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July 27, 2017

TO: Commissioners

FROM: David K. Wiesner, Hearings Examiner

RE: DE 17-075, Eversource Energy Annual Energy Service  
and Stranded Cost Reconciliation for 2016

### HEARINGS EXAMINER'S REPORT

At your request, I served as the presiding officer for the prehearing conference (PHC) held in the above-referenced matter on July 27, 2017.

On May 2, 2017, Public Service Company of New Hampshire d/b/a Eversource Energy (Eversource) filed testimony and related schedules in support of its proposed reconciliation of revenues and costs associated with its energy service and stranded cost recovery charge (SCRC) for calendar year 2016. Pursuant to an Order of Notice issued on July 7, 2017, a PHC was scheduled for July 27, 2017. The Order of Notice was published in the *Union Leader* on July 12, 2017, and an affidavit of such publication was filed on July 18, 2017.

#### Appearances

Matthew J. Fossum, Esq., for Eversource  
Brian Buckley, Esq., for Office of the Consumer Advocate (OCA)  
Suzanne B. Amidon, Esq., for Commission Staff (Staff)

#### Intervention Requests

OCA participating pursuant to RSA 363:28, per a letter of participation filed on June 12, 2017. No petitions to intervene were filed, and no requests for intervention were made during the PHC.

#### Positions of the Parties

##### Eversource:

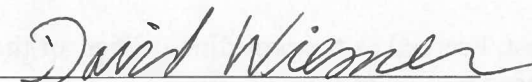
Eversource offered as an initial statement of position that its 2016 reconciliation filing had been prepared consistently with its prior such filings, including accounting of its costs and revenues and related explanations. Eversource asserted that its decisions had been reasonable and prudent and that its proposed reconciliations for 2016 should be approved.

OCA:

The OCA stated that it was still evaluating the Eversource filing, but noted a particular interest in a \$3,400,000 settlement agreement the company had entered into regarding a coal shipment.

Staff:

Staff stated that it currently has no position on the Eversource filing and will engage in discovery to further investigate the filing. Staff also expressed interest in reviewing the circumstances related to the \$3,400,000 coal shipment settlement agreement, as well as a number of potential under-recoveries by the company. Staff indicated that the parties would develop a proposed procedural schedule for the proceeding during the technical session to follow the PHC and would recommend that procedural schedule for approval by the Commission.

By:   
David K. Wiesner, Hearings Examiner

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