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TIMOTHY VALIN

I am over the age of eighteen and understand the obligations of making statements under oath. The following statements are true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

1. I am Timothy Valin, Senior Partner in the Energy and Utilities practice at West Monroe Partners, LLC ("West Monroe").

2. I submit this affidavit in support of a Motion for Protective Order, as it pertains to the following models ("AMI MODELS") provided in Eversource Energy's ("Eversource") response Interrogatory Request OCC-421, submitted to the Public Utilities Regulatory Authority on September 9, 2026, in Docket No. 26-05-10 - Application of the Connecticut Light and Power Company d/b/a Eversource Energy to Amend Its Rate Schedules.

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- OCC-421, Attachment 2 CONFIDENTIAL
- OCC-421, Attachment 3 CONFIDENTIAL
- OCC-421, Attachment 4 CONFIDENTIAL

3. West Monroe was retained by Eversource to provide technical and industry knowledge as well as business case modeling experience pertaining to the implementation of an advanced metering infrastructure program inclusive of the associated investments and benefits as described in Docket No. 26-07-08.

4. The AMI MODELS should each be treated as a confidential document and trade secret as each model contains formulas, methods, and techniques that directly derive economic

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value for Eversource and West Monroe. The information contained within the AMI MODELS is not known outside of Eversource or West Monroe. Many of the data inputs either reflect West Monroe's proprietary know-how and methodologies, including those developed through prior work performed for Eversource, or were provided by Eversource and contain Eversource proprietary, sensitive, or confidential information that is not generally known or readily available outside of Eversource. Further, the data analysis and formulaic computations contained within the AMI MODELS are proprietary to West Monroe and are not known outside of West Monroe. In fact, while individual data elements may be known by certain West Monroe employees, only a small number of West Monroe employees would know the full scope of the data and information.

5. The AMI MODELS contain confidential and proprietary information that is not readily known or available to those outside of Eversource and the West Monroe team that developed the AMI MODELS. The AMI MODELS are protected though West Monroe's standard non-disclosure and confidentiality clauses in the master agreement between Eversource and West Monroe. The AMI MODELS are not widely available to Eversource employees and are not shared with any other clients of West Monroe. The formulas and the processes that are contained within each model are proprietary information of West Monroe and not widely shared with Eversource or its employees. The AMI MODELS are treated with the utmost confidentiality and are not shared with anyone who does not have a need to know.

6. The information within the AMI MODELS, including the formulas, methods, and techniques, is proprietary information that competitors to West Monroe would find highly financially valuable and could result in significant financial hardships for West Monroe if disclosed. Having this model and being able to deploy it at a client like Eversource is worth hundreds of thousands of dollars per engagement. It also yields critical information to West

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Monroe that serves West Monroe into the future, giving West Monroe the upper hand against its competitors in future engagements, which may be worth multiple millions of dollars.

7. West Monroe has developed the formulas, methods, and techniques that comprise the AMI MODELS over the course of many years and numerous engagements with utilities across the country, each engagement encompassing multiple thousands of man hours to complete.

8. If the AMI MODELS are kept confidential, West Monroe's competitors would have an extremely difficult time acquiring the information or duplicating the AMI MODELS to arrive at the findings that the AMI MODELS produce. This is due to a combination of much of the data being confidential and proprietary and then factoring in the level of effort that has been expended to create the model. Should the AMI MODELS be released, numerous parties would have easy access to the confidential and proprietary information contained within the AMI MODELS and would be able to quickly and easily reproduce the findings, costing West Monroe its significant competitive advantage in the marketplace.

9. To the best of my knowledge, reasonable efforts have been used to keep and maintain the confidentiality of the AMI MODELS, and to the best of my knowledge, this information has not been disclosed or released to the public.

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Timothy Valin
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Timothy Valin
West Monroe Partners, LLC

Subscribed and sworn to before me
this 14th day of September, 2026

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Sarah A. Pardee
Commissioner of the Superior Court