

October 29, 2021

## Via Electronic Submission

Dianne Martin, Chairwoman New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission 21 South Fruit Street, Suite 10 Concord, NH 03301

Re: DE 21-020 Public Service Company of New Hampshire d/b/a Eversource Energy and Consolidate Communications of Northern New England Company, LLC d/b/a Consolidated Communications (collectively, the "Joint Petitioners")

# Joint Petition to Approve Pole Asset Transfer

Dear Chairwoman Martin,

On July 29, 2021, the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission issued a Supplemental Order of Notice in Docket No. DE 21-020. In part, that order required: "Public Service Company of New Hampshire d/b/a Eversource Energy and Consolidated Communications of Northern New England Company LLC d/b/a Consolidated Communications shall notify all persons desiring to be heard at the November 3 and 4, 2021 hearing by publishing a copy of this supplemental order of notice on its website no later than one business day after the date of issue, such publication to be documented by affidavit filed with the Commission on or before October 29, 2021." Supplemental Order of Notice in Docket No. DE 21-020 at 2.

Included with this letter is the affidavit of Meghan Woodlief affirming Consolidated Communications' publication of the order of notice as of August 2. Unfortunately, I lost access to email for extended periods of time during Thursday and Friday, July 29 and 30, due to a migration of my computer system (including Microsoft Outlook) to Microsoft Office 365. I only saw the Supplemental Order of Notice during the morning of August 2. From the affidavit and the screen shot accompanying the affidavit, the Commission and the parties to this docket can verify that Consolidated uploaded to its website the Supplemental Order of Notice on August 2. I respectfully request that the Commission treat this as a request for an extension of time to comply pursuant to Puc. 202.04 and submit that this one day extension would not unduly delay the proceeding or adversely affect the rights of any party, especially since the hearing dates have been canceled due to various issues that arose since the publication of the Supplemental Order of Notice.

Pursuant to your March 17, 2020, notice that the Commission temporarily has waived the requirements of Puc. 203.02, paper copies of this correspondence will not be filed.

Dianne Martin, Chairwoman New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission

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Please feel free to contact me with any questions.

Sincerely,

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Patrick C. McHugh On Behalf of Consolidated Communications of Northern New England Company, LLC

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# **AFFIDAVIT OF MEGHAN WOODLIEF**

## I, Meghan Woodlief, being duly sworn, do hereby depose and state as follows:

1. I am employed by Consolidated Communications ("Consolidated") as Vice President Marketing Communications.

2. As part of my duties and responsibilities for Consolidated, I oversee the web pages and Internet presence of the company.

3. On July 29, 2021, the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission issued a Supplemental Order of Notice in Docket No. DE 21-020. In part that order required that Public Service Company of New Hampshire d/b/a Eversource Energy and Consolidated publish a copy of this supplemental order of notice on its website, such publication to be documented by affidavit filed with the Commission on or before October 29, 2021. See Supplemental Order of Notice in Docket No. DE 21-020 at p. 2.

4. On August 2, 2021, I caused a copy of the order to be published on the portion of Consolidated's website dedicated to such notices. A screenshot of that page is attached to verify that the order was published. I processed the request to publish the order on Consolidated's website as promptly as possible. I understand from Attorney Patrick McHugh that he had email access issues during the week of July 26 and he only sent me the Supplemental Order on Monday, August 2, 2021.

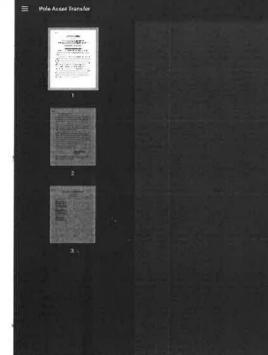
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PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY OF NEW HAMPSHIRE db/s EVERSOURCE ENERGY AND CONSOLIDATED COMMUNICATIONS OF NORTHERN NEW ENGLAND COMPANY 40/s CONSOLIDATED COMMUNICATIONS

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### SUPPLEMENTAL ORDER OF NOTICE

On March 18, 2021, the Commission issued an order of notice in this matter. This supplemental notice updates the previous notice due to the expiration of the declared State of Emergency on June 11, 2021.

With the expiration of the State of Emergency, the Commission nutst now comply with all requirements of RSA chapter 91-A, including the requirement that a quorum of a public body must be physically present at the location specified as the location of the public meeting in the meeting notice. The Commission is uwaro that not all parties, including regulated utilities, have retained to full in-person work environments. Therefore, for the foreseeable future, the Commission intends to provide a hybrid approach to hearings to accommodate those who are remote and those who are physically present. A quorum of commissioners will be physically present within a hearing room for all Commission hearings beginning June 14, 2021. In order to facilitate the hybrid approach, all parties participating in the hearing room will continue to



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