STATE OF CONNECTICUT

PUBLIC UTILITIES REGULATORY AUTHORITY

PURA ANNUAL REVIEW OF THE PURCHASED GAS ADJUSTMENT CLAUSE CHARGES OR CREDITS FILED BY CONNECTICUT LOCAL DISTRIBUTION COMPANIES	:	**DOCKET NO. 26-10-01**
	:	**OCTOBER 30, 2026**

MOTION OF YANKEE GAS SERVICES COMPANY d/b/a EVERSOURCE ENERGY FOR A PROTECTIVE ORDER

Pursuant to Section 1-210(b)(5) of the Connecticut General Statutes, Yankee Gas Services Company ("Yankee") d/b/a Eversource Energy hereby requests that the Public Utilities Regulatory Authority (the "Authority") enter a protective order in this docket to ensure that confidential, proprietary, or otherwise sensitive commercial and financial information provided in this filing is not subject to public disclosure. Specifically, Yankee asks that the protective order include the confidential information provided in the invoices including references to Yankee's Firm Deferred Gas Summary and a reconciliation of the invoices, the fixed price arrangements with interruptible customers, the external gas price forecasts and the electronic file with gas cost allocations for the period of September 2025 to August 2026 (collectively the "Confidential Commercial Information").

Conn. Gen. Stat. § 1-210(b)(5)(A) provides an exemption from public disclosure for a "trade secret", which is defined as "information, including formulas, patterns, compilations, programs, devices, methods, techniques, processes, drawings, cost data, customer lists…that (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. In addition, Conn. Gen. Stat. § 1-210(b)(5)(B) provides an exemption from public disclosure for [c]ommercial or financial information given in confidence, not required by statute." The Confidential Commercial Information being provided in this docket meets the criteria for both of these exemptions.

Yankee is required to provide invoices for its gas purchases, reconcile those invoices to amounts paid and refer to Yankee's Firm Deferred Gas Summary on the invoices. This response will necessitate showing the cost paid for gas supplies versus gas cost recoveries. Yankee is also required to provide its Fixed Price arrangements with interruptible customers and Gas Cost Allocations, which includes confidential pricing arrangements. The information in these attachments is confidential and highly sensitive. Finally, Yankee is required to provide its External Gas Price Forecasts, which it receives under license from Moody's Analytics. This information is subject to copyright laws and disclosing this information to the public would violate the license agreement.

Disclosure of the Confidential Commercial Information to the public, including actual and prospective competitors, would reduce the commercial value of this information and could severely harm Yankee, its suppliers and customers. Yankee considers this information to be highly valuable information in the current marketplace. In the increasingly competitive market, disclosure of prices would harm Yankee, its suppliers and customers in their future negotiations and competitive activities. By providing such Confidential Commercial Information, Yankee, its suppliers and customers would be substantially disadvantaged relative to their actual and prospective competitors.

Neither federal nor Connecticut statutes require that Yankee file this Confidential Commercial Information in the public record.

Attached to this motion is the affidavit of Michael L. Shelnitz, Manager Revenue Requirements, CT, Eversource Energy Service Company, in support of the requested protective treatment. Also attached is a proposed protective order.

For the above reasons, Yankee respectfully requests that the Authority grant its motion for protective order.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that on this day a copy of the above referenced documents were sent to the official service list in this proceeding.

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Commissioner of the Superior Court