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Request from: Office of Consumer Counsel

Question:

In Exhibit CLP-TSP-3, Page 29, Eversource shares that the "*greatest large DER potential is in rural areas where native load is light (Eastern, Northern and Northwest)*."

a. Please provide your forecasted solar capacity by region over the 10-year forecast period (2026-2035).

Response:

a. In reference to the slide Exhibit CLP-TSP-3, Page 29 the Company is interpreting the request to ask about the forecasted system capacity available for solar to interconnect in the regions outlined (Eastern, Northern and Northwest). The Company currently has a constraint in its system capacity to interconnect any more solar in those regions (Exhibit CLP-TSP-3, Page 145), not a forecasted issue. Without the SHARE proposal, DER customer are obligated to pay for the upgrades while projects at a later point in the queue would be the beneficiary of such investments effectively stalling solar development. Please refer to OCC-588, Attachment 1, for the Company's solar forecast data. These values are incremental to the base year (2025). However, it must be noted that the solar forecasts created by the Company are "infrastructure constraint", meaning they consider the cost to upgrade as they prioritize regions to forecast solar into. Therefore, these values are not indicative of a future adoption under SHARE, where those costs would be mitigated. The Company would develop these updated forecasts at such time when costs and cost allocation under SHARE are known.