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Debra A. Howland Executive Director New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission 21 South Fruit Street, Suite 10 Concord, NH 03301-2429

RE: Docket No. DE 18-XXX Public Service Company of New Hampshire d/b/a Eversource Energy Petition for Adjustment to Stranded Cost Recovery Charge

Dear Director Howland:

Enclosed for filing please find an original and six copies of Public Service Company of New Hampshire d/b/a Eversource Energy's ("Eversource") Petition for an adjustment to its Stranded Cost Recovery Charge ("SCRC"). Included with this Petition are the testimony and attachments of Christopher J. Goulding, supporting an adjustment to the SCRC.

By Order No. 26,090 (December 27, 2017) in Docket No. DE 17-151, Eversource is currently billing an average SCRC rate of 0.042 cents per kilowatt-hour. Pursuant to the 2015 Public Service Company of New Hampshire Restructuring and Rate Stabilization Agreement in Docket No. DE 14-238 (the "2015 Agreement"), and the Settlement Agreement in Docket No. DE 17-113, and the orders relating thereto, Eversource is transitioning to a competitively-procured energy service rate on April 1, 2018, and is required to amend its SCRC on the same date to account for that transition. By this Petition, Eversource is requesting that the Commission commence a proceeding to permit such amendment.

This submission includes Eversource's current estimates for the SCRC rates applicable to each rate class consistent with the 2015 Agreement and Order No. 25,920 (July, 2016) in Docket No. DE 14-238. Eversource is not requesting approval of any specific rates at this time, but will update its estimates with more recent data before a hearing on the merits. Thank you for your assistance with this matter. Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions.

Very truly yours, Matthew J. Fossum Senior Counsel

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