

Statement from Michael Licata, Director of Government Affairs at Eversource

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[Email in response to question about utilities' ability to share net metering data with the Community Power Coalition of New Hampshire or other electricity providers.]

Eversource's existing systems were not designed to report out to third parties the types and volume of data that aggregations are seeking so they can provide their own net metering credit program to customers. When our systems were acquired, none of these services were required or even being contemplated, so this did not factor into our investments at the time.

We are supportive of municipal aggregation and would like to see them achieve their desired objectives, so we've made substantial efforts to facilitate aggregations' ability to net meter, and will continue to work with aggregation stakeholders to find a path forward to reach that end. However, there are substantial modifications to enterprise-wide systems required in some of the proposals that have significant costs, and to the extent that all utility customers would be paying for these modifications we remain mindful that any such changes moving forward should be in the overall public interest.

There are active regulatory proceedings underway as well as informal stakeholder working sessions that we're hosting to consider these unique circumstances, and we're working tirelessly to evaluate and offer potential alternatives to enable municipal aggregations to offer net metering credits to their customers. We want to maximize the choices our customers have to meet their energy needs, and we will continue our consistent approach of going above and beyond legal and regulatory requirements to help the aggregations achieve their desired objectives.

Please reach out with any questions.

Thanks,

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