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Question:

Please provide the following: (a) discuss whether a municipal attachment can cause a pole to be in violation or non-compliant with relevant pole standards, (b) provide the number of poles replaced associated with the non-billable O&M costs in Exhibit CLP REVREQ-4 that had one or more municipal attachments before replacement.

Response:

a. Yes. A municipal attachment, like any other attachment occupying space on a utility pole, may contribute to a pole being out of compliance with applicable clearance, loading, safety, or other pole-related standards depending on the nature, location, and condition of the attachment. Whether a particular attachment contributed to a violation or non-compliant condition is determined based on the specific facts and conditions present at the pole.

b. Eversource did not track or compile information regarding the presence of municipal attachments as part of the process used to develop Exhibit CLP-REVREQ-4. Accordingly, the Company has not determined the number of poles associated with the non-billable O&M costs in Exhibit CLP-REVREQ-4 that had one or more municipal attachments prior to the replacement.