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Request from: Public Utilities Regulatory Authority

Question:

Annual Report, p. 68. Eversource reports having exceeded budgeted amounts for IT & Vendor Solutions in Program Year 4 by over 400% ($233,096 budgeted; $1,335,763 spent), with the same cost continuing to exceed budgeted amounts in Program Cycle II. Please explain these exceedances and provide supporting documentation.

Response:

At the inception of the EV Program, Eversource utilized an implementation vendor for commercial programs. These Outside Services costs were attributed to other cost centers and budgeted across the various program areas. In Program Year 5, Eversource made investments in internal tracking and reporting systems to move the commercial project review in-house. The costs associated with the IT & Vendor Solutions are offset by a decrease in these Outside Services costs. Supporting documentation for these costs were provided in Docket 26-01-03, Exhibit F-22 (Confidential) which were reviewed and approved by PURA in the Final Decision dated August 19, 2026.

In the aggregate, as of June 30, 2026, the EV Program overall spending is under the overall EV program budget ($81,245,293 spent and $132,144,115 budgeted).