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Debra A. Howland
Executive Director
New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission
21 South Fruit Street, Suite 10
Concord, NH 03301-2429

RE: DE 18-030 Public Service Company of New Hampshire d/b/a Eversource Energy
Line Extension Tariff
Line Extension Rate Filing

Dear Director Howland:

On March 1, 2018, Public Service Company of New Hampshire d/b/a Eversource Energy ("Eversource"), filed a report in compliance with a settlement agreement reached in Docket DE 08-135 and approved by the Commission in its Order No. 25,046 on November 20, 2009. Under the policy as set out in the settlement, Eversource was to phase-in, over three years, new line extension charges based upon a specified cost per foot. The phase-in period ended March 31, 2013, after which time the settlement provided a methodology for calculating the cost per foot that would apply to line extensions.

Pursuant to the settlement, at Section B.2., Eversource is to calculate the average cost per foot by construction type for the period April 1 through March 31 of each year using an average of actual costs from the three prior years. The settlement provides a specific method for calculating and updating the three year average. In its March 1 filing, Eversource provided the technical statement of George J. Knowles to report on the average cost per foot calculations applicable to the period April 1, 2018 through March 31, 2019 as called for in the settlement agreement.

On March 23, 2018, representatives from Eversource met with members of the Commission Staff and the Office of Consumer Advocate to review an updated analysis and calculation of the average cost per foot figures that would apply to line extensions. The updated analysis resulted in lower average cost per foot figures than were filed on March 1, 2018. As a result of this review, Eversource agreed to update its compliance report, including an updated attachment. The updated submission is included herein.

In that the cost per foot in the enclosed submission will be the rate for line extensions applied through Eversource's tariff, Eversource is requesting, pursuant to RSA 378:3 and Puc 1603.07, that this rate be effective on April 1, 2018, consistent with the settlement agreement. Eversource has included proposed tariff pages implementing the new rate with this filing.

In addition, the settlement agreement required Eversource to provide a report to the settling parties summarizing certain information relating to line extensions by March 1 of each

year, beginning in 2013. This filing incorporates the report due to the settling parties, and replaces the report filed on March 1, 2018.

Thank you for your assistance with this matter. Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'M. Fossum', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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Enclosures
cc: Service list