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Re: **Public Service Company of New Hampshire d/b/a Eversource Energy**
Docket No. DE 19-104, Clean Innovation Community Solar Pilot Proposal
Staff Status Report – recommending suspension until January 2021

Dear Executive Director Howland:

On May 14, 2020, Commission Staff (Staff) asked the Commission to suspend this docket until August 15, 2020, in light of uncertainty associated with the impact of the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) on public health and the economy. The Office of Consumer Advocate (OCA), the Conservation Law Foundation, and Clean Energy NH agreed, or did not object, to Staff’s request. On May 21, 2020, the Public Service Company of New Hampshire d/b/a Eversource Energy (Eversource) indicated that it did not object to Staff’s recommendation either.

Staff’s May 14, 2020 status report also indicated another status report would be filed in August. This is that report.

Staff proposes an additional suspension until January 2021, and the following preliminary procedural schedule. Staff believes this will allow all parties to consider the merits of the proposal at a time when the parties anticipate there will be a better opportunity to assess the impact of the novel coronavirus on public health and the economy, and conditions for the pilot proposal.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>
January 8, 2021	Eversource to update pilot proposal if necessary (e.g., cost, supporting information, responses to data requests etc.)
January 29, 2021	Technical Session (format to be determined) from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. to discuss proposal updates and next steps.

OCA, Eversource, Clean Energy NH, and the Conservation Law Foundation, agree with, or do not object to, the additional suspension and the preliminary procedural schedule above.

As permitted by the Commission's March 17, 2020 letter filed in this docket, Staff is filing this status report by email only.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Mary Schwarzer

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