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Mr. Hantz Presume Vermont Electric Power Company 366 Pinnacle Ride Road RR1 Box 4077 Rutland, VT 05701

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Subject: New England Clean Power Link ETU Project - Proposed Plan Applications (PPAs) VELCO-16-T01 through VELCO-16-T13 and ES-16-T58 through ES-16-T61

Dear Mr. Presume and Mr. DiLuca:

This letter is to inform you that, pursuant to review under Section I.3.9 of the ISO Tariff, no significant adverse effect has been identified with regard to the following PPAs:

VELCO-16-T01 through VELCO-16-T13 – Transmission application from Vermont Electric Power Company (VELCO) for the New England Clean Power Link ETU Project

ES-16-T58 through ES-16-T61 – Transmission application from Eversource Energy (ES) for the New England Clean Power Link ETU Project

The in-service date of the project is January 2019. The Reliability Committee (RC) reviewed the materials presented in support of the proposed project and did not identify a significant adverse effect on the reliability or operating characteristics of the transmission facilities of VELCO and ES, the transmission facilities of another Transmission Owner, or the system of any other Market Participant.

Having given due consideration to the RC review, ISO New England has determined that implementation of the plan will not have a significant adverse effect upon the reliability or operating characteristics of the Transmission Owner's transmission facilities, the transmission facilities of another Transmission Owner, or the system of a Market Participant.

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A determination under Section I.3.9 of the ISO Tariff is limited to a review of the reliability impacts of a proposed project as submitted by Participants and does not constitute an approval of a proposed project under any other provisions of the ISO Tariff.

Sincerely,

Stephen J. Rourke

Vice President, System Planning

cc: Proposed Plan Applications