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Witness: Donald J. Scacco Jr., Digaunto Chatterjee and Douglas P. Horton
Request from: Department of Energy and Environmental Protection

Question:

(Utility Owned Generation) Refer to Exhibit CLP-ELP-1 p. 21-24. Please explain the Company's position on its legal authority to own the generation it is proposing in its CLP-ELP-1 testimony?

Response:

The Company's response to CIEC-001[i] explained that "the Company is not advancing any specific proposal in this proceeding to promote, allow, or enable utility ownership of generation."

Regarding BETP's request for information on the Company's position on its legal authority to own generation, the Company's legal counsel advised that General Statute Section 16-244e(a) identifies the circumstances under which an electric distribution company can own generation, stating: "An electric distribution company shall not own or operate generation assets, except as provided in this section and sections 16-43d, 16-243m, 16-243u, 16a-3b and 16a-3c, provided nothing in this section or in section 16-244w shall be interpreted to prohibit or limit the ability of an electric distribution company from building, owning or operating an energy storage system."

Prior Referenced Response:

[i] CIEC-001 Question:

(Executive Leadership Panel) With reference to page 21 of the Executive Leadership Panel's Direct Testimony, state whether the Company is advancing any proposal in this proceeding that would promote, allow, or otherwise enable utility ownership of generation. If the Company is advancing any such proposal in this proceeding, provide a reference to the testimony where the proposal(s) may be found.

CIEC-001 Response:

No, the Company is not advancing any specific proposal in this proceeding to promote, allow, or enable utility ownership of generation. The Company's point is that it is time to consider all alternatives to solving the energy affordability conundrum in Connecticut (and the broader New England region). This should start with development of a comprehensive independent integrated resource planning assessment that projects the state of resource adequacy under a range of scenarios – ten years out. This is the type of study completed with robust stakeholder participation and input – including EDCs, LDCs, the legislature, and advocates for all customer segments (residential, commercial, and industrial) – that is essential to formulate an informed view of the comprehensive solution set necessary to meet the future resource adequacy needs within Connecticut. The Company is open to consideration of what would

essentially be *customer-owned* generation through the utility operating model, if it would be the most cost-effective solution to meet reliability needs of Connecticut customers.