THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE BEFORE THE

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

Docket No. DT 19-

NOW COMES Consolidated Communications of Northern New England Company, LLC d/b/a Consolidated Communications-NNE ("Consolidated") and hereby petitions the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission (the "Commission") for a license to place and maintain on a temporary basis (approximately two years) aerial telephone cables crossing over state-owned public waters in Ossipee, New Hampshire, across the Bearcamp River. In support thereof, Consolidated states as follows:

1. Pursuant to RSA 371:17, Consolidated seeks a license to cross and maintain telephone plant over state-owned waters in Ossipee, New Hampshire. These facilities consist of a 144 strand fiber and three copper cables crossing aerially over the Bearcamp River as described and shown on engineering plans attached hereto as Exhibit A and made a part hereof. The State of New Hampshire Department of Transportation (NHDOT Bridge No. 137/297) plans to construct a new bridge on State Highway Route 16-25 over Bearcamp River, Ossipee, New Hampshire. Construction of a new bridge requires Consolidated to temporarily relocate its existing facilities onto new poles to be set by Eversource. When bridge construction is completed Consolidated plans to relocate its facilities to new poles to be set by Eversource where the existing pole line resides. Consolidated will petition the Commission at the time for a permanent license to attach its cable facilities to

permanent poles to be set by Eversource that will permanently cross Bearcamp River.

Exhibit B is an aerial view of the proposed temporary crossing.

2. Consolidated's cable facilities are designed to provide telecommunications service to

customers in New Hampshire.

3. The water crossing will be constructed and maintained with due regard for established

safety standards as set forth in the National Electric Safety Code in order to meet the

reasonable requirements for service to the public.

4. The granting of such license will not adversely affect the public rights on said water

and, therefore, is in the public interest. The use and enjoyment by the public of the

waterway will not be diminished in any material respect as a result of the overhead

line crossing.

Wherefore, Consolidated requests the Commission grant such license as may be

necessary to insure that the crossing described and shown on plans attached hereto may be

properly authorized in accordance with the statutes.

Respectfully submitted,

Consolidated Communications of Northern New England Company, LLC d/b/a Consolidated

Robert D. Mechan

England Company, LLC d/b/a Consolidated

Communications-NNE

Dated: January 31, 2019

 $\mathsf{By}_{_}$

Robert Meehan

Director – Regulatory NH

Consolidated Communications

770 Elm Street

Manchester, NH 03101

603.656.8116

robert.meehan@consolidated.com