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LD 1008 – An Act To Require Joint Use Entities To Establish Permanent Liaisons with All County Emergency Management Agencies

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Testifying: Neither for nor against

Senator Lawrence, Representative Berry, Members of the Joint Standing Committee on Energy, Utilities and Technology, my name is Kathleen Newman, Director of Government Affairs for Central Maine Power Company, submitting testimony neither for nor against LD 1008 – An Act To Require Joint Use Entities To Establish Permanent Liaisons with All County Emergency Management Agencies.

Central Maine Power Company has established relationships with both the state and county emergency management agencies. As outlined in our Emergency Response Plan which is filed with the Public Utilities Commission and distributed to MEMA and each county EMA, during storm events our Public Liaison Officer is responsible for all activities that involve communication and coordination with external emergency response partner agencies. Identifying representatives from the other joint use entities designated to work with the EMAs would be beneficial to our storm restoration efforts.

Thank you for your consideration.