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Daniel Goldner, Chairman
New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission
21 S. Fruit Street, Suite 10
Concord, New Hampshire 03301

Re: Docket No. DE 23-_____
Public Service Company of New Hampshire d/b/a Eversource Energy
2023 Regulatory Reconciliation Adjustment

Dear Chairman Goldner:

Pursuant to Section 9 of the October 9, 2020 settlement agreement on permanent rates approved by Order No. 25,433 on December 15, 2020 in Docket No. DE 19-057 (the "Settlement"), Public Service Company of New Hampshire d/b/a Eversource Energy ("Eversource") is required to submit a filing no later than March 1 of each year regarding its Regulatory Reconciliation Adjustment ("RRA"): (1) containing reports on its reliability statistics and vegetation management activities; and (2) requesting that the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission (the "Commission") open a new docket to consider the filing and the Company's annual RRA rate change. Thereafter, on or by May 1, the Company is required to update its RRA filing with information pertaining to all other components of the RRA filing, along with supporting testimony and exhibits for rates effective August 1 of that year.

Accordingly, enclosed for filing are the required reports on reliability statistics and vegetation management activities consistent with the terms of the Settlement together with a petition requesting the Commission to open a new docket.¹ Included with the enclosed Petition are the joint testimony and supporting information of Robert D. Allen, Elli Ntakou, and Russel D. Johnson, providing the relevant information and explanations of the Company's vegetation management activities and reliability performance in calendar year 2022. As discussed in the enclosed testimony, preliminary data as of March 1, 2023 shows an over-recovery of vegetation management activity costs of \$1,586,293. The Company is proposing to use this over-recovery as an offset to the 2023 vegetation management costs consistent with the terms of the Settlement. Additional support for this request will be included in the May 1 filing.

¹ In accordance with the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission's Temporary Changes in Filing Requirements dated March 17, 2020, which suspends all rules requiring filing of paper copies until further notice, the Company is submitting this filing in electronic form only. The Company will file paper copies when the suspension is lifted, if requested.

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Eversource requests that the Commission consider the Company's Petition and subsequent filings in a manner such that review will be complete in time for adjusted rates to be effective as of August 1. As set forth in the Petition, the Company respectfully requests that a hearing on the merits be scheduled no later than June 30, 2023 to allow sufficient time for implementation of the proposed RRA rate change.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. Thank you for your assistance with this matter.

Sincerely,



Jessica Buno Ralston

cc: Service List, Docket DE 22-010