Brent Oberlin Director, Transmission Planning



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Dave Burnham Eversource Energy 56 Prospect Street Hartford, CT 06141

Re: Request for Pool-Supported PTF Cost Treatment for ES-20-TCA-08 Rev. 1 - C129 115 kV Line Structure Replacement Project - ISO New England Written Finding and Determination

Dear Mr. Burnham:

This letter is being sent in accordance with Section 2 of Schedule 12C - Determination of Localized Costs On and After January 1, 2004 (Schedule 12C) of Section II of the ISO New England Inc. (ISO) Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff (the Tariff) and ISO New England Planning Procedure No. 4 - Procedure for Pool-Supported PTF Cost Review.¹

On September 15, 2021, Eversource Energy (ES) submitted a revised Transmission Cost Allocation (TCA) application pursuant to Schedule 12C. The TCA application requested Pool-Supported Pool Transmission Facility (PTF) cost allocation treatment associated with a cost increase related to the replacement of 52 structures on the C129 115 kV Line (the Project).² The cost increase comes from a modification of the Project scope to include nine additional structures that needed to be replaced for asset condition reasons. The nine additional structures resulted in a PTF Project cost of \$10.048³ million, an increase of \$1.003 million over the original TCA determination.

In accordance with Schedule 12C, the NEPOOL Reliability Committee (RC) reviewed the TCA application and, on October 19, 2021, did not identify any Localized Costs to be excluded from Pool-Supported PTF costs and recommended that the ISO approve the TCA application to treat \$10.048⁴ million as Pool-Supported PTF costs.

The ISO has determined, in concurrence with the RC's recommendation, that the \$10.048 million requested in the TCA application for the Project may be included as Pool-Supported PTF costs. The final PTF costs will be based on the actual expenditures associated with these facilities. The ISO's decision is based on the facts that the Project provides a regional reliability benefit, is consistent with Good Utility Practice, and is consistent with current engineering and design practices in the area in which the project is being constructed.

Sincerely,

/s/ Brent Oberlin

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cc: TCApps Reliability Committee

¹ Capitalized terms not defined in this letter have the meanings ascribed thereto in the ISO New England Inc. Transmission, Markets and Services Tariff.

² Asset Condition List ID #199; Proposed Plan Application not required.

³ Original TCA Determination \$9.045 million issued on February 2, 2021, <u>https://www.iso-ne.com/static-assets/documents/2021/04/es 115 kv line upgrades.pdf</u>

⁴ Actual costs provided with a valuation year of 2021.