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## Re: DE 21-047, Public Service Company of New Hampshire d/b/a Eversource Energy Line Extension Rate Filing--Rates Effective April 1, 2021

Dear Attorney Fossum:

On March 11, 2021, Public Service Company of New Hampshire d/b/a Eversource Energy (Eversource) filed an update to its line extension policy and a corresponding revised tariff page proposing new rates for line extension services for a proposed effective date of April 1, 2021. Eversource submitted its filing pursuant to the terms of a settlement agreement approved in Order No. 25,046, issued on November 20, 2009 in Docket DE 08-135 (Settlement Agreement).

The Settlement Agreement requires Eversource to update its line extension costs on an annual basis. Pursuant to the Settlement Agreement, revised rates are calculated based on the average cost per foot for single-phase line extensions completed in the prior three calendar years. The resulting per foot rate is then adjusted for inflation, using the applicable annual Consumer Price Index. Using this methodology, Eversource calculated an increase in the per foot cost for overhead single-phase line extensions from \$29.51 to \$29.69, for effect on April 1, 2021. For single-phase underground line extensions, the cost will increase from \$16.22 to \$16.64 per foot. Charges for three-phase overhead and underground line extensions will continue to be based on customer-specific job requirements.

Commission Staff (Staff) filed a memorandum on March 19, 2021 recommending that the Commission approve the new line extension rates. Based on its review, Staff determined that Eversource's methodology and calculations were consistent with the

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Settlement Agreement, and that the resulting rate adjustments, for effect on April 1, 2021, are just and reasonable.

The Commission has reviewed Eversource's filing and accepted Staff's recommendation. Accordingly, pursuant to RSA 378:3 and N.H. Admin. R., Puc 1603.07, the Commission has approved Eversource's proposed revisions to Page 26 of its tariff, effective April 1, 2021. Eversource shall file with the Commission an updated electronic copy of its newly revised tariff page, as required by Puc 1603.05(d).

Sincerely,

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