

August 25, 2022

Dear Neighbor,

As part of our everyday effort to deliver reliable energy, we are preparing to replace transmission structures, conductor (wire), and install fiber optic cable, known as Optical Ground Wire (OPGW), in Northumberland, Stark, and Dummer. This project, called the Northumberland to Dummer (O154) Line Rebuild Project is designed to improve the reliability of the electric system serving New Hampshire communities.

## **Keeping You Informed**

Since portions of the work will take place on or near your property, we wanted to keep you informed of upcoming activities. Starting soon, our construction team will be working within the power line corridor to replace existing infrastructure. The new structures will be of a similar design but made of weathering steel, which is more resilient against rot, insect and woodpecker damage, and can better withstand severe weather. The installation of OPGW will improve communication between our substations, which provides quicker response times for system issues, reduces duration of power outages, and improves reliability across the system. Please see the enclosed Construction Fact Sheet for more details on this upcoming work.

## We Want to Hear from You

With construction scheduled to start soon, we want to make sure you have the opportunity to learn more about the project and what it means for your property. Our team is prepared to answer any questions you might have and is ready to connect with you in the following ways:

- In person or virtual meeting
  - Contact us at NHProjectsInfo@eversource.com to schedule a project briefing.
- Door-to-door outreach
  - Before and during construction, dedicated field support will be on-site on a regular basis to answer questions. They may leave a door hanger at your home with more information.

# **Our Commitment to Being Available to Our Customers**

Keeping the lines of communication open is important to us:

- Eversource representatives will be on-site prior to and during construction and will be available to answer questions and address your concerns.
- We will continue to provide regular project notifications via letters, door hangers, phone calls, and/or
  emails. Please contact Jacob Kwapiszeski to provide your contact information and preferred means of
  communication.
- We encourage you to contact us through the Project's hotline (1-888-926-5334) or email (NHProjectsInfo@eversource.com) with any questions.
- **NOW LIVE!** Access project maps, schedules, construction updates, and more at <a href="http://www.eversource.com/O154-Line-Project">http://www.eversource.com/O154-Line-Project</a>.

#### **Upcoming Work in Your Area**

In addition to the work outlined above, we will continue our cyclical vegetation maintenance activities through the end of the year. Cyclical vegetation maintenance involves the removal of tall-growing species from the power line corridor and trimming of encroaching branches to protect the electric system. These trees and branches pose a serious safety hazard, now or in the future, if they are too close or contact energized equipment.

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# **Health and Safety Is Our Top Priority**

Please know that Eversource remains committed to prioritizing public health as well as the health of employees and contractors. All Eversource personnel follow applicable health and safety guidelines to help prevent the spread of COVID-19.

Eversource is committed to being a good neighbor and doing our work with respect for you and your property. Thank you for your patience as this important project moves forward.

Sincerely,

Jacob Kwapiszeski

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