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Re: Docket No. 26-08-03, *Annual Non-Residential Renewable Energy Solutions Program Review – Year 6* – **Compliance, Order No. 17 in Docket No. 25-08-03 Decision**

Dear Mr. Gaudiosi:

The Connecticut Light and Power Company d/b/a Eversource Energy ("Eversource") submits its compliance with Order No. 17 of the December 17, 2025 Decision of the Public Utilities Regulatory Authority ("Authority") issued in Docket No. 25-08-03.

Order No. 17 specifically states:

> *No later than August 1, 2024, and annually thereafter, each EDC shall file as compliance in the most recent annual review docket (i.e., in 2024, Docket No. 24- 08-04) a NRES Interconnection Report. The Report shall consist of a summary of the state of interconnection for all approved NRES projects to date and shall include, at a minimum, (1) the interconnection status of each NRES project; (2) the EDC interconnection approval due date for each project per approved interconnection guidelines; (3) the number of days from when all required interconnection materials were submitted to the utility for each project to interconnection approval, or to when the data was pulled for the report, if interconnection approval has not been granted; (4) the date for which data was pulled for the report; (5) the project attrition rate; (6) a list of the most common reasons for interconnection delays; and (7) EDC-proposed solutions for each of the most common reasons delaying interconnection.*

Based on the foregoing, Eversource submits its NRES Interconnection Report as Attachment 1.

Item (1), the interconnection status of each NRES project is included in Attachment 1.

Item (2), the EDC interconnection approval due date for each project per approved interconnection guidelines, is included in Attachment 1. Interconnection guidelines specify general estimates of timelines, but approval dates recorded in PowerClerk for each project are subject to many factors as well as automated and manual status changes to

accommodate workflow. Some factors include customer actions, customer inactions, additional information required, queue position, customer-requested changes, and customer payments.

Item (3), the number of days from when all required interconnection materials were submitted to the utility for each project to interconnection approval, or to when the data was pulled for the report, if interconnection approval has not been granted, is included in Attachment 1. Interconnection applications are timestamped when they are initially submitted, but the timestamp does not always represent the date when all required materials were submitted. Applications can go through several iterations of technical review before they are considered complete. Applications receive increasing and wider levels and technical scrutiny the deeper they get into the interconnection process. Buy-All projects typically receive more upfront multidepartment review than netting projects, excluding netting projects that are oversized for the existing electrical service. Additional materials or information may be required as more technical details are examined as the project progresses. With each iteration, project submissions are not immediately reviewed the moment they are resubmitted, as other applications are being reviewed as well. Additional information may be requested by Eversource during the interconnection application review, technical review, or study process to progress any application to the next stage.

Item (4), the date for which the data was pulled for the report, is July 29, 2026.

Item (5), from the NRES Program perspective, there are 888 active NRES Tariff Agreements and 55 terminated Tariff Agreements, resulting in attrition rate of 5.8%. 50 NRES Project Interconnection Applications are in a status of Withdrawn, which is a similar number, but varies as many NRES Program-approved projects have not yet submitted for interconnection. Some projects show as withdrawn while others may have lost queue positions without having officially withdrawn.

Item (6), a list of the most common reasons for interconnection delays, is below:

- Applications submitted late by developer
- Submitted applications are incomplete, inconsistent, or incorrect, thus requiring revision.
- Application and/or metering fees not paid electronically in PowerClerk, or applicants require customer to pay these fees.
- Improper installation causing delays in inspection, approval, or meter installation by EDC
- Delay in electrician corrections to any non-conformances
- Delay in municipal approvals performed or submitted in the portal
- Installations differ from the information submitted in the application
- An increase in number of applications submitted may cause a delay at the EDC
- System upgrades (e.g. larger transformer) that need to be completed prior to final approval
- Supply chain delays for the EDC and/or installer
- Installer/supplier bankruptcy, sale and transfer of projects prior to completion
- Outside approvals, financing requirements, or incentive qualification outside of the purview of the interconnection process (example- request to withhold EDC Permission

to Operate at request of financier, or did not receive approval/bid award for incentive program)

- For projects greater than 1 MW, ISO-NE has added significant delays to the process. We have no jurisdiction over this process so we have to comply with these delays.
- PSCAD models are required and are the source of significant delays such as failing the fast track screen. In order to avoid upgrades to the distribution system and the customer's service, the power import and export should not exceed the customer service size; including the customer transformer name plate rating. It should be below or equal to the published hosting capacity value. Projects behind customer load that meet this proposed criterion will be processed under the Fast Track Interconnection process. Often many projects are submitted with name plate ratings larger than the available hosting capacity values.

Item (7), EDC-proposed solutions for each of the most common reasons for delaying interconnection, is below:

- Increased automation of technical screens and administrative approval processes
- Elimination of unnecessary requirements (e.g. one-line diagrams for residential PV only netting projects)
- Reduce complexity by simplified policy and incentive programs
- Developers can expedite their projects by visiting actual sites with qualified personnel in advance and designing systems that conform to the existing electrical infrastructure and the guidance provided by the capacity hosting maps
- Adopt approved cost sharing methodologies and processes for large system upgrades

In the event of any questions regarding this filing, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned counsel.

Respectfully submitted,

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