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Project Title: Third Party Make Ready Special Proj	**Project Number: 49580216**
Date Prepared: 10/25/2023	**Company:** Eversource CT
Organization: Electric Field Operations	**Class(es) of Plant:** D Line
Project Initiator: [redacted]	**Project Category:** THIRD PARTY ATTACHMENTS
Project Manager: [redacted]	**Project Type:** Specific
Project Sponsor: [redacted]	**Capital Investment part of original Operating Plan:** Yes
Estimated in service date: 12/31/2023	**Emergency Related Request?** No
Eng./Constr. Resources Budgeted? Yes	**Facility Type** (check all that apply)**:** ☐ PTF ☐ non-PTF X Distribution
Total Gross Capital Request: $369K	**Authorization Type:** Full Funding

Executive Summary

This request is for the approval of $369K for third party single pole administrator software upgrades required by PURA for enhancements to the third party process in 2016. These enhancements are needed in order to comply with PURA dockets and reporting.

The current third party attachment management process in Connecticut is outdated and unable to efficiently manage the inflow of existing work requests within the Public Utility Regulatory Authority (PURA) requirements and its current inventory. The current system is also not integrated to the Work Management System (WMS) to easily track progress, provide reporting and issue licenses and invoices in a timely manner.

An update to this process is upgrading to Alden One. Alden One is the system that the single pole administration group uses to track third party attachments and double poles. The Alden System would improve process performance and allow for the consolidation of all third party attachment work to one area.

Project Costs Summary

WO NUMBER	WO DESCRIPTION	PROJECT DEPT CODE	PROJECT	PROJECT DESCRIPTION	WO IN SRV DATE	WO INIT DATE	Total Amount (K)
SPSFTWUP	SINGLE POLE ADMIN SFTWRE UPGRADES	F11	495802	Third Party Make Ready Special Proj		6/3/2016	$369

WO SPSFTWUP consisted of upgrading the single pole administration's software. The new software is Alden One.

Technical Justification:

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Project Need, Objective and Justification

It is necessary to perform this work due to the current third party attachment management process in Connecticut being outdated and unable to efficiently manage the inflow of existing work requests within the Public Utility Regulatory Authority (PURA) requirements and its current inventory. The current system is also not integrated to the Work Management System (WMS) to easily track progress, provide reporting, and issue licenses and invoices in a timely manner.

Project Scope

- Develop a "standalone" 3rd Party Attachment database in the Alden One platform using the attachment data from the current databases and merging it with GIS data
- Develop a User Interface to submit pole attachment applications online.
- Develop pole attachment databases used for annual billings.
- Configure access for internal employees, vendors, joint-owners, and third party attachers.
- Complete Functional Configuration, Regression, and User Acceptance Testing in coordination with Managed Testing Services (MTS), per Eversource IT Standards.
- Conduct training for internal and external users.

Background

This project will allow Eversource to track third party attachments, attachers, and double poles. It also meets the PURA requirements of software upgrades. Alden One replaces the manual and labor-intensive systems and procedures.

Alternatives Considered:

Were alternative solutions considered/applicable? Include any cost/benefit analysis.

Project is a compliance obligation - no alternatives considered - no financial benefit

Regulatory Approvals:

N/A

Project Schedule

Milestone/Phase Name	Estimated Date
100% Engineering Completion	01/01/2017
Construction Start	01/01/2017
In Service Date	12/31/2023

Risks and Risk Mitigation Plans

N/A

References

N/A

Appendices (One-Line Diagrams, Images, etc.)

N/A.