

Public Service of New Hampshire d/b/a Eversource Energy
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Request from: New England Cable and Telecommunications

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Request:

Re: NECTA 1-008: Please quantify the number of Eversource poles categorized as Joint Use with Consolidated, and confirm that number is included in the count of solely owned poles used by Eversource to calculate the pole rate formula as presented in Response to Staff 1-27.

Response:

Eversource's pole attachment rate is calculated using data from the Company's plant accounting system which has a record of all poles that the Company has an investment in. As explained in the Company's response to NECTA 1-008, poles that are categorized as Joint Use ("JU") are fully owned by Eversource. There are approximately 4,800 Eversource owned JU poles. Eversource's plant accounting system does not have a category for JU, and therefore, the poles were entered into the plant accounting system with the Fully Owned ("FO") designation when they were acquired from CVEC.

The JU billing described in NECTA 1-008 is a separate, manual process that is independent of the Company's plant accounting system.