state income-tax rates as of January 1, 2018. Eversource intends to file rate schedules for permanent rates, pursuant to RSA 378:28, during the pendency of the temporary rate request.

Respectfully submitted,

PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY OF NEW HAMPSHIRE d/b/a EVERSOURCE ENERGY

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Date: March 22, 2019

Certificate of Service

I hereby certify that on March 22, 2019, a copy of this Notice of Intent to File Rate Schedules has been served in accordance with Puc § 203.11.

Matthew J. Fossum