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Executive Secretary
Public Utilities Regulatory Authority
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Re: Docket No. 26-05-10 –Application of CL&P dba Eversource Energy to Amend its Rate Schedules

Dear Mr. Gaudiosi:

The Department of Energy and Environmental Protection's (DEEP) Bureau of Energy and Technology Policy (BETP) is a party in the above referenced docket pursuant to Conn. Gen. Stat. § 16-9b. DEEP has determined that it is necessary and desirable to retain one or more consultants in the above-captioned proceeding to supplement existing staff expertise on areas which may arise during the course and scope of this proceeding At this time, DEEP cannot provide an estimate for the total cost of any consultant it may solicit in this docket, however, any related expenses are anticipated to comply with statutory guidelines set forth in Conn. Gen. Stat. § 16-18a.

By this letter, pursuant to Conn. Gen. Stat. § 16-18a, DEEP respectfully requests that the Public Utilities Regulatory Authority allow participants in this docket the statutory opportunity to comment on DEEP's decision to retain such consultant or consultants. DEEP appreciates the Authority's prompt attention to this request.

Sincerely,

/s/ Obinna Anugweje
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