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**Request from: Office of Consumer Counsel**

**Question:**

Exhibit CLP-ADDITIONS-12 shows a 2023 Connecticut Distribution plan of $466.4 million (PDF p. 121) against 2023 actual expenditures of $557.9 million (PDF p. 145). Explain each driver of the $91.5 million variance in dollar terms, identify each project or program added to the 2023 plan after the plan was set, and provide the 2023 capital variance analysis presented to Company management and to the Board of Trustees.

**Response:**

CLP-ADDITIONS-12 provides the annual capital investment plan from 2017 through 2025 at the CT Electric Operations organizational level. The table provides a list of projects added to the 2023 plan (over $500,000). The two largest projects added to the 2023 capital investment plan for CL&P were the trip-saver program and circuit patrol fixes.

Trip savers are installed to reduce the number of outages caused by transient type events (tree, animal, lightning, etc.). A trip saver is a self-powered, electronically controlled, single-phase, cutout-mounted vacuum interrupter recloser. It is designed to eliminate the sustained interruption that occurs when a lateral fuse cutout operates in response to a transient fault. This device saves outages, improves restoration time to customers and reduces truck rolls. It also eliminates momentary circuit interruptions that occur when a substation circuit breaker or source-side line recloser would trip to prevent a lateral fuse cutout from operating in response to a transient fault.

Additionally, the Company addressed circuit-patrol deficiencies identified by a third party. Distribution circuits patrolled by the third party documented deficiencies that were required to address asset and system improvements. The identified upgrades were completed to maintain a reliability of service to customers.

| | 2023 Actual |
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| CD02197:2023 Trip Saver Program | $ 21,972,108 |
| CD02169:TRC Circuit Patrol Fixes | $ 20,016,591 |
| STRM22CP:CL&P MAJOR STORMS 2022 | $ 4,096,195 |
| CD02133:Rentschler Field - New Service | $ 3,963,530 |
| CS00675:Falls Village 9A Replace XFMR | $ 3,159,632 |
| CD02275:Western Lateral Contributors to CEM | $ 1,869,115 |
| CD01866:2023 ROW Priority 3 Poles | $ 1,644,692 |
| CD02296:Eversource CT Hot Line Clamp Repl. | $ 1,226,920 |
| CS00663:Stevenson 12A Install Mobile | $ 1,154,330 |
| CD02270:Eastern CEMI-Lateral Reconductoring | $ 1,150,698 |
| CD02030:6A7 Overload | $ 1,096,932 |
| CD02334:Great Pond, Windsor NS | $ 1,092,976 |
| CD02162:RECOMMENDATION FOR I-95 | $ 1,089,367 |
| CD02121:11R50 PILC Cable Replacement | $ 997,460 |
| CD02004:Canton 5R6 – Contingency Overload | $ 733,499 |
| CD01852:ROW 030 Priority Structures | $ 687,618 |
| CD02279:1B12 PILC Cable Replacement | $ 659,215 |
| CD02045:48C7 Overload Project | $ 568,537 |
| CD01559:11W47 PILC Cable Replacement | $ 561,296 |

Please refer to OCC-780, Attachment 1, for the December 2023 CT Electric Operations Budget Results, which includes the 2023 capital variance analysis that was presented to Company management.

Please refer to OCC-780, Attachment 2 CONFIDENTIAL, for the February 5, 2024 CL&P Board of Directors letter, which includes a 2023 variance analysis for capital expenditures.