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March 30, 2020
Via E-Mail

Ms. Debra A. Howland
Executive Director and Secretary
New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission
21 S. Fruit Street, Suite 10
Concord, New Hampshire 03301

Re: Docket No. DE 19-148
PETITION FOR LICENSE TO CONSTRUCT AND MAINTAIN ELECTRIC LINES
IN THE TOWN OF BEDFORD AND CITY OF MANCHESTER

Affidavit of Publication and Service

Dear Director Howland:

Enclosed for filing with the Commission please find an "Affidavit of Publication and Service" regarding the publication and notice requirements set forth in Order No. 26,341.

Pursuant to the Commission's notice of March 17, 2020 in response to the COVID-19 emergency, this filing is only being provided via e-mail.

Thank you for your assistance. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Robert Bersak", written over a horizontal line.

Robert A. Bersak
Chief Regulatory Counsel

cc via e-mail: Service List

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

DE 19-148

**PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
D/B/A EVERSOURCE ENERGY**

**Petition for License to Construct and Maintain Electric Lines
Over and Across the Merrimack River between Bedford and Manchester and
Across Land Owned by the State of New Hampshire in Bedford**

AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION AND SERVICE

Pursuant to Order No. 26,341 issued in this proceeding on March 25, 2020, I, Robert A. Bersak, Chief Regulatory Counsel for Eversource Energy, do hereby certify:

1. On March 26, 2020, Eversource provided a copy of this order to: (i) the Town and City Clerks of Bedford and Manchester, New Hampshire, respectively; (ii) the New Hampshire Attorney General and all owners of the land bordering on the public waters at the location of the crossing, as required by RSA 371:19; and (iii) the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services, by first class mail;
2. On March 30, 2020, the attached summary of Order No. 26,341 was published in a statewide newspaper of general circulation or of circulation in those portions of the state where operations are conducted, to wit, the Union-Leader.

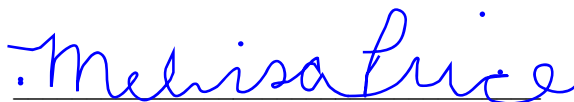


Robert A. Bersak

• March 30, 2020

Date

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me this 30th day of March, 2020, by Robert A. Bersak, a person known to me, pursuant to the procedures set forth in the Governor's Emergency Order #11 dated March 23, 2020, issued under Executive Order 2020-04.



Melissa L. Price

Legal Notice

**STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
PUBLIC UTILITIES
COMMISSION**

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**Petition for License to
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State of New Hampshire
in Bedford**

**Summary of Order Nisi
No. 26,341 Granting License
March 25, 2020**

On March 25, 2020, the Commission approved a request by Public Service Company of New Hampshire d/b/a Eversource Energy (Eversource) under RSA 371:17 for a license to modify, construct, and maintain an overhead electric distribution line over and across the Merrimack River between Bedford and Manchester, and over and across State-owned land in Bedford. This river and land crossing modifies an existing crossing. The Commission's Order, the petition, and subsequent docket filings, other than any information for which confidential treatment is requested of or granted by the Commission, are posted on the Commission's website at: <https://www.puc.nh.gov/Regulatory/Docketbk/2019/19-148.html>.

The Commission determined that the proposed crossing is necessary to meet the reasonable requirements of service to the public and that the license may be exercised without substantially affecting the public rights in the Merrimack River or the State-owned land at the location of the crossing. The Commission approved Eversource's license request subject to certain conditions related to the safe construction, operation, and maintenance of the proposed crossing.

The Commission delayed the effectiveness of its approval to ensure that the public receives notice of the Commission's determination and has an opportunity to request a hearing. Persons interested in responding to the Commission's action may submit their comments, or file a written request for a hearing that states the reason and basis for a hearing, no later than April 10, 2020. Any person(s) responding to such comments and requests for hearing shall do so no later than April 17, 2020. Following consideration of any comments and requests for hearing received, the Commission may further extend the final effective date of its Order. Unless the Commission orders otherwise, the Order shall become final and effective on April 25, 2020.

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