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VIA EMAIL & HAND DELIVERY

Mark D. Marini, Secretary
Department of Public Utilities
One South Station
Boston, MA 02110

RE: **D.P.U. 17-xx, Long-Term Contracts for Offshore Wind Energy Generation Pursuant to Section 83C of Chapter 188 of the Acts of 2016.**

Dear Secretary Marini:

Enclosed for filing in the above captioned proceeding, please find the Massachusetts Department of Energy Resources' letter in support of the timetable and method of solicitation for long-term contracts for offshore wind energy generation pursuant to Section 83C of Chapter 188 of the Acts of 2016, as filed by Fitchburg Gas and Electric Light Company d/b/a Unitil, Massachusetts Electric Company and Nantucket Electric Company, each d/b/a National Grid, NSTAR Electric Company and Western Massachusetts Electric Company, each d/b/a Eversource Energy.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure