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

RE:

Docket No. DE 18-177

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

Petition for Continuation of Reliability Enhancement Program

Dear Director Howland:

Enclosed for filing, and consistent with Order No. 26,206 (December 28, 2018), please find the report of Public Service Company of New Hampshire d/b/a Eversource Energy ("Eversource") relating to its activities under the Reliability Enhancement Program ("REP") in calendar year 2018. Eversource notes two items as part of this submission. First, with respect to the approved circuit ties in Swanzey and Hinsdale, both have been completed and placed in service as proposed in Docket No. DE 17-196. As explained in the report, however, due to the timing of actually placing these projects in service, only a portion of the total cost is reflected in calendar year 2018. Second, as had been described by Eversource witness Robert Allen at the hearing in this case, Eversource had challenges obtaining sufficient crew resources to assure completion of regular trimming activities. Those challenges are reflected in this report.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. Thank you for your assistance with this matter.

Very truly yours,

Matthew J. Fossum

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Enclosures

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