Meeting of the Heath MLPAC with Bill Ennen September 1, 2020 at 1 pm

Present: Bill Ennen, Last Mile Implementation Liaison, and Heath MLPAC members: Art Schwenger, Sheila Litchfield, Jan Carr, Margo Newton, and Ned Wolf

Sheila told Bill of our having received our final Verizon pole application closeout, which was a reimbursement, having had our kick-off meeting on August 28th, and our plans to proposed edits to our drop policy.

Bill said that our application for more state funds has 3 parts: the cover letter signed by the Select Board, the worksheet, and the narrative. He said that for some towns the burden of WG&E chasing utilities for information has incurred costs. If such costs can be identified for Heath, they can be included in the LMCF application for reimbursed. Bill will look into it.

Relative to unidentified costs, Sheila said that we asked WG&E to return and survey 3 properties not on the original PDU list. The invoice for recent surveying at those sites is out of scope with regard to the design. We think that the 3 properties should have been included in the original design. However, design costs are not a reimbursable make-ready expense.

Art informed Bill of our pre-construction kick-off on August 28th. Bill said that he expects that by November 1 every town will be in construction except for Goshen and Charlemont.

Sheila told Bill of the MLPAC's seeking to delete temporary occupancy requirements and instead use posted 911 address as one requirement for eligibility in the drop policy. She said she would send Bill a revised copy of Heath's drop policy once it is approved.

The committee informed Bill of the MLB's intent to hire an MLP Manager and the ATM approval of an MLB with an election.

<u>Dates of Next Meetings</u>: Bill said that the next 2 meetings would be on October 6 and November 10, both at 1 pm.

Bill said that he can send us information that the state funding for the hot spot at 18 Jacobs Rd. will be extended to the end of 2020.

Bill reviewed our receiving Verizon bills for attachment fees early. He said that Verizon was starting the clock once the pole license was issued. After negotiations an agreement was reached where the starting time for when these bills would be applicable would be once residual make-ready is complete and the path for construction is clear, instead of when the pole license is issued. For Heath this date would be July 1st, 2020. National Grid sends invoices

annually in March for the partial year just completed plus an invoice for the coming year. Verizon invoices every 6 months for the coming 6 months. Therefore a bill on July 1st for 6 months going forward. Bill advised that the best contact person at Verizon if we have questions on pole attachment fees is Ellen Cummings.

Regarding quarterly reports Bill said that we're current. The next one will be due in October no earlier than the 15th.

Sheila asked about the continuation of our meetings with Bill; he replied that as long as we are in this capital construction project mode that our meetings with him will continue and that quarterly reports continue until near the end of construction installation.

The meeting ended at 1:35 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Ned Wolf