THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

BEFORE THE

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

Docket No. DT 18-____

NOW COMES Northern New England Telephone Operations LLC d/b/a Consolidated Communications-NNE ("Consolidated") and hereby petitions the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission ("Commission") for a license to place and maintain plant through conduit crossing state-owned public waters in Hooksett, New Hampshire, across the Merrimack River. In support thereof, Consolidated states as follows:

- Pursuant to RSA 371:17, Consolidated seeks a license to cross and maintain telephone plant over state-owned waters in Hooksett, New Hampshire. The Town of Hooksett and New Hampshire Department of Transportation (NHDOT Project No. 29655 / Bridge No. 083/150) recently constructed a new pedestrian bridge (Lilac Bridge) over Merrimack River, Hooksett, New Hampshire. Construction of the new bridge requires Consolidated to relocate its existing facilities and petition the Commission for said license. Consolidated is relocating its facilities to conduit attached to the underside of the bridge. These facilities consist of 144 fiber placed in 4" duct, as described and shown on engineering plans attached hereto as Exhibit A and made a part hereof. Exhibit B is an aerial view of the proposed crossing.
- The fiber facility is designed to provide telecommunications services to customers in New Hampshire.

- 3. The water crossing will be constructed and maintained with due regard for established safety standards as set forth in the National Electric Safety Code in order to meet the reasonable requirements for service to the public.
- 4. The granting of such license will not adversely affect the public rights on said water and, therefore, is in the public interest. The use and enjoyment by the public of the waterway will not be diminished in any material respect as a result of the overhead line crossing.

Wherefore, Consolidated requests the Commission grant such license as may be necessary to insure that the crossing described and shown on plans attached hereto may be properly authorized in accordance with the statutes.

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Respectfully submitted,

Northern New England Telephone Operations LLC d/b/a Consolidated Communications-NNE

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