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Daniel C. Goldner, Chairman
New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission
21 South Fruit Street
Concord, NH 03301

Re: DE 24-115; Public Service Company of New Hampshire d/b/a Eversource Energy;
Petition for Approval of the 2025 Lost Base Revenue; *Department of Energy Position*

Dear Chairman Goldner:

On December 2, 2024, the Public Service Company of New Hampshire d/b/a Eversource Energy (“Eversource” or the “Company”) filed its petition to collect Lost Base Revenue (LBR) and total System Benefit Charge (“SBC”) rates. On December 13, 2024, the Company filed a Motion to amend its petition to remove the Energy Efficiency (“EE”) portion of the SBC to docket DE 24-113. On December 18, 2024, the Public Utilities Commission (“PUC” or “Commission”) issued an order *nisi* approving the EE charge in this docket. On January 2, 2025, the PUC issued a procedural order, among other items, suspending the Company’s proposed LBR tariff pages under consideration pursuant to RSA 378:6, I(b), scheduling a hearing in this matter, and requesting the Department of Energy (“DOE” or “Department”) to file its position statement no later than February 5, 2025. In accordance with the January 2, 2025, procedural order, the Department has included the following Position Statement.

The Department has reviewed the petition and will engage in a Technical Session with the Company on February 10, 2025. If the DOE has additional questions after the Technical Session, it plans to issue Data Requests to the Company.

Based upon the Department’s preliminary review, the Department recommends approval of Eversource’s proposed LBR rate; however, the DOE will provide its final position at the final hearing currently scheduled for February 27, 2025. Since the PUC has already scheduled a hearing on this petition, Eversource’s request for an order *nisi* is now moot.

Consistent with the Commission's current practices, this letter is being filed only in electronic form.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

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