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Daniel C. Goldner, Chairman
New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission
21 South Fruit St.
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RE: DE 22-031 Eversource Energy Petition for Recovery of [2021] Storm Expenses
DOE Assented-to Request for Enlargement of Time

Dear Chairman Goldner:

In a procedural order dated August 30, 2022, the Commission granted the Department of Energy (DOE)'s request to file a recommendation by November 23, 2022. The same procedural order also directed Eversource (in consultation with other parties) to report to the Commission by December 2, 2022, whether additional process and/or a hearing is warranted, and to provide a proposed schedule by the parties, if necessary, at that time.

Respectfully, due to staff resource issues, DOE is unable to file its *Report and Recommendation* by November 23, 2022. Accordingly, DOE proposes to file its recommendation (and audit) by December 20, 2022. DOE also requests that Eversource's filing deadline be extended until January 13, 2023.

The relief requested is consistent with Puc 202.04 requirements. Eversource, through counsel Jessica Chiavara, assents to the relief requested herein. Consequently, Eversource's rights will not be adversely affected by this extension request. In addition, this request will not unduly delay the proceeding, as additional time is essential to allow DOE to file an accurate analysis. DOE will thus be caused undue hardship if the extension is not granted, and therefore the delay is reasonable and appropriate.

Consistent with the Commission's current policy, this letter is being filed solely in electronic form. Thank you for your attention to this matter, and for considering this request.

Sincerely,

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