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Question:

(Pole Management & SPA) Each year for the past five years, provide the number of poles installed by the Company and the corresponding total investment amount broken down by those installed (i) at the initiation of Eversource for its own network purposes, (ii) to replace deteriorated or structurally unsound poles, (iii) in response to storm or environmental damage, and (iv) in response to third-party pole attachment applications.

Response:

The Company does not track pole plant investments and units in the categories called out in this question in the Company's plant accounting Continuing Property Records (CPR). To be responsive to this question, the Company took the total unitized pole plant additions and associated pole counts for each year from the Company's CPR and prepared the table below.

	(i). Own Network Purposes		(ii). Replace Deteriorated Poles		(iii). Storm Support		(iv). Third-Party Attachments		Total Investment ($ millions)
Year	Poles	Investment ($)	Poles	Investment ($)	Poles	Investment ($)	Poles	Investment ($)	
2021	7170	N/A	535	N/A	813	N/A	671	N/A	$ 26.9
2022	11472	N/A	638	N/A	364	N/A	417	N/A	$ 34.4
2023	9566	N/A	867	N/A	330	N/A	380	N/A	$ 43.4
2024	4619	N/A	388	N/A	320	N/A	237	N/A	$ 20.4
2025	12457	N/A	895	N/A	292	N/A	228	N/A	$ 48.4

Parts (ii), (iii) and (iv) align with our internal tracking based on pole units completed in the Company's Work Management System. Part (i) reflects the total pole counts from CPR less the internal tracking of (ii), (iii) and (iv) to calculate the pole counts in part (i).

The value of the total unitized plant additions are captured in the total investment column, in millions of dollars, which reflects the total value of the unitized pole plant additions to FERC Account 101010 (Plant in Service) for each year and encompasses all poles installed across these four categories.