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Chairman Daniel C. Goldner New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission 21 South Fruit Street Concord, New Hampshire 03301 via e-mail to: ClerksOffice@puc.nh.gov

RE: Docket No. DE 24-070

Public Service Company of New Hampshire

Distribution Service Rate Case

Rate LG Customer Consortium Request for Clarification of Procedural

Schedule

Dear Chairman Goldner:

As noted in our petition to intervene, we represent a consortium of consumers served under Rate LG and Rate B, and our interest is narrowly focused on establishing a voluntary, optin rate design alternative for large customers. We intend to submit testimony supporting this position.

As noted in Eversource's September 20, 2024, proposed procedural schedule, we have respectfully requested that one of the Commission's January prehearing technical conferences include rate design as a topic, and there have been no objections from the parties to this request.

We have reviewed the procedural schedule set by the Commission, including the prehearing technical conferences scheduled for October 2-3 and October 8-9 on Eversource's performance-based ratemaking (PBR) proposal. In our recent experience in other jurisdictions, the mechanics and issues concerning PBR do not involve the rate design issues we seek to address in this proceeding.

To promote efficiency, we respectfully ask the Commission to clarify its September 27 procedural order, by stating that customer-facing rate design will not be at issue in the prehearing technical conferences scheduled for October 2-3 and October 8-9 on PBR issues, and that customer-facing rate design will instead be addressed during one of the Commission's January prehearing technical conferences. Granting this request will facilitate the efficient processing of this proceeding. In an abundance of caution, we have also requested remote observation access to the October conferences but would prefer to focus our resources on our rate design alternative.

Sincerely,

Todd J. Griset