STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

DE 24-070

PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY OF NEW HAMPSHIRE d/b/a EVERSOURCE ENERGY

Request for Change in Distribution Rates

Procedural Order Re: Record Requests

The Commission requests that Public Service Company of New Hampshire d/b/a Eversource Energy (Company) respond to the following record requests on or before the close of business on December 2, 2024 (these record requests are numbered sequentially from those propounded in the Commission's procedural order dated November 5, 2024, which terminated at #35):

Record Request 36

Ref. Botelho and Chen Testimony (Perm), page 46, the period of November 2017 and December 2023 was used for normalization amount of \$902,206, why was this period chosen? What would be the normalization over 10 years?

Record Request 37

Ref. Botelho and Chen Testimony (Perm), page 46, was any normalization provided for non-CCI vegetation management?

Record Request 38

Ref. Allen Testimony, page 19, please provide Table 2: VMP Budget (2020-2023) by VMP Activity. Are any storm restoration costs included in the VMP budget or actual expenses? If so, please provide breakout.

Record Request 39

Ref. Allen Testimony, page 25, the hazard tree removal program is referred to as "aggressive." Please clarify. Are there less aggressive budget proposals? Given that the Company has spent less than its full VMP budget, in previous years are aggressive proposals tenable?

Record Request 40

Ref. Allen Testimony, page 26, Figure 3 PSNH SAIDI – ES IEEE Criteria, the SAIDI trend line appears to be upward since 2019. Please clarify metrics demonstrating benefit of VMP activities.

Record Request 41

Ref. Allen Testimony, page 29, 12,000 hazardous trees have been identified, how many are removed each year? What are the costs per tree?

Record Request 42

Ref. Botelho and Chen Testimony (Perm), page 101, "Table 2: Historical Storm Cost Summary as of January 31,2024" provides information for the last 10 years. Please provide the total storm costs by event for the years supplied. What events were recovered through temporary rate adjustments? Please provide Table 2's "Adjusted Annual Storm Costs" column net of planned temporary and permanent rate increases.

Record Request 43

Ref. Botelho and Chen Testimony (Temp), page 32, regarding the removal of out-of-period employee incentives of \$1,256,146. The testimony states "an increase to Account 920 of \$1,256,146... to exclude the impact of accounting entries recorded in the Test Year." Please clarify the source of these adjustments related to the test year. Are these normal incentives?

Record Request 44

Ref. Botelho and Chen Testimony (Temp), page 33, related to the remaining normalizing adjustments, the reclassification of Bank Fees of \$47,153 (ref. Schedule ES-REVREQ-5), does not have offsetting reclassification as all other reclassification expense items listed, please address.

Record Request 45

Ref. Botelho and Chen Testimony (Perm), page 44, Enterprise IT Expenses are \$24,818,669, please provide the historic level of investment in this expense category. Do any of these projects reduce expenses elsewhere? If so, please elaborate.

Record Request 46

Ref. Schedule ES-REVREQ-16, \$14,241,083 of Enterprise IT Project expense is categorized as depreciation, is this captured in deprecation or as O&M? Please provide clarification.

Record Request 47

Ref. Botelho and Chen Testimony (Perm), page 28, adjustments are made due to postage cost increases. What is the historic postage expense over the last 5 years? Has there been reductions in the number of items mailed? If so, please elaborate.

Record Request 48

Ref. Schedule ES-REVREQ-28, the post-test year adjustments for residual O&M inflation, references "BEA, Moody's Analytics (February 2024)," could you clarify the source? Since February has there been an update?

Record Request 49

Ref. Botelho and Chen Testimony (Perm), page 30, the net-write off period of 2021-2023 was chosen. Please provide details by year. Were there any increases in this period due to Covid-19 funding or policies? If so, please elaborate if adjustments were made.

So ordered, this fifteenth day of November, 2024.

Daniel C. Goldner Chairman Pradip K. Chattopadhyay Commissioner

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