### THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE BEFORE THE NEW HAMPSHIRE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

# Public Service Company of New Hampshire d/b/a Eversource Energy Stranded Cost Recovery Charge Rates

# Docket No. DE 18-182

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### A. Purpose of Technical Statement:

This Technical Statement is being submitted to explain the changes to Public Service Company of New Hampshire d/b/a Eversource Energy's ("Eversource") proposed Stranded Cost Recovery Charge ("SCRC") rates effective February 1, 2019 from the SCRC rates currently in effect. This filing updates the Company's preliminary SCRC filing that was submitted on November 30, 2018.

### **B.** Proposed Rates (cents/kWh):

In this filing, as shown in Attachment CJG-1, page 1, Eversource has calculated the following February 1, 2019 SCRC average rates (excluding and including the RGGI adder):

Rate Class	Excluding RGGI Adder Average SCRC	RGGI Adder	Including RGGI Adder Average SCRC
Rate R	1.887	(0.134)	1.753
Rate G	1.760	(0.134)	1.626
Rate GV	1.488	(0.134)	1.354
Rate LG	0.522	(0.134)	0.388
Rate OL	2.126	(0.134)	1.992

#### February 1, 2019 Rates filed January 11, 2019 (cents/kWh)

The decrease in the average SCRC rates (excluding the RGGI refund adder) compared to the average SCRC rates currently in effect can be seen in the table below:

#### Change in Average SCRC Rates (Excluding the RGGI Adder) (cents/kWh)

Rate Class	August 1, 2018 Average SCRC Rates	February 1, 2019 Average SCRC Rates	(decrease) in Average SCRC
Rate R	2.147	1.887	(0.260)
Rate G	1.970	1.760	(0.210)
Rate GV	1.626	1.488	(0.138)
Rate LG	0.607	0.522	(0.085)
Rate OL	2.253	2.126	(0.127)

This also represents a modest decrease from the preliminary SCRC rates as contained in the November 30, 2018 filing.

# C. Drivers of the Change in the Average SCRC Rates:

The decrease in the average SCRC rates is due primarily to a reduction in the RRB charges effective February 1, 2019 compared to the current RRB charges. The below table compares the current RRB charges to the February 1, 2019 RRB charges:

Rate Class	Current RRB Charges	February 1, 2019 RRB Charges	(decrease) in RRB Charges
Rate R	1.338	0.948	(0.390)
Rate G	1.207	0.872	(0.335)
Rate GV	0.993	0.743	(0.250)
Rate LG	0.371	0.258	(0.113)
Rate OL	1.430	1.081	(0.349)

#### Change in RRB Charges (cents/kWh)

A portion of the decrease is also attributable to the removal of the one-time recovery of the March 31, 2018 non-scrubber energy service under-recovery. That amount was being recovered over the 10-month period of April 1, 2018 to January 31, 2019. The effect of the above decreases in the SCRC rates was offset by the net impact of the newly added forecasted costs associated with the Wood IPPs per passage of Senate Bill 365, as well as higher forecasted costs associated with existing power purchase agreements.

The decrease in the RGGI refund adder rate from negative 0.094 cents/kWh to negative 0.134 cents/kWh, which is shown in Attachment CJG-3, page 1, is due to higher actual auction results for both the September 2018 and the December 2018 auctions compared to the forecast. This results in higher estimated RGGI proceeds for 2019.

Provided as Attachment CJG-5 are the actual SCRC rates for the individual rate codes. Attachment CJG-6 contains the routine true-up letter filed in Docket No. DE 17-096 that establishes the RRB charges effective February 1, 2019 that appear on page 3 of Attachment CJG-1 for inclusion in the average SCRC rates proposed for February 1, 2019. That true-up letter details the periodic true-up to account for activities relating to the servicing of the RRBs as described in Order No. 26,099 (January 30, 2018) in Docket No. DE 17-096.