

770 Elm St., Manchester, NH 03101 | consolidated.com | NASDAQ: CNSL

NHPLIC 15AUG'18PH2:19

August 15, 2018

Ms. Debra A. Howland
Executive Director and Secretary
New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission
21 South Fruit Street, Suite 10
Concord, New Hampshire 03301

Re:

Petition of Northern New England Telephone Operations LLC d/b/a Consolidated Communications—NNE to Temporarily Construct and Maintain Telecommunications Cable across New Hampshire Public Waters

Dear Ms. Howland:

Northern New England Telephone Operations LLC d/b/a Consolidated Communications-NNE ("Consolidated") hereby seeks a license pursuant to RSA 371:17 to place and maintain telephone plant aerially crossing state-owned public waters in Ossipee, New Hampshire, across the Lovell River.

The State of New Hampshire Department of Transportation (NHDOT Job No. 14749 & Bridge No. 152/268) plans to construct a new bridge over the Lovell River, in Ossipee, New Hampshire. Construction of a new bridge requires Consolidated to relocate its existing facilities onto new poles. NHDOT is requesting the pole work, which will performed by Eversource, to be completed by spring 2019. Specifically, Consolidated Communications seeks a license to place and maintain facilities consisting of a 20 pair fiber and a 96 pair fiber being the top strand, two copper cables being the middle strand, and two copper cables and one fiber cable being the bottom strand, crossing aerially over the Lovell River, as described in the attached petition and supporting exhibits.

Included with this letter is a petition of Consolidated to construct and maintain its telecommunications cables over New Hampshire public waters. An original and six copies of this filing are enclosed. An electronic version will be filed via email today.

Please contact me should you have any question or concern.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert D. Meehan | Director – Government Affairs

770 Elm Street, Manchester, NH 03101

D: 603.656.8116 | C: 603.716.6045

Robert D. Meekan

robert.meehan@consolidated.com