STATE OF CONNECTICUT

PUBLIC UTILITIES REGULATORY AUTHORITY

September 11, 2026
In reply, please refer to:
Docket No. 26-07-08

Re: Docket No. 26-07-08 – Petition of the Connecticut Light and Power Company dba Eversource Energy for PURA Review of Advanced Metering Infrastructure Implementation Plan

Dear Docket Participants:

On July 21, 2026, The Connecticut Light and Power Company d/b/a Eversource Energy (Eversource or Company) submitted a petition (Petition), requesting that the Public Utilities Regulatory Authority (Authority or PURA) review and approve the Company's advanced metering infrastructure (AMI) implementation plan (AMI Implementation Plan), including the benefit-cost analysis.[1] Specifically, no later than November 2026, the Company requests that the Authority:

> (1) review the benefit cost analysis . . . and find that it provides a reasonable benchmark for adoption of the accelerated implementation plan; and (2) review and approve the proposed AMI Implementation Plan in order to allow for the accelerated installation of AMI throughout the Company's service territory over a six-year period commencing January 1, 2027, using the technology solution implemented for Massachusetts and extended to Connecticut on a cost-effective basis.

Petition, p. 1. The Company also requests that the Authority "waive the obligation to conduct a blank-slate technology selection process, and permit the Company to move forward with the [Company's Massachusetts technology selections]." Petition, Ex. CLP-AMI-2, p. 25.

In January 2024, the Authority established a framework for AMI (AMI Framework) that: (1) provides a regulatory roadmap for the electric distribution companies (EDCs) to deploy and utilize AMI efficiently and effectively; (2) protects ratepayers; and (3) ensures that any AMI investment advances the economic, energy, and environmental policy goals of the state. Decision, Jan. 3, 2024, Docket No. 17-12-03RE02, PURA Investigation into Distribution System Planning of the Electric Distribution Companies – Advanced Metering

[1] The Company references General Statutes § 16-243w as the authority for the Petition. See Petition, p. 1. However, General Statutes § 16-243w is only applicable to AMI plans submitted on or before July 1, 2007, not to plans submitted in 2026. See General Statutes § 16-243w(a) ("On or before July 1, 2007, each electric distribution company [EDC] shall submit a plan to the [Authority] to deploy an advanced metering system. In lieu of submitting a plan pursuant to this section, an [EDC] may seek a determination by the [A]uthority that such company's existing metering system meets the requirements of this section."). Notably, General Statutes § 16-243w required that the plan contemplated in subsection (a) include a schedule whereby advanced meters and any network necessary to support the meters are fully deployed by January 1, 2009. General Statutes § 16-243w(b). The Company's plan proposes an implementation schedule that *begins* 18 years after that deadline and concludes nearly a quarter of a century after the deadline included in General Statutes § 16-243w(b).

Infrastructure (17-12-03RE02 Decision), p. 1. The AMI Framework incorporates specific goals for AMI, including enabling businesses to operate more efficiently, improving the utilization of the electric system, and increasing customer engagement with their own energy footprint. Id. The AMI Framework also identifies design practices, procurement practices, and the type and scope of investments necessary to deploy AMI prudently, transparently, and effectively. Id. With the adoption of the AMI Framework, the Authority authorized the EDCs to commence or continue[2] with AMI deployment consistent with the 17-12-03RE02 Decision, with the goal of maximizing AMI's potential and value. Id.

In the 17-12-03RE02 Decision, the Authority directs the EDCs to file their final AMI plans in Docket No. 17-12-03RE02 at either of the earlier of (1) no later than 60 days prior to any AMI meter deployment or (2) at the same time as the EDC's next rate amendment application. 17-12-03RE02 Decision, p. 58. Therefore, Docket No. 17-12-03RE02, not the instant docket, is the appropriate proceeding for the Company to submit its AMI Implementation Plan.[3] Accordingly, the Authority takes no action on the Petition in this proceeding and closes this docket.

Given the information potentially available from widespread experience with implementing AMI and time-variant demand-side management and the continuing evolution of potential technological and deployment approaches, the Authority is interested in investigating and evaluating cost-effective innovative solutions and comprehensive use cases for the strategic deployment of AMI and related technologies. Consequently, the Authority opened Docket No. 26-09-02, Investigation into Technological and Policy Approaches for Measuring, Monitoring, and Billing Utility End-Usage. The Authority invites the Company, as well as other public service companies, state agencies, organizations, and innovators, to participate in the proceeding in Docket No. 26-09-02.

By the following commissioners,



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[2] In 2008, the Authority permitted The United Illuminating Company to deploy first-generation AMI meters. Decision, Mar. 19, 2008, Docket No. 07-07-02, Application of The United Illuminating Company for Approval of a Metering Plan, p. 1.

[3] Notably, the Company also submitted the AMI Implementation Plan as part of its rate amendment application in Docket No. 26-05-10, Application of The Connecticut Light and Power Company to Amend Its Rate Schedules; and the Company specifically requests cost recovery to support an accelerated implementation of AMI for its customer base. See Application, Ex. CLP-AMI-1, p. 5.