

NHPUC NO. 10 - ELECTRICITY DELIVERY
PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
DBA EVERSOURCE ENERGY

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Terms and Conditions

33. Pole Plant Adjustment Mechanism

The Pole Plant Adjustment Mechanism (“PPAM”) mechanism, shall recover or refund the reconciled costs associated with the following elements:

(a) Transferred Poles Rate Base: The return and depreciation expense on the average rate base of the Transferred Poles.

(b) Pole Replacement Rate Base: The return and depreciation expense on the average rate base for the replacement of poles formerly owned and maintained by Consolidated.

(c) Pole Replacement O&M Transfer Costs: The actual costs associated with replacement poles for the prior calendar year based on the actual number of poles replaced and the actual Eversource cost to transfer the conductor from the old to the new poles.

(d) Annual Inspection Costs: The actual inspection costs and other upfront costs for the prior calendar year consisting of the number of poles inspected in the former Consolidated maintenance area and the per pole rate in effect.

(e) Pole Attachment Revenue: Incremental third-party pole attachment revenues will be applied as an offset to the items in (a) through (d). Pole attachment revenues for formerly Consolidated owned poles will be tracked separately and billed at the Consolidated rate at the time of closing until a full pole attachment survey is conducted and, or a single, unified rate is applied to all poles.

(f) Property Tax Expense: The incremental property tax expense will be calculated as the prior year’s average transferred/pole replacement net plant balance multiplied by a property tax rate calculated as prior year distribution property tax expense divided by distribution gross plant. This amount recovered in the PPAM will be deducted from the annual property tax expense reconciled through the annual RRA.

(g) Vegetation Management Expense: The incremental vegetation management expense will be calculated as the vegetation management expenses formerly billed to Consolidated.

The PPAM shall be established annually based a full reconciliation with interest for any over- or under-recoveries occurring in prior year(s). Interest shall be calculated at the prime rate, to be fixed on a quarterly basis and to be established as reported in The Wall Street Journal on the first business day of the month preceding the calendar quarter. If more than one interest rate is reported, the average of the reported rates shall be used. There will be no adjustment for Accumulated Deferred Income Tax (“ADIT”) in the interest calculation. For purposes of billing under the alternative net metering tariff that

became effective September 1, 2017, the PPAM will be considered part of the credit to net metering customers.

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