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Public Utilities Regulatory Authority
Ten Franklin Square
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Re: Docket No. 26-09-02 – *Investigation into Technological and Policy Approaches for Measuring, Monitoring, and Billing Utility End-Usage*

Dear Commissioners:

The Office of Consumer Counsel ("OCC") is a party to the above-captioned docket. To carry out its responsibilities under General Statutes § 16-2a, OCC has determined that it is necessary and desirable to retain one or more consultants in the subject proceeding or in any related proceedings.

With these consultants, OCC intends to supplement its existing staff expertise in this proceeding. We have determined that the services of consultants are necessary and desirable to assist with matters within the scope of this proceeding.

At this time, OCC cannot anticipate the total cost for its consultants in this proceeding. However, the expenses for these services will comply with the statutory limitations set forth in General Statutes § 16-18a. While OCC does not anticipate that the consulting expenditures will exceed the statutory limits, as provided by statute, if OCC determines that its consulting expenditures may exceed the initial dollar limits indicated it will so inform the Public Utilities Regulatory Authority ("Authority") and present the justification for such supplementary funding.

By this letter, pursuant to General Statutes § 16-18a, OCC asks the Authority to allow participants in this docket the statutory opportunity to comment on OCC's decision to retain such consultant or consultants. The Authority's prompt attention to this matter is requested.

Respectfully submitted,
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I do hereby certify that on this day the foregoing document was filed with the Public Utilities Regulatory Authority, and copies thereof were served upon each person designated on the official service list in this proceeding in accordance with R.C.S.A. § 16-1-15.

Dated at New Britain, Connecticut this 11th day of September, 2026.

/s/ Kimberly White
Commissioner of the Superior Court