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# Eversource Laminated Wood Structure (LWS) Replacement Program Phase II Projects

**TCA Submittal Presentation** 

NEPOOL Reliability Committee Meeting February 22, 2023

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### Agenda

- Project Background
- Project Geographic Locations
- Project Need
- Summary of Work

## **Project Background**

- This presentation covers laminated wood structure replacement projects on Eversource's 115-kV and 345-kV lines which were presented at the October 20, 2021, PAC meeting
  - Including 6 lines in Eversource's Connecticut and New Hampshire service territories
- Project Drivers
  - Inspections have indicated significant degradation and decreased load carrying capacity of laminated wood structures
    - The softened wood is prone to woodpecker and insect damage
    - Poles are susceptible to cracking along their length, creating points of entry for water leading to internal rot
  - Cross-sectional inspections of recently-removed laminated wood structures have uncovered significant structural damage that was not detected in previous visual inspections
  - Replacing the structures with weathering steel monopole equivalents resolves multiple structural issues, hardware issues, and supports safe and reliable operation

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### Laminated Wood Structure Geographic Locations - Connecticut



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**Project Need** 





Cracking Laminate Structure -V191 Line, Structure #47

Pole Top Rot -M164 Line, Structure #26 Woodpecker Damage and Cracking -S188 Line, Structure #52





Laminated Wood Structure Replacement Program Phase II							
**Presented to ISO-NE PAC October 20, 2021							
Location	Line	Voltage	TCA #	ACL#	Location	TCA (\$M)	
СТ	3403	345	ES-22-TCA-34	312	Plumtree substation - Norwalk substation	\$	12.091
NH	R187	115	ES-21-TCA-59	325	Mammoth Road substation - Scobie Pond substation		7.541
NH	S188	115	ES-21-TCA-56	326	Watts Brook substation – Mammoth Rd substation		7.342
NH	M164	115	ES-21-TCA-47	327	Bedford substation – Huse Rd. substation		6.024
NH	A152	115	ES-22-TCA-05	321	Chestnut Hill substation – Emerald St. substation		17.476
NH	V191	115	ES-22-TCA-14	322	Bedford substation - North Merrimack substation		10.114
Total submitted TCA cost estimate							60.588

### Questions



