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Request from: Process Monitor

Question:

As noted in the prior cycle, "NWS solutions would be evaluated as projects advance in funding stages". [1] As part of the response to PMEV-2 and PMEV-3, please also indicate if additional NWS evaluation has occurred, or is ongoing, for each project filed in the prior process cycle.

[1] Eversource Comments, July 18, 2025

Response:

Please refer to the Company's response in PMEV-002 and PMEV-003. As Company projects progress through the design and implementation phases, those projects are regularly reviewed. If there are material changes to the project that present opportunities for additional NWS solutions, those projects would then be included in the next annual grid needs filing.

The Company reviews each project regularly through its internal planning processes and if additional NWS evaluations occur or are required, those would be included in the current year filings. The Company did not include any of those in the 2026 filings because no new NWS evaluations were required.