STATE OF CONNECTICUT
PUBLIC UTILITIES REGULATORY AUTHORITY

ANNUAL RESIDENTIAL RENEWABLE ENERGY SOLUTIONS PROGRAM REVIEW AND RATE SETTING – YEAR 6	**:**	**DOCKET NO. 26-08-02**
	:	**AUGUST 4, 2026**

MOTION FOR PROTECTIVE ORDER

The Connecticut Light and Power Company d/b/a Eversource Energy ("Eversource" or "Company") hereby requests that the Public Utilities Regulatory Authority ("Authority") issue a protective order in this docket to ensure that confidential information provided herein is not subject to public disclosure.

The Company seeks this protective order to ensure that confidential information provided in Attachments 1, 2, and 3 to the Order No. 10 compliance filing ("Compliance Filing") filed in the above-captioned proceeding on August 3, 2026, is not subject to public disclosure. Attachment 1 to the Compliance Filing identifies and provides the addresses of the Customer of Record, Contractor/Installer, System Owner, and Payment Beneficiary. Attachment 2 to the Compliance Filing contains the addresses of solar facilities. Attachment 3 to the Compliance Filing contains customer financial and contact information. None of this information has been publicly disclosed or is known or readily available to the public, and the Company has taken steps to maintain this information as confidential. The public disclosure of the information in these attachments would be contrary to the expectation of privacy of the Company's customers.

Connecticut law and Company policy prohibit Eversource from publicly disclosing customer information without the affected customer's written consent.[1] The Company could be exposed to legal claims from the affected customer, including complaints made by these customers to the Office of the Attorney General and the Connecticut Department of Consumer Protection, if the Company publicly discloses customer information without written permission from the affected customer. Public access to customer information can also expose a customer to fraud and other negative actions. PURA has previously protected customer-specific information from public disclosure.[2]

In addition, pursuant to Conn. Gen. Stat. § 1-210(b)(5), the Authority is authorized to protect from public disclosure both "trade secrets" and "[c]ommercial or financial information given in confidence, not required by statute." Trade secrets include information that would "(i) derive independent economic value, actual or potential, from not being generally known to, and not being readily ascertainable by proper means by, other persons who can obtain economic value from their disclosure or use, and (ii) are the subject of efforts that are reasonable under the circumstances to maintain secrecy." Conn. Gen. Stat. § 1-210(b)(5)(A). Customer-, vendor-, and facility-specific information clearly has economic value, and this information has not previously

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[1] See, e.g., Conn. Regs. § 16-244h-4(a)(2) (stating that "[a]n electric distribution company shall receive prior affirmative written customer consent before releasing any customer information not referenced in subdivision (1) of this subsection."); Docket No. 98-06-13, DPUC Report to the General Assembly on Aggregation, at 12 (Dec. 23, 1998 Decision) (stating that "[c]ustomers have certain privacy rights under federal and state law that protect them from any harm that may result from unauthorized release or use of personal information."); Docket No. 99-12-09, DPUC Investigation into The Connecticut Light and Power Company's Compliance with the Code of Conduct for Electric Distribution Companies, at 4 (Apr. 19, 2000 Decision) (stating that "Conn. Gen. Stat. § 16-245o essentially establishes a general rule and creates an exception to that rule. The general rule is that an electric distribution company cannot release customer information to an electric supplier unless the customer has signed a release form made available by the Department. This rule is consistent with the historical, pre-electric restructuring practice of electric companies to require a signed customer release before providing customer data to third parties, including energy consultants.").

[2] See, e.g., Docket No. 17-05-42, Application of The Southern Connecticut Gas Company to Increase its Rates and Charges (Aug. 23, 2017 Ruling on Motion No. 9) (protecting as confidential customer and contact information).

been publicly disclosed. The confidential information in Attachments 1, 2, and 3 to the Compliance Filing constitutes a trade secret.

The confidential information contained in Attachments 1, 2, and 3 to the Compliance Filing also constitutes "[c]ommercial or financial information given in confidence, not required by statute" because customer-, vendor-, and facility-specific information falls within the plain, ordinary meaning of "commercial or financial information." The second element of this standard is also satisfied because the information was intended to remain private. Lastly, the information in these attachments qualifies under this exemption because the public disclosure of this information is not required by statute.

Finally, neither federal nor Connecticut law requires the public disclosure of this information. The necessity of withholding public disclosure of this information outweighs the public interest in making such information immediately available in the public record.

Based on the above rationale, Eversource requests that the Authority grant this Motion for Protective Order.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on this date a copy of the foregoing was sent to the service list in compliance with R.C.S.A. §16-1-15.

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